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Serving AA in Western North Carolina's Districts 70, 71, and 80 since 1974

"I'm Turning This Stuff Out as Fast as I Can"

*A timeline of the first year and a half of the
making of the Big Book*

Middle of Oct., 1937

Our cofounder Bill W. travels to Akron, where the group meets and approves raising funds for paid missionaries, a chain of national hospitals and the writing of a book. The Ohio members do not, however, intend to contribute any money themselves, and they send Bill back to New York City to raise the money there.

May 20, 1938

Having collected just one contribution in the past seven months, Bill begins writing "Bill's Story" and "There Is a Solution"—primarily as promotion pieces that he and Hank P. hope will open the wallets of the rich.

June 17, 1938

The first copies of these two chapters are sent out in an effort to raise money from a New York banker. Many copies of the two chapters are sent out in similar fashion over the next several months. No money is raised.

July 27, 1938

Bill spends the month of July collecting favorable testimonials about AA's success, one of which is written by Dr. William Silkworth of Towns Hospital in New York City (where Bill had his "white light" experience). It later appears as the first letter in "The Doctor's Opinion."



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August 7, 1938

Bill sends Dr. Bob advice on how the Akron people should write their stories for the book. "I would say that everyone should write at whatever length they want to; the more, the better ..." he writes. "The idea is that a chance word or phrase or experience may be the most telling point of the story, which would be missed entirely if people were trying to restrict themselves to a given number of words."

Sept. 28, 1938

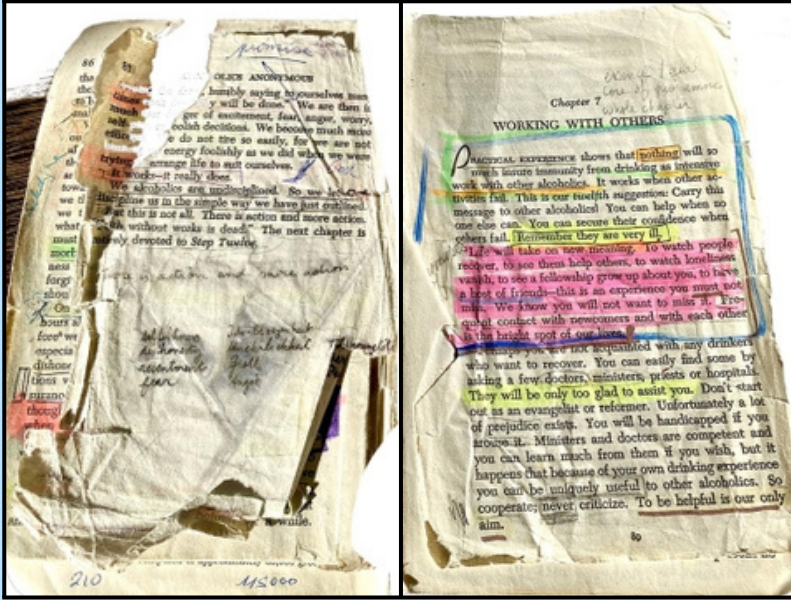
Bill sends Dr. Bob the first drafts of "More About Alcoholism" and "We Agnostics." "Two more chapters of the book are close to completion," he writes. "I am enclosing the original dictation on two of them so you can get a rough idea. You will understand that what I am sending you is just the rough, uncorrected outline. Will let you have the polished product when ready."

Nov. 3, 1938

Three more chapters are sent to Dr. Bob: "I am turning this stuff out as fast as I can, being only once-corrected dictation," Bill writes. "You can't call it serious writing. After I get all through with these general chapters on the present basis, I will edit them as carefully as I can, bearing in mind the criticisms and suggestions from anyone who wants to make them ... Everybody who has seen the personal stories from Akron thinks they are great."

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April Grapevine now available!



Happy Birthday Big Book!

This month's special section is "Happy Birthday Big Book!" To celebrate our beloved Big Book's 85th anniversary, members share their favorite memories and stories.

<https://www.aagrapevine.org/> 

After-hours Phone Volunteers Needed

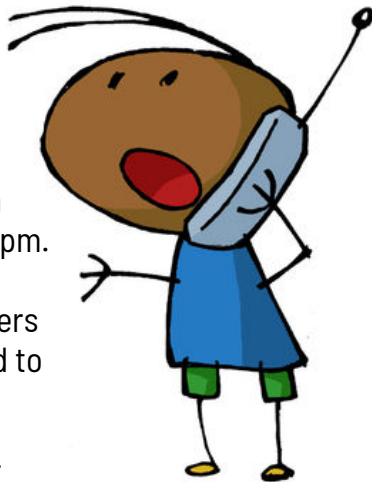
Central Office is looking for volunteers to answer the phone from 1:30pm in the afternoon until 9:30am the next morning. Most nights don't see more than a call or two, rarely after 10 or 11pm. Most callers are interested in meeting information so volunteers should have the internet at hand to access the meeting guide.

One year of sobriety is required.

Information can be found at:

<https://aancmco.org/index.php/about-ncmco/service/>
(scroll down to "After-hours Phone Volunteer")

Or call Central Office at 828-254-8539.



Visit Grapevine's New YouTube Channel!



Watch our new 5-minute history of AA Grapevine, Inc. film, created for the 2020 International Convention, "AA's Twelve Step Tools: Grapevine & La Vina"! Use it at your events.

- Listen to members share original stories about relapsing, spirituality and more!
- Learn about exciting new Grapevine projects through animated explainer videos
- Listen to original stories by Spanish-speaking AA members
- Learn about setting up virtual meetings and more!

www.youtube.com/aagrapevine



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Carry the Message Project

To learn about ways to give [click here!](#)

Call & Visitor Log February 2024

- 12 Step Calls – 13
- General Info – 0
- Family Help – 3
- Meeting Info – 19
- Central Office Business – 45
- Medical/Detox – 0
- Visitors – 53
- After-hours calls – 34



Visits to aancmco.org/ website:

- Unique Visitors – 3,997
- Total Visits – 31,962; Visits/Visitor – 8.00
- Total Pages – 94,716; Pages/Visit – 2.96



COR/NCMCO Board Meeting

COR/Board meetings are held the second Thursday of odd-numbered months. All A.A. members are welcome to attend but only CORs may vote so we encourage your group to elect a COR. Your input is important to us!

The two open positions, Alternate Chair and Secretary, were filled at the COR/Board meeting in March. Thank you, Chris M. and Jean R. respectively, for stepping forward to fill these positions!

An ad-hoc committee has been doing great work revising and updating the by-laws. More changes will be presented at subsequent meetings.

The next COR/Board meeting will be **Thursday, May 9, 6:00pm**, via Zoom: Meeting ID: 757 855 2319 Passcode: 000000 For updated meeting information and Zoom link, check the website: <https://aancmco.org/index.php/events/>



Where to Find Meetings

Printable In-person Meeting Guide



Meetings in all 3 Districts



Meetings in District 70



Meetings in District 71



Meetings in District 80



Cash on Hand as of 2/29/2024

Prudent Reserve
\$16,138.46

Operating Account
\$12,924.56

Rent Deposit - \$400.00

Petty Cash - \$50.00

Profit & Loss YTD

	Feb 2024	Jan-Feb, 2024 (YTD)
Income		
Contributions		
Group Contributions	\$2,230.00	\$6,439.46
Individual Contributions	\$46.85	\$116.55
Total Contributions	\$2,276.85	\$6,556.01
Interest on Money Market	\$1.28	\$2.65
Sales Income		
Literature & merchandise	\$2,265.59	\$4,294.21
Shipping charged to groups	\$79.82	\$121.28
Total Sales Income	\$2,345.41	\$4,415.49
Total Income	\$4,623.54	\$10,974.15
Cost of Goods Sold		
Cost of Goods Sold		
Credit Card Processing		
PayPal Fee	\$12.77	\$34.91
Total Credit Card Processing	\$12.77	\$34.91
Freight - vendor shipping	\$20.65	\$75.21
Literature & merchandise	\$1,693.19	\$3,305.35
Shipping to groups	\$78.82	\$120.28
Total Cost of Goods Sold	\$1,805.43	\$3,535.75
Inventory Shrinkage		\$14.87
Total Cost of Goods Sold	\$1,805.43	\$3,550.62
Gross Profit	\$2,818.11	\$7,423.53
Expenses		
Bank Service Charges		\$49.22
Office Expenses	\$15.99	\$31.98
Office Supplies	\$132.99	\$135.99
Payroll Expenses		
Gross Salary	\$1,500.00	\$2,980.00
Payroll Taxes (Company)	\$114.76	\$227.99
Total Payroll Expenses	\$1,614.76	\$3,207.99
Rent	\$604.00	\$1,208.00
Telephone & Internet		
Office Telephone/Internet	\$89.46	\$178.92
Web Expenses	\$19.99	\$19.99
Total Telephone & Internet	\$109.45	\$198.91
Total Expenses	\$2,477.19	\$4,832.09
Net Operating Income	\$340.92	\$2,591.44
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Contributions

Group Contributions:	Feb 2024	YTD
Acceptance Group 000092265		\$760.80
Agnostics Atheists Free Thinkers Gp - 000092498	\$750.00	\$750.00
As Bill Sees It Group (Franklin) - 000093648		\$20.00
Back To Basics Group - 000094453		\$100.00
Big Town Group - 000096080		\$102.40
Black Mountain Group - 000096165	\$75.00	\$75.00
Brevard Serenity Group - 000096758		\$73.36
Candler K.I.S.S. Group - 000098073		\$66.00
Conscious Contact Group - 000099980	\$250.00	\$356.00
Daily Decisions Group - 000100743		\$349.47
Day By Day Group - 000101059		\$116.59
Fellowship Group (Fletcher) - 000104116		\$54.46
It's In the Book Group - 000260106		\$100.00
Joy Of Living Group - 000112527		\$102.00
Leicester Group - 000009461		\$125.00
Liars Club	\$70.00	\$70.00
Mars Hill Group - 000017945		\$115.00
Mountainview Group - 000027730		\$177.20
Newcomers Group - Flat Rock	\$30.00	\$30.00
Noontime Big Book Study Group - 000409637		\$32.76
One Day At A Time Group - 000385292	\$20.00	\$20.00
Phoenix Group - 000049062	\$72.00	\$72.00
Pisgah (National Park) Group - 000049661		\$100.00
Recovery By The River Group - 000055540		\$192.07
Safe And Sound Women's Group - 000060517		\$127.96
Saturday Morning Men's Meeting	\$75.00	\$75.00
Serenity Service Group - 000068387		\$106.83
Sober Sisters Group (Burnsville) - 000460489		\$175.00
South Asheville Literature Group - 000075329		\$100.00
Speed Bump Group - 000053487	\$410.00	\$410.00
St John in the Wilderness Early Bird Grp - 000078454		\$147.00
The Open Meeting Group - 000418805	\$93.00	\$93.00
Total Surrender Group - 000010020		\$132.00
Tuesday Night Men's Group - 000013982		\$167.50
Waynesville Grace Group - 000022141		\$560.06
We Think Not Group - 000025928	\$30.00	\$30.00
Women of Courage Group - 000036989	\$210.00	\$210.00
Young People's Group - 000042150	\$145.00	\$145.00
Total Group Contributions:	\$2,230.00	\$6,439.46

Individual Contributions:	Feb 2024	YTD
Anonymous	\$11.85	\$21.55
Ellen O.		\$25.00
Shannon K.	\$25.00	\$50.00
In Memory of B.G.	\$10.00	\$20.00
Total Individual Contributions:	\$46.85	\$116.55

Birthday Contributions:	Feb 2024	YTD
Anonymous		\$0.00
Total Birthday Contributions:	\$0.00	\$0.00

Total Contributions: \$2,276.85 \$6,556.01

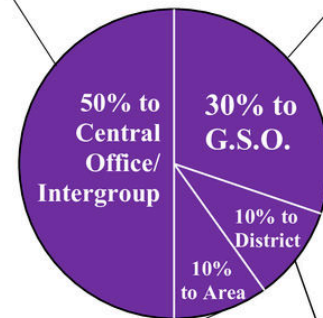


Suggestions & Addresses for sending Donations to the A.A. Service Structure* Revised for 2023

* From the pamphlet "Self-Support: Where Money & Spirituality Mix." Recommendations for other percentages are also in the pamphlet.

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Raleigh, NC 27619

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District 71 Treasurer
PO Box 202
Hendersonville, NC, 28793

District 80 Treasurer
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Note: If you think there is a contribution missing from your group total, please let us know. We try our best to get donations listed correctly, but we do make mistakes sometimes and list a donation under the wrong group. As always, we thank you all - AA groups and individual members - for your generous support!

"... as Fast as I Can" (continued from page 1)

Nov. 15, 1938

Hank P. has had a hard time selling stock in Works Publishing to AA members who just can't afford the price of \$25 a share. So he comes up with a creative time-payment plan of \$5 a month starting on this day. Many members subscribe and provide much of the money needed to fund the writing of the book.

Early Dec., 1938

Bill writes the Twelve Steps of Alcoholics Anonymous. He is in the midst of one of his "imaginary ulcer attacks" (which plague him in times of stress—and what could be more stressful than having to lay down "the rules" for sobriety?), but nonetheless he is able to come up with the first draft of his famous formulation in under 30 minutes.

Dec. 13, 1938

Bill tells Dr. Bob that "on the book, we are going hell bent for election. It is practically complete, and I will send you the rest of the chapters within two or three days. Next step is to make, after one editing, photolithographic copies of the whole works."

Jan. 5, 1939

Tom Uzzell agrees to edit the manuscript of the Big Book. According to Bill, his most significant suggestion was to move "Bill's Story" to the front of the book (it had previously been the first story in the back).

Mid-Feb., 1939

The multilith printing of what is now called "the original manuscript" is printed and circulated for comments and criticism. All the suggestions for changes are put into one master copy of the book; some of these are finally incorporated into the text and some are not.

Early April, 1939

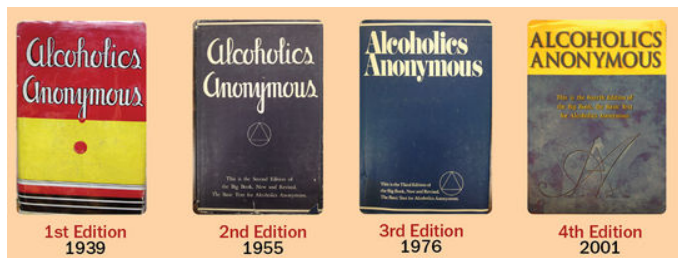
Bill W., Hank P., Ruth Hock & Dorothy Snyder travel to Cornwall, N.Y. to make the final edits to the Big Book. Hank has many suggestions for last minute changes, but Bill makes all the final decisions on what goes in and what does not.

April 10, 1939

4,650 copies of the book, Alcoholics Anonymous, are printed. One hundred copies are delivered to Bill and Hank with several more copies going to Willard Richardson and Frank Amos (the Rockefeller associates that Bill and Hank have been working with for more than a year). More copies of the book will be released, but only after some payment has been made on the still outstanding bill with the printer.

Carrying the message since 1935

There have been four different editions of the Big Book.



A Fifth Edition is now in the works.

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Special Meetings and Events



NOTE: For updates, please check the specific event websites, or <https://aancmco.org/index.php/events/>
See flyers for additional events not listed here.



Area 51 Virtual Preconference. April 3, 6:00pm-8:00pm. Zoom Meeting ID: 656 316 7536 Passcode: 924686. For more information, see flyer. Questions? Contact Julie R, Delegate: delegate@aanorthcarolina.org or Denise M, Alt Delegate: altdelegate@aanorthcarolina.org



2nd Blue Ridge Roundup. April 4-7. YMCA Blue Ridge Assembly, Black Mountain, NC. For more information, see flyer or visit their website: <https://www.blueridgeroundup.org/>



WNC AA Tri-District Service Rally - "Alcoholics Into Action Through Service" Saturday, May 4, 9:00am-2:30pm. (Setup, coffee, tea, and pastries at 8:00am) Hosted by Districts 70, 71 & 80 and NCMCO. A day of fellowship, fun, food, panels, speakers, inspiration, education, and service opportunities galore! Covenant Community Church, 11 Rocket Dr, Asheville 28803. See flyer for more details. If you have questions or want to volunteer, email: Rally2024@aancmco.org or call Central Office: 828-254-8539.

Fireside Sobriety Circle Campout. May 9-12. Yogi in the Smokies Campground, Big Cove Road (317 Galamore Rd) Cherokee, NC 28719. For more details and registration form, see flyer, or contact Herb at 828-506-8563 or firesidesobriety@gmail.com

Area 51 Spring Committee & Assembly Meeting. May 17-19. Lake Junaluska Conference & Retreat Center, 91 North Lakeshore Dr, Lake Junaluska, NC 28745. **Deadline for Reservations: April 17;** Group Name: NCGSCAA Assembly Meeting; Link: <https://tinyurl.com/2tjuajbr> Phone: 800-222-4930, ext. 1; Website: <https://lakejunaluska.com/>



7th Annual WNCYPAA Campout. May 24-26. Briar Bottom Group Campsite, 50 Black Mountain Campground Rd, Burnsville 28714. See flyer for more details or visit their website: <https://avlypaa.com/> Questions? Email: AshevilleYoungPeople@gmail.com



Founders' Day - 89th Anniversary of Alcoholics Anonymous. June 7-9. Akron, OH. For more information and online registration, see flyer or visit their website: <https://akronaa.org/>



3rd Annual District 71 Founders' Day Picnic. Sunday, June 9, 11:00am-4:00pm. Shelter #4, Jackson Park, Hendersonville 28792. Food and drinks, chips and condiments provided; please bring a dish or something to share. See flyer for more information.

64th International Conference of Young People in AA (ICYPA) July 4-7. JW Marriott Austin, 110 E 2nd St, Austin, TX 78701. See flyer for more information or visit their website: <https://the64thicypaa.org/>



77th North Carolina State Convention: Language of the Heart. July 11-14. Hilton Raleigh North Hills, 3415 Wake Forest Rd, Raleigh, NC 27609. For hotel reservations, online: www.NorthRaleigh.Hilton.com; phone: (919) 872-2323; Group code: NCAREA. For more information see flyer or visit the website: <https://www.aanconvention.com/>



NC Area 51 Events: <https://aanorthcarolina.org/events/>



GSO in New York: For events around the country and the world, as well as great information, go to: <https://www.aa.org/> and Box 459: https://www.aa.org/sites/default/files/newsletters/f-36_fall2023.pdf



The Service Express

District 70

GSR Business Meeting – The next meeting will be **Sunday, April 14, 2:30pm**. It will now be a hybrid meeting, with Zoom capability (Meeting ID: 933 8500 3069; Passcode: 672458) and an in-person meeting at St Luke's Episcopal Church, 219 Chunns Cove Rd, Asheville, 28805. There are still several positions that need to be filled. For updates go to: <https://ashevilleaa.org/>



Accessibilities Committee – Chairperson is Scott S. Want to make sure your A.A. group is accessible to all who want to attend? Contact Scott at access@ashevilleaa.org for an Accessibilities Checklist.

Archives Committee needs you! Chairperson is Dennis H. The Archives Committee wants A.A. members to help compile a complete list of group histories, record interviews with old-timers, and collect classic A.A. literature. It's fun AND it's service work! For more information, contact Dennis at archives@ashevilleaa.org

CPC/PI Committee – Chairperson is George M; Tom W is Co-chair. These are two separate service committees – "Cooperation with the Professional Community" and "Public Information". The CPC Committee visits schools, businesses, and community meetings to speak about A.A. Volunteers for area events are needed for health clinics and DUI classes to name a few. The PI Committee provides accurate A.A. information to the public and media when requested. For more information, contact George or Tom at cpc-pi@ashevilleaa.org

Corrections Committee – In District 70, A.A. meetings are being taken into Buncombe County (Asheville), Yancey County (Burnsville), Western Correctional Center for Women (Black Mountain), Craggy (Asheville), Marion (Marion), Avery-Mitchell (Spruce Pine), and Mountain View (Spruce Pine). Volunteers are needed at Marion Correctional and Buncombe County. They are also starting a Pre-Release program to help inmates transition into AA on the outside; more to come soon. If you would like to be of service in corrections, contact Tammy Z, the Women's Corrections Chair, at corrections_women@ashevilleaa.org or Mitch R, the new Men's Corrections Chair, at corrections_men@ashevilleaa.org

Literature and Grapevine Committee – Chair position is open. The focus of the committee is to ensure that A.A. literature and Grapevines are available to all groups, service meetings, and other A.A. events. Through displays, supplies of A.A. catalogs and order forms, and A.A. workshops, these volunteers help A.A. members and other committees to carry the A.A. message through our literature. If you are interested in volunteering, please attend the next GSR meeting.

Technology Committee – Chairperson is Joe L. The goal of this committee is to help A.A. members and groups become more informed about technology issues and needs. Volunteers and new ideas are always welcome. For more information contact Joe at: technology@ashevilleaa.org

Treatment Facilities Committee – Chairperson is Kyle J. He can be reached at treatment@ashevilleaa.org. It's all about bringing the message of recovery to alcoholics in treatment facilities and to set up means of "bridging the gap" from the facility to an A.A. group. For more information, please attend the next GSR Meeting.

"Bridging the Gap" (with treatment facilities) – This is a Temporary Contact Program, which is designed to help the alcoholic in a treatment facility make that transition from "inside" the program to life on the "outside". They particularly need women volunteers. Both the Chair and Co-chair positions are open. If you are interested in volunteering, please attend the next GSR meeting.

For more information on Bridging the Gap and upcoming events, visit the website: www.btgww.org.



District 71

GSR Business Meeting – held on the 2nd Saturday of the month. The next meeting will be **Saturday, April 13, 9:30am**, at the Hendersonville Group building, 1624 Willow Rd, Hendersonville, NC 28739. All A.A. members are welcome! Check their website for meeting updates and links: <https://www.nc71.org/>



There are numerous service opportunities with Bridging the Gap and Treatment, and they need more volunteers for the jails. Several positions that were open have been filled. They have an acting Alt DCM, but anyone willing to serve is welcome to volunteer. And they still need CPC/PI and Grapevine Chairs. They are working with Districts 70 and 80 to sign up volunteers (5 greeters, 3 vote counters, and 1 timekeeper) for the Area 51 Assembly May 17-19 at the Lake Junaluska Conference Center. If you have any questions or would like to volunteer, contact Alan, the District 71 DCM, through the website: <https://www.nc71.org/contact>



District 80

GSR Business Meeting – held quarterly. The next meeting will be **Sunday, April 14; NOTE - New time: 1:30pm**. This will be a hybrid meeting with zoom capability as well as an in-person meeting. The in-person location will be on the WCU Campus at 245 Memorial Dr, Room 336 (Cherokee Rm). They will be using the WCU high tech zoom system; the password and sign on information will be emailed to participants 30 minutes before meeting. Check their website for meeting updates: <http://aawnc80.com/events>



Appalachian Community Services Center located at 91 Timberlane Rd, Balsam, has A.A. meetings every Monday and Wednesday at 6:00pm and every other Saturday at 5:30pm, with one volunteer allowed in per meeting. If you would like more information about volunteering, call or email Central Office: 828-254-8539; info@ncmco.net



WNC AA Tri-District Service Rally - "Alcoholics Into Action Through Service" is scheduled for **Saturday, May 4, 9:00am-2:30pm**. (Sign-in, coffee, tea, and pastries at 8:00am) Hosted by Districts 70, 71 & 80 and NCMCO. A day of fellowship, fun, food, panels, speakers, inspiration, education, and service opportunities galore! Covenant Community Church, 11 Rocket Dr, Asheville 28803. To attend via zoom: Meeting ID: 878 6017 0710; Passcode: Service. See flyer for more details. If you have questions or want to volunteer, email: Rally2024@aancmco.org or call Central Office: 828-254-8539.

Does Your Group Have a New GSR or Alternate GSR?

District Registrars keep GSO informed of group changes. Contact your group's District Registrar by email or through the District website:

District 70: Email: registrar@ashevilleaa.org

District 71: Use the form at: <https://www.nc71.org/meeting-change-form>

District 80: Email: webmaster@aawnc80.com



Happy Anniversary!

3 Legacies Group

Craig F. 4-26-2017 7 yrs

Acceptance Group

Terri G. 4-03-2023 1 yr

Bill V. 4-25-2005 19 yrs

Liz P. 4-27-2018 6 yrs

Missy G. 4-29-1987 37 yrs

Back to Basics Group - Weaverville

Greg P. 4-12-2021 3 yrs

Perry B. 4-15-1996 28 yrs

Cara 4-23-2023 1 yr

Black Mountain Group

Laura B. 4-04-1989 35 yrs

Jack F. 4-04-1991 33 yrs

Valerie W. 4-04-2022 2 yrs

Burnsville Group

David C. 4-06-2022 2 yrs

Jack L. 4-15-1980 44 yrs

Marcy M. 4-30-1980 44 yrs

Candler K.I.S.S. Group

Briget S. 4-18-2018 6 yrs

Conscious Contact

Ocean S. 4-09-1971 53 yrs

Kay G. 4-16-2018 6 yrs

John G. 4-29-1980 44 yrs

Mary Lou B. 4-29-2021 3 yrs

Daily Decisions Group

Brad D. 4-23-1990 34 yrs

Annie J. 4-27-2021 3 yrs

Jaime B. 4-28-1989 35 yrs

Fellowship Group

Cathy O. 4-01-2020 4 yrs

Alisa L. 4-02-2022 2 yrs

Lauren S. 4-02-2022 2 yrs

Jason G. 4-23-2019 5 yrs

Ken W. 4-24-1990 34 yrs

Good Livers

Joanna D. 4-29-1989 35 yrs

Grace Group

Micaela W. 4-01-2021 3 yrs

Cassie J. 4-04-2009 15 yrs

Rob H. 4-11-2020 4 yrs

Frank T. 4-17-2011 13 yrs

Katie B. 4-19-2020 4 yrs

Brian M. 4-22-1978 46 yrs

Michelle J. 4-24-2005 19 yrs

Riley H. 4-29-2015 9 yrs

Ben O. 4-29-2020 4 yrs

Beth T. 4-30-1993 31 yrs

Mary Lou B. 4-30-2020 4 yrs

Tony W. 4-30-2021 3 yrs

Hendersonville Group

Nate T. 4-05-2021 3 yrs

Lou 4-16-2020 4 yrs

Lana W. 4-22-2018 6 yrs

Jaclyn C. 4-22-2022 2 yrs

Stuart P. 4-29-2002 22 yrs

Hendersonville Men's Group

Steve W. 4-05-2022 2 yrs

Eric M. 4-08-2004 20 yrs

Stuart P. 4-29-2002 22 yrs

Lambda Group

Mike M. 4-11-1979 45 yrs

Warren M. 4-20-1982 42 yrs

Phil L. 4-20-2021 3 yrs

Leicester Group

Bob F. 4-21-1983 41 yrs

Library Group

Lucy B. 4-16-1985 39 yrs

Mars Hill Group

Timothy W. 4-01-2018 6 yrs

Frank T. 4-08-2007 17 yrs

Bryant S. 4-19-1981 43 yrs

Total Surrender Group

Bill G. 4-10-1997 27 yrs

Wanda T. 4-12-2021 3 yrs

Leslie B. 4-11-2013 11 yrs

Traditional Group

Michael W. 4-08-2012 12 yrs

Holly 4-19-2018 6 yrs

Waynesville Grace Group

Melanie A. 4-22-2012 12 yrs

West Asheville Group

Dusty 4-02-1979 45 yrs

Joe P. 4-02-2022 2 yrs

Rob M. 4-23-2004 20 yrs

Women of Courage

Trisha 4-01-2023 1 yr

Laura A. 4-03-2015 9 yrs

Amy A. 4-10-2012 12 yrs

Lori E. 4-12-1989 35 yrs

Calla C. 4-12-2022 2 yrs

Nikki M. 4-14-1989 35 yrs

Annie M. 4-24-2022 2 yrs

Jenny H. 4-27-2004 20 yrs

Young People's Group

Matthew W. 4-02-2021 3 yrs

Marcus W. 4-18-2015 9 yrs

The Birthday Plan

For many years, A.A. members have celebrated their sobriety by sending a contribution to the General Service Office. Your birthday (or anniversary) money helps to support G.S.O.'s services to members and groups throughout Canada and the U.S., to ensure that the A.A. message is carried around the world. The services that G.S.O. provides the A.A. groups cost more than \$6 per member per year. Members customarily contribute \$1, \$2 or even \$5 a year for each year of sobriety—others may give a penny or a nickel a day for each day of their sobriety. You may request these Birthday Contribution Envelopes (FR-5) from G.S.O., for yourself or for your group, at no charge.

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Birthday Contribution Envelopes from G.S.O. are available for free at Central Office.

We also have envelopes for sending Birthday Contributions to the Central Office!

Stop by the Office to pick up envelopes for yourself or your group members. Or call us (828-254-8539) and we will mail envelopes to you. We thank all the A.A. members and groups who donate so generously!



Need to update your Group's anniversary list? Call Central Office: 828-254-8539 or send a new list to: info@ncmco.net

The May newsletter deadline for sending in anniversaries and announcements is April 15.



Does your group have a

COR?

(Central Office Representative)

What are Central Office Representatives?

What are their duties?

Central Office Reps (CORs) and their relationship with Central Office are similar to General Service Reps (GSRs) and their relationship to A.A. General Service Districts. CORs are responsible for voting their group's conscience at COR/Board meetings and for bringing to the NCMCO Board any concerns of their home group.

In addition to this, CORs keep their groups informed about what Central Office is doing. They participate in the bimonthly COR/Board meetings on the 2nd Thursday of odd-numbered months (January, March, May, July, September, December) where they share their home group's experiences in carrying the A.A. message and express how they feel NCMCO might better serve the A.A. community in Western North Carolina.

The NCMCO Board is interested in your feedback. Take our inventory!

What are we doing well? What can we improve upon?

How can we serve Districts 70, 71 and 80 more effectively?

What might we do to draw more participation from groups?

Please send your feedback to: info@ncmco.net

Better yet, attend the next bimonthly COR/Board meeting on Zoom.

See the Central Office website for details:

<https://aancmco.org/index.php/events/>

Area 51 2024 Virtual Preconference

April 3 - 6:00pm - 8:00pm

Zoom Info

Meeting ID: 656 316 7536

Passcode: 924686

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6563167536?pwd=ZmZlY3dKZU5MNll0R0xydjFZK3RDQT09>

Topics Include:

AAGRAPEVINE
The International Journal of Alcoholics Anonymous

LA VIÑA



How Should We Treat A.A. Founders' Writings?

“Therefore we expect that our Conferences will always try to act in the spirit of mutual respect and love — one member for another. In turn, this sign signifies that mutual trust should prevail; that no action ought to be taken in anger, haste, or recklessness; that care will be observed to respect and protect all minorities; that no action should ever be personally punitive; that whenever possible, important actions will be taken in substantial unanimity; and that our Conference will ever be prudently on guard against tyrannies, great or small, whether these be found in the majority or in the minority. The sum of these several attitudes and practices is, in our view, the very essence of democracy — in action and spirit.”

— A.A. Service Manual, page C-58 (Bill W. Commentary on Concept XII)

Questions?

Contact

Julie R. Delegate

delegate@aanorthcarolina.org

Denise M. Alt Delegate

altdelegate@aanorthcarolina.org

The Second Blue Ridge Roundup

April 4, 5, 6, 7, 2024

YMCA Blue Ridge Assembly • Black Mountain, North Carolina

Formerly the **KANUGA LAKE ROUNDUP**

The Blue Ridge Roundup Committee invites you to attend a weekend of AA fellowship and programs in the beautiful mountains of Western North Carolina. The facilities of the Blue Ridge Assembly are relaxing, the food is excellent and the atmosphere is warm in the traditional AA way.

Details and Important Information

ACCOMMODATIONS: There will be room accommodations at the **Blue Ridge Center**. All rooms have 2 beds and will accommodate 2 people per room. Rooms are on a first come first served basis. Singles who have a roommate preference please write on the back of your reservation card.

RESERVATIONS: The roundup will begin this year on Thursday. Registration opens at 3:00 pm.

COST: Blue Ridge Center

Arrive Thursday... \$405.00 per person (includes registration, room, meals, and brunch on Sunday a.m.) payable with your registration, minimum deposit of \$150.00 per person; balance on arrival

Private Rooms... \$510.00 based on availability

Arrive Friday... \$270.00 per person (includes registration, room, meals, and brunch on Sunday a.m.) payable with your registration, minimum deposit of \$100.00 per person; balance on arrival

Private Rooms... \$340.00 based on availability

COMMUTER REGISTRATION: Arrive Thursday... \$157.00 per person - includes all meals and brunch on Sunday a.m.

Arrive Friday... \$105.00 per person - includes all meals and brunch on Sunday a.m.

Please Note: There are limited Comuter Registrations available.

REGISTER NOW to be assured of acceptance. Due to the limited number of registrations first in, first accepted. Reservations must be made prior to March 22.

REFUNDS: All cancellations prior to March 22, 2024 are subject to a \$10.00 per person cancellation fee. No refunds will be made after March 22, 2024.

MORE INFORMATION OR QUESTIONS: Elizabeth P. - 919-880-4026 or visit our website at www.blueridgeroundup.org



PLEASE NOTE: No children or pets allowed please. The Blue Ridge Assembly is a smoke free facility.

SPEAKERS

Shelley S..... Raleigh, NC

Felicia J..... Durham, NC

Mike M..... Frederick, MD

Lindy L..... Taylors, SC

REQUEST FOR RESERVATION

April 4, 5, 6, 7, 2024

Please check one:

Blue Ridge Center:

Arrive Thursday: \$405 per person Private: \$510

Arrive Friday: \$270 per person Private: \$340

Commuter Registration: (Limited Spots Available)

Arrive Thursday: \$157 per person

Arrive Friday: \$105 per person

Mail to: Blue Ridge Roundup

PO Box 10272 • Raleigh, NC 27605

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone No.: (____) _____

Email: _____

Name on Badge (s): _____



AA Convention with Al-Anon Participation



16th ANNUAL SPRING FLING CONVENTION

“Easy Does It”

April 19 - 21, 2024



Friday 6:00 p.m. BBQ & Washers

Friday 8:00 p.m. AA Speaker

Jennifer K. – Plano, TX

Friday 10:-00 p.m. YP Speaker

Saturday 8:30 a.m. Al-Anon Meeting

Saturday 10:00 a.m.

Workshop

Saturday 12:00 p.m. Al-Anon Lunch

Saturday 1:00 p.m. Al-Anon Speaker

Catherine T. – Dallas, TX

Saturday 3:00 p.m. Speaker Panel

Saturday 4:30 p.m. Al-Anon Meeting

Saturday 6:30 p.m. BANQUET

Saturday 8:00 p.m.

Jason J. – Oregon City, OR

Sunday 9:00 a.m. Breakfast

Sunday 10:00 a.m.

Deb H. – Akron, OH

ACTIVITIES

FRIDAY
BBQ & Washer Games
Young People’s Meeting
Ice Cream Social
Games w/prizes

SATURDAY
Banquet
Table Trivia
Speaker Panel
Games w/prizes
DJ & Dancing

Merchandising &
Marathon Meetings &
Activities Room Open
All weekend long

Hilton St. Louis Airport

Special Room Rate \$97

Mention Spring Fling code: **SPR**

Reserve before 3/20/24 for reduced room rate

10330 Natural Bridge Rd

St. Louis, MO 63134

314-426-5500

www.springflingstl.com

Spring Fling Chair – Susan B. 314-583-5296

Registration Chair – Liz C. 314-479-3560

springflingconvention@yahoo.com

FREE PARKING

PLEASE REGISTER EARLY!!!

To register, get information or sign up for Service: www.springflingstl.com

CONVENTION REGISTRATION FORM

- Please complete and mail to Spring Fling Convention, PO Box 22002, St. Louis, MO 63126
- Complete a separate form for each additional registration, which is REQUIRED FOR ADMITTANCE.
- Make checks/money orders payable to Spring Fling Convention
- To sit together, please submit together – 10 people per table

Name: _____
Phone: _____ AA Al-Anon

Entering information below gives permission to receive mailings and/or newsletters from the Spring Fling Only.

Email: _____
Address: _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Pre-Registration	\$20	_____
Door Registration	\$25	_____
Friday Night BBQ	\$15	_____
Friday Night Ice Cream Social	\$7	_____
Al-Anon Luncheon Saturday	\$25	_____
Banquet Saturday Night	\$40	_____
Sunday Breakfast Buffet	\$15	_____
Hospitality / Scholarship Donation		_____
Total Amount to be Paid		_____

Please list any special needs here: _____

Flyer revised 10-27-23

Cut-off for mail-in registration is April 12, 2024

STORY SOLICITATION

"Do You Think You're Different?" Pamphlet Update
Deadline for submissions: April 30, 2024

<https://app.smartsheet.com/b/form/5a77c27d179d4856b32eed86b01e3426>

The trustees Literature Committee is seeking stories from AA members with diverse backgrounds. This is in response to the 2022 Conference Advisory Action that the trustees' Literature Committee revise the pamphlet "Do You Think You're Different?" to update the stories to represent greater diversity.

The Trustees' Literature Committee requested that consideration be given to stories from multicultural populations, stories from A.A. members whose experience reflects multiple factors, and from diverse populations not addressed in other current A.A. literature.

Please encourage members in your area to write their personal stories for possible inclusion in the revised pamphlet "Do You Think You're Different." Stories should reflect "in a general way what we used to be like, what happened, and what we are like now."

The suggested format for typed manuscripts is 500-800 words, double spaced, in 12-point font. Handwritten manuscripts should be approximately 5 to 6 pages.

Please include your complete name, address, and email/phone information on the first page of your manuscript. A copy of your manuscript should be retained for your files.

The anonymity of all authors will be observed whether their story is selected for publication or not.

Instructions for submitting your manuscript:

Deadline: Please submit on or before **April 30, 2024**

Submit your story by following this link:

<https://app.smartsheet.com/b/form/5a77c27d179d4856b32eed86b01e3426>



Additional ways of sending your story:

Email: pamphletstories@aa.org

Subject Line: "Do You Think You're Different?"

Postal Mail: Attn. Literature Assignment, General Service Office, Box 459, Grand Central Station, New York, NY 10163

On the envelope: The word "Pamphlet" should be written on the envelope and at the top of the first page of the manuscript.

Thank you for your participation in the process!

Event is free to attend!!

WNC Tri-District AA Service Rally

*“Alcoholics Into Action
Through Service”*

Saturday, May 4th, 2024

Covenant Community Church
11 Rocket Drive
Asheville, NC. 28803

A day of fellowship, speaker, panels, fun, food, and
inspiration for service

8 am - Sign-in / Coffee/Tea/Danish
9:00 - Welcome
9:15 - Service Group 1 Panel
10:15- Break
10:45- Group 2
11:45 - Lunch (provided)
12:30 - Group 3
1:15 - Speaker
2:00 - Wrap-up/ Q&A / Sign-ups
2:30 - Adjournment / Clean-up

Free Registration.

**To attend in person:
send an email to**

Rally2024@aancmco.org

OR

use the following QR Code:



Location is Wheelchair accessible
Auto-Transcription will be provided
Zoom Access will be available
? Other accessibility needs, let us know

To attend via Zoom:
Meeting ID: 878 6017 0710
Passcode: Service
or use this QR code---->



FIRESIDE SOBRIETY CIRCLE



STRENGTH

KINDNESS

HONESTY

SHARING



CAMPOUT

May 9-12, 2024

**YOGI in the SMOKIES CAMPGROUND
BIG COVE ROAD, CHEROKEE, NC**

Bring your CHAIRS, CAMPING GEAR, WARM CLOTHES & BLANKETS, SPONSORS/SPONSEES...and your POW WOW REGALIA!

Contact: Herb W. at 828-506-8563 or firesidesobriety@gmail.com

Registration begins **Thursday after the Sacred Fire is lit!**

NO PETS in Food Serving/Eating Area, Pow Wow, or Sacred Fire Areas

NO PETS AT TENT SITES

- ~NA/AA/Al-Anon Speakers~
- Talking Circles ~ Native Teachings
- ~Meetings, Meetings, Meetings~
- ~T-shirts/Long sleeve shirts~
- ~SOBRIETY Pow Wow~
- ~Sobriety Countdown~
- "MUCH MORE"

PRE-REGISTRATION: \$55/PERSON (kids under 10 are FREE, 11-12y/o \$15, 13-18y/o \$20). \$60 at the Gate. Price includes breakfast and dinner and tent/camper site for three (3) nights. Lunch is on your own.

EARLY REGISTRATION ENDS May 3rd

NAME(S): _____

ADDRESS: _____

EMAIL(S): _____ / _____

PHONE #: H) _____ (C) _____ (C) _____

In Party: _____ Amount Enclosed: _____

Cut & Mail Registration Form by May 3rd
With Checks Made Payable to: Fireside Spring 2024

FIRESIDE CIRCLE
C/O Herb Wachacha
PO Box 2015
Cherokee, NC 28719

Area 51 Spring Committee & Assembly Meeting

May 17-19, 2024

LAKE JUNALUSKA CONFERENCE & RETREAT CENTER

91 North Lakeshore Drive, Lake Junaluska, NC 28745

ADVANCE HOTEL INFORMATION

Deadline for Reservations: Wednesday, April 17, 2024

Group Name: NCGSCAA Assembly Meeting

Link: <https://tinyurl.com/2tjuajbr>

Terrace Hotel Room Rates: \$152.00 Single/Double, \$172.00 Triple, \$192.00 Quad

Lambuth Inn Room Rates: \$132.00 Single/Double, \$147.00 Triple, \$162.00 Quad

11% room tax will be added.

PLEASE SEE THE BACK FOR INFORMATION ABOUT THE DIFFERENT LOCATIONS AND THE MEAL PLAN

Phone: 800-222-4930, ext. 1

Website: www.lakejunaluska.com

For Best Results:

- PLEASE MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS EARLY!!!
- Call as soon as possible but before the deadline. It's easier to cancel a reservation than to get one at the last minute!
- Please note, once the rooms in our block sell out, it's unlikely there will be other rooms left in the hotel.
- Specify the group name "NCGSCAA Assembly Meeting."
- Be sure to get a confirmation number.
- If you have ANY trouble with Room Rate or Availability, please contact Greg K., the Area Chairperson, at chair@aanorthcarolina.org.

**Thank you for your service and support of Area 51.
See you at the Spring Committee and Assembly Meeting!**

Additional Information for our stay at Lake Junaluska:

- The Terrace Hotel is across the street from our meeting venue in the Harrell Center; the Lambuth Inn is farther away. It is a 10- to 15-minute walk between Lambuth and Harrell, involving a long hill. There is a trolley and a mini shuttle.
- **Optional Meal Plan:** If you would like to eat on site, there is a meal plan available. The options are: 3 meals for \$49.50 + tax/service fees (Sat Lunch, Sat Dinner; Sun Breakfast) or 5 meals for \$82.50 + tax/service fees (Fri Dinner; Sat Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner; Sunday Breakfast). You will need to order the meal plan when you make your reservation. There will not be tickets available onsite the weekend we are there.
- **Check in/Check out:** Check in will be available at 4:00 PM on the arrival day at the **Bethea Welcome Center located at 91 N Lakeshore Drive** (first building on your left as you enter from Highway 19); check out will be at 11:00 AM on the departure day.
- The discounted room rates are available for two days pre and post our event, based on availability, if you would like to plan a long weekend in the mountains.
- **Commuters:** For people attending our meeting, but not staying at Lake Junaluska, there is a \$5.00 per person per day commuter fee.
- **Cancellations:** There will be a \$15.00 per person charge for cancellations occurring more than 15 days prior to arrival. No refunds will be given for cancellations occurring within 15 days of arrival.

Why staying at our host hotel is important:

The hotels that host Area 51 events typically charge for meeting space based on how many guest rooms our attendees occupy. For every Assembly, Committee Meeting, and Convention, Area 51 has a contract that specifies the number of guest rooms the hotel will “block” for our use. If we fill at least 80% of our room block, our meeting space is *discounted about 70%*. Otherwise, the Area will be charged for rooms until we reach the 80% threshold. Free meeting space is what Area 51 budgets and what we usually achieve. However, more than once we have come up short and paid a steep price.

Area 51 makes every effort to negotiate the most favorable room rates possible. But budget hotels don't have the kind of meeting space we require, and space in larger venues is expensive. The willingness of individuals to attend Area events and to book their rooms at our host hotel is essential in making Area events affordable at all. So please attend the Area events if you can and stay at the host hotel using the group code and name whenever possible. If there is an extra cost, please consider it as a contribution to Area 51—a small sacrifice for our “common welfare,” so we can continue meeting and working together to fulfill our Primary Purpose as an Area.

“I am responsible...When anyone, anywhere, reaches out for help, I want the hand of AA always to be there. And for that: I am responsible.”

Thank you for your service in Area 51!

7TH ANNUAL

WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA COMMITTEE OF YOUNG PEOPLE IN AA

WNCCYPAA

CAMPOUT

MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND
MAY 24-26, 2024

FRIDAY @ 4PM - SUNDAY @ 11AM

BRIAR BOTTOM GROUP CAMPSITE

50 BLACK MOUNTAIN CAMPGROUND RD

BURNSVILLE, NC 28714

BONFIRE MEETINGS • SCAVENGER HUNT • GLOW RAVE CAPTURE-THE-FLAG • YOGA
CIGAR CIRCLE • ULTIMATE FRISBEE • MAFIA & OTHER GAMES • DINNERS INCLUDED
WATERFALL & RIVER ACCESS • ON-SITE BATHROOMS & SHOWERS



SATURDAY NIGHT SPEAKER MEETING: GABBY J. FROM SERCYPAA HOST

PRE-REGISTER FOR \$25



AVLYPAA.COM



QUESTIONS? EMAIL: ASHEVILLEYOUNGPEOPLE@GMAIL.COM

• Registration payment
taken with Venmo

• Program & FAQ info will be
emailed the week before

• Please remember to
fill out Google form



Founders' Day Herald

89th Anniversary of Alcoholics Anonymous

June 7, 8, & 9, 2024 | Akron, Ohio | Birthplace of A.A.

FRIDAY ACTIVITIES

A.A. 12 Step Panel • 10:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m.

Discussion of One Step Per Hour
Chaired by: Mary K.

A.A. Early Bird Meeting* • 3:00 p.m.

Ron M. – Louisville, OH
"Never Missed A Founders Day"
Chaired by: Jeanne R.

Actors Guild Play • 5:00 p.m. & 8:00 p.m.

"Snow White And The Seven Character Defects"

A.A. Speaker Meeting* • 7:00 p.m.

Will M. – Sergeant Bluff, IA
"Good Is The Evil Of Great"
Chaired by: Karen K.

Serenity Singers • 8:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Olin Hall

A.A. Speaker Meeting* • 9:00 p.m.

Debbie G. – Vista, CA
"AA Gives Us Sobriety And The Tools For Living"
Chaired by: Scott T.

Junta en Español • 9:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m.

Open Discussion
Chaired by: Hay una solución

A.A. Alkathon • 11:30 p.m. - 2:00 a.m.

SATURDAY ACTIVITIES

Bus Tours of Historic A.A. Sites 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

2 buses continuously – Bierce Circle

A.A. Archives

Located in Akron Intergroup Office
(Stop on bus tour)

The 12 Traditions • 9:00 a.m.

Debbie D. – Concord, CA
Chaired by: Jerry C.

A.A. Old Timers' Panel* • 10:30 a.m.

Topic: "It Should Continue For Our Lifetime"
Ethel N. – Philadelphia, PA
Jim B. – Jamestown, NY
Don C. – Colorado Springs, CO
Chaired by: Jerry C.

La Viña Workshop • 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

El Coordinador: Raymundo L. and
Hay una solución

Actors Guild Play • 12:00 p.m. & 2:30 p.m.

"Snow White And The Seven Character Defects"

A.A. & Al-Anon Speaker Meeting* • 12:30 p.m.

Speakers - Kelly P. & Jeff M. – Helena, MT
"Manufacturing Misery or Learning Love: Growing in Recovery"
E.J. Thomas Hall Chaired by: Julie & Adam C.

A.A. Speaker Meeting* • 2:00 p.m.

Drew E. – Altantic Highlands, NJ
"Inspiration-Desperation-Perpetuation"
Chaired by: Mary K.

The History of Our Big Book • 4:00 p.m.

Presented by: Gail L. – Akron, OH
Chaired by: Jeanne R.

A.A. Speaker Meeting* • 8:00 p.m.

Jeff V. – Fargo, ND
"Happy, Joyous and Free"
UA Infocision Stadium**
Chaired by: Aaron K.

**Stadium Weather Contingency Plan for Saturday Night - See Web Site

DANCE! DANCE! DANCE!

10:00 p.m. - 1:00 a.m.
Saturday Night

SUNDAY ACTIVITIES

MOTORCADE TO DR. BOB'S GRAVE* 7:30 a.m.

Motorcycle procession and graveside
memorial tribute to Dr. Bob & Anne S.
Speaker: Dolly A. & Paul G. – Akron, OH
Chaired by: Karen K.

A.A. Spiritual Panel Meeting • 9:00 a.m.

Topic: "A Moment Of Clarity"
Heather F. – Akron, OH
Trina R. – Olean, NY
Daryl M. – Cleveland, OH
Chaired by: Juanita W.

A.A. Closing Speaker Meeting* 10:30 a.m.

Ralph W. – Los Angeles, CA
"I'm So Glad God Doesn't Make
Misery Comfortable"
Chaired by: Tony T.

AL-ANON

FRIDAY ACTIVITIES

Al-Anon Panel • 1:00 p.m.

Topic: "Sponsorship; A Piece Of The
Al-Anon Puzzle"
Barbie C. – Lancaster, PA
Brandy F. – New Paris, OH
Erica B. – Toronto, Ontario, CA
Lisa F. – Madison, CT
Olin Hall Chaired by: Leslie S.

Al-Anon Panel • 2:30 p.m.

Topic: "Double Winners; Doubly Blessed"
Barbie K. – Akron, OH
Marc W. – Canton, OH
Janet F. – Akron, OH
Olin Hall Chaired by: Ian R.

Al-Anon Workshop • 4:00 p.m.

Topic: "Made A List Of All Persons We
Tried To Help - An 8th/9th Step Workshop"
Barbie C. – Lancaster, PA
Brandy F. – New Paris, OH
Lisa F. – Madison, CT
Olin Hall Chaired by: Evette W.

Al-Anon Speaker Meeting • 6:00 p.m.

Evette W. – San Francisco, CA
"Two Sides of the Same Coin: The Family Disease and Solutions"
Olin Hall Chaired by: Mary Anne C.

AL-ANON

SATURDAY ACTIVITIES

Al-Anon Workshop • 9:30 a.m.

"Resentment Ball - Removing the Boogie Man from Step 4"
Brandy F. – New Paris, OH
Evette W. – San Francisco, CA
Olin Hall Chaired by: Kristina H.

Alateen Panel • 11:00 a.m.

"Let It Begin With ME"
Olin Hall Chaired by: Lynda M.

A.A. & Al-Anon Speaker Meeting* • 12:30 p.m.

Speakers - Kelly P. & Jeff M. – Helena, MT
"Manufacturing Misery or Learning Love: Growing in Recovery"
E.J. Thomas Hall Chaired by: Julie & Adam C.

Al-Anon Speaker Meeting • 3:00 p.m.

Ken T. – Girard, PA
"Alateen to Al-Anon - Living Serenely"
Olin Hall Chaired by: Jane M.

Program Spoken Here

4:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.
Olin Hall Chaired by: Irena H.

REGISTRATION

UA STUDENT UNION

CREDIT CARDS ACCEPTED!

Friday 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m.
Saturday 8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Registrations must be picked up by
6:00 p.m. Saturday - **NO EXCEPTIONS!**

Package Plans must be picked up at designated
dormitories. Check confirmation letter or e-mail.

Coffee & Fellowship Room Student Union

A.A. Literature Sales

Friday 8:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Saturday 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

CREDIT CARDS ACCEPTED!

* A.S.L. INTERPRETER



**CLEAR BAGS REQUIRED
SEE INSIDE FOR MORE INFORMATION**

FOUNDERS' DAY IS A SERVICE OF THE AKRON AREA INTERGROUP COUNCIL OF A.A.

Name badges & ribbons must be worn for admittance to all meetings — NO EXCEPTIONS!



89th Anniversary of Alcoholics Anonymous

June 7, 8, & 9, 2024 | Akron, Ohio | Birthplace of A.A.

Please treat each meeting at Founders' Day as your own home group.

ABSOLUTES

NEW FOR 2024: AS A SAFETY MEASURE, THE UNIVERSITY OF AKRON HAS IMPLEMENTED A CLEAR BAG POLICY FOR ALL FOUNDERS' DAY MEETINGS AND EVENTS. Approved bags include clear plastic, vinyl or PVC bags that do not exceed a size of 12 inches wide by 12 inches high and 6 inches deep. Other approved bags include one-gallon clear plastic freezer bags (Ziploc bag or similar), medical bags and small clutch bags approximately the size of a hand, with or without a handle or strap. Prohibited bags include backpacks, binocular cases, camera cases, fanny packs, large-printed bags, mesh bags, purses and tinted plastic bags. Again, this policy applies to ALL Founders' Day meetings and events. **CLEAR BAGS WILL BE AVAILABLE ONSITE. MORE INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT WWW.FOUNDERSDAY.ORG.**

ALL STATE, LOCAL AND/OR UNIVERSITY OF AKRON COVID-19 PROTOCOLS THAT ARE IN EFFECT AT THE TIME OF THE EVENT WILL BE ENFORCED AND UPHELD ACCORDINGLY.

All pre-registration packets must be picked up by 6:00 p.m. Saturday. **NO EXCEPTIONS!** Registration opens 8:00 a.m. Friday and Saturday. Picture I.D. is required.

2024 Name badges & ribbons must be worn ON CAMPUS and for admittance to all meetings. **NO EXCEPTIONS!**

All rooms, buildings, and stadium at The University of Akron are non-smoking. NO VAPOR/E CIGARETTES permitted in ANY building.

Handicapped parking will be strictly enforced.

University police will ticket and tow all unauthorized vehicles parking in handicap spaces. Violators will incur a fine of \$250

No animals or campfires allowed in R.V. area.

NO ANIMALS ON CAMPUS, POLICE WILL ENFORCE.

NO hover boards, skateboards, or roller blades permitted on campus.

No motorcycles allowed on the grass.

No beach balls at any meeting.

The Sunday morning motorcade to Dr. Bob's grave site is a conference event and as such, you must be registered to participate.

Credit cards will now be accepted for both onsite registration and in the literature room.

SPECIAL NEEDS

All meetings are wheelchair accessible.

Wheelchairs are not available on campus. You may bring your own.

Please contact the Founders' Day Committee with any special needs by May 15, 2024.

ACCOMMODATIONS

No incoming calls accepted at dorms.

No entry to RV sites until 8:00 a.m. on Friday morning. A permit is required prior to set-up.

No camping tents allowed.

FOR THE SATURDAY NIGHT BIG MEETING, WE WILL ALL BE UNITED TOGETHER ON THE WEST SIDE ONLY IN THE UNIVERSITY OF AKRON INFOCISION STADIUM. STADIUM WEATHER CONTINGENCY

PLAN - SEE WEB SITE. NO BEACH BALLS!

THIS IS AN OPEN AIR STADIUM SO PREPARE ACCORDINGLY.

**NO REFUNDS FOR BASIC REGISTRATION.
\$35.00 FEE FOR ALL PACKAGE PLAN CANCELLATIONS!**

FOUNDERS' DAY 2024

Founders' Day Registration Form | online at www.foundersday.org



Everyone must be registered, including children. All registrations must be postmarked by May 15, . **NO EXCEPTIONS!**

Name (please print clearly) _____

Address _____ Phone (_____) _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

E-mail address* _____

* If you provide an e-mail address, you will get confirmation via e-mail only!

Onsite registration closes at 6:00 pm Saturday, **NO EXCEPTIONS!**

Basic Registration \$35 x QTY = \$ _____ **TOTAL**

(Basic Registration will be \$40 on site conference weekend)

INCLUDES ADMISSION TO ALL MEETINGS.

MUST have a picture I.D. for pickup.

Package Plan A \$275 = \$ ONE ONLY

Sex: M F

BASIC REGISTRATION INCLUDED.

Includes admission to all meetings, meals, room, and bus tour.

Report directly to designated dormitory to pick up weekend package and room key.

You must have a picture I.D. to pick up your reservation package.

All rooms and buildings at the university are non-smoking.

Package Plan B \$200 = \$ ONE ONLY

Sex: M F

BASIC REGISTRATION INCLUDED.

PLAN B DOES NOT INCLUDE MEALS.

Includes all items in Package Plan A *except* meals.

Check for special needs - handicapped.
Handicapped parking will be strictly enforced.

Hearing Impaired- ASL Interpreter Requested

All beds are at a fixed height of 42 inches. The University of Akron **CANNOT** adjust bed height.

***INDIVIDUAL FORMS
REQUIRED FOR EACH
PACKAGE PLAN***

Rooming with: _____

MEALS		QTY	TOTAL
SATURDAY	Breakfast	\$20 x _____ = \$ _____	
	Lunch	\$25 x _____ = \$ _____	
	Dinner	\$35 x _____ = \$ _____	
SUNDAY	Breakfast	\$20 x _____ = \$ _____	

SPECIAL DIETARY NEEDS Diabetic Vegan Vegetarian Gluten-Free

MOTORHOME SITE FEES		QTY	TOTAL
NO TENT CAMPING!	RV Site Tag (no hook-ups available)	\$40 x _____ = \$ _____ per site/whole weekend	

Each RV must have a **Site Tag** to set up.

ABSOLUTELY NO PETS OR FIRES!

REGISTRATION TOTAL \$ _____

**PAYMENTS MUST BE IN U.S.
DOLLARS ONLY. MAKE CHECKS /
MONEY ORDERS PAYABLE TO:**

Akron Intergroup
PO Box 12
Akron, OH 44309-0012

REFUNDS requested in writing only by
mail or email and postmarked / received
prior to May 15, 2024. treasurerfd@akronaa.org

**PAYMENT METHODS FOR MAIL IN
REGISTRATION:**

CHECK MONEY ORDER

All Credit Card payments must be made online
at www.foundersday.org.

**NO REFUNDS FOR BASIC REGISTRATION.
\$35.00 FEE FOR ALL PACKAGE PLAN CANCELLATIONS!**

District 71 Third Annual Founders' Day Picnic

**Sunday, June 9, 2024
11 am to 4 pm**

Shelter # 4, Jackson Park, Hendersonville

Please join us for fellowship, food and fun!

(By now, our chefs are experts at the grill!)

Food and drinks, chips and condiments will be provided.

Please bring a dish or something to share.

There will be a Central Office table.

Special Guest Speaker.

Picnic tables on site but extra chairs are always needed.

If so inspired, bring a musical instrument, Frisbee or game to play!

Hot dogs

Soft Drinks provided!

Hamburgers



Questions or to volunteer, contact Ellen O. at 732-245-6644
or Rachel D. at 310-429-3137

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77th North Carolina State Convention

Language of the Heart



July 11-14, 2024

Hilton Raleigh North Hills • 3415 Wake Forest Rd • Raleigh, NC 27609

Hotel Reservations

Room rate per night: \$154 + tax • Phone: (919) 872-2323

Ask for NC State Convention and/or group code **NCAREA** to make reservations.

Online:

www.NorthRaleigh.Hilton.com enter group code **NCAREA** where prompted.

Don't wait!...

Hotel cut-off for Conference rate: **June 20, 2024**

Convention Pre-Registration \$35.00/person

Pre-registration rate available until June 20, 2024,

\$40.00 per person June 20, 2024 and after.

Al-Anons/Alateens 18 & under - No charge but must register.

Register online at www.aanconvention.com



For more information or for problems with hotel reservations, please email:

convention@aanorthcarolina.org or call Alana E. (980) 230-9333

Speakers

Chris H Durham, NC

Beth H Destin, FL

Robin V Winston Salem, NC

Melanie C Charlotte, NC

Jason J Oregon City, OR

Chuck H Destin, FL

Workshops and more...

★ Old-Timers' Panel

★ Marathon Meetings

★ Skits

★ Open Discussion Meetings

★ Saturday Night Karaoke & Dance

★ Plenty of FREE Coffee

Register NOW to Support Your Convention!



77th North Carolina State Convention

Language of the Heart



Register early for July 11-14, 2024!

Complete and mail registration below or register online at www.aanconvention.com

Name _____

Please print legibly

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Email _____

Telephone (_____) _____ Sober Date (optional) _____

Name(s) for badge(s) _____

Please print

Please print

Do you have accessibility needs? _____

\$35.00 Special Rate before June 20, 2024

June 20 and after \$40.00

Al-Anons/Alateens 18 & under: No charge but must register.

Make checks payable/mail to:

NC Convention Committee
PO Box 41451 • Raleigh NC 27629

Enclosed is \$ _____

for _____ registration(s)

Is this a sponsorship? Yes No

Preferred method of contact:

Email Mail

If you are willing to be a volunteer, please check here:

Consider buying a sponsorship for those less fortunate

77th Convención de Carolina del Norte

Lenguaje del corazón



Del 11 al 14 de Julio, 2024

Hilton Raleigh North Hills • 3415 Wake Forest Rd • Raleigh, NC 27609

Las Reservaciones

Precio de cuarto por noche \$154 + impuestos • Teléfono: (919) 872-2323
Pregunte por la Convención de Carolina del Norte o el código del grupo **NCAR EA** para hacer reservaciones.

En Línea: Poner el código del grupo **NCAREA** donde se lo pida.

¡No espere...! El ultimo día para hacer reservaciones con el precio indicado de la convención es el **20 de Junio, 2024**

La Convención Preregistro es \$35.00 por persona

El precio preregistro está disponible hasta el 20 de Junio, 2024

El precio es \$40.00 por persona después del 20 de Junio, 2024

Los menores de Al-Anon/Alateen no pagan pero tienen que registrarse



Se puede registrar en línea a **www.aanconvention.com**

Para más información o si tiene problemas de las reservas de hotel, se puede enviar un correo a: **convention@aanorthcarolina.org** o se puede llamar a Alana E. (980) 230-9333

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Talleres y más...

- ★ Panel de Oradores Veteranos
- ★ Reuniones maratonicas
- ★ Representaciones de parodia
- ★ Reuniones abiertas al discutir
- ★ Karaoke y baile la noche del Sábado
- ★ Bastante café gratis

¡Regístrate ahora para apoyar su convención!



77th Convención de Carolina del Norte
Lenguaje del corazón



¡Regístrese temprano para el 11-14 de Julio, 2024!

Llene y envíe su registro abajo o registre en línea con **www.aanconvention.com**

Nombre _____

(Por favor escriba legible)

Dirección _____

Ciudad, Estado, Código Postal _____

Correo _____

Télefono (____) _____ - _____ Fecha de sobriedad *(opcional)* _____

Nombre(s) para su tarjeta(s) de identificación _____

imprima por favor

imprima por favor

¿Tiene necesidades de accesibilidad? _____

\$35.00 precio especial antes del 20 de Junio, 2024

El 20 de Junio y después es \$40.00

Los menores de Al-Anon/Alateen no pagan pero tienen que registrarse.

Hagan los cheques al nombre de:

NC Convention Committee

PO Box 41451 • Raleigh NC 27629

Adjunto esta un cheque por \$ _____

Para _____ El registro

Es un patrocinio? Si No

Medio de comunicación preferida:

correo electrónico correo

Si quieres hacer trabajo voluntario, ponle aquí

Considere comprar una beca para los menos afortunados

28th Annual Southeast Woman to Woman Conference



“Secrets Women Don’t Share”

A Conference for Sober Alcoholic Women with Al-Anon Participation
No Children Allowed in Conference Rooms



“OUR COMMON BOND” AUGUST 16-18, 2024

Hilton Charlotte University Place
8629 JM Keynes Drive – Charlotte, NC 28262

Reservations: 704-547-7444 or online at <https://www.sewomantowoman.org/>

King or Double rooms \$169 – Code SEW (Cutoff 07/10/24)

[Breakfast Saturday and Sunday mornings for registered hotel guests included in the room rate.]

Text Message Contacts

Chair: Betty G.
704-491-1519
chairsew2w24@gmail.com

Co-Chair: Lisanne S.
704-905-1706
treassew2w24@gmail.com

Registration: Claudia H.
630-362-9086
RegisSEW2W24@gmail.com

CUT OFF DATE FOR ONLINE AND MAIL IN REGISTRATION IS 7/31/2024

Conference Registration: \$65.00 until March 31st \$70.00 April 1st to July 31st, then On-site Registration

REGISTRATION IS TRANSFERABLE BUT NOT REFUNDABLE!

Register Online at <https://www.sewomantowoman.org/> beginning October 15, 2023

Or: Clip and mail the Registration Form at the bottom with your payment

Queens Banquet: \$75.00
(Capacity is 400)
Register Early

Optional Dress Code: “Gowns, Crowns and Tiaras”
Colors: Purple and Silver/White
“We do clean up nicely!”

Clip and Mail Registration with payment Payable to: Southeast Woman to Woman
Mailing Address: SEW2W, c/o Claudia Howard, 8705 Fox Chase Lane, Charlotte, NC 28269

Name: _____ Badge Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____, State ____ Zip _____

Contact Phone: _____ Email: _____ Sober Date: _____

Registration Fee: \$65.00 _____ Scholarship: \$ _____ Banquet: \$75.00 _____ AA ____ Al-Anon ____
\$70.00 _____ (AFTER 3/31/24)

Are you willing to Volunteer? _____ Special Needs: _____

Souvenirs:

Tumbler: \$20.00 _____ T-Shirt: \$22.00 _____ Hoodie: \$32.00 _____ Ball Cap \$15.00 _____ S ____ M ____ L ____ XL ____ 2XL ____ 3XL _____

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED: \$ _____

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SEPTEMBER 19TH - 22ND, 2024

WINSTON-SALEM, NC



Hawthorne Inn & Conference Center
420 High Street SW
Winston-Salem, NC 27101
www.HawthorneInn.com

Room Block Rate: \$109 a night
Call hotel to book: (336) 777-3000

Pre-Reg Here:



NCCYPAA2023.COM



Please direct all
communications to:

P.O. Box 459
Grand Central Station
New York, NY 10163
Fax: (212) 870-3003

March 15, 2023

TO: Members of the General Service Conference; Intergroups and Central Offices, U.S./Canada

FROM: Sandra W., 2025 International Convention Interim Coordinator
Email: 2025ic@aa.org

Warm greetings from the General Service Office in New York!

This is a friendly reminder regarding setting up future local events for 2025, the year that the 2025 International Convention will be held in Vancouver, BC, Canada, July 3-6, 2025.

“Reflecting guidance from the Additional Consideration of the 1999 Conference Committee on International Conventions/Regional Forums, the trustees’ Committee on International Conventions/Regional Forums suggested that the area/state/provincial committees be made aware that experience has shown that planning a local A.A. event such as a convention, too near the dates of an International Convention may result in a smaller attendance at the local event; this notice to be sent out annually starting three years prior to each International Convention.”

Once again, if you would pass this information on to any local or regional planning committees who may be setting up future events for 2025, we would appreciate your cooperation.

For updated information, visit the website: <https://www.aa.org/international-convention>