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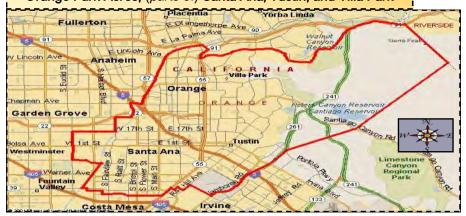
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#### **PLEASE NOTE:**

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#### "DISTRICT 5 AREA ZONES"

Cowan Heights, Lemon Heights, Orange, Orange Park Acres, (parts of) Santa Ana, Tustin, and Villa Park



### WITH A.A. AS A WHOLE? **GENERAL SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE (GSR)**

DOES YOUR GROUP HAVE A "LINK"

"The strength of our whole A.A. service structure starts with the group and with the general service representative (G.S.R.) the group elects. We cannot emphasize too strongly the G.S.R.'s importance.

A.A. Pamphlet: P-19 ~ Alcoholic Anonymous © (A.A.)

For more information about GSRs, see A.A..® leaflet:

A.A. Pamphlet: P-19 -"G.S.R. Your group's link to A.A. as a whole"

"For a new general service representative, this leaflet outlines responsibilities and useful sources of information; for a group, what to keep in mind when electing a G.S.R."

~ Alcoholic Anonymous © (A.A.)

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The AA SERVICE MANUAL Combined with TWELVE CONCEPTS for WORLD SERVICE (.pdf version)

https://www.aa.org/sites/default/files/literature/en\_bm-31\_3.pdf

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District 5—MSCA09—

Being of Service...

YOUR DISTRICT 5 PANEL 74 "2024/2025" TRUSTED SERVANTS/OFFICERS & COMMITTEE MEMBERS



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For more information regarding District 5's "Being of Service" positions:

https://district5msca09.com/#ServPositions

#### \*\*STANDING COMMITTEES CHAIRS\*\*

* ARCHIVES	Mitchell B.
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₩ GRAPEVINE	Chris D.
# GSR SCHOOL	OPEN
₩ H&I LIAISON	Lana W.
# INTERGROUP LIAISON	Lorne V.
# LITERATURE	Steve C.
* NEWSLETTER/WEBSITE	OPEN
ACCESSIBILITIES	OPEN
ត់ C.P.C	
# P.I.	OPEN

\*\* VOLUNTEER POSITIONS

**♣ CAKE and COFFEE SERVICES** Steve

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**Meeting Groups with Active GSRs** 

2024 Meeting Group

How can YOU "Be of Service"??

Attend a District 5 meeting and VOLUNTEER for one of the OPEN positions.



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## STEPS, TRADITIONS, AND

### CONCEPTS OF A.A.





AA Website Links: Alcoholics Anonymous: Read the Big Book and Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions (aa.org) -AND-

SMF-195\_en - The Twelve Concepts for World Service (Long Form) (aa.org)

### **STEPS: 1, 2, AND 3**

[1]

**Short Form:** 

"We admitted we were powerless over alcohol—that our lives had become unmanageable." [2]

**Short Form:** 

"Came to believe that a Power greater than ourselves could restore us to sanity."

[3]

**Short Form:** 

"Made a decision to turn our will and our lives over to the care of God as we understood Him."

STEPS 1 - 3: "I think of the first three Steps in AA as: I can't. (Step One). God can! (Step Two). I have decided to ask Him to help me. (Step Three)."

Contributed by "Anonymous"



#### TRADITIONS: 1, 2, AND 3

[1]

**Short Form:** 

"Our common welfare should come first; personal recovery depends upon A.A. unity." [2]

**Short Form:** 

"For our group purpose there is but one ultimate authority—a loving God as He may express Himself in our group conscience. Our leaders are but trusted servants; they do not govern." [3]

**Short Form:** 

"The only requirement for A.A. membership is a desire to stop drinking."

TRADITION 3: "Our membership ought to include all who suffer alcoholism. Hence we may refuse none who wish to recover. Nor ought A.A. membership ever depend upon money or conformity. Any two or three alcoholics gathered together for sobriety may call themselves an A.A. group, provided that, as a group, they have no other affiliation."

Excerpt from "A.A. Tradition How It Developed" — by Bill W. / P-17 (Pg.7)

#### CONCEPTS: 1, 2, & 3

[1]

**Short Form:** 

"Final responsibility and ultimate authority for A.A. world services should always reside in the collective conscience of our whole Fellowship."

[2]

Short Form:

"The General Service Conference of A.A. has become, for nearly every practical purpose, the active voice and the effective conscience of our whole Society in its world affairs."

[3]

**Short Form:** 

"To insure effective leadership, we should endow each element of A.A.— the Conference, the General Service Board and its service corporations, staffs, committees, and executives— with a traditional "Right of Decision."

CONCEPT 1: Every A.A. member has a voice in the Fellowship's present and future — and A.A.'s welfare is central to the agenda of every General Service Conference. As stated in Concept I, "The A.A. groups today hold ultimate responsibility and final authority for our world services — those special elements of over-all service activity which make it possible for our Society to function as a whole."...

2021-2023 A.A. Service Manual / Chapter 3 (pg. 21) / Area Activities / The Annual Conference Program

### \* DISTRICT 5 - AREA 09 - OCAA / O.C. CENTRAL OFFICE \*

#### **DISTRICT 5**

Website: https://district5msca09.com/

D5's GSR Meetings are held 2nd Thurs. of the month.

#### \*STEERING COMMITTEE MEETINGS\*

DATES: (Mon.) Feb. 5 / Mar. 11 / Apr. 8 / May 6 / Jun. 10 / Jul. 8 / Aug. 5

TIME: 6pm PT

ZOOM:

Member ID: 897 037 1755 Password/Passcode: 06101935

#### \*GSR BUSINESS MEETINGS\*

2nd Thursday of the Month

DATES: (Thurs.) Feb. 8 / Mar. 14 / Apr. 11 /

May 9 / Jun. 13 / Jul. 11 / Aug. 8

TIME: 6:30pm PT - New GSR Orientation

(In-Person Only) 7:00pm PT - Regular Meeting

IN-PERSON: Church of the Foothills

19211 Dodge Avenue

Santa Ana/N. Tustin, CA 92705

#### ZOOM:

Member ID: 897 037 1755 Password/Passcode: 06101935

For safety and security reasons, please be

sure your first name, last initial, and meeting group information is reflected.

#### MARK YOUR CALENDAR!!!

**DISTRICT 5'S AREA 09** 

#### '<u>DELEGATE (Alex W.) SHAREBACK'</u> (THURS.) JUNE 13, 2024

You can find the '2024' calendar of District 5's monthly GSR meetings, along with other upcoming events, on District 5's website.

# DISTRICT 5 WEBSITE...



#### MSCA09

Website: https://msca09aa.org/

**DELEGATE'S CORNER** 



**February 11, 2024** 

~Report & Highlights~

Delegate's Corner - Mid-Southern California Area 09 (msca09aa.org)

#### MSCA 09 PRE-CONFERENCE <u>ASSEMBLIES</u>

VIRTUAL: Feb. 28, Mar. 6, Mar. 20, Apr. 6 IN-PERSON: Mar. 17 and Apr. 7th

For more information, see flyer on <u>Page 10</u>

Mar. 10 (Sun): 9am - 3:00 pm PT
(Registration begins at 8:30am)

#### \*AREA SERVICE COMMITTEE (ASC)

Hosted by District 09

IN-PERSON: Mizell Center

480 South Sunrise Way, Palm Springs, CA

**Zoom ID:** 896 6166 6203 **P34 P4 Service** 

For more information, see flyer on Page 8

Apr. 6 (Sat): 1pm - 5pm

#### \*GSR PRE-CONFERENCE WORKSHOP\*

Zoom ID: 854 8006 9965 Passcode: Panel74

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Apr. 7 (Sun): 8am - 4pm

#### \*PRE-CONFERENCE MOCK GENERAL SERVICE CONFERENCE\*

Hosted by District 24

**IN-PERSON:** Backs Community Building 201 S. Bradford Ave., Placentia, CA

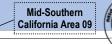
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May 19 (Sun): 9am - 3:00 pm PT
(Registration begins at 8:30am)

## \*AREA SERVICE ASSEMBLY (ASA) & DELEGATE SHAREBACK \*

Hosted by District 08

No other information available at the time of this issue.



PLEASE BE SURE TO CONFIRM ANY AND ALL MEETINGS BEFORE ATTENDING / PARTICIPATING.

Looking for a meeting?

### OCAA / O.C. CENTRAL OFFICE

#### **H&I**

Website: <a href="https://oc-aa.org/">https://oc-aa.org/</a>

H&I Website: ochandi.org

# ORANGE COUNTY ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS / O.C. CENTRAL OFFICE

1526 Brookhollow Dr., Ste 75 Santa Ana, CA 92705-5466 (714) 556-4555

#### ORANGE COUNTY INTERGROUP

Meetings every 2nd Wednesday of the month at 7:00pm - 8:30pm PT.

6:30pm: Orientation of New Intergroup Reps

**Location (In-Person Only):** 

Norma Hertzog Community Center 1845 Park Ave., Costa Mesa, CA

> For more info: Email: <u>Chair@oc-aa.org</u> Website: <u>https://oc-aa.org</u>

Mar. 17 (Sun.): Intergroup's 2nd Annual "St. Patrick's Day" Event

For more information, see flyer on Page 8

#### ORANGE COUNTY HOSPITALS & INSTITUTIONS (H&I)

Meets the 2nd Sunday of the month.

**Meeting Times:** 

4:00pm: Institutions Committee (Orientation at 3:15pm) 6:00pm: Hospitals Committee (Orientation at 5:15pm)

Location: Garden Grove Alano Club 9845 Belfast Dr., Garden Grove, CA

For more info: ochandi.org

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Orange County Intergroup Association's monthly publication of "Lifeline" is filled with great information and, most importantly, EXPERIENCE, STRENGTH, and HOPE!!

You'll definitely want to read each issue.

Website: https://oc-aa.org/newsletter/



Visit <u>www.oc-aa.org</u> for additional information and links

Meeting Guide App: https://www.aa.org/meeting-guide-app

**GSR and DCM Apps:** 

GSR APP: https://msca-gsr-kit.glideapp.io/ DCM APP: https://dcm-dcmc-school-

app.glideapp.io/

These are great and useful apps that can be downloaded to your computer, laptop, tablet and/or netbook!

# A.A. GENERAL SERVICE OFFICE (GSO) ANNOUNCEMENTS & EVENTS

AND

### A.A. GRAPEVINE NEWS

#### A few of the "What's New on AA.org"

(If viewing digitally, just click on the individual listed titles for the complete information .)

Or Visit:

https://www.aa.org/pages/en US/whats-new-on-aaorg

#### \*January 2024 thru February 22, 2024\*

- Update on printing delays and backorders due to supply chain disruptions
- Alcoholics Anonymous Membership Survey results released (2022 Survey)
- General Manager Letter (aa.org)
- Quarterly Report from G.S.O.
- Highlights from AAWS
- NNA Call for stories extended submission time ("A.A. for the Native North American Alcoholic," Pamphlet Update)
- A Note of Thanks and a Request for Continued Cooperation
  (Letter to the Media About Anonymity)
- Announcement from the AA Grapevine Publisher (*Price Increase*)

#### STORY SOLICITATION

"Do You Think You're Different?" Pamphlet Update

Story solicitation "Do You Think You Are Different" (aa.org)

https://www.aa.org/sites/default/files/literature/Call%20for%20Story\_Pamphlet%20DYTYAD% 20EN.pdf

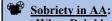
Deadline for submissions: April 30, 2024

For More Info:

Visit website page or access QR Code.



### \*\*A Few of the Downloadable A.A. (PSA) Videos\*\*



- When Drinking is no longer a Party
- My Drinking Built a Wall
- We made changes to stop drinking

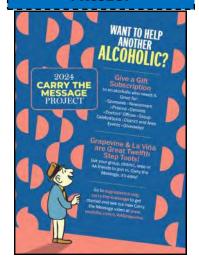




2022 A.A. Membership Survey (aa.org)

https://onlineliterature.aa.org/A.-A.-Membership-Survey

## 2024 CARRY THE MESSAGE PROJECT



### A.A. Audiobooks and eBooks

(For Purchase)

#### **Audiobooks**

https://onlineliterature.aa.org/audiobooks

- ☑ Alcoholics Anonymous Big Book (4th Edition 2001)
- Living Sober
- Daily Reflections

#### **eBooks**

https://onlineliterature.aa.org/ebooks

- Alcoholics Anonymous Big Book (4th Edition 2001)
- Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions
- **□** Living Sober
- Daily Reflections
- Alcoholics Anonymous Comes of Age
- (A) Came to Believe
- Dr. Bob and the Good Oldtimers
- As Bill Sees It
- Experience, Strength & Hope
- A.A. in Prison: Inmate to Inmate
- Pass It On
- Our Great Responsibility



#### A.A. GRAPEVINE NEWS...

#### M NOW AVAILABLE:

"The Grapevine and La Viña Apps"



iPhone



Android



- Help us spread the word that the apps are here
- https://www.aagrapevine.org/apps
- Grapevine Workbook
- 2024 Catalog now available to download
- https://www.aagrapevine.org/catalog
- **New Audiobook: Prayer & Meditation** 
  - https://www.aagrapevine.org/store/prayer-meditation-mp3

AAGrapevine YouTube Channel www.youtube.com/c/AAGrapevine

AAGrapevine's Podcast <a href="https://www.aagrapevine.org/podcast">https://www.aagrapevine.org/podcast</a>



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HAPPY 'SOBRIETY' BIRTHDAY

to the follow





#### **NOVEMBER 2023**

- 🕆 Lili W. 19 Years GSR "Other 12 & 12 Group"
- 🕆 Cole H. 27 Years GSR "Early Birds Group"

#### **\*\* DECEMBER 2023**

🖰 Chris P. - 5 Years - Visitor

#### \*\* JANUARY 2024\*\*

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👸 Chris D. - 2 Years - D5 Grapevine Rep / D5 DCM-Women's Evenings



"Why did the sober man bring a calendar to the party? He's always marking his milestones."



Celebrating your sobriety birthday is a way to honor your hard work and dedication and showing others it can be done!

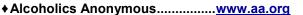
> By doing it ONE DAY AT A TIME", all together they have...

YEARS	53
MONTHS	636
WEEKS	2,764
DAYS	19,345
HOURS	464,280
MINUTES	27,856,800



#### A.A. RELATED WEBSITES

WWW



◆ District 5 ...... https://district5msca09.com/

♦ Mid-Southern California Area 09 https://msca09aa.org

♦ OCAA/OC Central Office .....www.oc-aa.org

♦ Hospitals & Institutions (H&I)......https://ochandi.org

♦ A.A. Service Manual Combined with 12 Concepts (2021-2023 Edition).....www.aa.org/aa-servicemanualtwelve-concepts-world-services

♦ AA Grapevine.....www.aagrapevine.org

♦ OC A.A. Convention .....www.ocaac.org

♦ All O.C. Young People In A.A.....www.ocypaa.org

♦ Bridging the Gap ......https://area9btg.org

♦ Online Intergroup of A.A.....https://aa-intergroup.org







### NEW GSRs / Alternate GSRs / **District 5 Position Holders**

A big **WELCOME** and **THANK YOU** to the following for taking on these commitments:

**NAME MEETING GROUP** CITY

- ◆ Jadwiga H. (GSR) Sunday Morning B/B Study Group Orange F/C
- **♦ John R. (GSR) Tustin Rush Hour**
- ◆ Steve H. (Alt-GSR) Sunday Morning B/B Study Group Orange F/C

#### **AA RESPONSIBILITY STATEMENT**

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

And for that: I am responsible.'





#### **MEETING GROUP INFORMATION**

In order to keep our applicable database records up to date; GSO, Area 09, District 5, and O.C. Central Office need to be advised whenever there are the following meeting / group changes:

- Date and Time Location Name -
- General Service Representative (GSR) and/or Contact Information (i.e. Secretary)
- New Meeting/Group 'or' Disbandment of Meeting/Group

If there are any changes, please notify District 5's "Registrar" or "GSR School" Standing Committee Chair. District 5 will then make sure the information is forwarded on.

#### A LITTLE OF THIS...A LITTLE OF THAT!

### <u>Submission by a Fellowship Member</u> ~ Hospitals & Institutions ~

Early on in sobriety I saw that all the happy people were doing "panels". The same type of panels that would come into rehabs and jails I would be in. The same panels I would be so dismissive of and want nothing to do with before I got sober. But the seed was planted without me knowing. My ears were finally wide open to hear the depth and weight in the message of these AA members. I wanted what these men and women had. So I did as they do and joined in. At 9 months of sobriety I began my journey with H&I and became a member at one year. Today, nine years later, I have the privilege of serving as institutions chair and carrying the same message I heard into the same jails I myself was incarcerated in. My own drinking and using experience qualifies me to be uniquely useful to the alcoholic men and women in these institutions. The presence of God I feel when securing the confidence of newcomers makes all self sacrifice worth it. In some of my darkest times I've been recognized at meetings because of a panel I was a part of and to hear that something I said had an affect on someone in a positive way has given me no greater sense of purpose and fulfillment. H&I is all about tradition 5 and all the experiences I've had through H&I reminds me of this portion of the 12 & 12 on page 150-151,

"The unique ability of each AA to identify himself with, and bring recovery to, the newcomer in no way depends upon his learning, eloquence, or any special individual skills. The only thing that matters is that he is an alcoholic who has found a key to sobriety."

I'm grateful for the H&I members who shared that key with me and I'm grateful to have H&I as a staple in my program.

Thank you God!

Luis P.



# (Hospitals & Institutions)

As posted on the "ORANGE COUNTY HOSPITALS AND INSTITUTIONS COMMITTEE OF AA" Website (ochandi.org)

"In 1942, Warden Duffy at San Quentin State Prison noticed that 80% of the prisoners released ended up back in prison, and that alcohol was usually a contributing factor. He was aware of a group called Alcoholics Anonymous® who claimed recovery from alcoholism, and invited them into San Quentin to hold meetings with the inmates. Thus H&I was born in Northern CA and San Quentin Group #1 became the first group in the Hospital and Institution Committee".

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What is the story behind the Circle and Triangle logo?



The Circle and Triangle symbol has long been connected to the A.A. Fellowship. It was adopted as an official A.A. symbol at the International Convention in St. Louis in 1955, and from that point on was widely used in the Fellowship. For the Fellowship, the three legs of the triangle represented the Three Legacies of Recovery, Unity and Service, and the circle symbolized the world of A.A. In Alcoholics Anonymous Comes of Age, Bill W.'s 1955 speech, in which he describes the adoption of the symbol, is printed:

"Above us floats a banner on which is inscribed the new symbol for A.A., a circle enclosing a triangle. The circle stands for the whole world of A.A., and the triangle stands for A.A.'s Three Legacies of. Recovery, Unity, and Service. Within our wonderful new world, we have found freedom from our fatal obsession. That we have chose this particular symbol is perhaps no accident. The priests and seers of antiquity regarded the circle enclosing the triangle as a means of warding off the spirits of evil, and A.A.'s circle and triangle of Recovery, Unity, and Service has certainly meant all of that to us and much more." (p. 139)

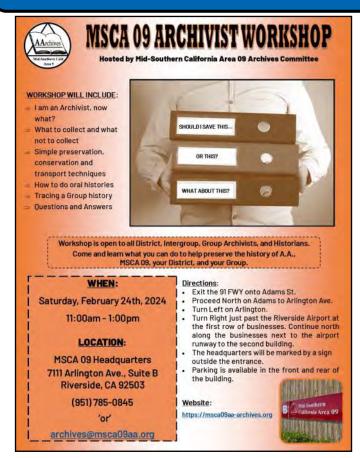
Nevertheless, in the early 1990s, A.A.W.S. decided to phase out the use of the Circle and Triangle symbol on its literature, letterhead and other material. It was decided to phase out the "official" or "legal" use of the Circle and Triangle symbol, and in 1994 the General Service Conference resolved that the logo be discontinued on all Conference-approved literature. However, the symbol is still associated with Alcoholics Anonymous (and other kinds of 12-Step recovery fellowships) and has a special meaning for AA members all over the world.

### **UPCOMING 2024 SOBER EVENTS**

#### (Sat.) February 24th

Hosted by Mid-Southern California Area 09 Archives Committee

"MSCA 09 ARCHIVIST WORKSHOP"



#### (Fri.-Sun.) March 1st-3rd

Facilitated by Area

"PACIFIC REGION ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS SERVICE ASSOCIATION (PRAASA)"



### AREA O9 MSCA MARCH AREA SERVICE COMMITTEE

(Sun.) March 10th

Hosted by District 09

"MSCA 09 AREA SERVICE COMMITTEE (ASC) MEETING"



#### The purpose of PRAASA is to:

- Develop greater unity among the members, groups, and areas of the Pacific Region.
- Encourage the exchange of ideas and experiences.
- Provide an opportunity for members to discuss pertinent aspects of Alcoholics Anonymous.
- ⇒ The Assembly and the PRAASA Committee should always foster the Recovery, Unity and Service legacies of Alcoholics Anonymous.

Any upcoming events that get announced and/or posted after the issuance of this quarterly newsletter will be posted on District 5's website as quickly as possible, so be sure to check it out.

https://district5msca09.com/

"UPCOMING SOBER EVENTS" continued on next page...

### **UPCOMING SOBER EVENTS** - continued

(Sun.) March 10th

Hosted by District 09

"MSCA 09 AREA SERVICE COMMITTEE (ASC) MEETING"

AREA 09 MSCA MARCH AREA SERVICE COMMITTEE **SUNDAY.MARCH 10.** HOSTED BY DISTRICT 09 HYBRID EVENT ZOOM INFO: MEETING I.D: 89661666203 PASSWORD:P74service **HOT LUNCH** FREE PARKING **NETWORKING & MORE...** REGISTRATION 8 AM SERVICE (ASC) 9 AM-4 PM 480 South Sunrise Way Palm Springs, CA 92262

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(Fri. - Sun.) March 29th - 31st

"39TH OCAA CONVENTION"

### HAPPENING IN "2025"!!



July 3 - 6, 2025

Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada

"2025 A.A. International Convention"

https://www.aa.org/international-convention

Never been to Vancouver?
Then be sure to check out the video!

(Sun.) Mar. 17th

OCAA INTERGROUP'S
"ST. PATRICK'S DAY - SPRING INTO
SERVICE SPEAKER" EVENT





March 29th, 30th and 31st 2024



Hilton Orange County Costa Mesa, CA 714-540-7000

Room Rates: \$149 Register EARLY!
Parking: \$12.00 overnight—\$10 In & Out

All Registrations are online

at OCAAC.org.

You can also register at the convention starting March 29th 2024. (Price list on back)



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The general service representative has the job of linking his or her group with A.A. as a whole. The GSR represents the voice of the group conscience, reporting the group's thoughts to the district committee member and to the delegate, who passes them on to the Conference. This communication is a two-way street, making the GSR responsible for bringing back to the group Conference Actions that affect A.A. unity, health, and growth. Only when a GSR, keeps the group informed, and communicates the group conscience, can the Conference truly act as a whole.

### 74TH GENERAL SERVICE CONFERENCE - AGENDA ITEMS April 14 - 20, 2024 / Brooklyn, New York

The 74th General Service Conference is quickly approaching. And that means there's only a short opportunity for you, District 5 fellowship member, to review this year's "Agenda Items" and to give our Area's Panel 74 Delegate (Alex W.) your feedback on those which are important to you or...on all of them. The feedback deadline is April 8th, 2024 at midnight.

Below is the final list of "Agenda Items" that we have been provided by our Delegate. You can find out more, including the (password protected) confidential background information, by visiting her webpage at: <a href="https://msca09aa.org/delegate-page/">https://msca09aa.org/delegate-page/</a>. Be sure to keep checking, as it will be updated as more information becomes available, including the feedback submittal process.

To get the password, please email your request to: district5@district5msca09.com

English/Anglais/Inglés

#### 74th General Service Conference Committees

Below is the final list of agenda items for the 74th General Service Conference (GSC), including the EDW distribution plan approved by the General Service Board at their Q1 January 2024 meeting.

#### Agenda Items

#### Agenda

- Review suggestions for the theme of the 2025 General Service Conference.
- Review presentation/discussion topic ideas for the 2025 General Service Conference.
- Discuss workshop topic ideas for the 2025 General Service Conference.
- Review the General Service Conference Evaluation Form, distribution process and 2023 Evaluation Summary.
- Discuss progress report on Conference improvement.
- Review feedback from Delegate Chairs on quarterly communications. Review Conference Inventory plan for the 2025 General Service Conference.

#### Cooperation with the Professional Community

- Review progress report on AAWS LinkedIn page.
- Review progress report on the development of outward facing pamphlet for mental health professionals.
- Review content and format of CPC Kit and Workbook.
- Discuss effectiveness and relevance of CPC videos currently on aa.org.
- Consider a request to develop a pamphlet on the unhoused alcoholic in A.A.\*

#### III. Corrections

- Consider updated Singleness of Purpose text to replace the existing paragraph in the pamphlet "A Message to Corrections Professionals."
- Review content and format of Corrections Kit and Workbook.
- Review the video "Carrying the Message Behind These Walls" for effectiveness, relevance, and intended audience.
- Consider a request to develop a pamphlet on the transgender alcoholic in A.A.
- Review progress report on updating A.A. Service Material to better carry the message to alcoholics with intellectual or information processing challenges, communication challenges and diverse neurological abilities.\*

#### IV. Finance

- Consider a request that the General Service Board develop supplemental reporting focused on the actual and evolving costs of various services provided by the GSB.
- Review Self-Support Packet.
- Review progress report reflecting shared experience from the Fellowship on possible future changes to literature written by A.A.'s founders.+
- D. Review video "Hope" for effectiveness and relevance."

#### V. Grapevine/La Viña

- Review AA Grapevine Workbook.
- Consider the list of suggested Grapevine book topics for 2025 or after.
- Discuss the cost effectiveness and sustainability of continuing to print La Viña.
- Explore the services provided by AA Grapevine and how they should be funded.
- Consider a request to develop a pamphlet on the Asian and Asian-American alcoholics in A.A.\*

#### VI. Literature

- Annual review of recovery literature matrix.
- Review progress report regarding revisions to the pamphlet "The Twelve Steps Illustrated."
- Review draft of the revised pamphlet "A.A. for the Black and African-American Alcoholic." (Retitled: "Black in A.A.: Experience, Strength and Hope.")
- Review progress report or draft of the revised pamphlet "A.A. for the Native North American."
- Review progress report or draft manuscript of the Fourth Edition of the book Alcohólicos Anónimos Spanish.
- Review draft manuscript of the translation of the book Alcoholics Anonymous (Fourth Edition) into plain and simple language.
- Review progress report on the development of the Fifth Edition of the book Alcoholics Anonymous.
- Review progress report on the video animation of the pamphlet "The Twelve Concepts Illustrated." Review progress report on video adaption of the pamphlet "Too Young?"
- Review progress report on revisions to the pamphlet "Questions and Answers on Sponsorship."
- K. Consider a request that the words "Donation" and "Contribution" be swapped under Warranty One in "The Twelve Concepts Illustrated" pamphlet.

#### VII. Policy/Admissions

- Review GSO general manager's memo regarding General Service Conference site selection.
- Review dates for the 2027 and 2028 General Service Conference.
- Discuss report on the Equitable Distribution of Workload process.
- Review report of the GSB Ad-Hoc Committee on Participation of Online Groups in the U.S./Canada Service Structure.
- Discuss revising procedures for electing the Delegate chairperson, Conference Committee chairpersons and their alternates.

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### 74TH GSC AGENDA ITEMS — FINAL LIST

#### VIII. Public Information

- Review the 2024 Public Information Comprehensive Media Plan.
- Public Service Announcements (PSAs):
  - Review the 2023 report on the "Relevance and Usefulness of Video
  - Discuss progress report on paid placement of PSA videos on streaming platforms.
  - Review progress report on the Mesmerize Point PSA distribution channel.
- Review report on the GSO Podcast.
- Review report on AAWS YouTube channel.
- Review report on Google Ads.
- Review report on Meeting Guide app.
- Review report on GSO's A.A. website.
- Н. Review reports on reports on AAGV/La Viña media platforms.
- Review report for AAWS Online Business Profiles.
- J. Review report from working group on improving analytics across media plat-
- K. Consider revised proposal to develop an AAWS Instagram account.
- Review progress report on the Young People's Video Project.
- Discuss Public Information pamphlets/materials: M.
  - Review progress report and draft on revision to the flyer "A.A. at a
  - Review draft of the revised pamphlet "Speaking at Meetings Outside of
  - Review progress report on revision to the flyer "A Message to Teenag-
- N. Review results of A.A. Membership Survey convenience sample pilot.
- O. Review content and format of Pl. Kit and Workbook.

#### IX. Report and Charter

- The A.A. Service Manual, 2024-2026 Edition: Review list of editorial updates.
- Discuss General Service Conference Final Report.
- Discuss the reporting of Simple Majority Items.

#### X. Treatment and Accessibilities

- Review progress report on Military Outreach Project (formerly known as the Military Audio Interview).
- Review contents and format of Treatment Kit and Workbook.
- Review contents and format of Accessibilities Kit and Workbook.
- Review progress report on update to the pamphlet "Bridging the Gap."
- Review updated Bridging the Gap service material.
- Review report on what resources are currently available from the General Service Office and the AA Grapevine to meet accessibility-related challenges and how those resources are communicated to the Fellowship.
- Review P-27 "A.A. in Treatment Settings" for effectiveness and relevance.
- Review F-4 "Where do I go from here?" flyer for effectiveness and relevance.
- Review resource lists for Remote Communities and Cooperation with the Elder Community.

#### XI. Trustees

- Review resumes of candidates for:
  - West Central Regional Trustee
  - Western Canada Regional Trustee
- Review slate of trustees and officers of the General Service Board of Alcoholics Anonymous, Inc.
- Review slate of directors of A.A. World Services, Inc.
- Review slate of directors of AA Grapevine, Inc.
- Review progress report on the update to the pamphlet "Do You Think You're Different?"+
- Discuss guidelines or parameters for deadlines of Conference agenda items.

#### XII. Archives

Review content and format of Archives Workbook.

#### XIII. International Conventions/Regional Forums

- Discuss an anonymity-protected photograph of the Flag Ceremony to be taken at the 2025 International Convention.
- Discuss an encrypted, anonymity-protected, delayed Internet broadcast of the Convention Flag Ceremony for the 2025 International Convention.
- Discuss a report concerning virtual programming for the 2025 International
- Discuss options for closing the Big Meeting at the International Convention.
- Discuss ways to encourage interest and participation at Regional Forums.
- Discuss the production of anonymity-protected videos of other highlights of the Convention as a way of sharing the spirit and enthusiasm of the 2025 International Convention with A.A. members.
- Discuss the production of a delayed, anonymity protected, digital access video product offering of the three big meetings at the 2025 International Conven-

2024 EDW distribution +Carryover from a previous EDW plan



ONLINE

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- · Background access password protected: Panel74
- Survey Monkey GSC feedback document
- · March Delegate Report
- Board weekend report



654-3149 msca09.delegatep74@gmail.com for all agenda item feedback via Survey Monkey, one call, text, email, or at the pre conference

Feedback deadline is April 8 at MIDNIGHT!

"ALL MEETING TIMES ADE DST "SPANISH INTERPRETATION WILL BE AVAILABLE

MARCH 5TH

MARCH 17TH

MARCH 20TH

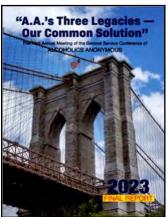
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APRIL 7TH

2 00 PM TO 5 00 PM

You can learn all about the annual General Service Conference in Chapter 6 (pgs. 39-43) of the 2021-2023 A.A. Service Manual. (https://www.aa.org/sites/default/files/literature/en bm-31 3.pdf)





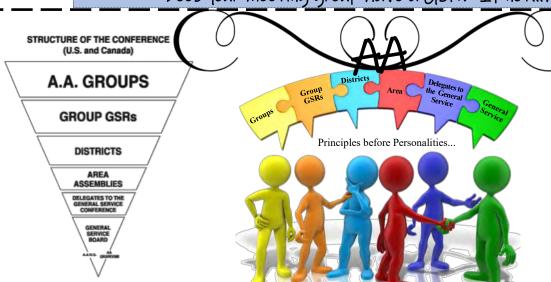
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### MEETING GROUPS WHOSE GSRs ATTENDED AT LEAST ONE "DISTRICT 5 MEETING" IN THE "4TH QUARTER" OF "2023"

MEETING GROUP	MEETING GROUP # GROUP #		ALTERNATE GSR	
12:00 P.M. Step Study Group	606997	Angelique Y.		
777 Newcomers Mens Stag Group	649516	Loren V.		
Chapman & Lewis AA Group	722230	Glenda R.		
Copy Cats	N/A	Arrielle T.		
Early Birds	126119	Cole H.		
Forever Non-Professional	725120	Eric S.		
Hart Park Newcomers Group	649516	Matt D.		
It's In the Book	700349	Gloria Z.		
Keep It Simple Group	126635	Paty R.O.		
Ladies Night Book Study	718618	Danielle H.		
Monday Night Mens B.Y.O.B.	686410	Tyson H.	Joey C.	
Name in the Hat Group	722902	Ryan P.		
Quality Serenity	?	Kyle B.		
Saturday Night Visiting Speakers Mtg.	100561	Joey P.		
Sobriety First	New Group	Christine "Chris" D.		
Sunday Morning B/B Study Group (F/Club)	146970	Jadwiga H.	Steve H.	
Sunday Night Speakers of Orange	125583	Kris H.		
(The) Other 12 & 12 Group	655929	Gina H.	Lili W.	
Tuesday Night Mens Stag Group	128302	Matt F.		
Tustin Acceptance Meeting	696177	Curt B.		
Tustin Big Book Study	678232	Jim L.		
Tustin Rush Hour	168129	John R.		
We Got A Coffee Pot	725707	Will G.		
Wed Nite Womens Solutions Grp	179495	Lana W.		

Does your meeting group have a GSR? If not ... why not?



"By choosing its most qualified member as G.S.R., a group helps secure its own future— and the future of A.A. as a whole."

General Service Representative Pamphlet P-19.

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### **2024**

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### **Meeting Group Contributions to District 5**

GROUP#	GROUP NAME	CITY	"2023" GROUP TOTALS
	PERSONAL CONTRIBUTIONS	N/A	\$ 9.00
102350	12 Steps And 12 Traditions Study Group	Tustin	\$ 48.75
606997	12:00 P.M. Step Study Group	Orange F/C	\$ 80.00
??	6:00am Mens Coffee (Men's Morning Coffee??)	Tustin	\$ 18.00
	777 Newcomers Mens Stag	Orange	\$ 300.00
	9:02 Group	Villa Park	\$ 138.00
652296	Alkies Winners Circle Group	Tustin	\$ 89.00
117208	Crawl Before No One	Orange F/C	\$ 20.00
	Early Birds Group	Orange	\$ 28.37
	Forever Non-Professional	Orange	\$ 190.60
123931	Hart Park Newcomers Group	Orange	\$ 5.00
	It's In The Book	Orange	\$ 120.50
N/A	Jadwiga H.		\$ 10.00
	Keep It Simple Group	Orange	\$ 52.34
	Monday Night Mens B.Y.O.B.	Tustin	\$ 20.00
126635	Orange Tustin Group	Orange	\$ 15.00
655929	(The) Other 12 & 12	Orange	\$ 32.00
	Quality Serenity	Orange F/C	\$ 680.00
	Rush Hour Discussion Group	Orange F/C	\$ 200.00
143140	Sat. 2:00 P.M. Discussion Group	Orange F/C	\$ 680.00
100561	Sat. Night Visiting Speakers Mtg.	Tustin	\$ 50.00
149952 / 90754	Serenity Sunrise / Sunrise Serenity (aka 24 Hour Book Group)	Villa Park	\$ 269.00
616357	Sober & Crazy Speaker Meeting	Orange	\$ 107.43
	Spiritual Experience Group	Tustin	\$ 148.00
146970	Sunday Morning B/B Study Group	Orange F/C	\$ 225.00
722902	The Name in the Hat	Orange	\$ 37.00
628290	Thur Night Newcomers Group	Orange F/C	\$ 20.00
128032	Tuesday Night Men's Stag	Santa Ana	\$ 20.00
696177	Tustin Acceptance Group	Tustin	\$ 145.10
130429	Tustin Attitude Modification Group	Tustin	\$ 911.56
678232	Tustin Big Book Study	Tustin	\$ 81.52
662400	Tustin Mon Evening Womens 12&12 Group	Tustin	\$ 14.00
168129	Tustin Rush Hour Group	Tustin-Orange	\$ 18.20
630090	Two or More Group	Santa Ana	\$ 24.00
179495	Wed Nite Womens Solutions Grp	Tustin	\$ 34.00
	We've Got a Coffee Pot	Orange	\$ 200.00
638840	Womens Step Study Group	Tustin	\$ 10.00
		TOTAL	\$5,051.37

If your meeting group, or you as an individual, would like to make a 7th Tradition contribution to District 5, here are the choices:

1. <u>CHECK—CASH—MONEY ORDER</u> (Please be sure money order can be 'mobile deposited'.)

Mail To: District 5, P.O. Box 3374, Tustin, CA 92781-3374
Hand Carry: District 5 Monthly Meeting (We'd love to see you!!)

2. <u>ZELLE INFO</u>: district5treasurer@district5msca09.com

When making contributions to District 5, please notate your meeting group name and GSO #. If number is not known, please notate the day and time of meeting.



	District 5	P.O. Box 337	UTION TO: 4, Tustin, C	92781-33	374	
Please Print						
GROUP #:		-				
GROUP NAME:						
RECEIPT TO BE SENT TO	):					
NAME:						
MAILING ADDRESS:						
"or" EMAIL ADDRESS:						