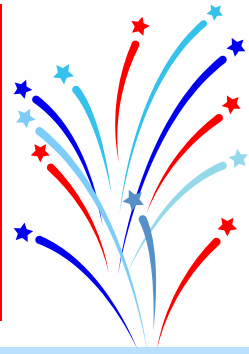


Mountain Doin's

JULY 2023

828-254-8539
Central Office is open
Monday-Friday
10am-1pm
info@ncmco.net



Slice of Life

by Joe S. - Oakland, CA

Sponsoring guys in prison is a real treat for his soul, but watching them get out and help others is like getting a whole pizza.

Four years ago, I was honored to be asked to participate in a new pilot program of the Northern California Hospitals & Institutions (H&I) Committee for sponsoring men in San Quentin State Prison.

AA began taking meetings into San Quentin in 1942, but sponsorship had been off limits due to a policy prohibiting outside AAs from becoming "overly familiar" with inside AAs. An understandable policy, but not one conducive to sponsorship.

Thanks to the creativity and vision of the H&I Committee members and the cooperation of the California Department of Corrections, a program was conceived to match up outside sponsors with men inside San Quentin through the family and friend visitation process.

I submitted my application to be a sponsor and, after clearing the background check, I was matched with a man inside we will call Marco and approved for in-person visitation. I described my first meeting with Marco in a Grapevine article published in February 2021, titled "Truth Works."

I met with Marco roughly every other Sunday for about a year before in-person visitation was discontinued due to COVID. We then corresponded via letters. Marco was serving a life sentence when we began working



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together and he went before the parole board in July of 2021. After serving more than 20 years, he was approved for parole!

Before he was released, he was subject to a 60-day waiting period during which the governor had the option to deny the parole board's recommendation. This was a period of intense anticipation and anxiety for Marco. He leaned into his faith in his Higher Power and endured this waiting period with grace under pressure. And at the end of the waiting period, the governor allowed the board's decision to stand.

However, Marco then learned that he still had several years to serve on other charges, and he would not be released in the near term after all. Talk about an emotional roller-coaster! And again, he relied on his faith and remained patient and steadfast while working through the process of getting good behavior credits applied to this other sentence and getting it reduced significantly.

Marco was finally released from prison on October 31, 2022. One of the greatest pleasures of my time in recovery was to pick Marco up a few weeks ago at his release and take him to dinner and one of my regular AA meetings. He described the experience as surreal.

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July Grapevine now available!



Annual Prison Issue

This month is the Grapevine's "Annual Prison Issue." AA members inside and out of prison walls share powerful stories about getting sober and helping one another. Included is a special update on a prison sponsorship program that's taking off.

<https://www.aagrapevine.org/>



Listen to Grapevine's New Weekly PODCAST!

AA Grapevine's half-hour variety podcast features...

- powerful interviews with AA members on getting sober, meetings, service, Steps, sponsorship and more!
- current information about AA and AA Grapevine
- jokes, fun AA banter and surprise guests!

Each week, longtime AA members Don and Sam will interview sober alcoholics, writers of current Grapevine stories, general service reps and more about their experience, strength and hope in a casual "meeting after the meeting" manner. **A new episode will be available in English each Monday at 9:00 a.m. EST.**

To listen to new or past episodes, visit: aagrapevine.org/podcast (or wherever you get your podcasts)

AA Grapevine's Podcast
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After-hours Phone Volunteers Needed

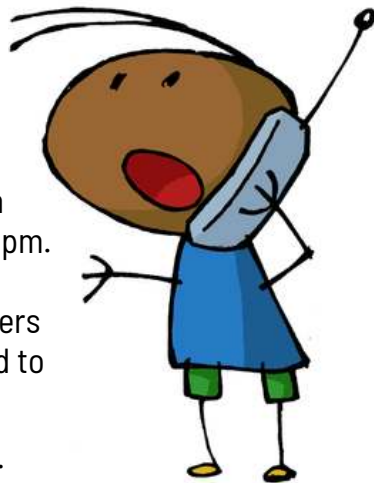
Central Office is looking for volunteers to answer the phone from 1:30pm in the afternoon until 9:30am the next morning. Most nights don't see more than a call or two, rarely after 10 or 11pm. Most callers are interested in meeting information so volunteers should have the internet at hand to access 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.



Call & Visitor Log May 2023

12 Step Calls - 7
General Info - 3
Family Help - 2
Meeting Info - 30
Central Office Business - 65
Medical/Detox - 1
Visitors - 55
After-hours Volunteers - 46 calls

Visits to aancmco.org/ website:
Unique Visitors - 2,405
Total Visits - 5,715; Visits/Visitor - 2.38
Total Pages - 36,781; Pages/Visit - 6.44



Meeting Updates

New Meetings:

Women's Literature Meeting, Thursday 5:30pm, First Presbyterian Church, 26 Church St, Franklin 28734 (C,LS,W)

Recovery by the River Group is an open meeting focusing on Step 11, prayer and meditation. Each meeting includes 30 minutes of silent meditation. The group has added a new in-person meeting day, Monday, in addition to the Saturday in-person meeting. The group also meets every day of the year via Zoom. All meetings are at 7:30am. The in-person meetings are at St. Luke's Episcopal Church at 219 Chunn's Cove Road in Asheville. Please contact recoverybytheriverasheville@gmail.com with any questions.

Meetings in need of support:

12 & 12 Study Group. Wednesday 6:00pm, Groce United Methodist Church, 954 Tunnel Rd, Asheville 28805. Take Governors View Rd, east of Beverly Rd, to lot behind church. (C,SS/TR)

Starting a new meeting?

Have a meeting that needs support?

Let us know - info@ncmco.net - and we will announce it here!

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 5/31/2023

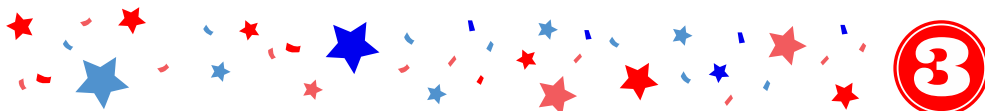
Prudent Reserve
\$16,126.34

Operating Account
\$10,855.87

Rent Deposit - \$400.00
Petty Cash - \$50.00

Profit & Loss YTD

	May 2023	Jan-May, 2023 (YTD)
Income		
Contributions		
Birthday Contributions	\$1.00	\$39.28
Group Contributions	\$1,298.93	\$12,849.54
Individual Contributions	\$50.30	\$547.04
Total Contributions	\$1,350.23	\$13,435.86
Interest on Money Market	\$1.37	\$6.68
Sales Income		
Literature & merchandise	\$2,363.30	\$12,892.76
Shipping charged to groups	\$59.51	\$335.49
Total Sales Income	\$2,422.81	\$13,228.25
TOTAL INCOME	\$3,774.41	\$26,670.79
Cost of Goods Sold		
Cost of Goods Sold		-\$108.17
Credit Card Processing		
PayPal Fee	\$17.27	\$96.43
Total Credit Card Processing	\$17.27	\$96.43
Freight - vendor shipping	\$42.39	\$249.24
Literature & merchandise	\$1,912.47	\$10,666.84
Shipping to groups	\$59.51	\$353.39
Total Cost of Goods Sold	\$2,031.64	\$11,257.73
Inventory Shrinkage	\$23.50	\$242.41
Total Cost of Goods Sold	\$2,055.14	\$11,500.14
GROSS PROFIT	\$1,719.27	\$15,170.65
Expenses		
Office Expenses	\$50.87	\$111.83
Office Supplies	\$40.18	\$410.78
Payroll Expenses		
Gross Salary	\$2,130.00	\$7,770.00
Payroll Taxes (Company)	\$162.96	\$594.46
Total Payroll Expenses	\$2,292.96	\$8,364.46
Rent	\$604.00	\$3,020.00
Telephone & Internet		
Office Telephone/Internet	\$136.50	\$601.02
Web Expenses	\$235.78	-\$94.23
Total Telephone & Internet	\$372.28	\$506.79
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$3,360.29	\$12,413.86
Net Operating Income	-\$1,641.02	\$2,756.79
NET INCOME	-\$1,641.02	\$2,756.79



Contributions

Group Contributions:	May 2023	YTD
12 & 12 Study Group 717-595	\$40.00	\$65.00
Acceptance Group 122-477		\$936.00
Agnostics, Atheists & Freethinkers AA Group		\$265.00
As Bill Sees It Group 169-463		\$20.00
Back to Basics Grp (Weaverville) 147-139		\$150.00
Big Town Group 671-200		\$309.30
Bryson City Group 110-467		\$100.00
BYOC - Bring Your Own Coffee	\$150.00	\$150.00
Candler KISS Group 163-148		\$238.00
Cashiers Valley Grp 122-589		\$372.59
Cedar Mountain Group 161-082		\$121.00
Common Sense Group 179-909	\$300.00	\$300.00
Conscious Contact Group - Asheville		\$175.00
Cullowhee Valley Group 118-129		\$100.00
Cumberland Group 122-472		\$130.00
Daily Decisions 643-869	\$441.16	\$1,563.40
Day by Day Group 159-058		\$252.43
Early Bird Group 612-780		\$158.00
Fellowship Group, Fletcher 655-542		\$720.00
Fireside Group 655-046		\$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		\$150.00
Hendersonville Women's BBSS 723-106	\$175.00	\$175.00
Joy of Living - Brevard 669-820	\$86.50	\$205.50
Liars Club		\$173.00
Lost and Found Group 000427291		\$100.00
Maggie Valley Group 158-950		\$550.00
Mars Hill Group 130-895		\$75.00
Marshall Group 100-489		\$100.00
Micaville 12 & 12		\$100.00
Monday 6:00 Open Meeting		\$80.00
Mountain View Group (Highlands) 110-598		\$56.80
New Freedom Group 700-124		\$150.00
Noontime Big Book Study		\$37.40
Phoenix Group 697-148		\$84.00
Practicing Principles 667-311	\$31.27	\$31.27
Recovery by the River 674-892		\$90.32
Roundtable Group 135-605		\$70.00
Safe & Sound Group 645-654		\$363.42
Saturday Morning Men's Meeting	\$75.00	\$375.00
Serenity Service Group 110-498		\$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		\$500.00
Tuesday Night Men's Group 179-001		\$93.00
Waynesville Grace Group 110-692		\$575.11
Women of Courage Group 688-025		\$312.00
Young People's Group 645-646		\$185.00
Total Group Contributions:	\$1,298.93	\$12,848.94

Individual Contributions:	May 2023	YTD
Anonymous	\$15.30	\$84.00
Beverly B.		\$130.00
Judy M.		\$38.00
Kay G.		\$30.00
Nancy B.		\$10.04
Shannon K.	\$25.00	\$125.00
Sheila D.		\$80.00
In Memory of B.G.	\$10.00	\$50.00
Total Individual Contributions:	\$50.30	\$547.04

Birthday Contributions:	May 2023	YTD
Anonymous	\$1.00	\$34.28
Keith F.S.		\$5.00
Total Birthday Contributions:	\$1.00	\$39.28

Total Contributions:	\$1,350.23	\$13,435.26
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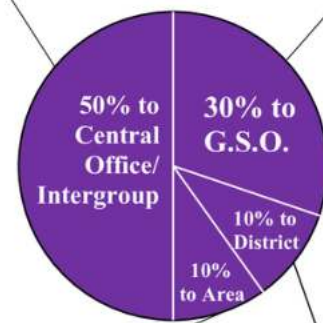
Suggestions & Addresses for sending Donations to the A.A. Service Structure*

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

NOTE: New address as of June 2023 for sending contributions to District 80

NCMCO
70 Woodfin Place
Suite 206
Asheville, NC 28801

General Service Office
Post Office Box 2407
James A Farley Station
New York, NY 10116-2407

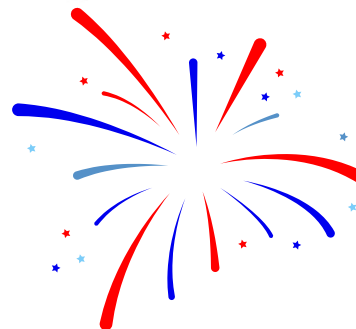


NCGSC – Area 51 Treasurer
PO Box 17271
Raleigh, NC 27619

District 70 Treasurer
PO Box 8574
Asheville, NC 28814-8574

District 71 Treasurer
PO Box 202
Hendersonville, NC, 28793

District 80 Treasurer
22 Whisper River Ct.
Sapphire, NC 28774



Slice of Life *(continued from page 1)*

I cannot begin to imagine what that was like for him. Coincidentally, another man in my sponsorship family, "Junior," is at the same sober-living facility as Marco, so we now have a regular Tuesday night "shuttle service" picking these men up and taking them to meetings.

I had a newcomer in his first 30 days named Ryan with me a couple of weeks ago and we all went for pizza before the meeting, allowing Ryan and Junior to get to know each other. Last week Ryan offered to drive Junior back to the sober-living facility. At first I said, "No thanks, I've got it." But then I stopped myself. Here was a newcomer offering to be of service and I was about to deprive him of that opportunity. So I said, "You know what, Ryan? That would be great. Thank you. I really appreciate it."

In my prior Grapevine article, I wrote about how grateful I am to my first sponsor for instilling in me the willingness to say yes when called upon to be of service to AA. He would often say, "I don't care whether you feel like it or not. That has nothing to do with it. If you're available, you say yes and show up." That advice has served me so incredibly well over the years.

Marco is navigating life on the outside with family and work, but that's his experience, so I'll let him tell it. I'm just grateful to be on the path with him. I have an absolutely amazing life, filled with love, peace and joy, well beyond what I could have imagined for myself, and owe all of it to AA and service.

And when I learned recently that there is still a waiting list of men in San Quentin wanting sponsors, I again heard my first sponsor's voice in my head and raised my hand. I've recently been matched with a man named John. An entirely new adventure is about to begin.

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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.

Summertime Celebration Cookout. Monday, July 3, 1:30-6:00pm. Bring a side dish and any games you want to share. AVL12 Step Club, 1 Kenilworth Knoll, Asheville 28805

Maple Grove Group Ice Cream Social. Sunday, July 16, 6:00pm. Open discussion meeting at 7:00pm. Maple Grove Methodist Church, 79 Maple Grove Church Rd, Waynesville, NC 28786

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.aanconvention.com/> If you have questions or problems with hotel reservations, email: aanconvention@gmail.com



Old Timers' Panel. Sunday, July 30, 7:00pm. Hosted by Maple Grove Group. Light refreshments before so come early. Maple Grove Methodist Church, 79 Maple Grove Church Rd, Waynesville, NC 28786

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



Southern Motorcyclists in Alcoholics Anonymous Camping Convention, IX (SMAACC) August 24-27. Fall Creek Falls TN State Park, Newton Ford Bunk House. See flyer or visit website for more information and registration: <http://www.smaacc.org/>



Serenity in the Scenic City. August 25-27. DoubleTree by Hilton, 407 Chestnut St, Chattanooga, TN 37402. For more information and online registration, visit their website: <https://www.serenityinthesceniccity.org/>



Corrections Workshop. Hosted by Districts 70, 71 and 80. Saturday **October 7, 9:00am-3:00pm.** Corrections Panels and Guest Speaker; Coffee/Donuts and Lunch will be served. Maggie Valley United Methodist Church, 4192 Soco Rd, Maggie Valley, NC 28751

Big Book Workshop. Hosted by the Charlotte Conference Committee. **October 13-14.** Albemarle Road Presbyterian Church, 6740 Albemarle Rd, Charlotte, NC 28212. For more information, see flyer or visit their website: <https://tinyurl.com/fallthroughthesteps>



NC Area 51 Events: <https://aanorthcarolina.org/events/>



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_1.pdf



The Service Express

District 70

GSR Business Meeting – held the 2nd Sunday of the month.

The next meeting will be **Sunday, July 9, 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.

Accessibilities Committee – Chairperson is Scott S. If you have any questions on what the Accessibilities Committee does, contact Scott at access@ashevilleaa.org. See "Group Outreach" and "Accessibilities Checklist" elsewhere in the newsletter for more information.

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, see the flyer on page 8, or contact Dennis at archives@ashevilleaa.org

CPC/PI Committee – George M is the Chairperson; Tom W is Co-chair. These are two separate service committees – "Cooperation with the Professional Community" and "Public Information". 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. You can contact George and Tom at cpc-pi@ashevilleaa.org

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 contact Andrew H, the Men's Corrections Chair, email corrections_men@ashevilleaa.org

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 or email Maria at literature@ashevilleaa.org

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. All their meetings are now in person. The next meeting will be

Saturday, July 8, at 8:30am, at the Hendersonville Group building, 1624 Willow Rd, Hendersonville, NC 28739. All A.A. members are welcome! Check their website for meeting updates and links:

<https://www.nc71.org/>



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. NOTE: New time - 2:00pm-4:00pm**. 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 in-person meeting location will be Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church, 749 State Route 107, Sylva NC 28779. All GSRs are urged 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!

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 COR/Board 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/>





Happy Anniversary!



3 Legacies Group

Debra J.	7-28-1986	37 yrs
Jeff R.	7-28-2002	21 yrs

Acceptance Group

Cathy G.	7-05-1992	31 yrs
Kevin G.	7-11-1992	31 yrs
Bart B.	7-19-1982	41 yrs
Ken A.	7-20-2002	21 yrs
Monica G.	7-26-1999	24 yrs
Jolene B.	7-28-2022	1 yr
Dee A.	7-29-2003	20 yrs

Back to Basics Group - Weaverville

Christopher C.	7-04-2019	4 yrs
Jennifer S.	7-05-2019	4 yrs
Kimi M.	7-18-2022	1 yr

Black Mountain Group

Brandon C.	7-05-2021	2 yrs
Margaret H.	7-16-2015	8 yrs

Burnsville Group

Joe C.	7-05-1991	32 yrs
Dave H.	7-17-2004	19 yrs

Candler K.I.S.S. Group

David T.	7-11-1990	33 yrs
Harriet K.	7-18-1988	35 yrs

Conscious Contact Group

Elizabeth H.	7-06-2016	7 yrs
Roger S.	7-07-2009	14 yrs
Scott T.	7-08-2017	6 yrs

Cumberland Group

Michael M.	7-20-2014	9 yrs
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Daily Decisions Group

Roger S.	7-04-1990	33 yrs
Ray S.	7-10-1984	39 yrs
Debbie Q.	7-22-2016	7 yrs

Fellowship Group

Cohen H.	7-04-2022	1 yr
Nancy S.	7-07-2009	14 yrs
Christian D.	7-10-2022	1 yr
Kevin G.	7-11-1992	31 yrs
Josh B.	7-21-2017	6 yrs
Chris L.	7-21-2022	1 yr
Larry F.	7-22-2022	1 yr
Kathy M-A.	7-24-1986	37 yrs
Matty D.	7-29-2015	8 yrs
Sloan	7-30-2022	1 yr

Good Livers Group

Carolyn	7-02-2018	5 yrs
Jan W.	7-18-2008	15 yrs
Christy H.	7-28-2022	1 yr
Judith H.	7-30-2012	11 yrs

Grace Group

George P.	7-01-2008	15 yrs
Rob F.	7-01-2011	12 yrs
Beck B.	7-01-2019	4 yrs
William H.	7-02-2019	4 yrs
Matt J.	7-10-2002	21 yrs
Carol V.	7-10-2007	16 yrs
Molly K.	7-15-2016	7 yrs
Rhiannon B.	7-20-2020	3 yrs
Laura B.	7-21-2015	8 yrs
Elizabeth H.	7-26-2006	17 yrs
Beverly R.	7-26-2019	4 yrs
Eric R.	7-28-2018	5 yrs
Michael McD.	7-27-1987	36 yrs
Victoria B.	7-28-2020	3 yrs
Shaun P.	7-31-2021	2 yrs

Happy Hour Group

Pepper O.	7-05-2015	8 yrs
David O'K.	7-15-1997	26 yrs

Hendersonville Group

Chris L.	7-04-2022	1 yr
Cohen	7-04-2022	1 yr
Laura M	7-07-1989	34 yrs
Valerie K.	7-12-2004	19 yrs
Joanne T.	7-15-1991	32 yrs
Larry L.	7-18-1985	38 yrs
Jayne J.	7-25-2020	3 yrs

Hendersonville Men's Group

Merritt J.	7-04-1994	29 yrs
Nate F.	7-12-1998	25 yrs
Sean S.	7-17-2013	10 yrs
Mike L.	7-21-2019	4 yrs
Charlie R.	7-21-2019	4 yrs

Lambda Group

Victoria C.	7-02-2015	8 yrs
Taylor T.	7-03-2021	2 yrs

Leicester Group

Debbie W.	7-04-2008	15 yrs
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Mars Hill Group

Stephanie P.	7-10-2013	10 yrs
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Motley Crew/Columbus

Sarah O.	7-03-1988	35 yrs
Deirdre G. (in mem)	7-04-1977	46 yrs
Lexa M.	7-08-2021	2 yrs
Barbara S.	7-30-2017	6 yrs

On Awakening

Bev S.	7-03-2021	2 yrs
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Out to Lunch Bunch

Pat D.	7-12-2013	10 yrs
Jan C.	7-23-1986	37 yrs
Tom T.	7-28-1988	35 yrs

Phoenix Group

Gail M.	7-03-2009	14 yrs
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Serenity Seekers - Marion

Courtney R.	7-29-2019	4 yrs
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Traditional Group

Nathan S.	7-07-2021	2 yrs
Kelsey L.	7-17-2021	2 yrs
Hannah P.	7-17-2021	2 yrs
Randy E.	7-17-2022	1 yr
Bill DeV.	7-25-2018	5 yrs
Damany I.	7-25-2022	1 yr
Andy S.	7-29-2022	1 yr

Waynesville Grace Group

Judy L.	7-04-2010	13 yrs
Carol T.	7-15-1975	48 yrs
Bill S.	7-16-1982	41 yrs
Jeff U.	7-26-2003	20 yrs

West Asheville Group

Mike Mc.	7-05-2018	5 yrs
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Women's Big Book Step Study Group

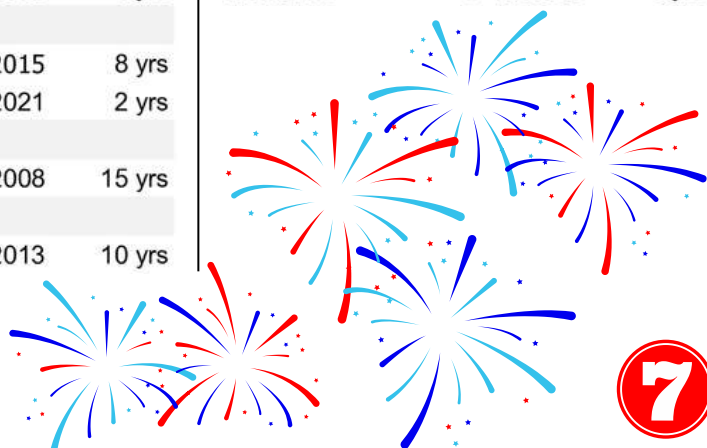
Laurie G.	7-29-2004	19 yrs
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Women of Courage

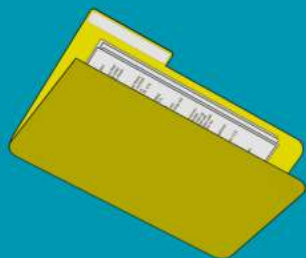
Karuna O.	7-05 2021	2 yrs
Morene K-B.	7-08 2002	21 yrs
Joyce S.	7-08 2017	6 yrs
Nancy W.	7-12 1982	41 yrs
Morna N.	7-13 2020	3 yrs

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

The August newsletter deadline for sending in anniversaries and announcements is July 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

Bringing Us Hope

by Fredmun R. - Coldwater, MI

*A former lifer, now sober and released, returns to prison.
But this time he's there to give back.*



I want to share some good news with you. There was a man named Don and he did 25 years in prison. The first 15 years, he did whatever he wanted. The last 10, he entered AA, got sober and went home. He had been sentenced to life in prison. People from

AA came and spoke up for him at his public hearing and the Michigan Department of Corrections let him go home. He did four years out on parole and then got off. He's been home now for five years.

Today Don came back to prison, but this time as an outside AA volunteer. Don was at our AA meeting in here and chose "hope" as the topic. He got emotional and spoke to all of us from his heart. He told us, "This is where I got sober. I want to let you all know I never forgot about any of you. There's always hope." Don told us he'd be back next week. "I'll be expecting you," I told him.

To me, everyone in AA is my extended family. I want to thank our cofounders Dr. Bob and Bill W. for all the hard work and dedication they put into starting AA for us. I also thank all the Grapevine readers for staying sober one day at a time and sticking with this wonderful program. Don is seeing the Promises come to pass in his life. I'm starting to see them too. I just wanted my extended family to celebrate with Don.

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Want to help another alcoholic ?

Grapevine and La Viña are great Twelfth Step tools!

Here are three easy ways to give subscriptions:

<https://www.agrapevine.org/2023-carry-message-project>



GROUP OUTREACH FROM DISTRICT 70 ACCESSIBILITIES

Greetings to your group or meeting from the District 70 Accessibilities Committee. The Accessibilities Committee is working to expand access to Alcoholics Anonymous in District 70 regardless of ability, limitation, or demographic in accordance with AAs 3rd Tradition and our Responsibility Statement. Our goal is to place our principles before personalities.

Those who get sober eventually “go to any length” to stay that way. We could not possibly take that away from any alcoholic. We can, however, work to remove artificially imposed obstacles – often unwittingly built into our meeting places or other structures – that can make AA harder to get to. The attached checklist, courtesy of AA’s General Service Office, for a group is a first step toward knowing what obstacles are built into their meeting.

What each autonomous group does with the checklist is up to that group. We offer it as an aid to a further realization of our primary purpose. If you return the completed checklist to us, you will also help us to include important information in meeting listings to those with access issues, a “know before you go” to help make informed decisions about which meetings will best suit them. Our only goal is to provide information to alcoholics seeking aid.

A final word – this checklist is but a beginning. It is by no means comprehensive. We cannot hope to meet every need with a standardized list. Each person, whatever their abilities, is an individual. At best, this list can start to foster an openness to hear and respond to needs as they are revealed. Thank you for your cooperation.

DISTRICT 70 ACCESSIBILITIES COMMITTEE

access@ashevilleaa.org



ACCESSIBILITIES CHECKLIST FOR MEETINGS AND GROUPS

How accessible is your meeting? This is a guide to help reduce the physically-based access barriers that a person may encounter when attending meetings in your location.

Introduction

The meeting location should be physically accessible so that anyone may arrive on site, approach the building, and enter the meeting without barriers.

Following are some questions your group can answer to determine the overall accessibility of your meeting space.

PARKING:

- Are an adequate number of accessible parking spaces available? (9 feet wide for car, plus 5-foot wide access aisle)
- Are spaces close to accessible entrances?
- Are spaces marked with identification signs?
- Is the parking area or street clear of snow, ice, or other debris?
- Is a path of travel by wheelchair accessible from the street or parking area?
- Are the sidewalks even and in good repair? Are there curb cut-outs to facilitate access to the sidewalk?

ROUTE OF TRAVEL:

- Is the meeting place accessible to public transportation?
- Is there a clear route of travel that does not require the use of stairs?
- Can any potential obstacles along pathways — including hanging objects — be detected by a person using a cane or other mobility device?
- If the meeting is at night, is the pathway well lit?

ENTRANCE:

- Does the entrance have steps, a threshold, or other physical barriers?
- If so, is there a ramp, lift, or an alternate entrance that is accessible?
 - Is the ramp excessively steep? Does it have railings?
 - Is the lift in good working order? If the lift is operated by a key, does someone on location have possession of the key or know where the key is kept?
 - Is there signage indicating the location of the alternate accessible entrance?
- Does the entrance door have adequate width (32") and clearance to accommodate a wheelchair?
- Can the doors be opened by someone in a wheelchair or would he or she need assistance?

INSIDE THE BUILDING:

- Is there level access from the wheelchair accessible entrance to the meeting area?
- If not, are there ramps to enable someone in a wheelchair to reach the meeting? (Lifting someone over steps or stairs is not an acceptable solution for access.)
- If there is an elevator or a lift, is it in good working order? If the elevator or lift is operated by a key, does someone on location have possession of the key or know where the key is kept?
- Are corridors and door widths (32") adequate for passage of a wheelchair?
- Are corridors reasonably clear to allow safe passage for everyone?

RESTROOMS:

- Is at least one fully accessible restroom available?
- Are the stall doors operable?
- Is there adequate space for a person in a wheelchair to maneuver within the stall?
(44" for forward movement and a five-foot diameter or T-shape of clear space to make turns.)
- Are there grab bars on the walls behind and to the side nearest the toilet?
- Can the faucet be operated without grasping, twisting, or turning?

THE MEETING ROOM:

- Are chairs set up with adequate aisle space for a wheelchair?
- Is the lighting adequate?
- Is there a designated section for members who are Deaf or Hard-of-Hearing?
 - If so, is there adequate space for a sign language interpreter to sit with easy access to that group?
- Is someone available to welcome people and orient them to the meeting space as needed.
- Is the coffee service accessible to a person in a wheelchair or with another type of mobility device?
- Is A.A. literature available that addresses the needs of individuals with diverse abilities?
- Does the local intergroup/central office know that the meeting space is available to people with diverse accessibility needs?

Additional information about Accessibilities and setting up your meeting space may be available from your district or area Accessibilities Committee or your local intergroup/central office. You may also want to search the internet for a variety of Accessibilities Guides and information. In addition, the following accessibilities service materials are available on our A.A. website at www.aa.org.

1. A.A. Guidelines — Accessibility for All Alcoholics (MG-16)
2. A.A. Guidelines — Sharing the A.A. Message with the Alcoholic Who Is Deaf (MG-13)
3. Serving All Alcoholics (F-107)

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 2nd 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!)

Bowling

FRIDAYS @ SKY LANES

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

SUMMERTIME CELEBRATION COOKOUT

MONDAY, JULY 3RD

1:30PM-6:00PM

AVL12 STEP CLUB

1 KENILWORTH KNOLL

ASHEVILLE, NC

PLEASE BRING A SIDE DISH PLUS
ANY GAMES YOU WANT TO SHARE!




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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

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Old-Timers' Panel

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Marathon Meetings

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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.aanconvention.com



For more information or for problems with hotel reservations, please email: aanconvention@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**

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**First 400
Pre-registrations
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COFFEE MUG!**

76TH NORTH CAROLINA STATE CONVENTION

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

Make checks payable/mail to: NC Convention Committee • PO Box 41451 • Raleigh NC 27629

Name _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

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 • AI-Anons 18 & under / Alateens 18 & under: No charge but must register.

Enclosed is \$ _____ for _____ registration(s)

Is this a sponsorship? Yes No Preferred method of contact: Email Mail

If you are willing to be a volunteer, please check here:

Consider buying a sponsorship for those less fortunate

27TH ANNUAL SOUTHEAST WOMAN TO WOMAN CONFERENCE



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No Children Allowed at Conference Events!



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SUMMERVILLE, SC

AUGUST 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)

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Name: _____

Name on Badge: _____ Are you willing to Volunteer? _____ Special Needs: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone: _____ Cell: _____ Email: _____ Sobriety Date: _____

Registration Fee: \$ _____ Scholarship: \$ _____ Banquet: \$65.00 _____ AA _____ Al-Anon _____

Souvenirs: Mugs \$18.00 _____ T-Shirt: \$20.00/Hoodie: \$27.00 S _____ M _____ L _____ XL _____ 2XL _____ 3XL _____ Other _____

Total Enclosed: \$ _____

NO REFUNDS

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you crave...*



SMA[⊙]ACC

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: <http://www.smaacc.org/>



Name _____ AA _____
Address _____ Al-Anon _____
City, State, Zip _____ Others _____
Email _____ Sobriety Date _____
Would you like to volunteer? _____ Yes _____ No If yes, phone number _____

Please, let us know about any special needs _____

Pr-registration: \$50 _____ After July 31st, \$60 _____ Donation: _____ Total: _____

Mail to: SMAAC, 370 South Lowe Ave., BOX 242, Suite A, Cookeville, TN 38501

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 www.Serenityinthesceniccity.org



Mastercard, Visa, Discover and American Express accepted on Square

Please complete and send bottom with registration payment

AA Alanon Volunteer Scholarship

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____

Zip: _____ Phone: _____

Email address: _____

Name on Badge: _____

AA Alanon Volunteer Scholarship

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____

Zip: _____ Phone: _____

Email address: _____

Name on Badge: _____

Committee use only (Paid via):

Check

Square

Cash

Scholarship



Districts 70, 71 and 80 of Western North Carolina invite you to join us for a

CORRECTIONS WORKSHOP

- Corrections Panels and Guest Speaker.
- Coffee/Donuts and Lunch will be served.

October 7, 2023

9 am – 3 pm

**Maggie Valley United
Methodist Church**

4192 Soco Rd
Maggie Valley, NC 28751

FALL THROUGH THE STEPS



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](https://tinyurl.com/fallthroughthesteps) FOR MORE INFO

Area 51 Fall Committee & Assembly Meeting October 20-22, 2023

THE HILTON RALEIGH NORTH HILLS
3415 Wake Forest Road, Raleigh, NC 27609

ADVANCE HOTEL INFORMATION

Deadline for Reservations: Wednesday, September 13, 2023

Group Code: NCGS

Group Name: North Carolina General Service

Room Rates: \$169.00 Single/Double, \$179.00 Triple, \$189.00 Quad

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

Internet: Link for direct reservations: <https://tinyurl.com/bdnew3x9>

Internet: Link for hotel information: www.northraleigh.hilton.com

For Best Results:

- **MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS EARLY!**
- Call as soon as possible prior to the deadline. It's easier to cancel a reservation than to get one at the last minute. 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.
- Please note once the rooms in our block sell out, it's unlikely there will be other rooms left in the hotel.
- If you reserve by phone, be sure to specify the group code "NCGS" and the group name "North Carolina General Service."
- Always be sure to get a confirmation number.
- If you have ANY trouble with Room Rate or Availability, please contact the Area Chairperson at chair@aanorthcarolina.org.
- **Thank you for your service and support of Area 51 and see you at the Winter 2023 Committee Meeting!**

**Thank you for your service and support of Area 51.
See you at the Fall 2023 Committee and Assembly Meeting!**

Why Staying at Our Host Hotel is Important

A Message from the Area 51 Chairperson

Fall 2023

The hotels that host Area 51 events typically charge for meeting space based on how many guest rooms our attendees occupy. For every Assembly, Committee Meeting and Convention, Area 51 has a contract that specifies the number of guest rooms the hotel will “block” for our use. If we fill at least 80% of our room block and 100% of our food and beverage minimum (\$2,000.00), our meeting space is *free*. Otherwise, we are charged if we fall short of this mark.

Free meeting space is what Area 51 budgets and what we usually achieve. However, more than once we have come up short and paid a steep price.

Area 51 makes every effort to negotiate the most favorable room rates possible. Budget hotels don't have the kind of meeting space we require and meeting space in higher-end hotels is expensive. The willingness of individuals to attend Area events and to book their rooms at our host hotel is essential in making Area events affordable at all.

So please attend the Area events if you can and stay at the host hotel using the group code and name whenever possible. Though rooms there may be more expensive than at nearby budget hotels, please consider the additional cost as a contribution to Area 51—a small sacrifice for our “common welfare,” which really must come first if we are to continue meeting and working together to fulfill our Primary Purpose as an Area.

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

Thank you for your service in Area 51!

Inspire and Attract!

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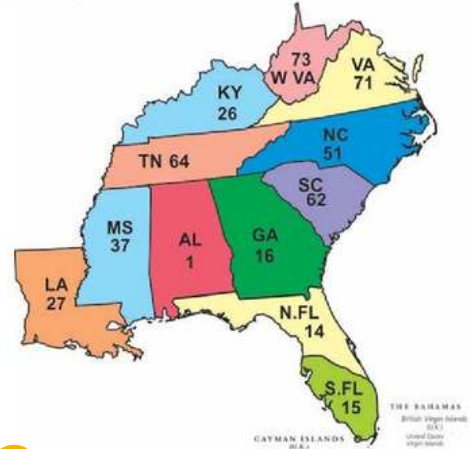
South East Region Service Assembly

Meet your peers around the South East Region

Hosted by Area 14, North Florida

- ✓ Panel Discussions
- ✓ Service Workshops
- ✓ Share Your Service Experience
- ✓ Learn and Discover
- ✓ Volunteer Opportunities

**Southern States
A. A.
Service Assembly
Orlando Florida
Sheraton Orlando North
November 17-19, 2023**



SSAASA7.ORG



Questions? Email chair.ssaasa7@gmail.com

Scan to go to website

Service Workshops * Panel Discussions * Service Experience

YOU Are Invited!

Inquiring minds and trusted servants from all over the South East Region will come together to discuss all things service. Come to Discover, Learn and Share. See old friends, and make new ones.

Volunteer to help in so many ways:

- Greeter
- Registration
- Hospitality
- Presenter

Discuss and Share:

- General Service Positions
- Grapevine
- Intergroup
- Traditions (Have fun)
- Concepts (Learn)
- Just checking out the 3rd Legacy?

Register and reserve your room at ssaasa7.org, or download paper registration form and FAQ

Questions? Email chair.ssaasa7@gmail.com

Need A Scholarship? We are able to offer a scholarship for Registration Only. Email chair.ssaasa7@gmail.com for an application. Be sure to allow time to reserve your hotel room if one will be needed.

SSAASA 7 FAQ's

- What: SSAASA 7, hosted by Area 14
- When: November 17-19, 2023
- Where: Sheraton Orlando North, 600 North Lake Destiny Road, Maitland, FL 32751
- Go to: SSAASA7.org to register, reserve your room, and then plan to have FUN!!

- Important Dates: Make your hotel reservation by October 26, 2023 and register by November 3, 2023. Remember, presenters will be chosen from the registration list, so register early.
- What does SSAASA stand for? SSAASA is the Southern States Alcoholics Anonymous Service Assembly. It began in 2011. It is held each odd year in November.
- Who is SSAASA for? SSAASA is an event supported by the Southeast Region. Any AA member can attend but it is planned by members from the 13 Areas in the Southeast Region, for GSRs, DCMs, District & Area Committee Members, Intergroup/Central Office reps, and anyone interested in or involved in A.A. service. All A.A. members are welcome to attend to learn more about our Third Legacy - Service!
- What happens at a SSAASA event? A program is set up by the host committee where there are general sharing sessions, panels on specific topics, and workshops or roundtables where people holding the same jobs can share experience with each other and learn more about each service opportunity.
- Is there a cost? Yes. The SSAASA event is self-supporting through your registration fee. Home groups, districts, and areas can honor the 7th tradition by supporting your trusted servants so that they may attend.
- All attendees need to register at ssaasa7.org, or by mail . Then be sure to complete your hotel reservation from the link provided on the website

Still got Questions? Email chair.ssaasa7@gmail.com



Southern States Women's Conference

January 26-28, 2024

Debbie D. (Concord, CA)	Steps 1 & 2
Sharon C. (Los Angeles, CA)	Step 3
Michalene (Escondido, California)	Steps 4 & 5
Amanda B. (Montgomery, AL)	Steps 6 & 7
Juanita U. (Santa Fe, New Mexico)	Alanon
Tina A. (Hollister, CA)	Steps 8 & 9
Mildred F. (Toronto, ON)	Steps 10 & 11
Mary T. (Tampa, FL)	Step 12
schedule subject to change	

First Name _____ Last Name _____
 Address _____
 City & State _____ Email _____
 Phone _____ Program: AA___ Al-Anon___ Alateen___
 Check here if you would like to volunteer at the conference:___

Please make check for **\$40** per registration, payable to Southern States Women's Conference and send to:

Southern States Women's Conference
P.O. Box 35100
Elmwood Park, IL 60707

Please let us know if you need assistance with accessibility (hearing, vision, and/or physical disability)

\$40 Early registration price online at southernstateswomensconference.org/registration or use QR code



ASL Interpreter Provided

Hyatt Riverfront Jacksonville
 225 E Coastline Drive
 Jacksonville, FL 32202
 Mention SSWC for conference pricing
 904-588-1234

**Please direct all
communications to:**

P.O. Box 459
Grand Central Station
New York, NY 10163
Fax: (212) 870-3003

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.