

Chair Preview: July 2020

The June Area Committee meeting might be the moment in which our Area finally and fully became a virtual Area. We passed four housekeeping motions, discussed two items of business, and voted – again – to continue discussing a motion regarding the Area’s possible incorporation at the Area Committee meeting.

Our comfort using virtual platforms to discuss (and vote on) business will serve us well; we will be doing the same at our Summer Assembly, which will be held August 8. At that assembly (flyers are included in this newsletter and are available on the Area website, www.cnca06.org) the morning business meeting will include discussion (and possible votes) on motions to request a pamphlet for the transgender alcoholic and the possible formation of an Area technology committee).

In the afternoon, workshops on a variety of topics of interest to AA members will be held; this will be a major test of our virtual capabilities, with simultaneous interpretation across three concurrently-operating virtual rooms. The workshop topics themselves, which were suggested by members of the Area, will be facilitated by six members of the Area, who will make presentations and then facilitate discussion on these big themes of importance to all of AA. The workshop topics are:

- AA in the Digital Age: Moving Ahead Without Leaving People Behind
- AA – Our Financial Future and Our Options
- Our Tenth Tradition – When “Outside Issues” Affect Our Primary Purpose
- Passing it on in General Service – Variations on the 12th Step
- I Am Responsible – Inclusion and Diversity
- Sustaining AA and Our Legacy for the Future

I am looking forward to the thought-provoking discussions that we will have, and for the exciting new ideas that may one day contribute to the sobriety of alcoholics we have not yet reached.

In gratitude,

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