

CNCA COMMENTS



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California Northern Coastal Area of Alcoholics Anonymous

Preview of the Area Committee Meeting November 2014

Hola California Northern Coastal Area (CNCA),

In our last Area Committee Meeting (ACM) on October 25th we had two Housekeeping motions: "That the I&T Committee purchase a wireless microphone to replace the broken one not to exceed \$150.00"- Presented by the I&T Committee which passed and "That CNCA fund the purchase of a laptop computer for use by the Website Committee, not to exceed \$1,219.00"- Presented by Web Committee and was objected it will be New Business for our November ACM.

We also had two reports; one was from the Bridging The Gap (BTG) Workshop in Kansas City Missouri on September 5-7, 2014 and the second one was from the National Archives Workshop in King of Prussia, Pennsylvania October 9-12, 2014.

Two Assembly Bids were accepted the Fall/Inventory 2015 District 11 Napa and Pre-Conference 2016 District 10 Marin. District 14 presented a bid for the CNCA Comments and it was approved.

District 20 made themselves available to be the Coffee Makers for Panel 65 and was accepted.

There was a Presentation of New Business "That upon request ASL will be provided at the Post-Conference Assembly with 30 Days advance notice." – Presented by I&T Committee it will be New Business at November's ACM. There is also an item of old business for next ACM:

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

Please make sure to bring your Group/District conscious with you.

Next month the Finance Committee will present the 2015 Budget for review and discussion.

Please continue to motivate your District about placing a bid for the CNCA Comentarios and Assemblies both forms are available in English/Spanish on the website at cnca06.org.

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 ten 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

With Gratitude, Raymundo L.

Please bring your FM Radios!

Greetings friends and fellow trusted servants!

As I write this months' column, I reflect on our fellow trusted servants serving our fellowship at the General Service Board meetings this weekend. This event signals the completion of some of last years' conference items, and the start to the 65th General Service Conference. I am so grateful for the Board members and staff's efforts to keep our fellowship functioning and in touch with our A.A. fellowship Worldwide. I appreciate their many countless hours of service, dedication and love. THANK YOU!

It's transition time for many of us in General Service, and rotation is such a big part of AA service. Elections for new leaders are happening in Area 06 districts, as well as for delegate, area officers and standing committees. It's really an exciting time for us! I am delighted to say that my years in General Service have been some of the most profound moments of my life: a roller coaster of personal experiences and growth! The journey has not been without challenges, successes and failures along the way. Each corner presented a new chapter, yet I was not left to do it *ALL* on my own.

Over the years I have grown to truly appreciate our efforts together; to serve A. A. to bring Hope and Unity to our fellowship. Watching the growth and joy in each of us, has been my inspiration. I have carried your words of encouragement and caution all along the journey. The A.A. Service Manual, Big Book, Bills writings in the Grapevine and AA Comes of Age, have helped me appreciate our 3 Legacies and care more about A.A.'s future. I am also grateful for the many who helped me to find courage and peace along the way.

One very important piece to rotation in General Service is the "Pass it On" for the next trusted servant. This is vital in creating continuity, accountability and saves precious time in reducing duplicate efforts. I can't imagine serving A.A. in any capacity without the guidance and experiences of those before me. I have been so fortunate to have great examples of leadership everywhere I serve. Each has shared some experience that has assisted me along my journey with you. Sharing a "Pass it On" can be a beautiful experience in sponsorship. Finally, I truly appreciate the quote "That just about the time we grasp all aspects of our responsibility, it's time we rotate."

I hope that each of you will find yourselves saying in another 2 years, <u>"This was the BEST service in AA I have ever done!"</u> For me it has been an expression of deep love and gratitude, with a few small sacrifices along the way. I can never repay my debt of gratitude.

With much love and gratitude for this amazing opportunity.

Padee

AREA COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES FOR OCTOBER 2014

CALIFORNIA NORTHERN COASTAL AREA COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES Oct. 25, 2014

The monthly committee meeting of CNCA was held on October 25, 2014, at the Petaluma Community Center. Raymundo L opened the meeting, followed by the Serenity Prayer, 12:32PM. The AA Preamble was read by John W, D14, Joseph D of D05 read Tradition 10, and Erin S of D06 read Concept 10. There were 2 past delegates present: Diane O, p35 and David N, p59 and current non-trustee director of AAWS. There were 6 new GSRs. Sept. minutes and financial statement accepted as printed in *CNCA Comments*. There was a request to amend the Sept. mins, however the requested change occurred in the Aug mins which were approved at the Sept ACM. Birthdays: 9/133 yrs. Registered attendance: Voting=63; Non-voting=44.

OFFICER REPORTS:

DELEGATE Padee M: Welcome to all the GSRs and newcomers. New Service manuals are available at AAWS. old ones have not been distributed; I will let you know when they are. Still have some final conference reports. World Service meeting just ended in Warsaw Poland, Doug G mentioned the Serenity prayer was said in 28 languages to close the meeting. Dec 15: deadline for Conf Theme, presentation/workshop topics for 2016. We will hear trustee and GV reports at the election assembly in 2 weeks. Encourage everyone to send their 7th tradition stories to the GSO. PRAASA is in Utah. March 6-8. make reservations early. I sent a request to the Grapevine regarding how to dedicate a GV issue or book to the topic of "A.A. members that have experienced Mental Health challenges in sobriety." It was suggested that I have members write to the GV their experiences. Please let your groups and members know that this is a great opportunity to share their experiences just like Bill did when he used the GV to carry the message of hope and experience. We will hear more about this at the assembly. I was informed this week, by the CNIA delegate that they will have a request for the conference literature comm. to develop literature that focuses on the alcoholic with mental health issues. I said I would ask at our ACM for a letter of support, so a bit later I will propose that motion. Thank you to the rotating officers in our districts,

and welcome to the new. November is gratitude month; I cannot express how grateful I am to serve with you all! See you all in San Jose.

ALTERNATE DELEGATE *Jeff O*: Reminder to check out our AA.org website: it's been revamped and is easier to navigate. Accepting young people videos.

CHAIR *Raymundo L*: We have finished our area officer descriptions. I have a blue lunch bag in lost and found.

TREASURER *Agustin L*: \$,8293.01 income; spent \$8140.86. Spending +/-\$10000.00 with \$9800.18 left in checking. PR: \$8705.00 is intact. Thanks to D10 for a contribution of \$1250.00 and to everybody for your participation and contributions. See you in San Jose.

REGISTRAR *Michael Q*: Thanks to districts that have reviewed and updated your DCM lists. I'll be circulating the current eligibility list and if there are corrections let me know so I can close it out.

RECORDING SECRETARY Judy W: See you in San Jose.

ASSEMBLY COORDINATOR *Phil B*: There will be two districts putting in a bid for an assembly. Flyers are available in English and Spanish.

LIT/GV/LV *Ray W*: AA comes of Age is now an ebook. Grapevine materials will come free of charge in Nov. New book: Sober and Out. Special gift subscriptions available.

DISTRICT REPORTS:

01 Monterey/Kirk P: (Susan G) Added two new GSRs Looking forward to elections in Nov. Visiting officer shared on Conference reports and how to report to groups

02 SALINAS/SAN BENITO Ric B: (*Mark C*) Focused on improving our third annual gratitude dinner. Encouraging GSRs to continue in service. Thanks to visiting officer.

03 SANTA CRUZ Scott B: Thanks to visiting officer. Had a workshop on anonymity. Discussing motion to provide guidelines for officer reimbursements.

04 SANTA CLARA NORTH Robert E: (Eric L) I am the new

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AREA COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES (Cont.)

DCMC, Marianne, new Alt DCMC, and Kate, our secretary. We have a number of new GSRs and DCMs here and will continue to fill positions this month.

40 SANTA CLARA SOUTH *Jim A*: Held elections: Miguel is our new DCMC: the dist is in good hands. Hope to see you at the assembly. We have flyers here for the dinner as well.

05 SAN MATEO *Joseph D*: Held elections and filled 15 of 17 positions. Bus placards are now up.

06 SAN FRANCISCO *Teddy B-W*: Commenced our elections: Rhys G is DCMC and Dennis Hopkins, alternate. Unity Day was attended by 180. Drafted a budget for the district.

07 ALAMEDA NORTH *Eric A*: Tom V has been elected as our new DCMC, Rocio, alt. Elections to continue next month.

70 ALAMEDA SOUTH *Heather M*: Beginning elections on Mon. Getting word out to find volunteers for pre-conf assembly.

08 CONTRA COSTA *Robert S*: (Laura W): Visiting officer discussed what availability for service means. Working with D20 and 70 on pre-conf. Elections this month.

09 SOLANO SOUTH *Renee S*: (Dave W) Discussed the process of the upcoming elections assembly. Also discussed pass-it-on for dist positions.

90 SOLANO NORTH *Laurie J:* Web-site going well; has purchased a printer for Intergroup office. Holding elections Nov 5. We will be hosting the Interdistrict Workshop in Jan.

10 MARIN *Allen G*: Began elections and have a new DCMC: Chris H. Alt: Kathy P and Treas. Sommer. Making assembly bid. Discussing an Intergroup committee.

11 NAPA *Thom H.* Having loving discussion about financial guidelines. Submitting bid for fall assembly.

12 SONOMA *Joann L:* Moved our dist mtg to a larger room and have room to grow. Passed motion to have poster of acronyms posted. Unity Day was very successful.

13 LAKE *John O*: Visiting officer shared knowledge of bid process for assembly bid. PI/CPC set up at Heroes in Health Fair. Nov 5 will be elections.

14 MENDOCINO T D : Will be putting in a bid to do the Comments. Will be holding elections in Nov.

15 HUMBOLDT/DEL NORTE John Laudenschlager: Began

dist inventory which focuses on our Native American population. Have formed committee for post-conf assembly. Elections on Nov 1. Thanks to visiting officer.

16 SPANISH CENTRAL (Reynaldo M): Had elections. Thanks for support of area officer. Nov 30: intradistrical.

17 SPANISH SOUTH *Eric M*: A sub dist is not working very well. Held elections last week. Two new motions on floor. Will be attending assembly.

18 SPANISH NORTH Hector A: No report.

19 SPANISH SOUTH SOUTH Adrian C. Held elections and was helped by visiting officer. Jose P from BTG shared experience and provided materials to help us.

20 SPANISH EAST *Martin V*: Will present bid to do coffee for Area. Nov 16, 3rd anniversary. Nov 17: elections. Thanks to area officer for visiting and sharing.

Area Sub-Committees:

Archives *Laura W*: Much of our focus is to prepare for open house on Nov 15. Finalized our bid for the National Archives Workshop. If you have items with dates from events this panel that you wish to trash, give them to us.

Bridging the Gap *Claudia N*: We had 9 dists represented, 43 presentations,180 requests for contact: we're out there and people are asking us for help. Gave job descriptions for elections next month. Forum Nov 1 in Santa Rosa.

FINANCE COMMITTEE *Jennifer B*: Looked at budget and will have drafts available next month.

PI/CPc Jeff O: Presentations and exposure throughout the area: discussed different ways of making presentations. There are many approaches that can be taken. Addressed problems with presenters and how they may be approached.

WEBSITE COMMITTEE *Mary Lou M*: Hosted an open house this am with coffee and cookies: two noncommittee members showed up.

INTERPRETATION AND TRANSLATION *Richard H:* We need a new wireless mic to replace the one that failed this morning. Have two motions to present. Close to end of translating motions book. Interpreters for elections assembly are in place.

CNCA COMMENTS *Richard W:* 1156. 1004 in bulk, and mailed out in record time (without me). Lick and stick Nov 6. Contact me.

COMENTARIOS DE CNCA Ramon G: 180 printed,168 mailed. I'll be happy to assist anyone who may wish to take this on next panel.

AREA COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES (Cont.)

in 2016.

DCM Sharing Session *Barbara S*: Discussed what a DCM does. Great information on how the DCM protects the minority opinion and brings solutions to assist groups. Next month: what a DCM needs to know.

LIT/GRAPEVINE *Ray W*: Talked about third legacy elections procedure. Will be submitting request that BB pamphlet become a permanent literature piece from GSO.

NCCAA/H&I *Diane O*: (Peter M) Conf meets three times per year. We visit and share info with CNIA. March of 2015 will be next one in Foster City. Visit our web site: it's a great source of information.

H&I: Diane O: Thank your amazing groups for your donations to those pink cans. Passed budget for 2015. First discussion of our new policy and procedure pink pamphlet was wonderful. No conference in 2015: 2016 in Santa Rosa.

ACCYPAA: (Gusty M) Flyers are here for event cosponsored by PENYPAAA, EBYPAA, GGYPAA Will be filming a young people's video to submit to GSO.

LA VIÑA ANNIVERSARY REPORT: Jose A: (Nick) Attended a number of events and have registered people. We now have a total of 79 subscriptions. Hosting an event? Let us know and we will come to do a raffle to support your group and provide registrations to the anniversary.

HOUSEKEEPING MOTIONS:

Motion: "That CNCA fund the purchase of a laptop computer for use by the **Website** committee, not to exceed \$1219.00." Presented by Mary Lou M, WEB Committee Chair.

Q. Do you have a laptop you are replacing? A. No Q. Is that price for the computer or for a keyboard and mouse? A. It is for all and the appropriate software. Q. Is there going to be specific software on the computer? (see previous?) Q. Has this been discussed with finance comm.? A. It was included in the budget. Objection: Normally HKM is for routine, small \$ amounts, so I object.
> Will be new business in November<<.</p>

Motion: "That I&T committee purchase a wireless mic to replace broken one, not to exceed \$150." Presented by Richard H, IT&T Committee Chair.

Q. Do you have money in budget? **A**. Yes. No objections. ****Motion passed****

Report back from BTG National Conference: José P: Thank you for sending me to Kansas City for the BTG workshop. It was an incredible experience. It took me a few hours to realize what I was doing there. There were people form the US and Canada, and people from GSO.

There were presenters and workshops: How to form a committee in districts or areas, as some people are not as organized as we are. It was a learning experience for me. I spoke to, and learned from a lot of people. The spiritual experience was beyond words. Now I understand how our delegates feel when they go to NY! Something spiritual happened to me when I got there and I'm back willing to continue to serve and to thank you for allowing me to be of service.

Report back from Archives National Conference: Laura W: Thank you for your support. The conference provides information, demonstrations, and hands-on experience to help us preserve and access our history in CNCA. It also allows us to learn from friends from all over the country. This year's conference was in Pennsylvania so we were able to visit many local historical AA sites: Ebby's grave, the Wilson home where both Bill and Lois are buried, and Stepping Stones, Bill and Lois' home. We also won the bi to host the annual workshop

LETTER OF SUPPORT MOTION: "That CNCA06 send a letter of support to be included with the CNIA07 request to the Trustees Literature Committee of the General Service Conference that reads: 'CNIA requests the trustees committee on literature begin developing literature which focuses on "The Alcoholic with Mental Health Issues." Presented by Padee M, Delegate.

Q. Why is the request to the lit comm. instead of the agenda comm.? A. That is their choice. Q. Haven't we discussed a similar matter? A. Yes, we have and passed it in 2007. Q. Is the letter bypassing our discussion of this matter? A. No, we are merely sending a letter of support. No objection:

(Seventh tradition and break: 2:10-2:25)

Motion passed

ASSEMBLY BIDS: "That D11, Napa, host the Fall Inventory Assembly at the Calistoga Fairgrounds, Nov 14, 2015. Total cost: 6214.60." Presented by Thom H, DCMC, D11. Discussion: We don't need to get in early so the total cost is \$5111.60. Q. Are there nearby reasonably priced hotels? A. It is Napa Valley, but there are places. Q. Twin Pines Casino on Rt 29N is just 20 mins over the hill. **Bid unanimously accepted**

BID: "That D10, Marin host the Pre conf: 2016 assembly (2 days) at the Marin Center Exhibit Hall, San Rafael. Total cost: \$13,721.86" Presented by D10. Discussion: Hosting an assembly in Marin is exciting for us. We had a great assembly in 2009, second largest attendance in history of CNCA. We know that is a lot of money. Other facilities could not accommodate us at that price. The cost is higher in Marin. Marin has a lot to

Balance Sheet September 2014

| | Sep 30, 14 | Sep 30, 13 | \$ Change |
|-----------------------------------|------------|------------|------------|
| ASSETS | | | |
| Current Assets | | | |
| Checking/Savings | | | |
| B of A Checking # | 16,491.96 | 11,596.44 | 4,895.52 |
| B of A Savings # | 8,705.00 | 9,485.16 | |
| Total Checking/Savings | 25,196.96 | 21,081.60 | 4,115.36 |
| Other Current Assets | | | |
| Assembly Deposits | 652.35 | 1,100.00 | (447.65) |
| BTG | 124.00 | | 124.00 |
| CNCA Comments | 427.98 | 427.98 | |
| 1499 · Undeposited Funds | 473.55 | | 473.55 |
| Total Other Current Assets | 1,677.88 | 1,527.98 | 149.90 |
| Total Current Assets | 26,874.84 | 22,609.58 | 4,265.26 |
| TOTAL ASSETS | 26,874.84 | 22,609.58 | 4,265.26 |
| 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 | 286.21 | 4,099.22 | (3,813.01) |
| Total Equity | 26,874.84 | 22,609.58 | 4,265.26 |
| TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY | 26,874.84 | 22,609.58 | 4,265.26 |

Revised Expense Report September 2014

| | Jan - Sep 14 | Jan - Sep 13 | \$ Change |
|------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|------------|
| Ordinary Income/Expense | | | |
| Income | | | |
| Assembly Contributions | 6,295.80 | 6,610.62 | (314.82) |
| Group Contributions | 61,787.83 | 71,582.67 | (9,794.84) |
| District Contributions | 10,387.39 | 2,532.56 | 7,854.83 |
| Tradition 7, Area Committee | 2,713.94 | 2,704.06 | 9.88 |
| H & I Archives Rent | 500.00 | 500.00 | |
| CNCA Comments Subscriptions | 54.00 | 66.00 | (12.00) |
| Personal/Misc. Contributions | 193.54 | 76.79 | 116.75 |
| Interest Income/Prudent Reserve | 0.16 | 0.54 | (0.38) |
| Total Income | 81,932.66 | 84,073.24 | (2,140.58) |
| Gross Profit | 81,932.66 | 84,073.24 | (2,140.58) |
| Expense | | | |
| Delegate Expense | 6,202.97 | 4,585.98 | 1,616.99 |
| Officer Expense | 26,714.01 | 22,743.44 | 3,970.57 |
| Committee Expense | 17,201.70 | 16,382.87 | 818.83 |
| General Expense | 31,876.76 | 33,789.82 | (1,913.06) |
| Total Expense | 81,995.44 | 77,502.11 | 4,493.33 |
| Net Ordinary Income | (62.78) | 6,571.13 | (6,633.91) |
| Other Income/Expense | | | |
| Other Income | | | |
| Refunds/Rebates | 348.99 | (2,471.91) | 2,820.90 |
| Total Other Income | 348.99 | (2,471.91) | 2,820.90 |
| Net Other Income | 348.99 | (2,471.91) | 2,820.90 |
| t Income | 286.21 | 4,099.22 | (3,813.01) |

AREA COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES (Cont.)

offer. We are centrally located. Q. How much did we budget for all assemblies? A. \$28000.00. Q. That means we would have to budget somewhere around 5 for our other assemblies? A. We don't know. Q. What are dates? **A**. April 9-10, 2016 **Q**. Do we have any other bids yet for this assembly/ A No Q. So we preclude other bids if we accept this today. Using this budget as an example, what is paid by the area and what by the district? A. Entire amount is paid by the Area. Q. The actual money we spent in 2014 was approx \$22000 and this year we are spending roughly the same amount. We have an excess of roughly 9k which could be used. We are budgeting about 29k next year. Q. Napa is 5k with no set up fee and here it is \$1500. A. We don't have a choice. The center does all the set up and it's nonnegotiable. Q. Explain other. A. Technician and electrician that must be on site. Non- negotiable. I saved 500 for not using their AV equipment. Q. Almost 3k is nonnegotiable: for set up and labor. A. Yes Q. You were considering 2 different bids. What were they? A. Almost \$9000 for a 1 day. I think a 2 day is more of an opportunity to bring people into service. Q. Under the spirit of rotation, it might be our responsibility to share the cost. A. Thank you. Q. Can we avoid early entry on Fri? A. No we can't because the 1500 is fixed for that day. Q. We had a similar issue in Contra Costa that met size requirements and cost. Did you consider co-hosting with a neighboring dist? A. We wanted to have the assembly where we live and work. Q. The districts will save a lot of money due to central location. There is a possibility we won't be done by 1, so what happens if we run over? A. Cost is \$90/hr. My understanding is that if we unplug by then we might be all right. Q. Is it a tradition to fill the previous year before doing the following? **A.** Last year, we booked when we got bids. **Q**. On the deposit: is there any chance to get any back? We are doing the cleaning? A. \$1500 is deposit for kitchen. which can be subtracted. Q. We have the pre-conf assembly to be heard and we barely had enough time to be heard last time. A.I added an extra hour if we need so we can unplug early on Sat to add on to Sun at no cost. Q. The districts will save a lot of money due to central location. There is a possibility we won't be done by 1. so what happens if we run over? Q. Does the district pay part? A. We do have a lot of money available at the dist; we are happy to chip in but we are not allowed. The area pays. Q. If the assembly takes place on Sat. do we do the dinner at a different place? A. We are looking at doing it at a separate place. Area has nothing to do with that. **Q**. I'd like a 5 min time to caucus with my dist. (5 min break). Simple majority vote: Yes= 43; No=10 **Bid accepted**

Presentation of New Business:

Мотіон: That the I&T committee moves that ASL will be provided at the post-conference assembly with 30 days advance notice."

Discussion: **Q.** Am I to understand that unless you get a request there shall be no sign language interpretation. **A.** Correct. **Q.** Would you consider a friendly amendment to read "Upon request". **A.** Yes. Motion amended to read: "That upon a request, ASL will be provided at the post-conference assembly with 30 days advance notice." **Q.** Have you considered how the request be submitted? **A.** No. Vote to take to Assembly or keep at ACM. (Decided by simple majority) Vote- ACM= 39, Assembly=12; 3 abs

Will be presented as new business next month at ACM

Coffee committee bid: Dist 20 asks the Area to allow us to be the coffee makers for Panel 65. We have members who are willing to do the service. Q. Are you bringing bread? A. Homemade. **Bid unanimously accepted**

Comments bid: Dist 14: to cost \$7180/yr +\$250 setup fees one time only. **Q.** This year's budget was 8200 and this is lower, so we can put it towards the Marin assembly. **Q.** Where can you get publisher for Mac for only \$30? **A.** I think from the I Studio web site. **Bid unanimously accepted**

OLD BUSINESS: "That CNCA reimburse up to \$100.00 for qualifying hotel stays." Presented by Jennifer B, Finance Committee. *No time for discussion: will continue next month.*

WHAT'S ON YOUR MIND?

Two days left to sign up for pre assembly dinner.

Meeting closed at 3:31 pm with Responsibility Declaration.

Submitted with Love and Gratitude,

Judy W CNCA Panel 63 Recording Secretary

DCM SHARING SESSION

DCM Sharing Session October 25, 2014

Presentation this month was "What Do DCM's Do"? Presentation was made by Eric L – District 04

Eric reminded us about some basic services that a DCM provides to their sub-district and GSR's.

- An essential link between the group GSR and the area delegate to the General Service Conference.
- Leader of the sub-district committee, made up of all GSRs in the subdistrict.
- A DCM takes responsibility for protection of traditions and minority opinion without stifling growth, encouraging participation and camaraderie without pressure or demands, and participates in discussion of controversial issues without dominating or giving offense
- DCMs provide leadership and information to the GSRs, and facilitate the sub-district conscience of groups within the sub-district to share with the delegate.

Eric shared that his first panel as a DCM, he was not very good at his job, He learned a lot the first panel, and is much more effective now, his second panel. He spent time trying to encourage groups without representation, to get a GSR and have a voice. Share what was going on at the District and Area, without giving an informational dump. Was a voice for these groups and tried to fire them up about what was being talked about. By attending meetings as an member of AA and not the DCM was a chance to identified someone interested in service and would share direct to that member about how important this was to their group.

AREA AND ASSEMBLY MOTIONS

CNCA Motions - November 2014

Area Committee

Assembly Bids

Housekeeping Motion:

Guidelines

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NOTES FROM CHAIR

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CNCA CALENDAR

2014—Panel 63

November

8—Election Assembly

San Jose (Hosted by Dist 40 & 04)

22—Area Committee Mtg November

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

11. 12—Pre Conference Assembly. April

Alameda Fairgrounds

(Hosted by Districts 08, 70 and 20)

19-25—General Service Conf, NY

25—Area Committee Mtg

16—Post Conference Assembly May

Eureka (Hosted by District 15)

23—Area Committee Mtg

27—Area Committee Mtg June

2-5—AA International Convention July

Atlanta, Georgia

25—Area Committee Mtg

1 or 8—Summer Assembly August

22—Area Committee Mtg September

26—Area Committee Mtg

October 24—Area Committee Mtg 14—Fall Inventory Assembly, November

> Calistoga Fairgrounds (Hosted by District 11)

28—Area Committee Mtg 19—Area Committee Mtg 2016—Panel 65

January 23—Area Committee Mtg **February** 27—Area Committee Mtg

March 26—Area Committee Mtg

9, 10—Pre Conference Assembly, April

Marin Center Exhibit Hall (Hosted By District 10) 23—Area Committee Mtg

14 or 21—Post Conference Assembly May

28—Area Committee Mtg

June 25—Area Committee Mtg 23—Area Committee Mtg July 6 or 13—Summer Assembly August

27—Area Committee Mtg September

24—Area Committee Mtg 22—Area Committee Mtg

October November 5 or 12—Election Assembly

26—Area Committee Mtg December 24—Area Committee Mtg

ASSEMBLY DATES CALENDAR

PANEL 65 ASSEMBLY DATES

2015 Pre-Conference Assembly

April 11-12; Alameda County Fairgrounds 4501 Pleasanton Ave. Pleasanton CA 94566

Hosted by District 08

December

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 14; Calistoga Fairgrounds

1435 North Oak Street Calistoga, CA 94515

Hosted by District 11

2016 Pre-Conference Assembly

April 9-10; Marin Center Exhibit Hall

10 Avenue of the Flags San Rafael, CA 94903

Hosted by District 10

2016 Post-conference Assembly

May 14

2016 Summer Assembly

August 6 or August 13

2016 Fall Election Assembly

November 5

Underline Dates Preferred

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