



# Good News



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## Treasure Elections

Treasurer elections will be held in Foster City. This process begins at the Steering Committee meeting at 8:00 am. Listed below are the Election Procedures and Requirements for the Position if you would like to make yourself available for this position contact one of the Steering Committee Members.

### Election Procedures

The Steering Committee of the Council will sit as a Nominating Committee for the purpose of accepting nominations for the election. The roll will be called of all Steering Committee Members who may or may not place a name in nomination. After the roll of the members has been called, the nominations are considered closed. The Nominating Committee will then discuss the qualifications of the nominees and select a slate of nominees, recommended to be at least three (3). Those nominees selected will then be voted on by the Council Steering Committee and Delegates at an election held at the NCCAA Open Delegates' Meeting of this same annual Spring Conference.

### Treasure Requirements

The Council Treasurer is elected at the Spring Conference of the ODD numbered years, and serves a two (2) year term. This office is restricted to no more than two (2) consecutive terms.

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It is recommended that the Council Treasurer have a minimum of five (5) years continuous sobriety, a service

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## NCCAA 68th Annual Spring Conference Foster City, CA

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**March 13, 14 & 15, 2015**

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Friday 8:00 PM  
Candice M., Los Angeles, CA  
Saturday 3:30 PM  
Cheryl G., Oxnard, CA  
Saturday 8:00 PM  
Danny G., Oxnard, CA  
Sunday 10:30 AM  
Carol L., Amherst Ohio

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### **Upcoming Conferences**

Auburn – June 5, 6, 7, 2015  
Fresno – October 30, 31, Nov 1, 2015  
San Ramon – March 18, 19, 20, 2016

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## Visit the NCCAA Website

<http://www.norcalaa.org>

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background, and experience in accounting or bookkeeping.

The Treasurer should have the time available to be responsible for all Council funds and to work very closely with the Council Chairperson. A Financial Report of each Conference is to be prepared and presented at the Pre/Post Conference meeting following the Conference and at the next Conference Steering Committee meeting.

A Financial Statement as June 30 and December 31 of each year is to be prepared. Each of these financial statements will be reviewed and approved at a meeting of all of the officers of the Northern California Council, as soon as possible after completion, and each is to be published in the next available issue of the Good News.

The books of the Council shall be available to any AA member or group for inspection at any time.

The Treasurer may delegate any, or all, of the above responsibilities to one or any of the Secretaries, or in case of necessity, to any responsible AA member. The Treasurer shall, however, assume full responsibility for any functions so delegated. If the Treasurer is unable to assume the duties of the Council, a temporary Treasurer will be selected by the Chairperson until a special election can be held.

## Letter from the Editor

## Joke Corner



Pray to  
Accept  
Understand  
and  
Surrender  
Everything

Suzy B.



Cartoons by Suzy

## NCCAA Inventory Continues

### Letter from the Shaun G. NCCAA Chairperson

Hello everyone!

As most of you know this last year a motion was made to have an inventory of the Northern California Council of Alcoholics Anonymous Conferences. I would like to thank all of you for your thoughts and ideas and participation throughout this process. Our Ad-hoc Committee has put together the draft version that will be presented at the Foster City conference to the Group Delegates on whether or not we'll proceed with what's been drafted. We met again on January 25<sup>th</sup> to come up with the process of how we'll present and work through the inventory if it does pass. I will go over the process at that time in Foster City so everyone understands and has enough time to go back to their groups and present it to them. In Foster City we'll have discussion and answer any questions that members may have. We're looking forward to having some panel discussion during the Auburn conference. Our goal is to have the inventory during the Fresno conference. We'll have regular business and then proceed with the inventory during the Group Delegates business meeting. Both Areas for General Service (C.N.I.A. 07) AND (C.N.C.A. 06) have offered their panel time for us to continue the inventory. So we'll have approximately four hours to get it done. Both Delegates Kelley Moran (07) and Ramundoalujano (06) have offered their time

## Inventory Questions

### Overall Effectiveness of NCCAA

- What is the primary purpose of NCCAA? How should we measure our effectiveness?
- Are three conferences per year the right number of Conferences for NCCAA? If not, how many?
- How are we working and communicating with other Service entities in Alcoholics Anonymous? Are we a unifying service entity?
- As a part of NCCAA, how is the Hospitals and Institutions Committee responsible to NCCAA as a whole? Is this working?

### CONFERENCE PROGRAMS

- Are three day conferences programs the right amount of time? If not, how long should they be? What draws attendees? Are they coming back?

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## CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

To download flyers or more information go to the websites listed

Check your local Area's website for other events.

### SERVICE EVENTS

#### **PRAASA 2015**

DAVIS CONFERENCE CENTER LAYTON, UT

MARCH 6 – 8, 2015

[HTTP://2015.PRAASA.ORG/INDEX.PHP](http://2015.praasa.org/index.php)

#### **CNCA AREA 06 PRE-CONFERENCE ASSEMBLY 2015**

ALAMEDA COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS – 4501 PLEASANTON AVE, PLEASANTON, CA

APRIL 11<sup>TH</sup> – 12<sup>TH</sup>, 2015

[HTTP://WWW.AASF.ORG/APPS/DBMANAGER/\\_DOCS%5Ce00013411%5CCNCA06\\_PRE-ASSEMBLY\\_CONFERENCE.PDF](http://www.aasf.org/apps/dbmanager/_docs%5Ce00013411%5CCNCA06_PRE-ASSEMBLY_CONFERENCE.PDF)

#### **2015 INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION OF ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS**

ATLANTA, GA

JULY 4<sup>TH</sup> – 5<sup>TH</sup>

[WWW.AA.ORG](http://www.aa.org)

### OTHER EVENTS

#### **35<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL WOMAN TO WOMAN CONFERENCE**

CROWNE PLAZA HOTEL 5321 DATE AVE, SACRAMENTO, CA

APRIL 17<sup>TH</sup> – 19<sup>TH</sup>, 2015

JENNIFER 916-912-5524 OR LAURA 916-215-1563

#### **YUMA ROUND UP 2015**

ARIZONA WESTERN COLLEGE, YUMA, AZ

FEBRUARY 20<sup>TH</sup> – 22<sup>ND</sup>, 2015

[HTTP://WWW.YUMAROUNDUP.ORG/](http://www.yumaroundup.org/)

### YP EVENTS

#### **ACYPAA ROUND-UP**

HAPUNA BEACH PRINCE HOTEL, BIG ISLAND, HAWAII

FEBRUARY 26<sup>TH</sup> – MARCH 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2015

If you have an upcoming event and would like it published email or mail the information to the Good News Editor @ [goodnewsnccaa@gmail.com](mailto:goodnewsnccaa@gmail.com).

# Sobriety Birthdays



<b>November</b>				
Linda M.	11/3/1980		Mike R.	11/19/1993
Jack G.	11/16/1986		Joe G.	11/21/1997
Joe C.	11/16/1986		Reid C.	11/24/1997
Teresa D.	11/16/1991		Jose R.	11/3/2005
<b>December</b>				
Howard H.	12/14/1982		Rob A.	12/23/1997
Mark Mc.	12/6/1983		Janet C.	12/25/1998
Lynda M.	12/7/1989		Stephen N.	12/5/2010
Steve M.	12/25/1989		Jannette F.	12/7/2012
Carina H.	12/2/1990			
<b>January</b>				
Clem T.	1/15/1974		John T.	1/3/2004
Dale D.	1/4/1983		Roger Mc.	1/3/2006
Michael B.	1/22/1983		Michael C.	1/5/2008
Doug P.	1/2/1995		Dorothy W.	1/11/2012
Don W.	1/19/2001		Caline R.	1/28/2012
<b>February</b>				
Debbie D	2/8/1976		Jerry L.	2/28/1991
Mac M.	2/12/1981		Karen C.	2/5/1992
Dennis F.	2/5/1984		Al V.	2/11/2002
Gabriela R.	2/20/1984		Karen Y.	2/10/2003
Woody R	2/2/1990			
<b>March</b>				
Chris J.	3/3/1984		Victoria M.	3/2/1991
Teresa D.	3/7/1984		Kelly I.	3/11/1997
Nancy M.	3/28/1987		Jo M.	3/15/2001
Rachel	3/12/1989			

## **Speaker Selection Submissions**

Tape Librarians need Speaker Selection Submissions with Speaker contact information. If you have a favorite speaker and would like to hear them at one of our conferences send tapes or CDs to:

c/o David Lester  
Sound Solutions  
1513 Grass Valley Hwy  
Auburn, CA 95605

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**Good News needs your story, artwork, or funny jokes or not so funny jokes and. You can send stories via snail mail give them to me at the next conference or submit them online at [norcalaa.org](http://norcalaa.org).**

## **Letter from the Editor**

A 9<sup>th</sup> Step is in order for all of the Good News good book. It's chuckling aloud and smiling at a stranger who smiles back.

SOBRIETY is driving a car in a storm and coming home to happy faces people who need and want you.

SOBRIETY is a dark night with stars turning on and a clear pale yellow moon whining down. It's a kiss and a thankful prayer.

M. H., Woodside, Calif.

- Are speakers being selected who are knowledgeable in the Three Legacies of A.A.? Are we seeking diversity? How?
- Are panels covering relevant topics? Are panelists knowledgeable on their topics? How can we do better?
- Are we using technology effectively? Following the 11th Tradition?

### **FINANCE**

- Are we good stewards of the money we collect for registration and Seventh Traditions?
- Are we self-supporting in all we do?
- What is an adequate Prudent Reserve?
- Are we keeping accurate records and complying with all legal reporting requirements?

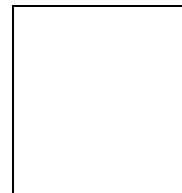
### **NCCAA OFFICERS, STEERING COMMITTEE and DELEGATES**

- Does the current role of the Steering Committee address the needs of NCCAA? If not, how would you change it?
- Is the selection/election process for Officers and Steering Committee Members effective and impartial/fair? How would you change it?
- What more could be done to insure the NCCAA Officers and Steering Committee remains transparent and thorough in their reporting to the Fellowship?
- Reflecting on Concept Eleven, does the Steering Committee exercise serious care in having the best possible assistance in carrying
- out their duties? How can this process be improved?

### **LEADERSHIP**

- Reflecting on Concept Nine, are the qualities of leadership, as identified in the leadership essay in the Service Manual, the qualities we should try to encourage in NCCAA Officers and Committee Members? If so, how successful are we in encouraging those qualities? If not, what changes should we consider?
- How can we improve the methods of selecting effective leaders and nurturing leadership qualities in our trusted servants?
- How well is the Third Legacy Procedure serving us? How could it be improved?

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