

Election Assembly Updates

Attached to this email is the flyer for the upcoming Election Assembly, held November 9 in Livermore. You'll also find a helpful guide to frequently asked questions about the Election Assembly, including some basic details about how we will be voting. Final agendas will be posted on our Area website and printed at the Assembly.

Plain Language Big Book Updates

The Plain Language Big Book is now available to purchase. This new piece of Conference-approved literature covers the core content of what is the 'abridged version' (the edition without the personal stories) of the original Big Book. While the book can be purchased directly from AA.org, you may want to consider purchasing the book from your local Central Office/Intergroup bookstore; these local entities play a vital role in Twelfth Step activities, and it will also save you shipping costs. It is priced at \$11, consists of 192 pages, and is available only in softcover format.

New Literature Catalog

The 2025 Catalog of AA Literature and Other Items is now available in digital format; a print version will be available later this year. This new catalog includes all the new and revised items of literature approved by the Conference. The new catalog is available at www.aa.org/sites/default/files/literature/2025_Catalog_v2.pdf.

La Viña Price Increase

The AA Grapevine will increase the price of the La Viña magazine for the first time in more than 10 years. The new price for a yearly print subscription is \$18, effective January 1, 2025. Digital subscription prices are not increasing, and active subscribers will stay at their current rate until their term ends.

International Convention Updates

More than 22,000 people have registered so far for the International Convention in Vancouver next year. That's a lot of people, and that high demand impacted availability of rooms in the "official room block." The General Service Office is still working on adding more rooms to the official room block, and there are alternative housing options in Vancouver (including housing at local universities). Registration remains open at www.aa.org/international-convention. You'll find more information in the attached documents.

GSO Quarterly Report

Every quarter, the General Service Board provides a quarterly report of its activities, including AA World Services and AA Grapevine. That report is found at www.aa.org/sites/default/files/newsletters/SF-14_Quarterly_Report_2024_Third_Quarter.pdf.

Spanish: www.aa.org/sites/default/files/newsletters/SF-14_Quarterly_Report_2024_Third_Quarter.pdf