

Chair's Preview

February brought excitement to our Area as the Agenda Topics process is in full swing! Our Area Officers were hard at work reading and summarizing the background information, and made the Agenda Topics Summaries available to everyone at the ACM. It is now time for our GSR's to practice taking group consciences and involve homegroups in the process of connecting each member to the greater whole of AA. As I write this, I am sitting in my hotel room at PRAASA, and I can feel the energy and fellowship growing as we meet new friends from all over the Pacific Region, and get prepared to listen and participate in discussion surrounding this year's Conference themes. We will bring this fire back to our Area and spread the enthusiasm for General Service to our groups. After we have participated in listening and using our voice at a group conscience, we will gather together on April 1st and 2nd for the Pre Conference Assembly in Richmond, CA. There are flyers for the event later in this newsletter, and we will be able to participate in person and online. Listening to the group consciences of our entire Area is a spiritual experience you must not miss!

At our February Area Committee meeting we accepted a bid from District 16 Spanish Central to host the 2023 Post Conference Assembly on May 13th in San Francisco - please save the date, as it is a week earlier than we had originally anticipated.

There is a page in this newsletter called Area Committee and Assembly Motions. Please take a group conscience from your homegroups and districts on these motions, and share them at the microphone during our business meetings at the upcoming ACM and Assembly. At our last ACM we had discussions on three topics: voting participation at our ACMs and Assemblies, our election assembly, and equity between our in-person and virtual participants. Please discuss these topics with your service sponsors and fellow members, and share your thoughts with us in March at the ACM!

I look forward to participating this weekend with many of you at PRAASA 2023, and I can't wait to listen to each of you at the Pre Conference Assembly.

Thank you for shifting me into love and tolerance each day.

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