

September 2024



*Happy Fall Y'all*

As we begin this Autumn season, it's time to think about your AA Group's service opportunities. North Valley Intergroup has 20+ groups that are located from Oroville to Orland, Gridley to Paradise, Durham to Willows.

Each group should have the following service positions:

- Chairperson
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- General service representative (GSR)
- Intergroup representative
- AA Grapevine/La Viña representative
- Literature representative

There is a great pamphlet titled, "The A.A. Group...Where it all begins. You can access it here:

[https://www.aa.org/sites/default/files/literature/P-16\\_0624.pdf](https://www.aa.org/sites/default/files/literature/P-16_0624.pdf)

We hope that in the upcoming months you will expand your groups to include these positions so that you have a voice within your AA community and AA as a whole.

Will A.A. help me straighten out my family troubles?

Alcohol is frequently a complicating factor in family life, magnifying petty irritations, exposing character defects, and contributing to financial problems. Many people, by the time they turn to A.A., have managed to make a complete mess of their family lives. Some newcomers to A.A., suddenly aware of their own contributions to chaos, are eager and enthusiastic about making amends and resuming normal patterns of living with those closest to them. Others, with or without cause, continue to feel bitter resentments toward their families. Almost without exception, newcomers who are sincere in their approach to the A.A. recovery program are successful in mending broken family lives. The bonds that reunite the honest alcoholic with family members are often stronger than ever before. Sometimes, of course, irreparable damage has been done, and a totally new approach to family life has to be developed. But generally, the story is one with a happy ending. Experience suggests that the alcoholic who comes to A.A. solely to keep peace in the family, and not because of an honest desire to stop drinking, may have difficulty achieving sobriety. The sincere desire for sobriety should come first. Once sober, the alcoholic will find that many of the other problems of daily living can be approached realistically and with very good chance of success

~ Taken from AA.org.

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Language of the Heart  
Lenguaje del corazón  
Le langage du cœur

**Make plans to attend the 2025  
A.A. International Convention scheduled in  
Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada**

**Taking place once every five years, the A.A. International Convention marks the anniversary of Bill W.'s first meeting with Dr. Bob and the birth of Alcoholics Anonymous in 1935. A.A. members and their families and friends from around the globe attend the event. At the International Convention people attend meetings, workshops, dances and events. A highlight is the traditional flag ceremony to celebrate sobriety worldwide.**

**Vancouver will welcome A.A. members from around the world for the 2025 International Convention. This will mark the 90th anniversary of the beginning of our Fellowship's founding. The International Convention will take place from July 3 - 6, 2025, at the Vancouver Convention Centre and BC Place Stadium.**

**\*\*Registration Opens September 10, 2024 (Noon EDT)**

**As the Convention approaches, we will update our website [www.aa.org/international-convention](http://www.aa.org/international-convention) with registration information.**

**Let's celebrate sobriety together in Vancouver in 2025!**

## GENERAL SERVICE DISTRICT 15 AREA 07

From the Desk of the DCM:

Next District 15 meeting – Sunday, September 22, 2024, 4pm, 2341 Floral Avenue. All members are welcome to attend.

New at AA.org

- o “Young and Sober in AA: It could save your life”
- o “Young and Sober in AA: I thought drinking made me an artist”
- o alcoholicsanonymous.com now takes searchers to aa.org.



### Little Free Library Project-Carry the Message

District 15 would like to ask the fellowship to participate in an idea: our literature in the hands of the next suffering alcoholic or their family. Please consider placing your used copies of the Grapevine Magazine or other program literature in your local neighborhood Little Free Library Boxes. You can purchase a subscription of the Grapevine Magazine at <https://www.aagrapevine.org/store> if you don't currently subscribe.

Area 07 Inventory Questions-Share your thoughts with your GSR.

1. CNIA as a Whole: What is the role of CNIA? What is the Area doing well? Where can the Area improve?
2. Trusted Servants: How can we make sure we prioritize principles over personalities when electing trusted servants? Do we pick leaders who think carefully about their important job, instead of just picking the most popular ones?
3. Area and District Communication: How well do the Area and districts talk to each other? How can the Area help Districts, Groups, and GSRs use the Traditions to share the message and help the still suffering alcoholic?
4. Area Technology: How are we doing at using technology and tools – do our tools enhance or restrict participation and access to information? Where should we adjust, or how can we better use our current tools (including websites, online platforms, and newsletters)?
5. Area Finances: Is the Area's spending aligned with the Area's primary purpose? If so, how? If not, what should be adjusted?
6. Accessibilities: In what ways are we serving AA members--and/or prospective AA members--who have barriers to accessing AA in our Area? Where can we improve?

CNIA 07-Area 07 Committee Meetings are on the 3rd Saturday of the month, Zoom information: Meeting ID: 982 1637 5307- Passcode: 244723. All members are welcome to attend. Please go to [www.aabutte-glenn.org](http://www.aabutte-glenn.org) for more information about District 15.

In Love and Service,

Martha T.

DCM, District 15

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

# MONTHLY AA SERVICE MEETINGS

## AA PLEDGE

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



### **Butte County H&I Meeting Information:**

1st Monday of every month at 6PM

**Next Meeting: Monday, October 7, 2024**

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 Sunday of every month at 4:00 pm

**Next Meeting: Sunday, September 22, 2024**

### **Chico Central Business Meeting**

1st Tuesday of the Month at 06:45 PM

**Next Meeting: Tuesday, September 3, 2024**

Chico Central Building 1102 Mangrove, Chico, CA 95926

### **North Valley Intergroup**

2nd Tuesday of the Month at 6:30 PM

**Next Meeting: Tuesday, October 8, 2024**

295 E Washington Ave, Chico, CA 95926

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

### **BUTTEYPAA (Butte County Young People in AA)**

2nd Sunday of the Month at 8:00 pm

**Next Meeting: Sunday, October 13, 2024**

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

**Literature and Chips!**

Laura R.

(530) 592-0200

**NVIG Answering Service**

(530) 342-5756

**BUTTE/GLENN AA MEETINGS**

<https://aabutte-glenn.org>



# UPCOMING EVENTS



**Where Friends Gather**

Speakers • Panels • Crafts • Free Drawing  
Registration Includes:  
Continental Breakfast, Lunch & Dessert  
Host Hotel: Hampton Inn & Suites Lodi  
1337 S. Beckman Road, Lodi CA 95240  
(209) 369-2700  
Mention Code: **HDIH** • Rate: \$165 + taxes/fees  
Make reservation by 8/16/2024

Alcoholics Anonymous  
18th Annual  
**Hand in Hand  
Women's Day of Unity**

Saturday, September 14, 2024  
8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

**Vinewood Community Church**  
1900 W. Vine Street  
Lodi, CA 95242

Speakers:  
**Leslie K., Modesto, CA**  
**Marilyn S., Los Angeles, CA**

Pre-Registration through 9/7/2024  
\$30 (non-refundable) - \$40 at the door

**Mail Checks Payable to Hand in Hand, 10173 Carmel Valley Way, Elk Grove CA 95624**

For credit card, email [handtreasurer@gmail.com](mailto:handtreasurer@gmail.com) with full name, phone number, and all guests' names. A secure link will be emailed to you for your payment. For more information, please contact Karen T. at (925) 628-0514 or Sue G. at (916) 207-6676

Please fill out completely so that we can include you on next year's mailing list

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Sobriety Date: \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to be of service at this convention: YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_ Scholarship Donation: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Amount Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_ \*

\*List all guests' names: \_\_\_\_\_

Limited number of scholarships are available in return for 2-hour service commitment.  
Submit abstract request to Sue G. [handtreasurer@gmail.com](mailto:handtreasurer@gmail.com)

Sorry, no children or non-trained service animals allowed at this event



## HAWAIIAN POTLUCK & MYSTERY SPEAKER MEETING

**825 MAIN STREET AA  
SEPTEMBER 21ST 2024  
POTLUCK 6PM-7PM  
SPEAKER 7PM-8PM  
DRESS HAWAIIAN**



SCAN ME

# G. I. F. T. S.

## Get It From The Steps





SATURDAY  
**10.19.24**  
\*limited seats

Time: Doors Open at 9:am  
Event Hours: 9:30 - 3:00  
Registration \$25 through 10/1/24  
\$30 at Door

**Saturday**  
October 19, 2024

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

Main Speaker

**Cat M.**  
Livermore,  
Ca.  
Sept. 3 2019

**Leslie S.**  
Bend, Or.  
July 10, 1995

Opening Speaker

name \_\_\_\_\_ cell # \_\_\_\_\_  
email \_\_\_\_\_

**Mail payment to: WSC 2024**  
PO Box 1117 Chico, Ca 95927

**To request scholarship contact**  
Luci F. 530-217-9170

Registration Amount: \_\_\_\_\_  
Scholarship Donation: \_\_\_\_\_  
Total Amount Due: \_\_\_\_\_

For More Information  
[www.chicowomeninsobriety.com](http://www.chicowomeninsobriety.com)



NORTH VALLEY INTERGROUP PRESENTS

## PARADISE QUARTERLY SPEAKER MEETING

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19TH**  
DOORS OPEN 6:00 PM  
MEETING AT 7:00 PM

**RAFFLE**

**50/50**

OPENING  
SPEAKER

**MIKE J.**  
Chico, Ca  
26 YEARS

MAIN  
SPEAKER

**Father Tom**  
Oakland, Ca  
48 YEARS

TO BE OF SERVICE OR FOR  
MORE INFORMATION:  
ARBOR E. 530-961-3402  
CYNDE M 530-520-1451

PARADISE PERFORMING  
ARTS CENTER  
777 NUNNELY ROAD  
PARADISE, CA 95969

# UPCOMING EVENTS

As of Sunday, September 1, 2024:



**Sunday  
Serenity AA**  
11:00 am Meeting  
will move to  
St. Nicholas Episcopal Church  
5872 Oliver Road  
Paradise, CA 95969

AREA 31 (BUTTE AND GLENN COUNTIES)  
HOSPITAL AND INSTITUTION COMMITTEE

*Invites you to a workshop on*

## **H&I Service Opportunities**



**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2024**

Lunch will be provided.

**Time 11 A.M. TO 2 P.M.**

Chico Central  
1102 Mangrove Ave.  
Chico, CA 95926

Learn what H&I is and isn't and how you can be of service:

- Taking a meeting into a jail or institution where the alcoholic is confined and the application process
- Sponsorship—in person or via email and text
- Serving on a committee to support the work of the H&I Committee of Northern California

# NVIG COMEDY NIGHT

**Saturday, November 16**

Doors Open 5:30pm

Show Start @ 6pm

295 E. Washington Ave; Chico

50/50 and Raffle Baskets

Drinks for Sale

**Local Comedians**

Cohosts Jeff J & Amber P

Opening Samantha S

**From the Bay**

Featuring Nina G

Headliner Mean Dave



Contact Jeff J 530-680-1836 for an Open Mic Slot

**NEW  
SLETTER**

If you would like to subscribe to our monthly newsletters please email a request to [nvignewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:nvignewsletter@gmail.com)

In Love & Service,  
Katie V.