

## **Truly Belonging**

by J.B. - Santa Rosa, CA

From her earliest days, the "Twelve and Twelve" helped her feel part of. Who knew even more joy would come?

My first sponsor, Kathleen, made the best coffee cake. In 2003, when I was newly sober, I ate more than my share while sitting in her living room reading the Step essays in our Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions book with other women she was sponsoring.

Kathleen instructed us all to highlight more text than we left unmarked. As someone who was typically quite sparing in marking up my textbooks in college, that bothered me, but I did what she said.

She also gave us homework. She asked me to look up the definitions of words in the dictionary that I was certain I already knew. I thought that was dumb, but I did as she asked and learned plenty in the process, not the least of which was the value of staying busy in early recovery.

But mostly, what I got out of those "Twelve and Twelve" studies was a sense of community and belonging. We all formed deeper connections as we talked about what we had read and as we discussed spiritual principles such as honesty, faith and willingness.

Sadly, Kathleen did not stay sober herself. She passed away about two years later. But the highlighting and the written notes I had in my book served as a precious reminder of all she was able to lovingly pass on to me when she was here.



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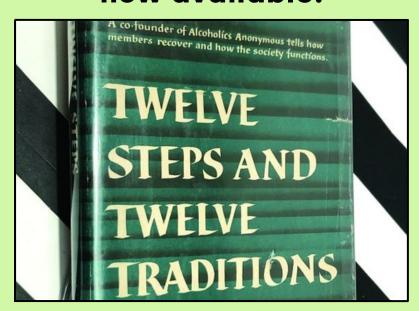
These notes I took also served as a reminder to me of how smart I thought I was and how much I had to humble myself and become truly teachable. I still recall fond memories of all those women whenever I read my "Twelve and Twelve" with a new sponsor, a sponsee or in a book study meeting.

My next two sponsors took me through the essays on the Traditions in the second half of the book. I do the same with both my recovery and service sponsees. The longer I'm in service, the more I have of my own stories to add to the ones Bill shared with us from the early days of AA. And the more I appreciate the wisdom of our founding members, the more that appreciation helps preserve our AA unity.

Over the last 20 years, different parts of the book have jumped out at me at different times. When I had about six years sober, suddenly the passages in the Step Four chapter were like looking in a mirror. My twisted relations with family and friends were described perfectly. Could I let go of the self-centeredness at the heart of my inability to form a true partnership with another human being? That was a question I explored for a few more years as I worked the Steps again. And as I got more involved in service, I definitely learned to be a worker among workers.

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# June Grapevine now available!



## Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions

To celebrate the 70th anniversary of our beloved book, Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions, the June Grapevine features wonderful stories and experiences by AA members about this book they love.

https://www.aagrapevine.org/



# After-hours Phone Volunteers Needed

Central Office is looking for volunteers to answer the phone from 1:30pm in the afternoon until 9:30am the next morning.

Most nights don't see more than a call or two, rarely after 10 or 11pm. Most callers are interested in meeting information so volunteers should have the internet at hand to access the meeting guide.



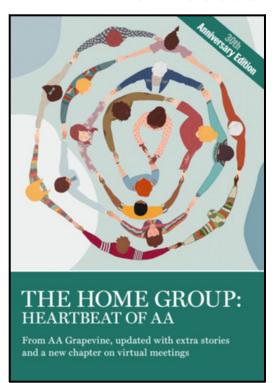
One year of sobriety is required.

Information can be found at:

https://aancmco.org/index.php/about-ncmco/service/ (scroll down to "After-hours Phone Volunteer")

Or call Central Office at 828-254-8539.

#### Hot off the Presses!



The 30th Anniversary Edition of **The Home Group: Heartbeat of AA** 

is an update of one of our best-selling books. In it, members share moving experiences about the importance and joys of belonging to an AA group.

To order your copy, go to:

https://www.aagrapevine.org/store/

or call Central Office: 828-254-8539

### Call & Visitor Log April 2023

12 Step Calls - 6

General Info - 2

Family Help - 0

Meeting Info – 12

Central Office Business - 56

Medical/Detox - 0

Visitors - 35

After-hours Volunteers - 27 calls

Visits to aancmco.org/ website:

Unique Visitors - 2,103

Total Visits - 4,947; Visits/Visitor - 2.35

Total Pages - 31,865; Pages/Visit - 6.44





# COR/NCMCO Board Meeting

COR/Board meetings are held the second Thursday of odd-numbered months. All A.A. members are welcome to attend but only CORs may vote so we encourage your group to elect a COR. Your input is important to us!

The next combined meeting will be **Thursday, July 13, at 6:00pm,** via Zoom: Meeting ID: 757 855 2319

Passcode: 000000



For updated meeting information and Zoom link, check the website: https://aancmco.org/index.php/events/

# Where to Find Meetings

Printable In-person Meeting Guide



Meetings in all 3 Districts



Meetings in District 70



Meetings in District 71



Meetings in District 80



# Cash on Hand as of 4/30/2023

Prudent Reserve \$16,124.97 Operating Account \$11,597.40 Rent Deposit - \$400.00 Petty Cash - \$50.00

## **Profit & Loss YTD**

	Apr 2023	Jan-Apr, 2023 (YTD)
Income		
Contributions		
Birthday Contributions	\$38.28	\$38.28
Group Contributions	\$3,320.95	\$11,550.61
Individual Contributions	\$111.55	\$496.74
Total Contributions	\$3,470.78	\$12,085.63
Interest on Money Market	\$1.33	\$5.31
Sales Income		
Literature & merchandise	\$2,086.33	\$10,529.46
Shipping charged to groups	\$68.87	\$275.98
Total Sales Income	\$2,155.20	\$10,805.44
Total Income	\$5,627.31	\$22,896.38
Cost of Goods Sold		
Cost of Goods Sold		-\$108.17
Freight - vendor shipping	\$22.77	\$206.85
Literature & merchandise	\$1,662.61	\$8,754.37
Shipping to groups	\$86.77	\$293.88
Total Cost of Goods Sold	\$1,772.15	\$9,146.93
Inventory Shrinkage	\$112.25	\$218.91
Total Cost of Goods Sold	\$1,884.40	\$9,365.84
Gross Profit	\$3,742.91	\$13,530.54
Expenses		
Credit Card Processing		
PayPal Fee	\$6.07	\$79.16
Total Credit Card Processing	\$6.07	\$79.16
Office Expenses	\$15.99	\$60.96
Office Supplies	\$326.12	\$370.60
Payroll Expenses		
Gross Salary	\$1,420.00	\$5,640.00
Payroll Taxes (Company)	\$108.64	\$431.50
Total Payroll Expenses	\$1,528.64	\$6,071.50
Rent	\$604.00	\$2,416.00
Telephone & Internet		
Office Telephone/Internet	\$277.36	\$464.52
Web Expenses		-\$330.01
Total Telephone & Internet	\$277.36	\$134.51
Total Expenses	\$2,758.18	\$9,132.73
Net Operating Income	\$984.73	\$4,397.81
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## Contributions

Individual Cantributions

Group Contributions:	Apr 2023	YTD
12 & 12 Study Group 717-595		\$25.00
Acceptance Group 122-477	\$82.00	\$936.00
Agnostics, Atheists & Freethinkers AA Grou	Acti	\$265.00
As Bill Sees It Group 169-463	\$20.00	\$20.00
Back to Basics Grp (Weaverville) 147-139	0.400.00	\$150.00
Big Town Group 671-200	\$130.30	\$309.30
Bryson City Group 110-467	0470.00	\$100.00
Candler KISS Group 163-148	\$178.00	\$238.00
Cashiers Valley Grp 122-589	\$150.15	\$372.59
Cedar Mountain Group 161-082		\$121.00
Conscious Contact Group - Asheville		\$175.00
Cullowhee Valley Group 118-129		\$100.00
Cumberland Group 122-472		\$130.00
Daily Decisions 643-869		\$1,122.24
Day by Day Group 159-058	\$106.25	\$252.43
Early Bird Group 612-780	200.7720	\$158.00
Fellowship Group, Fletcher 655-542	\$720.00	\$720.00
Fireside Group 655-046	\$171.13	\$171.13
Good Livers 666-360		\$400.00
Grace Group of Asheville 161-970		\$213.77
Hendersonville Group 110-594		\$399.00
Hendersonville Men's Group	\$100.00	\$150.00
Joy of Living - Brevard 669-820		\$119.00
Liars Club	\$173.00	\$173.00
Lost and Found Group 000427291		\$100.00
Maggie Valley Group 158-950		\$550.00
Mars Hill Group 130-895	\$75.00	\$75.00
Marshall Group 100-489		\$100.00
Micaville 12 & 12	\$100.00	\$100.00
Monday 6:00 Open Meeting	\$80.00	\$80.00
Mountain View Group (Highlands) 110-598	\$56.80	\$56.80
New Freedom Group 700-124		\$150.00
Noontime Big Book Study	\$37.40	\$37.40
Phoenix Group 697-148		\$84.00
Recovery by the River 674-892	\$90.32	\$90.32
Roundtable Group 135-605	\$25.00	\$70.00
Safe & Sound Group 645-654		\$363.42
Saturday Morning Men's Meeting	\$100.00	\$300.00
Serenity Service Group 110-498	\$270.00	\$270.00
Sober Sisters - Black Mtn		\$238.50
South Asheville Literature		\$75.00
Spruce Pine Group 110-679		\$225.00
Total Surrender Group		\$99.00
Traditional Group 110-499	\$250.00	\$500.00
Tuesday Night Men's Group 179-001	\$93.00	\$93.00
Waynesville Grace Group 110-692		\$575.11
Women of Courage Group 688-025	\$312.00	\$312.00
Young People's Group 645-646		\$185.00
Total Group Contributions:	\$3,320.35	\$11,550.01

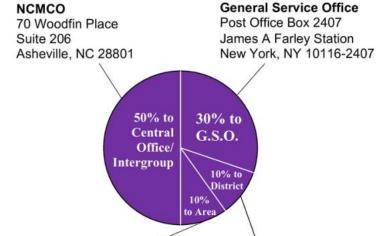
Apr 2023	YTD
\$8.51	\$68.70
	\$130.00
\$38.00	\$38.00
	\$30.00
\$10.04	\$10.04
\$25.00	\$100.00
\$20.00	\$80.00
\$10.00	\$40.00
\$111.55	\$496.74
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## Suggestions & Addresses for sending Donations to the A.A. Service Structure\*

#### Revised for 2023

\* 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 PO Box 202

PO Box 202 Hendersonville, NC, 28793

District 80 Treasurer 197 Mountain Top Drive Murphy, NC 28906



#### **Truly Belonging** (continued from page 1)

At 12 years sober, I got married to the man who is still my husband today. We included lessons from our "Twelve and Twelve" in our wedding vows, as I now felt capable of forming a true partnership. Our AA friends—who were most of the people in attendance—recognized the words from our literature.

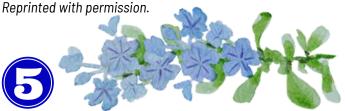
In 2017, just three years into our marriage, we lost our home and everything we owned in a wildfire that destroyed our whole neighborhood. Irreplaceable items included family heirlooms, old photographs and my first copy of the "Twelve and Twelve" with all the highlighting and notes from the early days of my recovery. I got a replacement, but the new copy just wasn't the same.

Of course, there are some parts of our "Twelve and Twelve" that are dated and mostly I can overlook those. The only thing I have ever crossed out in any of my AA books was the phrase "of the opposite sex" after the word "mate" in the Step Twelve chapter because it was simply not true. I did that fairly early on, thinking to myself what an easy fix that would be. This was long before I understood our Conference process and how change happens in AA.

Then, in 2021 when I was a delegate to the General Service Conference, it just so happened that a request to remove that phrase was on the agenda. When 85% of us voted to change it to simply say "partner," well, let's just say it was a moment in that historic virtual Conference I'll never forget. I had to turn my camera off on my computer because of my full-on ugly cry that literally took my breath away. It was a tiny change that did not affect the meaning of the sentence whatsoever, but the change may make a difference to new people who come into AA and who will now have one fewer barrier to identifying with our message. It will also help many of my friends and fellows who were already here, who can feel the love and affirmation of truly belonging.

This time, I was excited to purchase another new "Twelve and Twelve." I still miss my original one dearly, with its notes in the margins and way too much highlighting for my taste. But it conjures up precious memories of serving at the Conference, of the lifelong friends I've made and the profound gratitude I feel knowing that I'm part of a society of sober alcoholics in action.

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# Special Meetings and Events

**NOTE:** For updates, please check the specific event websites, or https://aancmco.org/index.php/events/



**Ongoing... Bowling Fridays** @ Sky Lanes. Hang out with fellow A.A.s, bowl a game or two, and have some fun! Every Friday at 1:30pm. Sky Lanes, 1477 Patton Ave, Asheville 28806. See flyer for more information.

Area 51 Spring Committee and Assembly Meeting. June 2-4.
Hilton Raleigh North Hills, 3415 Wake Forest Road, Raleigh,
NC 27609. For more information visit the website:
https://aanorthcarolina.org/members/assembly/
Questions? Contact the Area Chair at: chair@aanorthcarolina.org

**District 70 Picnic. Sunday, June 4, 11:00am-3:00pm.** Speaker at 11:30. Burgers & hot dogs provided; bring a side or a dessert if you want. West Asheville Park - at the end of Vermont Ave (off Haywood Rd) For more information, see flyer.

Founders' Day - 88th Anniversary of Alcoholics Anonymous.

June 9-11. Akron, OH. For more information and online registration, visit their website: https://akronaa.org/



**District 71 Founders' Day Picnic. Saturday, June 10, 12 Noon – 4:00pm.** Holmes Educational Forest, 1299 Crab Creek Rd, Hendersonville, NC 28739. Meet at the Pavilion. For more information, see flyer.

**District 80 Founders' Day Event.** Sunday, June 11, 11:00am – 4:00pm. East LaPorte Park, State Rte 107, Cullowhee, NC 28723. For more information, see flyer.

**Total Surrender Anniversary Picnic. Sunday, June 25.** Food and fellowship 5:30-7:00pm; speaker meeting at 7:00pm. Hot dogs, vegan dogs, cupcakes, and drinks provided; bring a side or just come for the fellowship! New Hope Presbyterian Church, 3070 Sweeten Creek Rd, Asheville 28803

**76th NC State Convention.** July 20-23. Lake Junaluska Conference and Retreat Center, 91 N Lakeshore Dr, Lake Junaluska, NC 28745. For more information and online registration, visit their website: https://www.aancconvention.com/
If you have questions or problems with hotel reservations,

email: aancconvention@gmail.com

## 27th Annual Southeast Woman to Woman Conference. August 18-20. Low Country Conference Center, 405 Sigma Dr,

Summerville, SC. For more information and registration, visit their website: https://www.sewomantowoman.org/
If you have questions, email: info@sewomantowoman.org



NC Area 51 Events: https://aanorthcarolina.org



**GSO in New York:** For events around the country and the world, as well as great information, go to: https://www.aa.org/and Box 459: https://www.aa.org/sites/default/files/newsletters/f-36\_spring2023.pdf





## The Service Express

#### District 70

**GSR Business Meeting –** held the 2nd Sunday of the month. The next meeting will be **Sunday**, **June 11**, **2:30pm**, via Zoom -Meeting ID: 933 8500 3069; Passcode: 672458. For updates go to: https://ashevilleaa.org/calendar/



**District Service Committees.** If you are interested in volunteering for a committee or have questions, please attend the next GSR Business Meeting. There are still a few open positions that need to be filled. (**NOTE:** They are working on updating the website contact list; the email addresses listed here are valid as far as we know.)

**Accessibilities Committee -** Chairperson is Scott S. If you are interested in volunteering or have any questions on what the Accessibilities Committee does, contact Scott at access@ashevilleaa.org.

**Archives Committee needs you!** Chairperson is Dennis H. The Archives Committee wants A.A. members to help compile a complete list of group histories, record interviews with old-timers, and collect classic A.A. literature. It's fun AND it's service work! For more information, contact Dennis at archives@ashevilleaa.org.

**CPC/PI Committee** – These are two separate service committees – "Cooperation with the Professional Community" and "Public Information" – chaired by George M. You can contact him at cpc-pi@ashevilleaa.org. The CPC Committee visits schools, businesses, and community meetings to speak about A.A. Volunteers are needed for health clinics and DUI classes. The PI Committee provides accurate A.A. information to the public and media when requested.

Corrections Committee - A.A. meetings are being taken into the following District 70 facilities: Buncombe County (Asheville) and Yancey County (Burnsville), Western Correctional Center for Women (Black Mountain), Craggy (Asheville), Avery-Mitchell (Spruce Pine), Mountain View (Spruce Pine) and Marion (Marion). There is always a need for more volunteers! If you'd like to volunteer or be of service in corrections, contact Tammy Z, the Women's Corrections Chair at corrections\_women@ashevilleaa.org. To connect with Andrew H, the Men's Corrections Chair, attend the next GSR meeting.

**Literature and Grapevine Committee -** Chairperson is Maria E. The focus of the committee is to ensure that A.A. literature and Grapevines are available to all groups, service meetings, and other A.A. events. Through displays, supplies of A.A. catalogs and order forms, and A.A. workshops, these volunteers help A.A. members and other committees to carry the A.A. message through our literature. If you are interested in volunteering, please attend the next GSR Meeting.

**Treatment Facilities Committee** – Chairperson is Mike. He can be reached at treatment@ashevilleaa.org. It's all about bringing the message of recovery to alcoholics in treatment facilities and to set up means of "bridging the gap" from the facility to an A.A. group. For more information, please attend the next GSR Meeting.

"Bridging the Gap" (with treatment facilities) – This is a Temporary Contact Program, which is designed to help the alcoholic in the facility make that transition from "inside" the program to life on the "outside". If you are interested in volunteering, please attend the next GSR Meeting to connect with Avery L., the Bridging the Gap Chair. For more information on Bridging the Gap, visit the website: www.btgww.org

#### **District 71**

**GSR Business Meeting** – held on the 2nd Saturday of the month. There will not be GSR Meeting in June. They will be having a Founders' Day Picnic on **Saturday**, **June 10**, **12 Noon – 4:00pm**, with food and speaker and music by local AAs!!! Holmes Educational Forest, 1299 Crab Creek Rd, Hendersonville, NC 28739. Meet at the Pavilion. For more information, see flyer.

There are numerous service opportunities with Bridging the Gap and Treatment, and they need more volunteers for the jails. They also still need Chairpersons for CPC/PI, Treatment, and Bridging the Gap Committees. They will be holding elections at the next GSR meeting. See website for information on these positions. If you have any questions, you can contact Liz G., DCM, or Annette K., Alt. DCM, through the website: https://www.nc71.org/contact

#### **District 80**

GSR Business Meeting – held quarterly. The next meeting will be Sunday, July 16, 1:00pm. This will be a hybrid meeting with Zoom capability as well as an in-person meeting.

Zoom Meeting ID: 899 2233 4966; Passcode: District80.

The new in-person meeting location will be Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church, 749 State Route 107, Sylva NC 28779.

All GSRs are encouraged to attend. For more information, go to their website: http://aawnc80.com/events

Appalachian Community Services Center located at 91 Timberlane Rd, Balsam, has A.A. meetings every Monday and Wednesday at 6:00pm and every other Saturday at 5:30pm, with one volunteer allowed in per meeting. If you would like more information about volunteering, please contact Carl by calling or emailing Central Office: 828-254-8539; info@ncmco.net

**Murphy Intergroup Meeting** – held quarterly. The next meeting will be **Thursday**, **July 13**, **5:00pm**, and will be held virtually. The GoToMeeting ID is 543513261. Office business will be discussed. All groups are encouraged to send a representative. The Murphy Central Office is in need of volunteers in all areas!

## Does Your Group Have a New GSR or Alt GSR?

District Registrars keep GSO informed of group changes. Contact your group's District Registrar by email or through the District website:

District 70: Email: registrar@ashevilleaa.org

**District 71:** Use the form at:

https://www.nc71.org/meeting-change-form

District 80: Email: webmaster@aawnc80.com





## **Happy Anniversary!**

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3 Legacies Gro Carol D.	6-16-2005	10
		18 yrs
Acceptance G		
Nan G.	6-15-2022	1 yr
Winn L.	6-30-1986	37 yrs
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Bob P.	6-02-1992	31 yrs
Robert F.	6-03-1991	32 yrs
Barbara J.	6-14-1999	24 yrs
Carla B.	6-21-1984	39 yrs
Orlando H.	6-24-2019	4 yrs
Jeanne J.	6-26-2019	4 yrs
Black Mountai	n Group	
Matt M.	6-13-2018	5 yrs
Burnsville Gro	oup	
Amy	6-13-2022	1 yr
Kathy	6-23-1996	27 yrs
Conscious Co	ntact	
Kate C.	6-02-2000	23 yrs
Elizabeth H.	6-26-2006	17 yrs
Kenny W.	6-28-2022	1 yr
Cumberland G	iroup	,
Scott S.	6-04-1987	36 yrs
Daily Decision		55 3.5
Andy B.	6-25-2010	13 yrs
Fellowship Gr		10 310
Annie M.	6-02-2020	3 yrs
Mark C.	6-06-2020	3 yrs
Judy P.	6-06-2012	11 yrs
Paul D.	6-07-2008	
	6-07-2006	15 yrs
Phil S.		28 yrs
Jarred G.	6-10-2022	1 yr
Graham V.	6-12-2016	7 yrs
Mark H.	6-22-1995	28 yrs
Kim K.	6-23-2004	19 yrs
Jason B.	6-25-2010	13 yrs
Good Livers		
Dave D.	6-04-1988	35 yrs
Caren B.	6-29-2020	3 yrs
Mary W.	6-30-1987	36 yrs
Grace Group		
Robert F.	6-03-1991	32 yrs
Hannah H.	6-05-2019	4 yrs
Willy G.	6-05-2021	2 yrs
Eric H.	6-07-2016	7 yrs
Beth C.	6-08-2016	7 yrs
Paul S.	6-10-1985	38 yrs
Matt Mc.	6-13-2018	5 yrs
Bridget Mc.	6-17-2020	3 yrs
Mary Scott H.	6-18-1986	37 yrs
Rich S.	6-22-2012	11 yrs
Christa B.	6-30-2017	6 yrs
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Happy Hour (	Group	
Beth D.	6-12-2011	12 yrs
Mary D.	6-16-1978	45 yrs
Michael M.	6-21-2018	5 yrs
Hendersonvil	lle Group	
Cindy R.	6-04-2010	13 yrs
Grace L.	6-07-1999	24 yrs
Margo B.	6-12-2001	22 yrs
Marc B.	6-14-2003	20 yrs
Ruth O.	6-18-1978	45 yrs
Kevin W.	6-22-2020	3 yrs
Jessica B.	6-23-2009	14 yrs
Valerie V.	6-30-1996	27 yrs
Hendersonvil	lle Men's Group	
Gaylon B.	6-29-2014	9 yrs
Lambda Grou	ıp	
Adam R.	6-01-2021	2 yrs
Lana H.	6-02-2021	2 yrs
Eric H.	6-07-2016	7 yrs
Micael P.	6-09-2021	2 yrs
Brandon T.	6-19-2019	4 yrs
Leicester Gro	oup	
Matt J.	6-22-1998	25 yrs
Mars Hill Gro	up	
Rick G.	6-26-1995	28 yrs
Motley Crew/	Columbus	
Tina M.	6-05-2021	2 yrs
Julie D.	6-07-2018	5 yrs
ODAT Group	in Rutherfordtor	n
Jack G.	6-22-2018	5 yrs

Out to Lunch	n Bunch	
Bruce	6-03-1979	44 yrs
Dave D.	6-04-1988	35 yrs
Pat D.	6-12-2013	10 yrs
Laura L.	6-12-2015	8 yrs
Vicki C.	6-21-2018	5 yrs
Eddie N.	6-25-1992	31 yrs
Tom H.	6-26-2009	14 yrs
Phoenix Gro	up	
Jessica B.	6-24-2010	13 yrs
Total Surren	der Group	
Phil S.	6-09-1995	28 yrs
Tyler P.	6-14-2021	2 yrs
Traditional G	Froup	glass p. C. A. Sank
Tom S.	6-10-2021	2 yrs
Damon E	6-19-2022	1 yr
Casey S.	6-25-2022	1 yr
Waynesville	Grace Group	
Ann H.	6-06-1988	35 yrs
Bob O.	6-07-1984	39 yrs
Hawk R.	6-10-1988	35 yrs
Brenda F.	6-15-1987	36 yrs
Kent P.	6-25-1984	39 yrs
West Ashevi	lle Group	
Masey	6-17-2020	3 yrs
Abigail N.	6-24-2020	3 yrs
Women of Pi	rinciples	200 Tag - 200 Ta
Gina A.	6-10-2010	13 yrs
Loretta B.	6-19-1987	36 yrs
Young Peop	le's Group	•
John L.	6-16-2007	16 yrs
Liam B.	6-22-2014	9 yrs
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### The Birthday Plan

For many years, A.A. members have celebrated their sobriety by sending a contribution to the General Service Office. Your birthday (or anniversary) money helps to support G.S.O.'s services to members and groups throughout Canada and the U.S., to ensure that the A.A. message is carried around the world. The services that G.S.O. provides the A.A. groups cost more than \$6 per member per year. Members customarily contribute \$1, \$2 or even \$5 a year for each year of sobriety—others may give a penny or a nickel a day for each day of their sobriety. You may request these Birthday Contribution Envelopes (FR-5) from G.S.O., for yourself or for your group, at no charge.

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Birthday Contribution Envelopes from G.S.O. are available for free at Central Office.

#### We also have envelopes for sending Birthday Contributions to the Central Office!

Stop by the Office to pick up envelopes for yourself or your group members. Or call us (828-254-8539) and we will mail envelopes to you. We thank all the A.A. members and groups who donate so generously!



Need to update your Group's anniversary list? Call Central Office: 828-254-8539 or send a new list to: info@ncmco.net

The July newsletter deadline for sending in anniversaries and announcements is June 15.

## history



## From the District 70 Archives

Found on a Group History Form from the

**Serenity Service Group** 

When the group was at 12 1/2 Wall Street they had no air conditioner. Some members donated money, [and] when enough [money] was saved they bought one. Miss A was the treasurer at the time, she kept the group's money in a shoe box. [As] Members were trying to set it [the air conditioner] in from the outside, another member trying to help opened the window, there went the air conditioner straight down to the street, ... then a moment of silence [was held]...

Service opportunity/needs on the Archives Committee.

- 1. Submit/collect Group history forms
- 2. Other ways to collect & preserve district history available.

Email: archives@ashevilleaa.org

#### In the Shadow of Zion

by Bonnie S. - Springdale, UT

We love it when visitors to our area find us. This year we expect to have 45 million visitors come to Zion National Park. Hopefully some of them will find us here.



After I recently completed a 35-day program to get sober, I returned home to Utah. A month later, my husband died. I was so desperate for AA. I had one sober friend in our small town of 450. I reached out

to him to help me start an AA meeting here in Springdale, a gateway town to Zion National Park. We started small, just the two of us. We posted invitations to "Friends of Bill W." on bulletin boards around town. We announced our new meeting at other AA meetings in the area, as far as 50 miles away. We called our meeting Springdale Serenity.

Soon we were able to form a core group of five members. Our meeting location changed a few times, but we now have a permanent home in our town's community center. We meet on Monday nights at 6:30 Mountain Time. We celebrate milestones with coffee and birthday cakes. We're a friendly group and we love it when visitors to our area find us. We usually have at least two travelers per meeting who are here visiting Zion National Park.

I love our home group. We're fortunate to have input from visitors both domestic and international. Our members feel that we gain a lot from this interaction of different AA members and hope they gain a lot from our experience as well. Our little town has grown over the last few years and our group has grown as well. We now average about 10 members per meeting!

This year we expect to have 45 million visitors come to Zion National Park. Hopefully some of them will find us here at Springdale Serenity, Monday nights at 6:30 Mountain Time. Everyone's welcome!

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## Does your group have a

# COR?

(Central Office Representative)

# What are Central Office Representatives? What are their duties?

Central Office Reps (CORs) and their relationship with Central Office are similar to General Service Reps (GSRs) and their relationship to A.A. General Service Districts. CORs are responsible for voting their group's conscience at COR/Board 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 bimonthly COR/Board meetings on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of odd-numbered months (January, March, May, July, September, December) where they share their home group's experiences in carrying the A.A. message and express how they feel NCMCO might better serve the A.A. community in Western North Carolina.

The NCMCO Board is interested in your feedback. Take our inventory!

What are we doing well? What can we improve upon?

How can we serve Districts 70, 71 and 80 more effectively?

What might we do to draw more participation from groups?

### Please send your feedback to: info@ncmco.net

Better yet, attend the next bimonthly COR/Board meeting on Zoom.

See the Central Office website for details:

https://aancmco.org/index.php/events/

(They have great food too!)

# BOXXIII GENERAL SERVICE SERVIC

Hang out with fellow AAs, bowl a game or two, and have some fun! Ask for Joyce or Jeanette at the counter.



#### WHERE?

Sky Lanes 1477 Patton Ave Asheville

#### WHAT TIME?

Every Friday at 1:30PM

#### **HOW MUCH?**

\$5 per game \$3 shoe rental

#### NORTH CAROLINA

#### General Service Committee=

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### DEADLINE FOR HOTEL RESERVATIONS April 25, 2023

**DATE:** APRIL 4, 2023

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 Spring Committee & Assembly Meeting June 2-4, 2023

Theme: "JUST KEEP IT SIMPLE..."

Special Guest: Mike L., West Central Regional Trustee

Assembly Business Sessions, Workshops, Early Bird, and Speaker Meetings Literature, Grapevine, Corrections, Treatment, Accessibilities, Archives, CPC, and PI Displays will be held at the

Hilton Raleigh North Hills, 3415 Wake Forest Road, Raleigh, NC 27609

#### **Hotel Reservations**

Deadline for Reservations: Tuesday, April 25, 2023

**Group Code: A51SA** 

Group Name: Area 51, General Service Spring Assembly

Room Rates: \$135.00 Single/Double, \$135.00 Triple, \$135.00 Quad

**Phone:** 919-872-2323 or 800-445-8667 [1-800-HILTONS]

Internet: Link for direct reservations: https://bit.ly/3EOWiR7
Internet: Link for hotel information: www.northraleigh.hilton.com

#### For Best Results

- PLEASE MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS EARLY!
- Call as soon as possible and before the deadline. It's easier to cancel a reservation than to get one
  at the last minute.
- Once the rooms in our block sell out, it's unlikely other rooms will remain in the hotel.
- Specify the group code "A51SA" and the group name "Area 51, General Service Spring Assembly."
- If possible, call the Hilton Raleigh North Hills 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 Greg K., the Area Chair, at chair@aanorthcarolina.org

Thank you for your service and support of Area 51. SEE YOU IN JUNE!

## June 2023 Edition

# Area 51 Delegate's Beaming Beacon



#### Concept 6

The Conference recognizes that the chief initiative and active responsibility in most world service matters should be exercised by the trustee members of the Conference acting as the General Service Board.

The groups have the ultimate authority and final responsibility in Concept 1 and then in Concept 2 the groups delegate that authority to the Conference to speak on their behalf and now in Concept 6 we have further delegated legal and practical responsibility to the General Service Board. The General Service Board has the administrative authority to make business decisions and we don't want to tie their hands. At Conference we make broad policy and then we delegate the active responsibility to execute those policies to the General Service Board. It is important that we choose our Trustee leaders with care for they run our 2 corporations, AAWS and the Grapevine, and are responsible for AA's world-wide public relations. While we operate on a spiritual basis it is important to grant our Trustees wide latitude in conducting our business

#### Information to Share

- New Spring Edition of Box 459
- Streamlined Online Contributions on AA.org. Link to Letter
- Quarterly Report from GSO Link
- Opening for Non-trustee ACM for Trustees' Committee on Literature deadline June 30th
  - Bilingual preferred, Familiarity with current technology, 5 years continuous sobriety

#### Conference Agenda Item - Where are they now?

#### Discuss new proposed agenda items (PAI's) regarding the book Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions.

The committee considered a request to discuss proposed agenda items related to changes to the book *Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions*. The committee suggested that the Trustees' Literature Committee seek input from the Fellowship (including but not limited to Area delegate feedback) regarding any possible future changes to literature written by A.A.'s founders. The committee requested that a progress report be brought back to the 2024 Conference. (Mindful of budgetary restraints, the committee suggests financial prudence when determining how best to obtain Fellowship sharing.)

#### Discuss new proposed agenda items (PAI's) related to the Plain Language Big Book Translation.

The committee reviewed a progress report regarding the translation of the book *Alcoholics Anonymous* (Fourth Edition) into plain and simple language and agreed with the general direction of the project. The committee requested that the project continue to move forward and that a draft or progress report be brought back to the 2024 Conference Committee on Literature.

#### Consider a request to include content in existing A.A. literature on sponsorship of persons in custody by outside members of the Fellowship.

The committee agreed to forward to the trustees' Committee on Literature a suggestion to consider inclusion of language related to sponsorship of persons in custody in the pamphlet "Questions & Answers on Sponsorship."

#### Discuss service piece, "Safety and A.A.: Our Common Welfare" (SMF-209) and its revisions.

The committee discussed the 2021 and 2022 versions of the service piece "Safety and A.A.: Our Common Welfare" and concluded that the service piece is a necessary and useful tool for A.A. groups. The committee suggested revisions to be considered for inclusion in the next printing of the service piece.

#### Review request to update the pamphlet "Do You Think You're Different?"

The committee reviewed an update report regarding the pamphlet "Do You Think You're Different?". The committee requested that a draft pamphlet or progress report be brought back to the 2024 Conference Committee on Trustees.

#### Consider request to implement an Alcoholics Anonymous World Services, Inc. Instagram account

The committee discussed a request for Alcoholics Anonymous World Services, Inc. to establish an Instagram account in line with the Twelve Traditions and encouraged Communication Services to continue with planning for the account. The committee suggested that Communication Services provide additional information on the intended messaging, target audiences, analytics, and total cost to maintain the account. The committee requested that a new proposed plan be brought back to the 2024 Conference Committee on Public Information.

#### Consider request to do an Accessibilities Inventory of Alcoholics Anonymous throughout its services and structure.

The committee discussed the suggestion that an Accessibility Inventory be conducted throughout A.A.'s services and structure and suggested that the trustees' CPC/TA Committee take an inventory of what resources are currently available from the General Service Office and the AA Grapevine to meet accessibility related challenges and consider the best methods for communicating about those resources to the Fellowship.

#### Discuss carrying the message to alcoholics with intellectual or information processing challenges, communication challenges and diverse neurological abilities.

The committee discussed carrying the message to alcoholics with intellectual or information processing challenges, communication challenges and diverse neurological abilities, and suggested that: The trustees' CPC/TA Committee review accessibility-related service material and consider updating it with new shared experience on this topic. The AA Grapevine consider publishing an issue dedicated to the experiences of people with intellectual or information processing challenges, communication challenges and diverse neurological abilities and those who sponsor them. The committee requested that the trustees' Literature Committee consider revising the pamphlet "Questions and Answers on Sponsorship" to add language on working with alcoholics with intellectual or information processing challenges, communication challenges and diverse neurological abilities.

Review the Conference-approved level of \$10,000 for individual bequests to the GSB from A.A. members. Review the Conference-approved maximum annual contribution of \$5,000 to the GSB from an individual A.A. member. The Committee took no action

Discuss cost effective media options that welcome young people to AA as an alternative to "Too Young?" pamphlet.

The committee recommended that the print version of the pamphlet "Too Young" be retired and that the content be repurposed as an animation video. The committee requested that a progress report or a rough cut of the video be brought back to the 2024 Conference Committee on Literature.



affairs.

Box 459 Spring 2023 Meet the New Staff! 60th anniversary of the Big Book in French! GSO New Departments!

Grapevine Joke

#### Best Joke I've Herd

A cow goes to its first AA meeting and learns that no matter how far down the scale she has gone, her experience can benefit **udders**.

AA Grapevine Podcast Check it out!

#### Contacts:

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delegate@aanorthcarolina.org

Denise M.
altdelegate@aanorthcarolina.org







Burgers & hot dogs provided.



Bring a side or a dessert if you want!

# JUN 4 11AM TO 3PM

## **WEST ASHEVILLE PARK**

AT THE <u>END</u> OF VERMONT AVE (OFF HAYWOOD ROAD)

FREE





# Founders' Day Herald

88th Anniversary of Alcoholics Anonymous June 9, 10, & 11, 2023 | 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: Aaron K..

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

Penny D. – Bay Village, OH "From Cracker Factory Housewife To Champion Of Sobriety And Women" Chaired by: Karen K.

#### Actors Guild Play • 5:00 p.m. & 8:00 p.m. "Rule 62"

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

Peter M. – Boca Raton, FL "Chop Wood, Carry Water" Chaired by: Jerry C.

#### A.A. Speaker Meeting\* • 9:00 p.m.

Linda G. – Queens, NY "Happy, Joyous And Free" Chaired by: Juanita W.

#### Junta en Español • 9:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m.

Open Discussion

Chaired by: The Painesville Group

#### A.A. Alkathon • 11:30 p.m. - 2:00 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.

Billy N. – Palm Beach Gardens, FL. "How It Works" Chaired by: Mary K.

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

Topic: "Every Day Is A Day We Must Carry The Vision Of God's Will Into All Our Affairs"

Our Affairs"

Dee T. – Akron, OH

Ken McA. – Ontario, CA

Bobby M. – Richmond Heights, OH

Chaired by: Mary K.

#### La Viña Workshop • 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

El Coordinador: Raymundo L. and Alegria de Vivir Group

#### A.A. & Al-Anon Speaker Meeting\* • 12:00 p.m.

Speakers - Shanna & Scott D. – Urbandale, IA "Family Disease, Family Miracles" E.J. Thomas Hall Chaired by: Marie E.

#### Actors Guild Play • 12:00 p.m. & 2:30 p.m. "Rule 62"

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

Vivian Q. – Okatie, SC "Emotionally Driven Or Spiritually Guided -What Is Our Choice To Be?" Chaired by: Aaron K.

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

Presented by: Gail L. - Akron, OH Chaired by: Karen K.

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

Theresa F. – North Hills, CA
"All Of A Sudden I Became Present To My
Life, And I Didn't Like It!"
UA Infocision Stadium\*\*
Chaired by: Woody W.

#### \*\*Stadium Weather Contingency Plan for Saturday Night - See Web Site

#### 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: Dally A. – Akron, OH Chaired by: Jerry C.

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

Topic: "We Admitted That We Were Powerless Over Alcohol, That Our Lives Had Become Unmanageable" Andrew M. – Akron, OH Sonya M. – Akron, OH Viviene Y. – Cleveland, OH Chaired by: Juanita W.

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

Bill C. – Torrence, CA "It's Been Miserable Long Enough...It's Time To Have A Good Time!" Chaired by: Michael B.

#### AL-ANON

#### FRIDAY ACTIVITIES

#### Al-Anon Panel • 1:00 p.m.

Topic: "Double Winners/Doubly Blessed" Lynda M. – Copley, OH Ian R. – Canton, OH Mary Anne C. – Uniontown, OH Olin Hall Chaired by: Leslie S.

#### AL-ANON

#### SATURDAY ACTIVITIES

#### Alateen Panel • 10:30 a.m.

"Alateens Share Their Experience, Strength and Hope" Olin Hall Chaired by: Lynda M.

#### A.A. & Al-Anon Speaker Meeting\* • 12:00 p.m.

Speakers - Shanna & Scott D. - Urbandale, IA "Family Disease, Family Miracles" E.J. Thomas Hall Chaired by: Marie E.

#### 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 a-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. \$35.00 FEE FOR ALL PACKAGE PLAN CANCELLATIONS!



## 88th Anniversary of Alcoholics Anonymous

June 9, 10, & 11, 2023 | Akron, Ohio | Birthplace of A.A.

Please treat each meeting at Founders' Day as your own home group.

#### **ABSOLUTES**

ALL STATE, LOCAL AND/OR UNIVERSITY OF AKRON COVID-19 PROTOCOLS THAT ARE IN EFFECT AT THE TIME OF THE EVENT WILL BE ENFORCED AND UPHELD ACCORDINGLY.

All pre-registration packets must be picked up by 6:00 p.m. Saturday. **NO EXCEPTIONS!**Registration opens 8:00 a.m. Friday and Saturday. Picture I.D. is required.

2023 Name badges & ribbons must be worn ON CAMPUS and for admittance to all meetings, **NO EXCEPTIONS!** 

All rooms, buildings, and stadium at The University of Akron are non-smoking. NO VAPOR/E CIGARETTES permitted in ANY building.

Handicapped parking will be strictly enforced.

University police will ticket and tow all unauthorized vehicles parking in handicap spaces.

Violators will incur a fine of \$250

No animals or campfires allowed in R.V. area.

NO ANIMALS ON CAMPUS, POLICE WILL ENFORCE.

NO hover boards, skateboards, or roller blades permitted on campus.

No motorcycles allowed on the grass.

No beach balls at any meeting.

The Sunday morning motorcade to Dr. Bob's grave site is a conference event and as such, you must be registered to participate.

Credit cards will now be accepted for both onsite registration and in the literature room.

#### SPECIAL NEEDS

All meetings are wheelchair accessible.

Wheelchairs are not available on campus. You may bring your own.

Please contact the Founders' Day Committee with any special needs by May 15, 2023.

#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

No incoming calls accepted at dorms.

No entry to RV sites until 8:00 a.m. on Friday morning. A permit is required prior to set-up.

No camping tents allowed.

FOR THE SATURDAY NIGHT BIG MEETING, WE WILL ALL BE UNITED TOGETHER ON THE WEST SIDE ONLY IN THE UNIVERSITY OF AKRON INFOCISION STADIUM. STADIUM WEATHER CONTINGENCY PLAN - SEE WEB SITE. NO BEACH BALLS!

THIS IS AN OPEN AIR STADIUM SO PREPARE ACCORDINGLY.

## Founders' Day Registration Form | online at www.akronaa.org Everyone must be registered, including children. All registrations must be postmarked by May 15, 2023. NO EXCEPTIONS!



Name (please print clearly)				
Address		Phone ( )		
City	State	Zip		
E-mail address*				
* If you provide a	an e-mail address, you will get			
		on closes at 6:00 pm Saturday, NO EXCEPTIONS!		
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All beds are at a fixed height of 42  Package Plan A \$275 = \$ ONE ONLY				
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<b>CANNOT</b> adjust bed height.	Includes admission to all meetings, meals, room, registration and bus tour.  Report directly to designated dormitory to pick up weekend package and room key.			
*INDIVIDUAL FORMS	You must have a picture I.D. to pick up your reservation package.			
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SATURDAY	Breakfast	\$20 x = \$		
	Lunch	\$25 x = \$		
	Dinner	\$35 x = \$		
SUNDAY	Breakfast	\$20 x = \$		
SPECIAL DIETARY NEEDS —	O Diabetic O Vegan	O Vegetarian O Gluten-Free		
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NO TENT CAMPING!	RV Site Tag	\$40 x = \$		
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Each RV must have a <b>Site Tag</b> to set up		ATTION TOTAL #		
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## District 71 Founders' Day Picnic



## Saturday, June 10, 2023 12 noon – 4:00 pm



Holmes Educational Forest
1299 Crab Creek Road, Hendersonville, NC

Meet at the Pavilion

Join us for our 2nd Annual Founders' Day Picnic for a day of fellowship and fun! Celebrate AA's 88th year!

Hamburgers & Hot dogs will be provided. Bring a dish or something to share

Special Guest Speaker

Picnic tables will be on site but extra chairs are always needed

If so inspired, bring a musical instrument

No Pety Please



Questions or to volunteer, please call Ellen O. at 732-245-6644

**SERVICE** 

# FOUNDERS' DAY

# 2023

## JUNE 11TH

## EAST LAPORTE PARK

RT 107, Cullowhee

**EVENT IS FROM 11AM - 4PM** 

Join us for a day of Fellowship and FUN!
Food Speakers Service Workshop

Hamburgers and Hot Dogs will be provided with all the Fixings

POTLUCK - Please bring a dish to share

Make sure to bring the sunscreen, towels, folding chairs and water shoes to wade in the Tuckasegee

#### Schedule of Events

11 am DCM Welcome

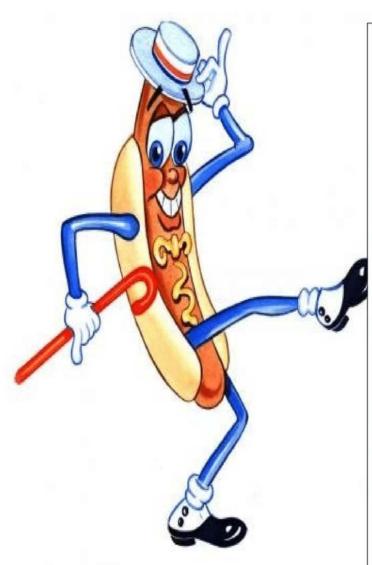
11:15 am Service Panel Presentation with Q&A

Noon Lunch

1 pm : Speakers Loretta R. from Maggie Valley and Herb W. from Cherokee

2:30 pm : Fun & Games!

PLEASE CONTACT BRENDA D. AT BRENDADAVISNC@GMAIL.COM IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO HELP



# Food and Fellowship!

Location:

New Hope Presbyterian Church

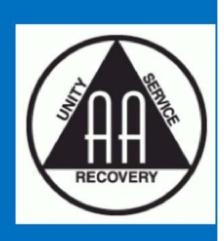
3070 Sweeten Creek Road Asheville, NC 28803

Hot dogs, Vegan dogs, cupcakes and drinks provided.

Bring a side or just come for the fellowship!

# TOTAL SURRENDER ANNIVERSARY PICNIC SUNDAY JUNE 25<sup>TH</sup>

FOOD AND FELLOWSHIP 5:30 – 7:00 SPEAKER MEETING 7:00





## WE ARE NOT A GLUM LOT

#### **Speakers**

Steve R Candler, NC

Jamie McS Sunnyside, NY

Lori G 🛕 Oklahoma City, OK

Vicki McG Johnson City, TN

Pat Y Seal Beach, CA

Clif G Oklahoma City, OK

#### Workshops and more...

FREE Convention Mug to First 400 Pre-Registrants!

Old-Timers' Panel

Marathon Meetings

Open Discussion Meetings

Saturday Night Dance

Plenty of FREE Coffee

## 76TH NORTH CAROLINA

# STATE CONVENTION

July 20-23, 2023

Lake Junaluska Conference and Retreat Center 91 N Lakeshore Dr, Lake Junaluska, NC 28745



#### **Convention Pre-Registration \$35.00/person**

Pre-registration rate available until June 29, 2023, \$40.00 per person June 30, 2023 and after. *Alanons 18 & under / Alateens 18 & under - No charge but must register.* 

#### Register online at www.aancconvention.com



For more information or for problems with hotel reservations, please email: aancconvention@gmail.com or call: Alana E. (980) 230-9333

#### **Accommodations**

There is no group code. Meal plans are available. **Terrace Hotel**—Avg rate \$149.00/night **Lambeth Hotel**—Avg rate \$133.22/night **Apartments**—Avg rate \$119.00/night

Reserve Online: https://tinyurl.com/3t775y7j

Email: reservations@lakejunaluska.com

Call: 800-222-4930

Don't wait! Hotel cut-off for Conference rate: June 29, 2023



# 76TH NORTH CAROLINA STATE CONVENTION

Fill out (please print legibly) and mail this form or register online at www.aancconvention.com

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Make checks payable/mail to: NC Convention Committee • PO Box 41451 • Raleigh NC 27629
Name
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Email Telephone ()
Sober Date (optional) & Do you have accessibility needs?
Name(s) for badge(s)
\$35.00 Special Rate before June 29, 2023
June 30 and after \$40.00 • Al-Anons 18 & under /Alateens 18 & under: No charge but must register.
Enclosed is \$ for registration(s)
Is this a sponsorship? $\square$ Yes $\square$ No Preferred method of contact: $\square$ Email $\square$ Mail
If you are willing to be a volunteer, please check here: $\Box$

Consider buying a sponsorship for those less fortunate

## 27TH ANNUAL SOUTHEAST WOMAN TO WOMAN CONFERENCE



## "SECRETS WOMEN DON'T SHARE"

A Conference for Sober Alcoholic Women with Al-Anon Participation.

No Children Allowed at Conference Events!



405 SIGMA DRIVE

SUMMERVILLE, SC

**₽**UGUST 18−20, 2023

Hotel Reservations: Hilton Garden Inn - 406 Sigma Drive Summerville, SC 29483 843-832-1304 Code: SEW King \$159 2 Queens \$169 + tax per night (Cut off rate 7/19/2023)

For more information and online registration, visit website: https://www.sewomantowoman.org/ General questions? Contact Chair: info@sewomantowoman.org



Conference Registration: Early Bird \$55.00 (Until Feb 28, 2023) \$60.00 (Mar 1 - Aug 17) \$65.00 (At the door)

Banquet: "Ladies in Red" \$65.00 Southern Buffet

Clip and Mail Registration: SEWTW 2023 P.O. Box 61 Ladson, SC 29456

Please make Checks/M.O. payable to SEWTW

Registration Form (Please print clearly)

Name on Badge:		Are you will	ing to Vo	lunteer	rP		Special N	eeds:	
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Southern Motorcyclists in Alcoholics Anonymous Camping Convention, IX

WHEN: Aug. 24-27, 2023

WHERE: Fall Creek Falls TN State Park.

Newton Ford Bunk House.

REGISTRATION: \$50, after Jul. 31st - \$60.

The registration fee will cover meals & lodging.

TO PRE-REGISTER WITH CASHAPP: Use \$Sokygoose.

SPEAKERS: John E. (TN) - Fri PM, James Lee (FL) - Sat PM, Jane Lee (FL) - Sun AM.

For contact information, see website: <a href="http://www.smaacc.org/">http://www.smaacc.org/</a>



Name	AA
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Would you like to volunteer?Yes	No If yes, phone number
Please, let us know about any special needs	
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## Serenity in the Scenic City August 25-27, 2023

#### DoubleTree by Hilton

407 Chestnut Street Chattanooga, TN 37402 423-756-5150

Room Rate: \$121.00 Reservation Code: SIC Reserve by: 07/06/2022

#### **Speakers**

Matthew M. / Santa Paula, CA Jennifer H. / Plano, TX Joe C. / Palm Coast, FL Holly D. / Jacksonville, FL Tarek K. / Birmingham AL

Pre-registration: \$30.00 At the Door: \$35.00

#### For additional information or questions, please email or call:

Hostcommittee@yahoo.com or (423) 888-2122 or (423) 508-5139

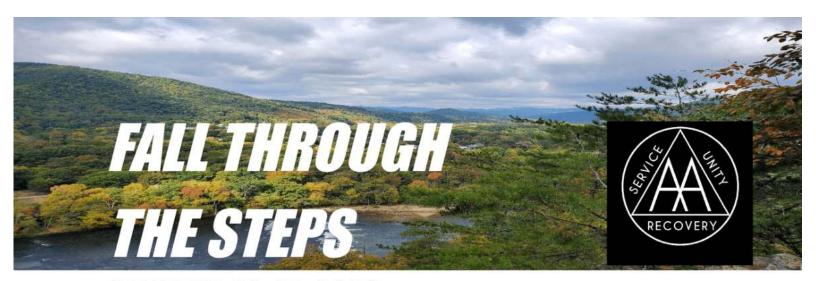
Please make check or money order payable to "Host Committee" and mail to: Serenity in the Scenic City

> P.O. Box 22602 Chattanooga, TN 37422

> > Or

You can register at <a href="https://www.Serenityinthesceniccity.org">www.Serenityinthesceniccity.org</a>
Mastercard, Visa, Discover and American Express accepted on Square Please complete and send bottom with registration payment

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OCTOBER 13-14, 2023 PRESALE TICKETS AVAILABLE ONLINE: \$20
TICKETS AFTER AUGUST 14TH & AT DOOR: \$25

## JOIN US FOR A 2 DAY BIG BOOK WORKSHOP HOSTED BY THE CHARLOTTE CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

**LOCATION:** ALBEMARLE ROAD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH 6740 ALBEMARLE ROAD CHARLOTTE, NC 28212

SCAN FOR REGISTRATION

# **LED BY**JARED D. & JOHN E. FROM DALLAS, TX



### **AGENDA**

FRIDAY

6:00PM: DINNER PROVIDED

7:00PM: WORKSHOP

**SATURDAY** 

8:30AM-9:30AM: BREAKFAST & COFFEE

9:30AM-12:30PM: WORKSHOP

12:30PM-1:30PM: LUNCH

1:30PM-4:30PM: WORKSHOP

VISIT HTTPS://TINYURL.COM/FALLTHROUGHTHESTEPS FOR MORE INFO

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March 15, 2023

TO: Members of the General Service Conference; Intergroups and Central

Offices, U.S./Canada

FROM: Sandra W., 2025 International Convention Interim Coordinator

Email: 2025ic@aa.org

Warm greetings from the General Service Office in New York!

This is a friendly reminder regarding setting up future local events for 2025, the year that the 2025 International Convention will be held in Vancouver, BC, Canada, July 3-6, 2025.

"Reflecting guidance from the Additional Consideration of the 1999 Conference Committee on International Conventions/Regional Forums, the trustees' Committee on International Conventions/Regional Forums suggested that the area/state/provincial committees be made aware that experience has shown that planning a local A.A. event such as a convention, too near the dates of an International Convention may result in a smaller attendance at the local event; this notice to be sent out annually starting three years prior to each International Convention."

Once again, if you would pass this information on to any local or regional planning committees who may be setting up future events for 2025, we would appreciate your cooperation.