



NORTH VALLEY INTERGROUP NEWS

OCTOBER 2023 NEWSLETTER

Service Edition

Being of Service Matters

Just like my experience with the first 11 steps, when I set out to intentionally participate in the 12th step, I didn't realize how my mental health would benefit. Whether I am serving as a meeting secretary, taking a sponsee through the steps, or (poorly) attempting to make coffee, I now see that something healing happens inside of me or around me every single time. I am undeniably connected to my Higher Power, the AA fellowship, and my community in those moments. I am learning how my gifts and skills are designed to be used for the greater good. I'm experiencing others and feeling gratitude for how they were designed and created to also serve the greater good. And I am often enjoying a much needed break from the noise in my own head. I was scared I wouldn't have time, emotional capacity, or the skills to be of service to the AA fellowship. I was afraid I would fail. I hate failing. The idea of it scares me. What I'm learning is; "progress, not perfection" is good enough, asking others for their help has become my most valuable tool for dealing with the fear of failing, and the "we" part of the program includes me being willing to serve. Getting out of bed, showering (most days), getting dressed and showing up to be of service (even when I don't want to) keeps me from isolating and wallowing in whatever is on my mind. It keeps me from feeling sorry for myself and helps me see why I do matter. It is my direct link to "keep coming back." I will eventually drink if I don't keep coming back. But that's not the most important part of why being of service matters to me. If I don't suit up and show up, if we all don't suit up and show up, who will be here to make sure there is a meeting or an event for the new comer when their bottom delivers them to our door? Being of service is life and death for all involved. And we all matter.

-Lydie G

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MONTHLY AA SERVICE MEETINGS



Butte County H&I Meeting Information:

1st Monday of every month at 6PM

Next Meeting: Monday: November 6th 2023

St. John's Episcopal Church

2341 Floral Ave Chico CA 95926

Area: 31 Butte <https://www.handinorcal.org>

Region: 30 Northern Interior <https://www.handinorcal.org>

District 15 Business Meeting

4th Monday of every month, 6:30pm

Next Meeting: Monday, October 23rd 2023

Chico Central Business Meeting

1st Tuesday of the Month at 06:45 PM

Next Meeting: Tuesday, November 7th 2023

Chico Central Building 1102 Mangrove, Chico, CA 95926

North Valley Intergroup

2nd Tuesday of the Month at 6:30 PM

Next Meeting: Tuesday, November 14th 2023

295 E Washington Ave, Chico, CA 95926

<https://aabutte-glenn.org/>

BUTTEYPAA (Butte County Young People in AA)

2nd Thursday of the Month at 8:00 pm

Next Meeting: Thursday, October 12th 2023

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

If your group needs
Literature or Chips
please contact:

LITERATURE AND CHIPS!

Laura R.
(530) 592-0200

NVIG ANSWERING SERVICE

(530) 342-5756

BUTTE/GLENN AA MEETINGS

<https://aabutte-glenn.org>

General Service District 15 Area 07

From the Desk of the DCM:

One of my favorite readings at the Area Assemblies and Area Committee Meetings is "Why Do we Need a Conference?" written by the late Bernard B Smith, nonalcoholic, and then chairperson of the board of directors... He says, "We may not need a General Service Conference to ensure our own recovery. We do need it to ensure the recovery of the alcoholic who still stumbles in the darkness one short block from this room. We need it to ensure the recovery of a child being born tonight, destined for alcoholism. We need it to provide, in keeping with our Twelfth Step, a permanent haven for all alcoholics who, in the ages ahead, can find in A.A., that rebirth that brought us back to life...." There's more. The reading can be found on page 40 of the Service Manual. Also in the Service Manual is "Leadership in A.A.: Ever a Vital Need" on page C29 in the concepts section. We will be discussing this article at the next district meeting. All are welcome join us!

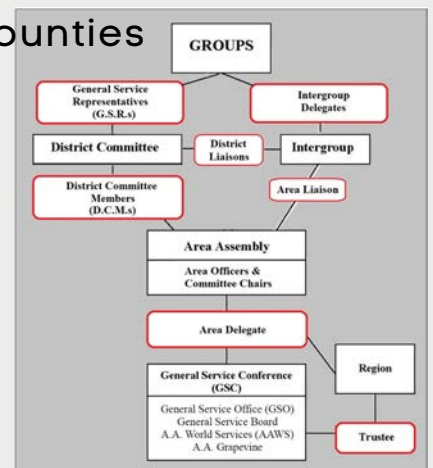
The next Area Assembly will be the Elections Assembly to be held in Shingle Springs/Placerville at the American Legion Hall, November 10-12, 2023. Panel 74 Area Officers, Delegate, and Alt-Delegate will be elected using the Third Legacy Procedure. District 15 uses the same procedure to elect its officers as well. The next election will be Monday, November 27, 2023 at the regularly scheduled district meeting. The positions of DCM (District Committee Member), Alt-DCM, Treasurer, Secretary, and Registrar will be available.

If you would like to help with this vital service, please attend the District meetings on the fourth Monday of the month from 6:30-8:00pm at 2341 Floral Avenue in Chico.

In love and service,
Lisanne T.

DCM, District 15

Serving Butte, Glenn, and Southern Tehama Counties



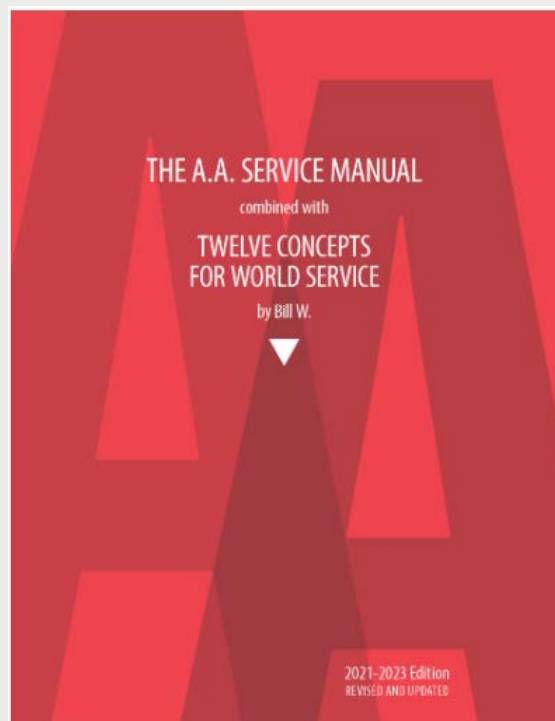
For more Information on District 15 visit
<https://aabutte-glenn.org/district-15-cnial-area-07-news>

Want the AA Service Manual combined with Twelve Concepts for World Service?

BM-31 AA Service Manual/Twelve Concepts for World Services
Two titles in a single booklet

The AA Service Manual opens with history of AA services, then explains the General Service Conference structure and its year-round importance. Chapters cover the roles of GSRs, DCMs, delegates, directors and trustees, as well as what happens at GSO and Grapevine. The Twelve Concepts for World Service, written by AA co-founder Bill W., are an interpretation of AA's world service structure as it emerged through AA's early history and experience. General Service Conference-approved.

Download here: <https://www.aa.org/aa-service-manualtwelve-concepts-world-services>




Announcing: Completely revised and redesigned pamphlet “Young People in A.A.” (Item P-4)

September 15, 2023 Dear A.A. Friends, We are delighted to announce that the new revised and redesigned pamphlet “Young People in A.A.” is now available for ordering. This revised item of General Service Conference-approved literature features new stories by seven young A.A. members, and we follow their experience, strength and hope as they share: how it was, what happened, and what it is like now on their sober journeys as members of our Fellowship. With input and feedback from young A.A. members attending recent YPAAs, this beautifully redesigned pamphlet includes colorful illustrations crafted by one of our most beloved Grapevine illustrators and debuts with much enthusiasm from all who helped to contemporize its presentation of A.A.’s message of hope – and deliver it to the fellowship.



OCTOBER EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

 **SATURDAY 9:30-3:00
OCTOBER 21, 2023**

Join us!
**25th Annual
WOMEN'S SOBRIETY
CELEBRATION**

SOLD OUT *Expect Miracles!*

**Opening Speaker
Kellie C.
Concord, CA**


**Main speaker
Lynette R.
Akron, OH**

6 Years! MIRACLE DATE 10/28/16

24 Years! MIRACLE DATE 5/5/99

**Time: Doors open at 9
Event Begins: 9:30 am
Event End 3 pm**

**Where: Hope Commons Church
1184 East Ave, Chico**

 www.chicowomeninsobriety.com




**Volunteers Needed for
October Quarterly**


Please reach out to
Ken B (510) 459-3738 or
brydonkenneth@gmail.com
to fill the following positions:

- Room Set-up
- Greeters
- 7th Tradition
- Coffee /Dessert Bar
- Water / Drink Sales
- Clean Up
- Raffle Sales
- General Help

*Also looking for AA groups to contribute baskets for the raffle. 

NVIG Quarterly Speaker Meeting!
Saturday October 28, 2023
Doors Open 6 PM Event Begins 7 PM
First Christian Church 295 E Washington Ave, Chico, CA
Andy S. Rochester, N.Y.

 **Shelby B.
Chico, CA
2 Years**

Please Bring Desert to Share 

For questions or service opportunities, call Ken 510.459.3738, or Virginia 530.514.5224

Celebrating October Milestones

**Chico Central Birthday Meeting
Saturday, October 28th 5:30 PM
1100 Mangrove, Chico**

**Paradise Central Birthday Meeting
Thursday, October 26th 7:00 PM
7126 Skyway, Paradise**

FUTURE EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Fall Harvest Gathering

Date : Saturday, Nov. 18, 2023
 Time : 1:00 - 3:00 PM
 Location : 7126 Skyway, #D2, Paradise

Soup Cookoff & Speaker Meeting

Bring your best soup for a prize!
 1pm Soup sampling 50/50 Raffle
 2pm Speakers & Baskets

Speakers:
Guy - Oroville Opening Speaker
Al McD - Paradise Main Speaker

If you are bringing soup please arrive early

Hosted by Paradise Central
 AA Activities Committee

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Quarterly Speaker Meeting

come join us!

Save the Date for the first Quarterly Speaker Meeting of 2024! Held in Paradise, CA

JANUARY 20TH, 2024
DOORS: 6:00 PM
MEETING: 7:00PM

ELKS LODGE
 1100 Elk Lane, Paradise Ca
 Arbor E. (530) 961-3402 or
 Cynde M. (530)520-1451

15 YEARS
 OPENING SPEAKER
RUSS H. CHICO, CA

37 YEARS
 MAIN SPEAKER
PEGGY C. STUDIO CITY, CA

*Refreshments Water Coffee
 Raffle Prizes & 50/50!!!*

Our Twelfth Step—carrying the message—is the basic service that the A.A. Fellowship gives; this is our principal aim and the main reason for our existence. Therefore, A.A. is more than a set of principles; it is a society of alcoholics in action. We must carry the message, else we ourselves can wither and those who haven't been given the truth may die

Bill W.



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*In Love and Service,
 Katie V.*

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