



# CNCA COMMENTS



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**CALIFORNIA NORTHERN  
COASTAL AREA 06 OF  
THE GENERAL SERVICE  
CONFERENCE PRESENTS:  
THE 2014 FALL ELECTION  
ASSEMBLY**

**SATURDAY NOVEMBER 08, 2014  
SCOTTISH RITE CENTER  
2455 MASONIC DRIVE  
SAN JOSE, CA 95125**

Registration: 8:30—9:00 a.m.

Orientation: 9:00—9:30 a.m.

**What Makes an AA Leader?  
The Third Legacy Procedure  
Area Officer Qualifications**

Area Officer Elections: 9:30—12:00 p.m.

Pacific Regional Trustee Report

Lunch: 12:00—1:00 p.m.

Area Officer Elections (continued): 1:00—5:00 p.m.

What's On Your Mind?: 5:00—5:30 p.m.

Other Reports and Sharing Will Occur Throughout the Day

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Hello Fellow trusted servants and friends!

Fall 2014 seems to be a very busy time in for our A.A. fellowship.

Below are a few of the announcements/requests from our General Service office and publication releases, AA World Service and our Grapevine.

There is a request for help from Eva S. Chair of the "80<sup>th</sup> A.A. International Convention"- if you are *attending and available* to help speak on our panels. **Please send me your contact info & sobriety information ASAP so I may forward it to her.** Stay tuned, as there will be more opportunities for service at the Convention.

From AAWS we have the release of the Final report from the 64<sup>th</sup> General Service Conference, a new edition of our A.A. Service manual, and the continuing release of the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary edition of the A.A. Big Book. There are also many revised or new pamphlets including the new "Many Paths to Spirituality" Especially exciting was the recent edition of "Box 459 Fall" edition which included a special booklet with a brief history of our AA Big Book, printed in English, Spanish and French. There is also a request for members to send in their stories around our 7<sup>th</sup> Tradition experiences.

Grapevine and La Vina continue to create stellar monthly magazines and has released a new book approved by the 2012 GSC- "Sober and Out". There are plans in the works for more releases as we approach the New Year and the International AA Convention

At a recent workshop there was discussion about price increases to our AAWS books. It's a "Responsible Action" to help insure our finances are available to support carrying the message of AA to our worldwide fellowship and those that assist us.. Throughout AA's we have relied upon our literature sales to provide services to groups and members, and to have the ability to endure in a catastrophe.

It's a fact people are using printed-paper publications and there is legitimate concern for AA's ability to continue some services in the future. It is vital for our groups and members to become informed and participate thru their contributions, so we may be available to serve those who will need us. This challenge to be truly self-supporting affects all of our groups and our future.

Please help me share this information with our fellowship. I truly believe we can have many beautiful and spiritual conversations about self-support. Check your new GS Conference report, [cnca06.org](http://cnca06.org) or [aa.org](http://aa.org) websites for pamphlets or more information.

Lastly -I have given my "Final" Conference report to the fellowship and per "CNCA Custom", I have received my "Incoming Past Delegate" button from Ken, Past Delegate Panel 61.

I look forward to our seasons of change and hope to see you at the next few ACM's and most certainly at our CNCA Election Assembly November 8<sup>th</sup> in San Jose.

With much love and gratitude,

Padee

## PREVIEW OF THE AREA COMMITTEE MEETING—OCTOBER 2014

Hello Fellow members of California Northern Coastal Area (CNCA),

In our last Area Committee Meeting on September 27th we accepted an Assembly Bid presented, by districts 08, 70 and 20 to host the Pre-Conference Assembly 2015 Panel 65, for your information there are still two open Assemblies available for 2015 Summer and Fall/Inventory just in case your District is interested in hosting one of them.

We also had a presentation on the job description of the coffee committee; please let any of the officers know if your District is willing to take this commitment.

There will be an item of old business at our next Area Committee Meeting (ACM)

**“That CNCA reimburse up to \$100.00 for qualifying hotel stays.”** -By Finance Committee.  
Make sure to bring your Group/District conscious with you.

We will continue the discussion on “Should we discontinue the CNCA practice of limiting Area Officer Eligibility”. And our second discussion topic remains, 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. Please share this information with your Groups and Districts, at this point we have about nine volunteers we will need 4 for Finance, 5 for Web and 7 for I&T making a grand total of 16 they will be appointed in December at the last (ACM) of Panel 63.

We will continue discussion on the two items of the Assembly old Business I’d like to remind you to please bring your Group & District Conscience to the next Pre-Conference Assembly.

- **“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 is New Business as well, which will be discussed at the Pre-Conference Assembly.

**“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

October’s Officer Job Description will be the Delegate. This takes place before the DCM Sharing Session at 10:00am.

**Please bring your FM Radios!**

With Gratitude,  
Raymundo L.

# AREA COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES SEPTEMBER 2014

## CALIFORNIA NORTHERN COASTAL AREA COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES Sept. 27, 2014

The monthly committee meeting of CNCA was held on Sept 27, 2014, at the Petaluma Community Center. Raymundo L opened the meeting, followed by the Serenity Prayer, 12:32PM. The AA Preamble was read by Susan G, D01, Sunshine of D09 read Tradition 9, and Erica S of D05 read Concept 9. There were 2 past delegates present: Diane O, p35 and David N, p59 and current non-trustee director of AAWS. There were 2 new Alt DCMs, 1 new GSR and 1 new DCM. Aug. minutes revised and financial statement accepted as printed in *CNCA Comments*. Birthdays: 17/328 yrs. Registered attendance: Voting=65; Non-voting=33 .

### OFFICER REPORTS:

**DELEGATE Padee M:** Conference reports are here. Officers were able to take reports to most dist mtgs and I have some here for those dists that did not receive. I have some extras; I also have some older ones and some service manuals if you would like. New manuals will be out in Oct, and I will see how many older ones I can get at a discount. International Convention: over 10,000 signed up on the first day. Conference call with Joel was fun: getting caught up on board mtg from July. Looking for 7<sup>th</sup> tradition stories, so ask me for email. Thanks to Jeff for doing a conference report for me in Solano S. Increase in cost of books, not pamphlets. This has been in discussion for 5 years; we are moving away from print media and our profits from our books are not feeding our reserve fund. Making this increase now will keep us from making a huge jump later on. We are at the bottom of our reserve fund. Nancy and other trustees are in San Juan PR for SRAAASA. Friends drove to Clearlake to see me and I received my incoming past delegate pin there. Thanks for your support.

**ALTERNATE DELEGATE Jeff O:** Thank you Padee for giving me the opportunity to share. It was interesting to share about somewhere I wasn't. Once again I will impress upon us all the topic of anonymity. Perhaps we can talk about tradition 11 at some of our meetings to

increase awareness.

**CHAIR Raymundo L:** We will have our area delegate give a job description next month. Coffee committee will give a description today. I have a radio in lost and found.

**TREASURER Agustin L:** \$8656.95, income; spent \$8299.95 . Spending +/- \$10500.00 \$1 left in checking. PR: \$8705.00 is intact. Thanks everybody for your participation and contributions.

**REGISTRAR Michael Q:** Currently verifying District DCM list as this will be used as a roster for role call for area elections. Joel C, our trustee, will be calling the names. List can be updated right up to the assembly date, so please check and make sure you are registered. Asking dist registrars to man registration table.

**RECORDING SECRETARY Judy W:** I have sent the minutes from the summer assembly breakout sessions to the DCMCs and to Barb S to send out to the DCM sharing list: they should now be available to all who want them. Thanks to Raymundo for getting the mins translated into Spanish.

**ASSEMBLY COORDINATOR Phil B:** Dist 08 will be making an assembly bid today. I have flyers for the upcoming Election Assembly on the table. If you are interested in hosting an assembly please contact me.

**LIT/GV/LV Ray W:** Get your Conference Report. CNCA loaned some display panels to H&I for the ice cream social at San Quentin. Sober and Out book now available. Brief history of the Big Book came with your mailed copy of Box 459. These are not available to order, but you can read them on the website.

### DISTRICT REPORTS:

**01 MONTEREY:** (Susan G) Great attendance last month; we have added 2 new GSRs. We will postpone an inventory.

**02 SALINAS/SAN BENITO Ric B:** (Mark C) Added two GSRs this month. Visiting officer educated us on the election process. Discussed our 3<sup>rd</sup> annual Gratitude dinner. All proceeds go to GSO.

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## AREA COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES (Cont.)

03 SANTA CRUZ *Scott B*: Hosting a workshop Oct 11: Step 12.

04 SANTA CLARA NORTH *Robert E*: (Eric L) As of last month, all our money has been returned. Continued job descriptions. Holding dist elections in Oct.

40 SANTA CLARA SOUTH *Jim A*: Conference report was a success. Fall election assembly planning moving along. Dinner forms/flyers are here. Santa Clara Inter-group is doing a take your sponsor to lunch. Dist elections in Oct.

05 SAN MATEO *Joseph D*: Great share from area officer on what it means to make yourself available for service. Bus placard project on target. Dist elections in Oct.

06 SAN FRANCISCO *Teddy B-W*: Visiting officer gave a presentation on pass it on. Two events: quarterly discussions with all service entities Oct 15; Unity Day will now be Oct 18.

07 ALAMEDA NORTH *Eric A*: Developing a project to compile local AA history; see Pat B. Area officer gave presentation on difference between dist and area officer positions and what availability means. Elections in Oct.

70 ALAMEDA SOUTH *Heather M*: (Wayne E) Unity Day was great. Discussing liaison sponsor position; more discussion of travel reimbursement for officers. Area officer discussed election assembly.

08 CONTRA COSTA *Robert S*: Revamping policy for prudent reserve. Started newsletters on trial basis and have decided to continue permanently. Gearing up for dist elections in Nov. Unity Day in Nov.

09 SOLANO SOUTH *Renee S*: (Dave W) Thanks to delegate for hard work and sacrifice for AA and thanks to Alt Del for making a conference report at our Unity Day. Thank Laura W for well-researched panel presentation on Archives.

90 SOLANO NORTH *Laurie J*: (Katie S) Discussed our interdistrict workshop. Officers are giving job descriptions. Looking to do bid for coffee or Comments. Traditions workshop next month.

10 MARIN *Allen G*: Unity Day was well attended at new location. Assembly bid committee has formed. Discussed possibility of making an area service commitment.

11 NAPA *Thom H*: We have two ad hoc committees: revamp officer job description, one for website. Collecting info to make a bid to host an assembly.

12 SONOMA *Joann L*: (Jennifer B) Unity Day Oct 11 in Sebastopol. PI hosting a speaker appreciation dinner.

ACCESS looking to serve deaf community. New meeting hall/same location but seats many more.

13 LAKE *John O*: Unity Day Sept 13 was well-achieved. Celebrated Big Book anniversary. Visiting officer shared his love for AA. PI/CPC at Recovery Happens. Working on submitting bid to host assembly.

14 MENDOCINO *TIM D*. (Mark D) Dist mtg was well attended: elected new PI/CPC chair. Working on bid to do Comments.

15 HUMBOLDT/DEL NORTE *John L*: Redwood Roundup was a great success. Sobriety by the Sea right now. PI/CPC has been busy at 3 events. Elected an assembly chair: reserve early as that is grad day for HSU.

16 SPANISH CENTRAL (*Reynaldo M*): Visiting area spoke on Conf Reports. Intradistrictal in Nov. Visiting dark groups. Ready for elections.

17 SPANISH SOUTH *Eric M*: Passed motion for dist PR. Visiting groups. Will be holding elections Oct 17.

18 SPANISH NORTH *Hector A*: (Ramiro A) Participating in Unity Day. Visiting officers discussed topics in conf report. Welcomed new GSRs. Visiting groups. Will be holding elections. Anniversary coming up. Participating in workshop in southern California.

19 SPANISH SOUTH SOUTH *Adrian C*. Dist will be studying conf reports in Oct. Bridging the Gap will be taking people to recovery homes. Officer discussed use of Area funds. Discussed La Viña anniversary. Elections on Oct 2.

20 SPANISH EAST *Martin V*: Getting ready for upcoming elections. Area officer was helpful. Visiting groups. Hosting and celebrating anniversary of Dist 18.

### Area Sub-Committees:

Archives *Laura W*: Upcoming events: Passed two motions for our bid for national workshop. Finished cataloging our main display board. Preparing for open house, Nov 15. Flyers available.

Bridging the Gap *Claudia N*: We had 6 dists reporting; 32 presentations, 132 requests for contact. Excited about our upcoming forum. Lots of panels! It's going to be wonderful. Gave job descriptions this morning. Elections in Nov.

FINANCE COMMITTEE *Jennifer B*: Looked at preliminary budget today. Officers will look at the draft and more will be revealed.

PI/CPC *Jeff O*: Grapevine looking for written experiences

## AREA COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES (Cont.)

with Cooperation with the Professional Committee. Discussed signing court cards today. It can be very important. Our literature supports signing cards. Groups are autonomous. Signing initials is fine.

**WEBSITE COMMITTEE** *Mary Lou M:* Started our inventory this morning. Hosting an Open House next month. Technical background is not necessary to become a member. DCMCs/DCMs: take info back to your dists.

**INTERPRETATION AND TRANSLATION** *Richard H:* Things are slow right now. Dave is working on new transmitter. D40 is trying new adapters today: give feedback. Translation of Motions Book should be ready soon.

**CNCA COMMENTS** *Richard W:* 1156. 1013 in bulk. Lick and stick Oct 4. Contact me.

**COMENTARIOS DE CNCA** *Ramon G:* 180 printed, 170 mailed. Mistake in Comentarios corrected for Web.

**DCM SHARING SESSION** *Barbara S:* (Leslie W) Took a detour today: what would be best use of DCM time at our mtg. Should we talk about Area officer visits? Should session use a different format? How important is knowledge of the Service Manual? Should we choose more challenging topics. Next month: What do DCMs do.

**LIT/GRAPEVINE** *Ray W:* We talked about how to use Conference Reports in meetings and to implement Tradition 5. Next month: the 3<sup>rd</sup> legacy election procedure.

**NCCAA/H&I** *Diane O:* Next weekend: 67<sup>th</sup> annual conference in Woodland. Flyers on table. First panel is going to be NCCAA. Great speakers!

**H&I:** *Diane O:* Steering committee was very productive. No objections to our new pamphlet. It will be available soon. Approved budget. Next meeting Oct 12, Livermore. Thank you for your support for us to carry message of hope.

**ACCYPAA :** No report

**LA VIÑA ANNIVERSARY REPORT:** Jose A: Committee working on plans and meeting with other groups. Rec'd a pass it on. Grapevine non-trustee director will correct host info of anniversary.

**HOUSEKEEPING MOTIONS: NONE**

**PRESENTATION OF NEW BUSINESS: NON**

**Assembly Bid:** "Dist 08,20,70: Alameda County Fairgrounds, Pleasanton.

Discussion: **Q.** Staffing cost? Can you detail that? **A.** 3 hrs extra charge, before and after, bathroom attendant, security, cleaning. **Q.** Is BBQ area adequate to prepare,

and sheltered in case of inclement weather? **A.** We have groups that can handle it. **Q.** Is the parking free? **A.** It's 8.00 but we have it covered and no one will have to pay. **Q.** How many parking spaces? **A.** They have multiple lots; near the facility is room, for 500 cars. **Q.** Does BBQ area include kitchen? **A.** NO there is no kitchen. There are rooms where we can store; members will have to bring in food. We will not have a hot breakfast, but we will be able to bring yogurt. **Q.** Is there adequate handicapped parking? **A.** Yes. **Q.** Have you considered having a shuttle to convey people from Bart? **A.** No, but there may be public transportation available. **Q.** If we go late on Sat we are covered until what time? **A.** Staff person has assured me they will work with us. At worst, it will cost us \$20. **Q.** When is checkout on Sun? **A.** 4:30 **Q.** What is the hotel accommodation situation? **A.** There is a lot. **Q.** The pre dinner? **A.** Sat, at a different location. **\*\*Bid unanimously accepted\*\***

**NEW BUSINESS: MOTION:** "That CNCA reimburse up to \$100.00 for qualifying hotel stays." Presented by Jennifer B, Finance Committee.

**Discussion:** No group consciences//No district consciences// I am all in favor and think it would be good if it were more. It's more in line with the actual cost, so the closer we can get to this the better. *Will become old business next month.*

**OLD BUSINESS: None**

**Discussion Topic:** "Should we discontinue the CNCA practice of limiting Area Officer eligibility?"

This is interesting. I wonder if we might lose some people who serve on committees or in positions that do not qualify. I also like how we ask each people if they are available. I would never have stood up if someone didn't ask me//I was thinking about this. We limit eligibility. My thoughts are what are the right criteria? Any criteria limits. There have been panels where I've been eligible and not available, or available but not eligible. Some alternate DCMCs shift around and that strikes me as being odd.//Just show up: if I make myself available, how is that any different? How does that change the spirit of the vote?//Trusting God in the hat may be an extreme. I look at the hat as a help. Some requirements can mitigate politicking. I think it might be interesting to look at the voting members and see who is eligible. Maybe standing committee chairs might be eligible or could have a vote. Maybe next panel we could look at this.//All officers went to CNIA elections. They do it completely different. They submit resumes. And each dist can nominate one member: there are a lot of ways that it can be done.//I've been to several election assemblies. My observation and opinion is that the body would not elect an inappropriate candidate. Don't forget rule 62. We can be

## AREA COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES (Cont.)

too rigid. My opinion doesn't matter. The body will make the right decision.//If someone who is not eligible and wants to make themselves eligible, can they?//Maybe we need to talk about do we need to change eligibility requirements. I don't think anyone would be comfortable electing a GSR with 6 months experience as our delegate. We might need to consider changing requirements for people who have served and are still serving.

Discussion topic 2: Questions for standing committee chairs: Web, Finance, I&T:

**Q.** Since we're talking about eligibility, who is eligible to serve on these committees? *Finance:* It is limited; needs to be someone rotating out or in as a DCM/DCMC or past delegate. *Web:* Anybody *I&T:* Anyone; helps to speak Spanish, but not necessary. **Q.** Can members of committees serve consecutive panels? **A.** Sometimes it helps to have someone stay, yes.// The web editor usually stays on as a web advisor/emeritus.//Finance; not that I'm aware of, but someone who came in midway through this panel is eligible for the next// My sponsor recommended that I do something well. As DCMC I attended the I&T committee as a friend of the committee. I have seen people go from one committee to another. It is one of our strengths. As an officer, to select those who serve form names forwarded to us is an extreme responsibility. It's heartbreaking to deny someone. These people are willing to give their service. I encourage you to show up and learn and become part of the committee system.//When I was on a committee, we pondered an issue and a visitor listened to us ponder and made a suggestion none of us had every thought of. And that's what we did.

### **Committee Chair Job Descriptions:**

*Coffee committee:* Responsibilities: have a place to store the coffee and supplies, wash and clean the coffeemakers and containers, make inventory for next month, be available at 8am to prepare the coffee, maintain station during the day to keep supplies ready and clean, keep in touch with assembly coordinator to help host districts with coffee service, smile all the time. Costs are paid by the Area once receipts are turned in. **Q.** There is a monthly budget? **A.** We usually spend 40-50 on coffee; cups or other supplies are added on. **Q.** Do you set up coffee for the assemblies? **A.** No, that is done by the host committee.

### **WHAT'S ON YOUR MIND?**

Deadline for assembly dinner is Oct 27. Take a flyer and send your check.//I'd like to add that the officers have sampled the food and you will be getting a delightful meal, so sign up!//In discussing taking of the opposite sex out of the 12+12, someone suggested we publish a 2<sup>nd</sup> edition of the 12+12. We update the BB by adding stories. There are groups who use the 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> edition. Why don't we suggest that GSO publish a new 12+12 that may respond to the gender issues. The key would be to have GSO continue to publish the first edition so groups could have a choice.//I still have some conference reports. I have both Eng/Spanish. I want to say that in my travels throughout the area, there is still great discussion on the topics that have been heard. I encourage the groups to continue to discuss the topics and bring something forward if you like. Central offices are already out of the spirituality pamphlet. Thank you for working with your groups. That's where it starts.//The price increase in our books was not an easy decision by the Board. It's not a light decision to make our lit, which saves lives, go up in price. We offer a vital service. You heard Padee talk about our needing 7<sup>th</sup> tradition stories: it has an impact on lives. Send them in.//How do we do this? I've been using the spirituality pamphlet as part of my service. I bring it and tell them it's been many years in the making. We may be the only Big Book person or service manual some people see.

Meeting closed at 2:59 pm with Responsibility Declaration.

Submitted with Love and Gratitude,

Judy W

CNCA Panel 63 Recording Secretary

## NOTES FROM CHAIR

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

## Balance Sheet August 2014

	Aug 31, 14	Aug 31, 13	\$ Change
<b>ASSETS</b>			
Current Assets			
Checking/Savings			
B of A Checking #	16,270.96	13,180.74	3,090.22
B of A Savings #	8,705.00	9,485.16	
Total Checking/Savings	24,975.96	22,665.90	2,310.06
Other Current Assets			
Assembly Deposits	652.35	9,428.00	(8,775.65)
BTG	124.00		124.00
CNCA Comments	427.98	427.98	
1499 · Undeposited Funds	542.40		542.40
Total Other Current Assets	1,746.73	9,855.98	(8,109.25)
 Total Current Assets	 26,722.69	 32,521.88	 (5,799.19)
 TOTAL ASSETS	 26,722.69	 32,521.88	 (5,799.19)
 <b>LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>			
Equity			
3900 · Operating Funds - Adjusted	17,883.63	9,025.20	8,858.43
Prudent Reserve	8,705.00	9,485.16	
Net Income	134.06	14,011.52	(13,877.46)
Total Equity	26,722.69	32,521.88	(5,799.19)
 TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	 26,722.69	 32,521.88	 (5,799.19)



## Revised Expense Report August 2014

	Jan - Aug 14	Jan - Aug 13	\$ Change
Ordinary Income/Expense			
Income			
Assembly Contributions	6,295.80	6,610.62	(314.82)
Group Contributions	55,357.82	66,403.84	(11,046.02)
District Contributions	8,824.39	2,327.56	6,496.83
Tradition 7, Area Committee	2,419.94	2,342.06	77.88
H & I Archives Rent	500.00	500.00	
CNCA Comments Subscriptions	48.00	18.00	30.00
Personal/Misc. Contributions	193.54	16.00	177.54
Interest Income/Prudent Reserve	0.16	0.42	(0.26)
Total Income	<u>73,639.65</u>	<u>78,218.50</u>	<u>(4,578.85)</u>
Gross Profit	73,639.65	78,218.50	(4,578.85)
Expense			
Delegate Expense	6,001.97	4,394.54	1,607.43
Officer Expense	23,832.53	20,377.41	3,455.12
Committee Expense	15,220.37	14,168.75	1,051.62
General Expense	28,799.71	24,239.22	4,560.49
Total Expense	<u>73,854.58</u>	<u>63,179.92</u>	<u>10,674.66</u>
Net Ordinary Income	(214.93)	15,038.58	(15,253.51)
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>134.06</u>	<u>14,011.52</u>	<u>(13,877.46)</u>

# CNCA Motions—AREA AND ASSEMBLY MOTIONS—October 2014

## Area Committee

### **Assembly Bids / Housekeeping Motion / Guidelines / Presentation of New Business**

#### **Old Business at Area Committee Meeting**

“That CNCA reimburse up to \$100.00 for qualifying hotel stays.” -By Finance Committee.

#### **New Business at Area Committee Meeting**

##### **Discussion Topics**

- 1) “Should we discontinue the CNCA practice of limiting Area Officer eligibility”
- 2) “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.”

## Area Assembly Motions

### **Presentation of New Business at Area Assembly**

#### **Old Business at Area Assembly**

- 1) “That CNCA 06 submits a request to delete “of the opposite sex” from p117 in the book “Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions.” Presented by District 04.
- 2) “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**

“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

## **Standing Committee Reports: Quarter 3, 2014**

**Archives:** The Archives Committee has been continuing our work on several projects. We are preparing our repository for the Archives Open House on Nov 15<sup>th</sup> from 11am - 4pm. We recently cataloged and labeled our main set of display boards. We are continuing to work on new display boards as well. Once again, we would like to thank all the groups that have helped in preserving the history of CNCA by sending in their group histories. We will be presenting our bid for the 2016 National AA Archives Workshop at this year’s workshop in King of Prussia, PA.

**BTG:** Of the districts reporting in the last quarter we have had 95 presentations made with over 350 requests for contact. We have had a busy quarter planning our Forum coming up in Dist 12, Santa Rosa on November 1st as well as participation in our Bridging The Gap Workshop Weekend in Kansas City Missouri. 3 members from CNCA were able to participate in the BTG Workshop which we heard back from Jose, our Spanish coordinator about. We have been going over job descriptions and getting ready for our rotation of this committee at the end of the year.

**Finance:** We have been busy with the 2015 budget process. We collected worksheets from standing and subcommittees to let us know their needs for the next year. The budget is only a plan, based on past income and expenses and the services we as an area have decided to provide. Made a motion at the August ACM to increase the reimbursement for qualifying hotel stays to \$100: currently \$75. Working on updating the area financial guidelines and hope to provide a written “pass-it-on” for the next committee.

**I&T:** We are ready for the election assembly and starting to begin the process of passing on the duties of the committee to the next panel. The translation of the last of the motions book is under way with our Spanish speaking districts continuing to do this arduous work. Many thanks to them for their hard work. Still working on the ASL presentations and investigating different venues to get the word out to our deaf/hard of hearing alcoholics.

**PI/CPC:** Various members of PI/CPC continue to make various presentations throughout the area. We’ve shared extensively about anonymity breaks at the public level, and are encouraging groups to inform members about the issue. We’ve shared about the topic of signing court cards at meetings. After several months of loving discussion, we presented the following motion at the summer assembly: “That the General Service Conference reconsider the Panel 61 Public Information Advisory Action regarding A.A. videos containing full faces.”

**Web:** Continued to make individual pages of Spanish translations until the technical portion of the team gets a language plugin working on the Web site. Supported in-coming requests from Officers and Area Committee Members. The two Housekeeping motions submitted by the Committee were withdrawn at the request of the Officers. The first, originating from a member of the Fellowship, was to post the CNCA Officers’ Job Descriptions on the website. The second, a request originating from the Officers, was to post the General Service Conference results on the website.

## CNCA CALENDAR

### 2014—Panel 63

October	25—Area Committee Mtg
November	8 <sup>th</sup> —Election Assembly San Jose (Hosted by Dist 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

## DCM Sharing Session

DCM Sharing Session – September 27, 2013

We took a detour from our normal format for today's meeting and did an informal 'mini' inventory with 4 questions discussing the best use of our time, experience, qualifications etc. What things might be controversial to discuss—Area officer visits? Good use of their time? Some districts are unable to make time for them. Time commitment of an area officer means some that would make themselves available, can't. Should the DCM sharing session use a different format? Roundtables with smaller groups so members aren't afraid to speak up. How important is it for a DCM to know the service manual, 12 Concepts, AA comes of Age, etc. In some cases, it's a learning process, the service manual study is invaluable—helps explain why AA groups/members do things in a certain way. It has been invaluable to me as a growth experience. Should we choose more challenging topics for our discussions? Our topics reflect what we as DCM's think are important. If they are not, that's on us. We choose the topics.

Next month, we have a joint presentation on "What do DCM's do" from Nora H (District 07) and Eric L (District 04)

## ASSEMBLY DATES CALENDAR

### PANEL 63 ASSEMBLY DATES

#### 2014 Fall Election Assembly

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

### PANEL 65 ASSEMBLY DATES

#### 2015 Pre-conference Assembly

April 11-12; Alameda County Fairgrounds  
4501 Pleasanton Ave.  
Pleasanton, CA 94566  
Hosted By Districts 08, 20, 70

#### 2015 Post-conference Assembly

May 16; Redwood Acres Fairgrounds  
3750 Harris Street  
Eureka, CA 95503  
Hosted by District 15

#### 2015 Summer Assembly

August 1 or August 8

#### 2015 Fall Inventory Assembly

November 7 or November 14

#### 2016 Pre-conference Assembly

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

*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](http://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

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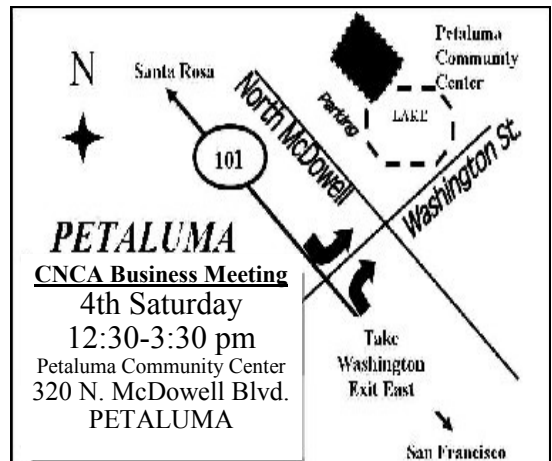
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**DCMs & DCMCs** Sharing Sessions meet at 10 am.

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