

May 2026



North Valley Intergroup Newsletter

May is here and we're already seeing previews of the Summer Heat! Stay cool and hang out with your way cool fellowship 😎. Here's a few events on the horizon:

- Mark your calendars for the Spring BBQ in Oroville, May 23rd from 11:30a.m.-2:30p.m. Chico's very own "Spiritual Ron" will get us started with a 10-minute share, followed by Dave B. from Rocklin as our main speaker. Bring a side dish or dessert to share, along with an appetite for experience, strength, and hope. Meet us at the Oroville Church of the Nazarene: 2238 Monte Vista Ave.
- A "Soberpalooza" carnival is going to be hosted by Butte County's chapter of Young People in Alcoholics Anonymous (BUTTEYPAA) on Saturday, May 30th, starting at 1PM over at 5 Mile West (375 Centennial Ave, Chico). Step right up for some family friendly games, a hot dog eating contest, and even some stand-up comedy! Speaker meeting following at 5pm. please reach out to Christopher D for any questions (530) 804-3010.
- Join us in Celebration and Fellowship at our annual Unity Day, hosted by the North Valley Intergroup (NVIG). Starting at 10AM on Sunday, June 7th, we'll have a Potluck meal with Hot Dogs and Hamburgers provided. Starting at noon we'll hear from our Opening Speaker, Austin C. (2 Years), followed by our very own Shari S. (28 years).

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GENERAL SERVICE DISTRICT 15 AREA 07

From the desk of the DCM

Welcome to May everyone! Last month we attended the Pre-Conference Assembly and got to hear the opinions from many groups in our Area about the agenda items that will be decided or sent back to committee at this year's General Service Conference. I obviously don't have the space here to talk about all the agenda items, but I will say the tone of the room stayed pretty consistent, with groups being mostly for the 5th edition of the Big Book with a few groups wanting a couple of the stories, that are currently planned to be removed, to stay in our next edition. Most groups were in favor of updating the pamphlet "Drugs and Other Medications." In the discussions of allowing "The Grapevine/La Vina" to accept donations there was a lot of varying opinion. Some want to keep it going and some are stating that print media is dying across our entire society and is it worth propping up a dying entity. On this topic I wish I knew the right answer. I know "The Grapevine" has helped a lot of people and reached places the word of AA may not have without it. But is it still relevant in 2026? I don't know.

This does bring up a larger topic though. Is AA keeping up with the times? Are we at risk of losing our effectiveness if we don't embrace new ways of reaching out to the next Alcoholic that still suffers. The pandemic showed us that people can get sober and stay sober in On-Line meetings, a lot of us use "The meeting app" or "Everything AA" to access meetings, the Big Book, and the Daily Meditation. The Grapevine has an on-line subscription option that allows readers to read on their phone, tablet, or Kindle. I have struggled with this shift. I got sober in AA 23 years ago and read the paper Big Book and went to in-person meetings. On-line meetings felt different and, like with most things, I resist change. I even went so far as to tell sponsees that on-line meetings were ok, but you really need to get into in person meetings.

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From the desk of the DCM [Continued..]

At this years PRAASA (Pacific Region Alcoholics Anonymous Service Assembly) there was a lot of talk of "doing things because it's the way we've always done them." And one of the topics they talked specifically about was on-line meetings. We now have two districts in the US that are on-line meeting districts. It works. Confronted with the evidence I had to take a look at my opinions and ask myself why I had them. Change is hard, I don't like it, but in life change is inevitable. How am I going to react to change?

This month our Finance Sub-Committee met and made our budget for the 2026-2027 fiscal year for the district. We will be presenting this budget at the district meeting on May 24th . We would like all who can attend to be there to take the budget information back to their meetings, we want everyone to have a voice in how we spend their group's money this coming year. We will vote on the budget at the June 28th meeting. All groups, via their GSR, have a vote and we would like to have as much input as possible.

Sincerely,
Scotty W.

Upcoming dates:

- Post-Conference Assembly May 16-17 in Merced, CA
- Next District Meeting to discuss Budget for 2026-2027 May 24th Chico, CA
- District Meeting to approve budget June 28th Chico, CA

District meetings are held at St John's Episcopal church at 2341 Floral Ave. Doors open at 3:30pm for Pizza, Q&A, and GSR School, district meeting starts at 4pm and runs to 5:30pm. Hope to see your group represented there!

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What's New in AA?

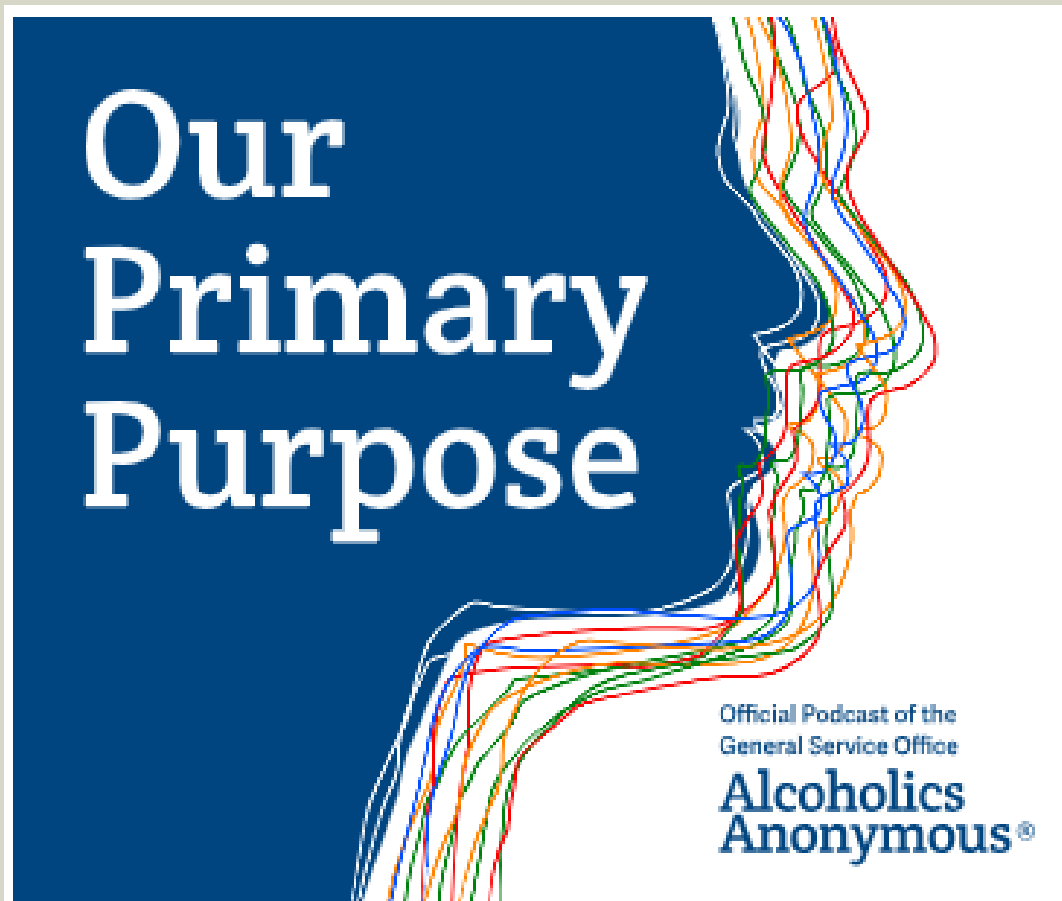
Our Primary Purpose S2 Episode 8: Get in the Car: An A.A. Traditions Radio Comedy (in Stereo), out now!

Listen to a lighthearted audio story where a search for a new meeting space turns into a fun, engaging look at the principles that keep A.A. united.

Two home group members, one lost meeting space, and Twelve Traditions put to the test. This immersive A.A. radio play brings us along on one group's search for a new location while teaching the spiritual principles that keep Alcoholics Anonymous unified and alive.

Our Primary Purpose is the official podcast from the General Service Office (GSO) of Alcoholics Anonymous for the U.S. and Canada. Through interviews with GSO staff and voices from A.A. history and the Fellowship today, we explore how GSO supports A.A. to carry the message of recovery to those who need it most, which is Our Primary Purpose.

Listen on many popular podcasting platforms, or at <https://www.aa.org/gso-podcast>



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, June 1, 2026

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, May 24, 2026

2341 Floral Ave, Chico CA 95926

Chico Central Business Meeting

1st Tuesday of the Month at 6:45 PM

Next Meeting: Tuesday, June 2, 2026

Chico Central Building 1102 Mangrove, Chico, CA 95926

North Valley Intergroup

2nd Tuesday of the Month at 6:30 PM

Next Meeting: Tuesday, June 9, 2026

295 E Washington Ave, Chico, CA 95926

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

BUTTEYPAA (Butte County Young People in AA)

"Every other Sunday" at 3:00 pm

Next Meeting: Sunday, May 17, 2026

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

Literature and Chips!

Dave M.

(530) 570-1671

NVIG Answering Service

Tirso R

(530) 342-5756

BUTTE/GLENN AA MEETINGS

<https://aabutte-glenn.org>

LOCAL & SEMI-LOCAL EVENTS

NVIG Spring Barbecue and speaker meeting in Oroville



May 23rd 11:30 AM to 2:30 PM
OroNaz Church
2238 Monte Vista Ave.
Oroville CA 95965

10 Minute Speaker: Ron M.
28 years from Chico

Main Speaker: Dave B.
31 years from Rocklin



Main dish provided,
please bring a side dish or
dessert to share.
Prize for best side dish.



BBQ from 11:30 - 12:30 PM
Meeting starts at 1:00 PM

50/50 Drawing / Raffle Baskets



★ BUTTEYPAA PRESENTS ★

SOBERPALOOZA

★ A YPAA CARNIVAL ★

PRIZES GAMES — AND — MORE!

STAND-UP COMEDY!

ALL AGES! FAMILY FRIENDLY! ★ ★ ★

HOT DOG EATING CONTEST! ★

SUGGESTED DONATION \$20

5 MILE WEST
375 CENTENNIAL AVE, CHICO

SATURDAY ★ MAY 30TH | 1:00 PM ★

SPEAKER MEETING: 5:00 PM

CO-HOST: TBA

STEP RIGHT UP!

★ CONTACT CHRISTOPHER D. ★
★ 530 804 3010 ★

NORTH VALLEY INTERGROUP PRESENTS

NVIG UNITY DAY



Join us in Celebration and Fellowship!

JUNE 7th

Oak Grove Picnic Area 1 mile
Chico, CA

Starts @ 10am * BBQ @ 11 * Speakers @ Noon

Hot Dogs and Hamburgers Provided!
Potluck Style Sides!

Opening Speaker: Austin C. 2 years Main Speaker: Shari S. 28 years

Paradise Central
AA Activities
Committee
Invites you to:

Saturday, 4th of July

Barbeque and Speaker Meeting

11:00am - 2:00pm

Paradise Aquatic Park
5600 Recreation Drive
Paradise, Ca. 95969

Speakers ★ Mathew L. Mountain View, Ca., August 25, 2000
★ Vikki L. Mountain View, Ca., May 4, 2002

Potluck

- ★ Hot Dogs - Buns provided
- ★ Bring a dish to share with family and friends! Salads, Side Dishes, and Desserts welcomed!
- ★ Bring a chair - lots of shade
- ★ 50 / 50 Raffle
- ★ Raffle Baskets
- ★ Water and Soda for sale

Paradise Aquatic Park
5600 Recreation Dr., Paradise

28TH ANNUAL NVALIG CAMPOUT

WHO: North Valley Intergroup
WHAT: Annual AA Campout
WHERE: Camp Tehama, Mill Creek, CA
WHEN: AUGUST 7-9, 2026
WHY: WE ARE NOT A GLUM LOT!



COST: \$59 per person prior to 7/25 \$69 per person after 7/25
Kids 0-11 Free
Kids 12-17 \$30 (18 and over \$59)
One Day Pass: \$30 please register (meals included)

Sorry,
**NO PETS
ALLOWED**
No exceptions

INCLUDES: Bunk with thin pad in shared-rustic-tent-cabin (no electricity), Group meals in Chow Hall, Tent sites on premises, Kids craft activities.

SCHOLARSHIPS: Service Scholarships are available. Request when registering.

RVs in parkinglot only-No hookups

OFFSITE ACCOMODATIONS: If you wish to camp or RV offsite, here are some options that are close by. Space is limited and you are responsible for your own reservations. **Bare in mind even if you pay for an outside campsite, you will still need to pay the full registration fee to attend Camp Tehama and will be entitled to all meals and meetings.** A bunk/tent space at the camp is included in registration fee.

Mill Creek Resort: www.millcreekresort.net (530)595-4449 (2 mi from Camp Tehama)
Cabins, RV spaces, & tent sites

Mineral Lodge: www.minerallodge.com (530)595-4422 (9.2 mi from Camp Tehama)
Motel rooms, RV spaces, & tent sites

The Village at Childs Meadows: www.thevillageatchildsmeadows.com (530)595-3393 (4.1 mi from Camp Tehama) Motel rooms, cabins, RV spaces, tent sites

REGISTRATION AND T-SHIRT/MERCH SALES

BEGIN ONLINE ON THE EVENTBRITE APP AND BY MAIL

MONDAY, JUNE 1ST.

OUT OF TOWN EVENTS

4TH ANNUAL

GIFT OF LAUGHTER AA WOMENS' CAMPOUT

MAILING TO: GIFT OF
LAUGHTER 1405 HWY 99
SPC. #8 GRIDLEY, CA 95948

What happens at the campout

DAILY MEETINGS

GUIDED YOGA & MEDITATION

GUIDED WALK

OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES



Gets laughed at all year long

TEE-SHIRTS \$15 S-4X

IN ORDER TO REALLY ENJOY THE "GIFT OF LAUGHTER" AND ENJOY OUR WEEKEND AS WORRY FREE AS POSSIBLE, ALL OF OUR MEALS FOR THE WEEKEND WILL BE PROVIDED. STARTING WITH DINNER THURSDAY, ENDING WITH SUNDAY BREAKFAST, EACH ADULT WILL BE SCHEDULED ALONG WITH OTHERS TO PURCHASE, PREP, AND COOK FOOD FOR "ONE MEAL" FOR THE WHOLE WEEKEND. PLEASE BRING ANY ADDITIONAL SNACKS OR DRINKS FOR YOURSELF. THE FOOD CHAIR WILL CONTACT YOU AHEAD OF TIME TO SCHEDULE AND DISCUSS YOUR MEAL IN GREATER DETAIL.

REGISTRATION \$35 BY MAIL & \$37 BY VENMO

CHILDREN FREE



venmo

GIFT OF LAUGHTER
@giftoflaughter

WHEN REGISTERING PLEASE
PROVIDE FULL NAME & PHONE
NUMBER VIA MAIL OR VENMO.

ARRIVE:
12PM THUR.
JULY 23RD
DEPART:
SUN. JULY
26TH



QUESTIONS?
JESSICA: 530-763-8446

LOCATION: LAKE ALMANOR, SOUTH
CAMPGROUND, ALMANOR DRIVE WEST

NEW & ONLINE MEETINGS



Butte Unity Group
of Alcoholics Anonymous



DAILY BUG GROUP

EVERY MORNING - 8AM PST

WEDNESDAYS WOMENS MEETING "LADYBUGS" - 6PM PST

Zoom ID 772 361 498 Passcode BUG

Open online meeting

Mondays
12 Steps

Tuesdays
Daily Reflection

Wednesdays
Grapevine

Thursdays
Beginners
Speaker
Meeting

Fridays
Emotional
Sobriety

Saturdays
Lit Reading
Speaker
Discussion

Sundays
Speaker
Meeting



BUTTEYPAA WEEKLY SPEAKER MEETING
EVERY SUNDAY, 7PM PST

COME JOIN US

ZOOM ID: 539 759 619

PASSWORD: 532511

BUTTEYPAA: BUTTE COUNTY YOUNG PEOPLE IN
ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS



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NEW

2SLGBTQIA+

ALCOHOLICS
ANONYMOUS MEETING

TUESDAYS AT 6:00 PM ✨

667 EAST 1ST AVENUE
CHICO, CA
95926



NEW NEWSLETTER

If you would like to subscribe to our monthly newsletters please email a request to nvignewsletter@gmail.com
In Love and Service,
Gregg S.