



CNCA COMMENTS



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California Northern Coastal Area of Alcoholics Anonymous

Preview of the Area Committee Meeting August 2014

Hello California Northern Coastal Area (CNCA),

At the July 26th Area Committee Meeting we passed two House Keeping Motions.

“That CNCA 06 invite the Pacific Regional Trustee to facilitate the 2014 Election Assembly November 8th in San Jose; and pay for his travel, lodging and meals at a cost not to exceed \$700.”- Presented By Padee M. Panel 63 Delegate

“That CNCA fund 1 member, not exceeding \$700.00, from the Bridging the Gap Committee to the Bridging the Gap Workshop Weekend in Kansas City Missouri September 5-7, 2014.” – Presented by BTG Committee

We had two items of Area Business that were tabled to August Area Committee Meeting;

“That CNCA approve the posting anonymity protected General Service Conference results to the CNCA website.” – Presented by The Web Committee

“That CNCA approve the posting of the Area Job Descriptions to the CNCA website” – Presented by The Web Committee

We had the last discussion about; Should we still provide the ASL interpretation for the Post Conference Assembly on the Delegates report? Is this service really necessary or should we provide it on request only? Next month our Discussion Topics will be “Should we discontinue the CNCA practice of limiting Area Officer eligibility”. As we are ending our Panel it is time to discuss our Standing Committees whose members are appointed to by the Area Officers, The Committees are Finance, Web and I&T. The intention is to inform all of our members who are making themselves available to serve for next panel on these Committees. **This is also a great time to bid for an Assembly for Panel 65 all of the Assemblies are open please share this information with your Districts.** I'd like to remind you that we have two items of old business for the Summer Assembly in Vacaville on August 9th, 2014.

Please bring your Group & District Conscience

“That CNCA 06 submits a request to delete “of the opposite sex” from p117 in the book “Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions.” – District 04.

“That future printing of the A.A. Service Manual includes blank Group Change and New Group forms on the last page of the service manual.”- District 06.

There will be a presentation of New Business as well, which reads as follows:

“That the General Service Conference reconsider the Panel 61 Public Information Advisory Action regarding A.A. videos containing full faces.” –Presented by CNCA PI/CPC committee

August Officer Job Description will be The Area Chair. This takes place before the DCM Sharing Session at 10:00am. Great News!! CNCA will be hosting the 19th Anniversary of La Viña, we will be electing the Steering Committee at The Lit/GV/LV Session at 10:00 am everybody is welcome to participate.

Please bring your FM Radios!

With Gratitude, Raymundo L.

Greetings Fellowship,

I want to thank all that attended Pacific Region Forum in Boise. I especially enjoyed talking with new members and it was terrific to have so many CNCA attendees. It was fabulous to serve with delegates and others from this year's conference.

Recently I had the opportunity to discuss the 6 warranties (A.A.'s Bill of Rights) from Concept 12, found in the "A.A. Service Manual", "12 Concepts Illustrated" and the "12 Concepts Checklist." I tried to relate how they might work at the GS conference. Here's my very brief summary:

- 1) A.A. still doesn't accept outside contributions. Many decisions about money are made by you-through your delegate. We were well fed at the conference but didn't have lobster and caviar; it was just right to keep us working. It was members, thru the conference, that decided to limit how much individuals can contribute. The upside triangle puts the groups in power at the top. Conference actions require votes of 2/3s substantial unanimity to move forward.
- 2) Our A.A. boards are guided by well thought out and fully approved budgets, which were presented at the conference. When members make suggestions for literature, P.S.A.'s or other expenditures, we thoroughly discuss them before approval. Discussion about costs, were also included on the trial use of electronic voting and the new Corrections video.
- 3) The chair of each committee participates in discussions but does not have the power to make recommendations. In clarifying the wording for an Agenda Committee consideration, I requested an additional meeting for support and guidance. The delegates, with group's input, are the voting members in committees. The trustees, directors and staff discuss/ vote when items are on the conference floor.
- 4) To prevent hasty and uninformed decisions, all committee actions can be discussed and need to pass by 2/3s majorities to move forward. We experienced many additional hours of floor discussion on many items. Sometimes a committee's recommendation like the GV Grey pages or the "Blue Open/Closed Meeting" can change on the conference floor after additional discussion.
- 5) All Conference members strive to be polite, respectful and avoid making personal attacks. The GS Conference continues to explore ways for improvement so not to exclude delegate participation at the conference. We also used caution with our PI and CPC topics, striving to carry the best A.A. message. ^
- 6) The Conference serves us **all**, and does not create rules or laws for our membership. Delegates are chosen by the 3rd legacy process and carry the groups' voices, yet they have the obligation to listen carefully to all, including the minority voice. Floor actions can include those group ideas that may have been lost in initial discussions. I personally took time daily, to find that spiritual place to serve A.A. with love and respect. I am confident others practiced that as well.

Its always fun for me to discuss the GS Conference and I look forward to getting the Final 2014 Conference Report later this month or early September.

With much Love and Gratitude,

Padee

AREA COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES FOR JULY 2014

CALIFORNIA NORTHERN COASTAL AREA COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES July 26, 2014

The monthly committee meeting of CNCA was held on July 26, 2014, at the Petaluma Community Center. Raymundo L opened the meeting, followed by the Serenity Prayer, 12:35PM. The AA Preamble was read by Sylvia F, D90, David P of D40 read Tradition 7, and Larry E of D70 read Concept 7. There were 4 past delegates present: Diane O, p35, Doug G, p43, Sharon A, p57, David N, p59 and current non-trustee director of AAWS, and Ken M, p61. There was 1 new DCM and 1 new alternate. June minutes and financial statement were accepted as printed in CNCA Comments. Birthdays: 6/130 yrs. Registered attendance: Voting=53; Non-voting=41.

OFFICER REPORTS:

DELEGATE Padee M: Conference, reports should be available in August. Sept 3: more info will be available re: Int'l Conference; check website: aa.org. Pac Reg sent request to host hospitality suite. New lit available: Circles of Love and Service. Revised version of Markings of the Journey now available. Box 459 has been sent out. Still looking for applicants for class A trustees. Think about discussion topics and themes for the 2016 Conference. Hope video now available on website. Pac Regl Forum: over 500 attended, over 300 for first time. Awesome. Mins will be sent out. CNCA looking to host a regional forum: 2018 available (2016: Hawaii). Sean will be here from NCCAA to give a report. Summer assembly topics will be awesome. Will present HKM to bring new Pacific Reg. Trustee to host elections assembly in Nov.

ALTERNATE DELEGATE Jeff O: Membership surveys are being conducted. Thanks to those groups. This is a great inventory tool. Looking forward to summer assembly and inviting you to bring your friends! We are looking forward to workshop on anonymity and social media.

CHAIR Raymundo L: On track with officer job descriptions. This month was our treasurer and next month will be the chair. I have some lost items. See me to claim or I will be donating them to a charity.

TREASURER Agustin L: \$8429.16, income; spent \$7889.99. Spending +/- \$6k, 7k left in checking. PR

9\$8705.00) is intact. Thanks everybody for participation/contributions.

REGISTRAR Michael Q: Thanks to registrars and DCMs who assisted us in the annual update. Have been able to eliminate some and add on new people. Keep the process going. Had a great time at the Forum in Boise.

RECORDING SECRETARY Judy W: Looking forward to summer assembly. If you or someone you know volunteers to take notes at a breakout session at assembly, get them to me and I will type them up for distribution.

ASSEMBLY COORDINATOR Phil B: Flyer for summer assembly: registration is at 8:30: come at 3:30 on Fri if you would like to help set up. It's time to start looking at bids for the Panel 65 assembly: preconference is coming and we would like to get the dates on the calendar.

LIT/GV/LV Ray W: Most recent GV is Hispanic; stories were contributed by Spanish members of AA and are now available for this issue in English, three by members of our Area. At the Forum a trustee informed us that we no longer call the La Viña budget a deficit: it is a service. E book publication on track. Some members are in Las Vegas for the La Viña anniversary celebration.

DISTRICT REPORTS:

01 MONTEREY Scott P: (Kris B) Undergoing some growing pains and working towards taking an inventory.

02 SALINAS/SAN BENITO Ric B: (Mark C) Gratitude dinner being Organized. Area officer discussed assembly.

03 SANTA CRUZ Scott B: Discussed the opposite sex motion and got a group conscience. Motion to make our district meeting fragrance free. Traditions workshop in fall.

04 SANTA CLARA NORTH Robert E: (Eric L) Groups have responded with love and action to our district problem. We have elected a new treasurer. We are rebuilding our prudent reserve. Resuming regular business.

40 SANTA CLARA SOUTH Jim A: (Miguel H) Several attended the forum in Boise. Discussed old business and passed a motion to disburse funds to CNCA. Sending a rep to BTG conference. Unity Day, 9/17. 23 members

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AREA COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES (Cont.)

are attending La Viña celebration in Las Vegas.

05 SAN MATEO Joseph D: Great presentation from area officer. Passed two HKMs: funding someone to attend BTG forum; purchasing HOPE video. Approved a prudent reserve. Aug 3: Unity Day.

06 SAN FRANCISCO Teddy B-W: Most of dist mtg was the delegate's report. Did a pot-luck. Passed motion to begin "hot topics discussions" with other service entities: will bring flyers for first one in Oct. Finance committee starting budget process.

07 ALAMEDA NORTH Eric A: (Tom V): Discussed summer assembly. Registrar stepped down as she is moving. Will hold 3rd legacy next month. Unity Day Aug 30. GS table at Unity Day.

07 ALAMEDA SOUTH Heather M: Some DCMs had to step down but two others have stepped up. Looking forward to summer assembly.

08 CONTRA COSTA Robert S: All is well in D08; looking forward to attending the assembly. Had a great picnic. Area officer gave delegate report at last meeting. Reviewing dist officer positions before elections.

09 SOLANO SOUTH Renee S: Unity Day: Sept 20. Beginning discussions of how to pass it on.

09 SOLANO NORTH Laurie J: Four GSRs are willing to step up to DCM position: 3rd legacy election in Aug. Come to assembly dinner; give checks to me or Ken today. Pat is coordinating hospitality.

10 MARIN Allen G: Unity Day Sept 6. Our registrar has put together an introductory packet for new GSRs. Held a dist group conscience to train our GSRs. DCMs helping and holding monthly sub-dist mtgs. Doing dist job descriptions.

11 NAPA Thom H. We now have our information on our website under the Gen Service tab: aanapa.org.

12 SONOMA Joann L: Unity day Oct 11 in Sebastopol. Access Sonoma has provided meetings to homebound members. Talking about our job descriptions. Panel workshop on how to take a group conscience: 25 attended.

13 LAKE John O: (Scottie G) Unity Day, Sept 13; looking at hosting an assembly in P65; discussing having written reports to assist secretary. Service dinner Wed.

14 MENDOCINO TIM D. Continuing to work on solutions to ensure safety in meetings. Doing concept study. Had a blast at forum.

15 HUMBOLDT/DEL NORTE John L: (Candida W-V) Unity Day was nice; well attended. Two attended the forum. Got info on how to do our local forum. Will have an attendee at Int'l Native Amer convention.

16 SPANISH CENTRAL (Reynaldo M): Thanks to visiting officer. Looking forward to summer assembly. Anniver-

sary of dist tomorrow.

17 SPANISH SOUTH Eric M: Thanks to the officers who participated in the intradistrictal. Hopefully we will see you in Hawaii in 2016. Three motions. Thanks to visiting officer. Passed controversial motion. Going to assembly.

18 SPANISH NORTH Hector A: 20th ann of La Viña on Aug 10. Sept 6, 25th anniversary of Dist. Attended intradistrictal. Padee spoke at dist.

19 SPANISH SOUTH SOUTH Adrian C No report.

20 SPANISH EAST Martin V: Attended intradistrictal mtg, and dist mtg: thanks to visiting officer. Attending dark meetings. Sent our La Viña committee to Las Vegas.

Area Sub-Committees:

ARCHIVES Laura W: (Sherry W): Good participation at our workshop. Discussed Unity Days and two possible locations for host hotel if we win bid to host annual workshop.

BRIDGING THE GAP Claudia N: 9 districts reporting; 115 requests for contact. 3RD legacy election for recipient of scholarship to annual wkshop. HKM today. Looking at choices for our workshop. Parolees contacting us for info.

FINANCE COMMITTEE Jennifer B Reviewed treasurer's rept and HKMs on agenda. Committee budget worksheets due at assembly. Assembly bids will help us prepare the budget. Assembly bids will help planning.

PI/CPC Jeff O: Unanimous group conscience on our motion which we will take directly to the summer assembly. Next month will be discussing anonymity in general.

WEBSITE COMMITTEE Mary Lou M: Finalized 2015 budget proposal. Discussed keep it simple approach to contact officers; moving away from hyperlink and will use a direct contact instead: use "contact us" button.

INTERPRETATION AND TRANSLATION Richard H: Committee members in Las Vegas for La Viña anniversary. Communication material failing. Bring radios to assembly.

CNCA COMMENTS Richard W: (Ray W) As far as I know everything went out on schedule.

COMENTARIOS DE CNCA Ramon G: 190 printed, 170 mailed.

DCM SHARING SESSION Barbara S: How to use the information we learned at the forum. Helpful to people who attend to have specific questions from people to seek answers while there. Next month: How to get GSRs in unrepresented meetings.

LIT/GRAPEVINE Ray W: Discussed attraction vs. promotion and how it applies to our magazines. No conclusions reached. Talked about cost of La Vina. Aug 10 La Viña celebration in Santa Rosa.

AREA COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES (Cont.)

NCCAA/H&I Diane O: (Sean G) Goals are to work with Areas 06 and 07, H&I, and the Spanish community. Would like to change our delegates' presentation to allow for better/more dialog. Your group is eligible to have a delegate. Working with Marriott to see if we can host conferences in other areas. Costs are rising. Reaching out to you to find less expensive venues. www.Norcalaa.org is our website. Doing an inventory and hope to attract people to participate.

H&I: Diane O: Haven't had a meeting since June. Our new hardcopy pamphlet is done. We are happy with it and hope it will be approved for the unity of our service bodies.

ACYPAA Coventina W: (David P) Feb 26: conference in San Jose. Expecting 2-3,000 attendees. Info is available at 2015.acypaa.org. We need people to coordinate and reach out to coordinate panels, meetings, interpretation, etc. Sign up if you are available.

LA VIÑA ANNIVERSARY REPORT: Jose A: (Marichuy L) 35 members participating in the event in Las Vegas. 400 subscriptions. We will bring the anniversary home to our area next year.

HOUSEKEEPING MOTIONS: MOTION: That CNCA 06 invite the Pacific regional Trustee to facilitate the 2014 Election Assembly, Nov 8 in San Jose and pay for his travel, lodging, and meals at a cost not to exceed \$700". Padee M, Panel 63 Delegate. No objections: ****Motion passes****

MOTION: That CNCA fund 1 member, not exceeding \$700, from the Bridging the Gap Committee to the Bridging the Gap workshop weekend in Kansas City Missouri, September 5-7 2014. No objections ****Motion Passes****

Motion: That CNCA purchase new transmitter, not to exceed \$300. To be assembled by committee. Richard H, ITT committee chair.

Discussion: I am clarifying from the finance committee that this is not on the budget; we have no objection.) No objections: ****Motion passes****

OLD BUSINESS: NONE

NEW BUSINESS: MOTION: "That CNCA approve posting Area job descriptions to the website", Mary Lou M, Website chair. Tabled.

MOTION: "That CNCA approve the posting of the sanitized General Service Conference results to the CNCA website", Mary Lou M, Website Chair. Tabled.

(SEVENTH TRADITION AND BREAK 1:55-2:10)

Discussion Topics:

Should we still provide the ASL interpretation for the Post-Conf Assembly on the delegate's report? Is this service really necessary or should we provide it on request only?

Discussion: Point of record; there have been past re-

quests for this. There were two on p53.//We have a new GSR who represents the Signs of Sobriety Group. I asked him to take it to his group.//Next month I would like to bring some guidelines to the committee for approval. I'd like a limit on the request time, like 30 days prior to the assembly.//I did invite the Signs of Sobriety group before the assembly. I look at when the discussion first came up. It was more about our advising. It's hard to swallow the thought of the expense when we are in financial difficulties. We can do a better job and let people know this service is available. We can talk about it all year. Look at the old minutes.//I'm confused. Is this now a motion?//No//I was really impressed at the last PRAA-SA at the participation of the deaf committee. We didn't have a discussion if we needed this at the Area level. I think people are not responding because we're not reaching out to them very well. Maybe we can learn from the San Diego area. (sense/vote of room to end discussion).

WHAT'S ON YOUR MIND?

Two things happened to me at the forum. There are people who speak ill of GS: one is my sponsor. He's been asking me questions and I gave him the service manual: I took him to Idaho and he thanked me. Our waitress on Sun am has 3 yrs sobriety and 2 in the program; she asked us why we were there. I was so grateful to speak from my heart. I know I'm out there for the alcoholic who is still suffering; to keep this alive.//A presenter at the forum, was someone from administrative services at GSO. She sends out new group packages: \$20ea when returned. Educate our DCMCs, GSRs and make sure they are going to be available to the service. My favorite part of the forum was listening to the trustee at large and hearing how he goes to any length to carry the message.//I'd like to propose a discussion topic: "Should we discontinue the CNCA practice of limiting the number of people who may serve as area officers?" Our third legacy procedure, when we get to the hat, we trust God. but in CNCA we like to tell God from whom He can choose.//2015 assemblies: encourage your districts to host an assembly. We like to lock them in at least a year out. Don't let our coming to the end of a panel dissuade you. I'm concerned that we are not seeing more districts hosting assemblies. Working with our deaf community: I'm advising ACCYPAA and am hoping we can use Uva, a video sign conferencing program. I get a lot of phone calls from people; so often answers will come by looking at the long form of our traditions. We don't promote outside of AA but we do promote inside the fellowship. So many people take something out of context and try to apply it.//We stayed to help the folks from GSO pack up

Balance Sheet June 2014

	Jun 30, 14	Jun 30, 13	\$ Change
ASSETS			
Current Assets			
Checking/Savings			
B of A Checking #	11,745.01	9,304.61	2,440.40
B of A Savings #	8,705.00	9,485.16	
Total Checking/Savings	20,450.01	18,789.77	1,660.24
Other Current Assets			
Assembly Deposits	652.35	7,778.00	(7,125.65)
BTG	124.00		124.00
CNCA Comments	427.98		427.98
Total Other Current Assets	1,204.33	7,778.00	(6,573.67)
Total Current Assets	21,654.34	26,567.77	(4,913.43)
TOTAL ASSETS	21,654.34	26,567.77	(4,913.43)
LIABILITIES & EQUITY			
Equity			
3900 · Operating Funds - Adjusted	17,883.63	9,025.20	8,858.43
Prudent Reserve	8,705.00	9,485.16	
Net Income	(4,934.29)	8,057.41	(12,991.70)
Total Equity	21,654.34	26,567.77	(4,913.43)
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	21,654.34	26,567.77	(4,913.43)

Revised Expense Report June 2014

	Jan - Jun 14	Jan - Jun 13	\$ Change
Ordinary Income/Expense			
Income			
Assembly Contributions	4,265.80	5,372.57	(1,106.77)
Group Contributions	40,446.90	48,646.83	(8,199.93)
District Contributions	7,532.39	1,806.56	5,725.83
Tradition 7, Area Committee	1,809.94	1,702.06	107.88
H & I Archives Rent	500.00	500.00	
CNCA Comments Subscriptions	30.00	12.00	18.00
Personal/Misc. Contributions	125.00		125.00
Interest Income/Prudent Reserve	0.16	0.19	(0.03)
Total Income	<u>54,710.19</u>	<u>58,040.21</u>	<u>(3,330.02)</u>
Gross Profit			
Expense			
Delegate Expense	4,792.18	3,628.91	1,163.27
Officer Expense	18,640.42	14,659.55	3,980.87
Committee Expense	11,116.60	10,312.70	803.90
General Expense	25,444.27	20,354.58	5,089.69
Total Expense	<u>59,993.47</u>	<u>48,955.74</u>	<u>11,037.73</u>
Net Ordinary Income	(59,993.47)	(48,955.74)	(11,037.73)
Other Income/Expense			
Other Income			
Refunds/Rebates	348.99	(1,027.06)	1,376.05
Total Other Income	<u>348.99</u>	<u>(1,027.06)</u>	<u>1,376.05</u>
Net Other Income	<u>348.99</u>	<u>(1,027.06)</u>	<u>1,376.05</u>
Net Income	<u>(59,644.48)</u>	<u>(49,982.80)</u>	<u>(9,661.68)</u>

ACM MINUTES (Cont.)

after the forum. I'd like to think that the host committee should keep the lit and not pay to ship it back.//With our recent challenges in D04,I was hoping someone could help with past experiences and guidelines to help us resolve our problem.//In addition to assemblies, we are going to need bids to do the Comments and the Commentarios. See Richard, or Raymundo.//We have a lot of good support on outreach to the Spanish community. When you go to your dist, do you have people who might be good speakers? If you do, let us know so we might contact them.//I've never been so aware of the upside down triangle as I was at the forum. No other organization would have their leaders come up there to sit on stage, take criticism, answer questions. It was wonderful to watch this in action. It's really special.//I thought one of the funniest things at the forum was talking about the pet peeves from the staff. It was so great to see their human response. It was so fun to hear their peeves//I want to beat the drum on doing the comments: huge fun. There are usually about 12 of us and we have pizza. Great service and unity. We have a whole process in place. I encourage anyone to think about that and volunteer.//I heard so much that I want to chime in on. The membership surveys: hope you have made contact and are working on them. We have one back so far from about 15 in our area. Thanks for participating, return them by next area meeting. Thanks to porch for being here. I too have mentioned our job duties and expectations. We are so big. It's a luxury problem and we need to look at solutions.//If you missed this forum, start saving for the next one: It's in Hawaii.

Meeting closed at 2:59 pm with Responsibility Declaration.

Submitted with Love and Gratitude,

Judy W

CNCA Panel 63 Recording Secretary

CNCA MOTIONS

Area Committee

Assembly Bids

Housekeeping Motion:

Guidelines

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Area Assembly Motions

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"That future printings of the A.A. Service Manual includes blank Group Change and New Group forms on the last page of the Service Manual" District 06.

New Business at Area Assembly

This month's presentation was made by MariChuy, District 40 on "What do we do with the information we learn at the forum." She mentioned that everyone that is registered will receive minutes of the forum including all the workshops. She learned a lot of things by attending the workshops and talking with our GSO staff direct.

The first panel was the pacific regional delegates share on different topics along with the past regional trustee and GSO staff. Good information was received about the Grapevine and La Vina and the remaining committees at GSO. She had gathered information and questions from her sub-district before she left about what they were interested in knowing to be sure to bring back good information for them. This is also a great way to spike up enthusiasm and excitement in the district. Attending the workshops that the district is interested in also helps in choosing which ones to attend. Being dragged to these events and others is how we grow in AA. She would encourage anyone to attend Forums in the future.

I was surprised that intergroup attended the forum. I spoke to the forum coordinator from GSO. I got a lot of information about holding local forums in our area.

I went to the workshop on safety in AA. It was interesting to hear all different views.

You can go to a regional forum with no experience. The message is translated to everyone somehow. It is a great way to have your finger on the pulse of what is happening in AA.

I learned instead of giving a report to district, I should just tell the story.

I got great ideas in how to run our GSR sharing session at district.

Going to places where you are around that many sober people is a spiritual experience to its self.

I was at a concept study the other day and a woman in the meeting shared that she had just returned from the forum and how now all this is making sense.

Thank you for reminding me my gratitude comes from service.

At General Service I get little pieces of information on many events. This helps to get me going in a good direction. I know where I need to be.

Next month's presentation is "How to get GSR's in unrepresented meetings"? Presented by Carol H – Dist 8. Submitted with Love and Service
Barbara S, Recording Secretary

The duties of the Area Treasurer are:

- Processing contribution checks
 - ◻ Visiting PO Box regularly (every 7-14 days)
- Preparing and mailing contribution receipts
- Writing checks for all Area expenses – standing expenses, invoices, reimbursement requests
- Maintaining and reconciling Area banking accounts
- Preparing regular Area financial reports, including final Assembly reports
- Collecting 7th tradition moneys at Area meeting and Assemblies
- Assisting Districts with Assembly finances
- Member of Finance Committee
- Providing data and tools so that Finance Committee can create the budget
- Managing relationship with insurance agent
- Working with our tax attorney to file tax reports and 1099s
- General correspondence – email, telephone, and the occasional letter
- General Area Officer responsibilities – Area meeting, Officer's meeting, Assemblies, District visits

As qualifications, you will have a shorter learning curve depending upon your experience or knowledge in these areas: double-entry bookkeeping and general PC skills. Anyone can do this job.

The time commitment for the job is 30-40 hours per month on Treasurer-specific tasks, and 20-30 hours per month on Area Officer tasks.

JOB DESCRIPTION (AREA CHAIR)

The Area Chair, like the Delegate is a very visible position. However the chair has responsibilities for duties that are not seen. The reason we give job descriptions is to acquaint those of you eligible for the different area officer positions to understand *all* of the requirements before you make yourself available. One of the duties of the Area Chair is to schedule the job descriptions for the DCM sharing session and printing in CNCA Comments.

The Chair also writes a preview of Area Committee meetings and assembly business meetings for our newsletter. She/he asks members to write pro and con articles on motions before the ACM or assembly. The chair provides a calendar of events and the map for the back page of the Comments. You will either serve as or assign other officers to serve as advisor to CNCA Comments and ACNC Comentarios.

The Chair is responsible for producing 55 agendas over the course of a panel, 24 for ACM's, 7 for the assemblies and 24 for the officer meetings. This panel I have also written the summary of officer meetings for the officers. You will have the privilege of asking members to participate in assemblies and ACM's. And you are the person who notifies members of Finance Committee after they have been chosen.

You also have the privilege of facilitating the aforementioned 55 meetings. This portion of the job is like directing traffic; you get to make up the rules as we go along. We use "chairs rules" rather than Robert's Rules in CNCA, always keeping in mind what is best for the area and AA as a whole. Fairness is the key. You must be able to pay complete attention to the proceedings of the business meetings, yet not express your opinion on the business, by voice or body language. We don't vote until we are done discussing the motion, and we always allow time for the minority opinion. You are responsible for keeping order and making sure that everyone is heard. There is a motion in effect, which requires the chair to explain the "effect" of a yes or no vote, before the assembly or area committee votes on a motion.

Of course you will attend all Area Committee meetings, assemblies and officer meetings. You also do your fair share of the district visits, about 3 per month. You coordinate the district visits by providing your fellow officers with a map book of district meeting sites. You provide a spreadsheet for the other officers to track the district visits in case they need to exchange a visit. You will notify the DCMC of a district that will not have a visiting officer in a particular month.

Other responsibilities include making sure that rosters of DCMC's, committee chairs and area officers are available. You stay informed by researching past motions in CNCA Motions and Discussions, talking with past delegates, making yourself familiar with Robert's Rules of Order and of course reading all the district newsletters.

Your pass it on will include a chair that is very useful for long business meetings, a gavel which is never used except as a reminder to keep order and copy of Robert's Rules of Order. There are cheat sheets on procedures for doing business in CNCA also. Past area chairs have told me it boils down to this, "the chair keeps order in the area."

NOTES FROM CHAIR

Please remember to bring your FM Radios to all CNCA events for Translation & assisted listening for the hearing impaired.

CNCA CALENDAR

2014—Panel 63

August **09—Summer Assembly**
 Vacaville (Hosted by District 90)
 23—Area Committee Mtg
September **27—Area Committee Mtg**
October **25—Area Committee Mtg**
November **8th—Election Assembly**
 San Jose (Hosted by District 40 & 04)
November **22—Area Committee Mtg**
December **20—Area Committee Mtg**

2015—Panel 65

January **24—Area Committee Mtg**
February **28—Area Committee Mtg**
March **6-8—PRAASA Area 69, Layton UT**
 28—Area Committee Mtg
April **11,12-Pre Conference Assembly,**
 19-25 General Service Conf, NY
 25—Area Committee Mtg
May **16—Post Conference Assembly**
 23—Area Committee Mtg
June **27—Area Committee Mtg**
July **2-5—AA International Convention**
 Atlanta, Georgia
 25—Area Committee Mtg
August **1 or 8—Summer Assembly**
 22—Area Committee Mtg
September **26—Area Committee Mtg**
October **24—Area Committee Mtg**
November **7 or 14-Fall Inventory Assembly**
 28—Area Committee Mtg
December **19—Area Committee Mtg**

ASSEMBLY DATES CALENDAR

PANEL 63 ASSEMBLY DATES

2014 Summer Assembly
 August 9; Ulatis Community Center
 1000 Ulatis Dr. Vacaville, CA
 Hosted by District 90

2014 Fall Election Assembly
 Nov. 8; San Jose Scottish Rite Center
 2455 Masonic Dr. San Jose, CA
 Hosted by District 40

If your District is considering making a bid for an assembly please contact the Assembly Coordinator Phil B by visiting the "contact us" tab on the www.cnca06.org website.

PANEL 65 ASSEMBLY DATES

2015 Pre-conference Assembly
 April 11-12

2015 Post-conference Assembly
 May 16

2015 Summer Assembly
 August 1 or August 8

2015 Fall Inventory Assembly
 November 7 or November 14

2016 Pre-conference Assembly
 April 2-3 or April 9-10

2016 Post-conference Assembly
 May 14

2016 Summer Assembly
 August 6 or August 13

2016 Fall Election Assembly
 November 5
Underline dates preferred

Panel 63 Area Officers & Area Meeting Information

Feel free to contact the Area Officers by using the "Contact us" tab on the www.cnca06.org website.

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are the 4th Saturday every month. Sharing Sessions -10 am

Standing Committee Meetings - 11 am

Area Business Meeting 12:30 - 3:30 pm

Archives Committee meets at 11:00 am. For information contact Laura W by visiting the "contact us" tab on the www.cnca06.org website. The CNCA Archives are located at 193 Mayhew Way, Walnut Creek, CA 94597-2065.

Bridging the Gap meets at 11:00 am. For information contact Claudia N by visiting the "contact us" tab on the www.cnca06.org website.

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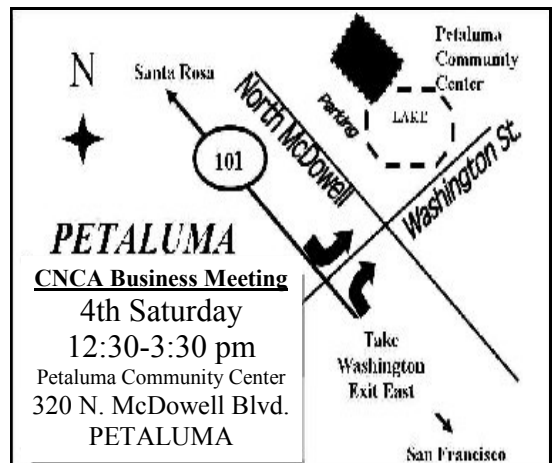
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meets at 11:00 am. For information contact the Interpretation and Translation chair by visiting the "contact us" tab on the www.cnca06.org website.

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