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## **NCCAA Chairperson Report**

My name is Shaun. I'm currently serving as the (NCCAA) Northern California Council of Alcoholics Anonymous chairperson. I've been involved with NCCAA since my first conference in Fresno March 1987 when I was 18 years old and have enjoyed every conference since then. This summer will be my 83rd NCCAA conference that I have attended. The conference is very much a part of my life. I was recently elected a second two-year term as chairperson; I'm honored to serve Northern California in this capacity. When a chairperson is elected they have the responsibility to select their officers. Secretaries for Interior area and Coastal area for General Service, Young People's secretary, also an Archivist, Webmaster, and our newsletter editor which we call the (Good News) are picked and on the steering committee. I picked these members because; 1. They have fresh ideas and care about the future of NCCAA and Alcoholics Anonymous. 2. They have knowledge of the Twelve Traditions and Twelve Concepts of World Service. 3. They have experience in all the different service entities within Alcoholics Anonymous and are willing to reach out to those services to participate in the NCCAA conferences.

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## **NCCAA 69<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL SUMMER CONFERENCE SANTA ROSA**

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JUNE 10, 11 & 12 2016

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FRIDAY 8PM

**RICHARD B., OCEAN CITY MD**

SATURDAY 3:30 PM

**OLIVER G., CONCORD CA**

SATURDAY 8PM

**WAYNE B., ST PETERSBURG FL**

SUNDAY 10:30AM

**DAVID N., SANTA ROSA CA**

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UPCOMING CONFERENCE:

MODESTO - OCTOBER 7, 8 & 9, 2016

**VISIT THE NCCAA WEBSITE**

<http://www.norcalaa.org>

**See Santa Rosa Flyer  
on page 11 of this issue!**

**70 YEARS OF NCCAA  
1947 - 2017**

FOSTER CITY - MARCH 10, 11 & 12, 20017

SACRAMENTO - JUNE 9, 10, & 11, 2017

LODI - OCTOBER 13, 14 & 15, 2017

Great Plans for 2017 Conferences  
- including new Facilities for Lodi!

## NCCAA Chairperson Report - from pg. 1

We've been reaching out to the YPAA and the young people's groups to encourage more participation in the NCCAA conferences. They are our future. In 2015 the group delegates voted to have a liaison both from Al-Anon and the Spanish community on the steering committee to be able to coordinate better with their groups and to have more unity and coordination at the conferences. We have American Sign Language available at all our conferences and the member that does it has been sending our flyers both in English and Spanish to all agencies in Northern California that work with members in A.A. or may come in contact with those that may have a drinking problem in the Deaf communities. In fact this year we have seen for the first time members from the Deaf community come to a conference because of that outreach and information. Our All Services Panels which have had representatives from (Public Information, Bridging the Gap, Special needs, A.S.L) and other group services within Alcoholics Anonymous have been very instrumental in letting members know of services A.A. provides. Hospital and Institution and General Service have shared great experiences in what services Alcoholics Anonymous provides both within the fellowship and out. Our Webmaster has updated our website to make it more navigation friendly. Any member may contact the officers individually, new group delegates and county reps may register online instead of waiting to register at the next conference, and speakers are booked and available to members to see who's speaking at future conferences. The host conference planning meetings are listed for those interested to attend. The archivist has been going through our archives material looking for ways to preserve our history as digital archives, saving our rich history in Northern California. We took an Inventory in Fresno back in October 2015, that process is in place and will give NCCAA new ideas for our future conferences. NCCAA's history in Northern California and Alcoholics Anonymous runs deep, with Bill W. our co-founder being the first speaker, and the first Delegate to New York both from Interior and Coastal from Northern California was elected at the NCCAA conference. We will be celebrating our 70th Anniversary in 2017 and are working very hard to keep the message of Alcoholics Anonymous continuing for the next generation. Your participation in these conferences is vital to the future of carrying the message through the conference process. Again thank you for this opportunity to serve you, my heart is full.

Love and Service, Shaun G.

## BIRTHDAYS

MARCH 15 – MAY 30

JO M	03/15/2001
BILL K	03/16/1977
MEGAN R	03/28/1981
NANCY Mc	03/28/1987
MARY C	04/01/1972
TERESA A	04/01/1991
VERONICA S	04/01/1991
SUSAN K	04/01/2007
DAN G	04/10/1989
DENNIS S	04/18/1986
TERRY D	04/20/1980
SANDY W	04/22/2012
ELLY G	04/30/2013
JAMES H	05/01/1988
CINDY P	05/01/1994
KIMBERLY F	05/01/2001
VIKKI R	05/04/2002
ROBERT B	05/06/1986
GINA W	05/21/2011
SUE E	05/23/1992
KEITH H	05/31/1983
JACK G	06/03/1961
HARRY I	06/05/1954
MARGUERITE F	06/06/1973
GERALD G	06/07/2007
BARBARA B	06/08/1984
KAREN H	06/10/2010

### Delegates!

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In October 2015, NCCAA conducted a Committee Inventory and the results are available at <http://norcalaa.org/>. The results of the NCCAA Inventory are being reprinted in the *Good News* also. Here are the inventory results continued from last issue:

**Part A – Question 4: As a part of NCCAA, how is the Hospitals and Institutions Committee responsible to NCCAA as a part of NCCAA whole? Is this working?**

- “Long and mutual benefit”, funded by AA as a whole. “Not a part of entity of any other body.” H&I is grateful to have a time slot at the Conference. Inspiring to hear the voice.
- H&I always grateful for the rooms of AA and literature. Recognize H&I as its own entity
- H&I is nothing more than a service entity. Don’t know if this is working.
- Feel the two are a partnership.
- H&I came from NCCAA however it should have no ongoing responsibility to the NCCAA Conferences
- Got a good understanding this morning, better understanding having heard.
- Opportunity for all service bodies to come together. A little more creativity in the workshops and panels, to help others to understand.
- H&I made me want to get involved in it, started to get involved. It started with NCCAA.
- NCCAA was encouraged to group together while H&I was starting up. The two grew together from the start. The two have been linked because of this close association.
- I love H&I. I would lot to see more bodies to get together (CNIA, H&I, PI, etc.) no position greater than another.

**Part B. CONFERENCE PROGRAMS**

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

- I think three days is right. People work, 2 nights is not too expensive. One of the things that is missing is sponsorship in the rooms are not encouraging their people to come. It has to do with getting people here for the first time ad they will continue to come.
- My sponsor encouraged me to come and I encourage mine to. Enthusiasm encourages attendance. I think people coming back has to do with getting the word out and enthusiasm.
- Financially maybe we should look at the third day. For some reason I stopped coming. I think if we participated and represent AA as a whole, people will be encouraged to attend.
- I agree that the sponsors are not encouraging people to come. As a whole AA is doing well compared to other programs. If we can keep love and service in mind, we will be ok. Finances will be taken care of. If we want to encourage attendance, we need new comers.
- One conference is enough.
- 2 Day- Friday/Saturday programs, the NCCAA has “lost” its purpose/definition of existence
- Attendance has to do with who is speaking. Maybe we should look at the finances to see if three days is too long. Attendance can be increased by sponsors bringing people.
- I think we should be looking at a two-day conference. Fridays have very low attendance. When we only have two days we would be focused on the message. To get people a little bit more high profile in the area of the conference would increase attendance. Two days is enough to take care of our business. We would have to work on the schedule some to make this work. When there is dead time and nothing is going on people leave.
- Two days is enough. When we bring new people here they can’t afford to come and pay the expenses involved. Maybe we could help the host committee get the word out in the area were the conference is. Getting the word out in the local area would help with attendance. Maybe we need to help more getting the word out on a local level.

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- I think two days is enough. There is too much dead time with three days.
- I like the three days. I like down time. There are things going on right now that I can't attend. If I am driving 2-4 hours to get here, I want three days. I think for attendance we need to get speakers that carry the message. Newcomers will come back if we carry the message.
- Three days is good. There is so much to do. Attendance can be helped if the Delegates can educate the fellowship about what NCCAA is. Once here they will come back. I see people coming back. Fairgrounds are not where NCCAA needs to be. If we can get the attendance up, we can afford to keep the venues we have been using.
- In Lodi no one could hear, it was cold and in the middle of the month. At the first of the month people have more money. When you push out the date people will not attend.
- I heard someone share about a conference and I wanted to attend the next one. I got to the next one and only left to eat. We have become speaker orientated. We maybe need to support the panels. Friday nights are always the 2nd highest attended, Saturday night the most. Sunday is always the lowest. At the local level the flyers could be taken to the groups to encourage attendance. People are not coming back because our attendance is down.
- At my first conference we had food, newcomers where fed. We did it by potluck. Timing is a key. It does depend on when you do it. As a whole we are better than we use to be.
- Parks are good for one day conferences, not three day conferences.
- They are fine as they are, but if not, at least from 9 am on Saturday through about early afternoon on Sunday. What draws attendees are the out of town speakers, especially if they are "celebrities" in AA. At the fall 2014 conference, members of my home group stayed away; they "go to any length" to attend the Spring Fling.
- 3 days are fine. I don't think they need to be longer. It's difficult to get half day Fridays off. What draws attendees is coming the first time and getting hooked.
- Length of time is fine. What draws attendees is location. If it was real far away or convenient or it was a place, I wanted to visit. Having other activities like movies. A lot are coming back.
- 3 day conferences are the right amount of time. But it's hard to get off work. I think a 2-day conference is perfect. I learned about NCCAA a few weeks ago so I don't know what draws attendees. I've never heard about NCCAA at the meeting level. I get hooked on these things. I love business meetings, inventory and the fellowship.
- I think a 3-day conference is perfect. Attendance is always a little sparser than Saturday or Sunday. To make it shorter would make it seem like not worth making the trip. What draws attendees - this is like a mini-vacation from life. In my early sobriety there was a man with a van who loaded it up with people. Everybody slept in one room. It was the fellowship that brought us back.
- 3-day conference is perfect. We'd lose something by shortening it. We get people coming back. But our older members pass away. Or they're not able to physically get here. We're not getting to all the groups. We need the delegates to go to the delegates. Attendance is less than half what it used to be. We had 5500 in Monterey.
- 3 days is perfect. I like how the majority is on Saturday. I like how we expanded the program so there is less dead time. What draws attendees is hearing people's experience at the conference. Seeing the All Services panel. People get the impression you have your butt in a chair and are listening to this conference. I've been to my first Al-Anon meeting as a result of this conference. I got to hear about Alateen. I see the same people. I see the same core of people. I notice people not coming to the Conference. I think they're missing out. They're only getting part of the program. People aren't jumping on the website to hear about the program but they do listen to us. I got drafted into County Chair. I haven't seen a giant amount of spirit of rotation. I heard they're looking for readers for San Ramon. I think finding some other way for speakers to attend.

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- I've been involved in service but I've never heard about this group. It wasn't until I went to Auburn and heard my service sponsor that I found out about it. I'm here with my service sponsor otherwise I wouldn't be here. I did miss the Young People's speaker this morning. Young people in our county have nothing. They have to go down to Sacramento. I'm a huge advocate of young people. It's hard for a guy my age to impress a young person to stay. Whether you can do it in 2 days or three days I don't know. Some people are here from Area 07.
- 3 days is perfectly fine. What draws attendees – San Ramon had a La Viña workshop. We had six or eight attendees. The following year we doubled it. This year I got 16 guys to go. If you take back and tell your home group something you like that they are probably interested in, that will bring them in. Find what your group likes and bring them in.
- What draws attendees? There are 4 or 5 groups in this room. Each has 10-15 attendees. One group has 35 due to translation. Some groups have perhaps been neglected in NCCAA. Maybe we need to reach out to more diverse sections of AA.

**2. Are speakers being selected who are knowledgeable in the Three Legacies of A.A.? Are we seeking diversity? How?**

- There is never a Spanish speaker and there seems to be no translation
- I hope so. Define "diversity" as far as NCCAA is concerned. I hope that speakers who know about the AA entities and who have experience in the various services opportunities are selected to be speakers.
- No Translation-Hispanic community cannot attend unless radio provided. There should be a main Spanish speaker Saturday night-several agreed.
- Diversity: we are already here (Spanish group in Fresno) we able to listen to all diverse groups-black, nationalities, etc.
- Reach out and asking members from different communities.
- NCCAA seems to be choosing circuit speakers who do not speak to the 3 Legacies. Service Speakers are on Saturday and Sunday at 9 am "not" primetime.
- All meetings or main meetings? Radios are used for translation, we should have them supplied for all meetings and panels
- To look for more diversity-we need to get the word out to groups better-committee can be formed to formulate a plan for Spanish speakers, and providing radios.
- Spanish community can submit a Spanish speaker to the NCCAA speaker committee. If Spanish Speaker provider, are we able to allow it, there seems to be lack of translation, but we can employ translator.
- At least one group formed a council on Spanish involvement, but wasn't developed.
- Spanish community in fear or not informed maybe that's why Spanish speaking participation is low, it is necessary for US to be more involved.
- No Spanish CDs for sale, is there a way to get the current translated? Dave L has cd's in Spanish, needs translator to assist with sales. It was confirmed that anyone can order Spanish cd's. boxes avail, willing to bring
- Participation is for those willing, no current NCCAA officers are bi-lingual, so where are Hispanics available to do service?
- 3 legacies are not being stated in main speakers-no story as to how they got involved in service.

**3. Are panels covering relevant topics? Are panelists knowledgeable on their topics? How can we do better?**

- The panel I heard about ACCESS and what is being done for those with disabilities was something that I had never heard before.

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- I find the panels dry although the one on anonymity and social media was interesting.
- I have not attended one. They appear to be relevant.
- My sponsor made me attend the panel. Some panels are more relevant than others. It's all interesting.
- My first panel was today. It was interesting.
- I enjoy the panels. This is where I learn about AA. I have learned about Correction Correspondence here. It's a good way to carry the message for my sobriety, the panels are important.
- Panels themselves are fine-but seem to be "minor" characters in the NCCAA program
- I watched a girl from my home group who was not a delegate for NCCAA come back and tell about what she learned here. She was enthusiastic. It was fun to watch her.
- Topics are relevant. I often wonder how much time the speakers take preparing and researching their topics. Work with the various service entities to select the speakers, if not already doing so.

**4. Are we using technology effectively? Following the 11th Tradition?**

- I think they are.
- As times change we change with the times. Square is a new thought/idea.
- No. The Good News should be available on-line. Improvement definitely needed there. Only NCCAA can answer why the average AA member should attend the NCCAA conference? Let's hear it.
- We can probably improve our use of the technology we have.
- Current panel may be able to add to our effectiveness of technology. New ideas e.g. paperless. Takes time and effort. What about those without the ability to use the technology?
- I see progress here.
- It is very hard to find the NCCAA electronically
- I don't use technology much but see that we are moving forward.
- I need to improve technologically, falling behind. Not able to use what is offered.
- We are protecting anonymity while using the technology.
- There seems to be wasted costs in flyers.
- We have always been careful to protect one's anonymity.
- It doesn't stop people from using their sponsors for help in tapping into the technology.
- We can't stop what is making it out there in social media.

**We will be looking at these NCCAA Inventory results at the upcoming June 2016 Summer Conference in Santa Rosa – please join us to help determine the future of NCCAA – we value your input!**

**WE WILL BE CELEBRATING OUR 70<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY IN 2017!**

NCCAA began in 1947 as a way for AA members throughout Northern California to communicate with each other on important issues related to the development of AA locally and AA as a whole.

We are planning ways to celebrate this important milestone of 70 years of NCCAA! We are updating NCCAA archives on our website at <http://norcalaa.org/> and updating our history of NCCAA. Look for more announcements at our website for what's coming up! We are making plans for our 2017 Conferences and the chance to celebrate one of the oldest ongoing events in the history of Alcoholics Anonymous!

## **NCCAA Offers Innovative Service Panels!**

In addition to featuring a variety of great speakers from all over the country, the Northern California Council of Alcoholics Anonymous (NCCAA) has always been a place where A.A. members can gather to discuss important issues related to Alcoholics Anonymous and our fellowship as a whole. The General Service Delegates of CNIA and CNCA participate actively in NCCAA by making regular reports to the council on their experience at each year's General Service Conference in New York, and the General Service Delegates organize Service Panels which are a great forum to learn about issues related to the future of Alcoholics Anonymous. The program of each NCCAA also includes other service panels and workshops that H & I, and other Service Committees organize through Intergroups, Central Offices, and General Service that help to carry A.A.'s message. Two great examples are the Safety in A.A. Workshop held in Lodi in June 2014, and the All A.A. Services Panel in Foster City in March 2015.

The Safety in A.A. Workshop in June 2014 in Lodi explored an important and difficult topic that for a variety of reasons has become more and more crucial for our fellowship to discuss. For Alcoholics Anonymous to work, our fellowship needs to be open and somewhat vulnerable. We trust each other to manage our group's finances, and to welcome new members in to our groups and meetings as safe places where they can find recovery. If you have been around Alcoholics Anonymous for very long, you have probably heard the stories of the group treasurer who ran off the group's 7<sup>th</sup> Tradition contributions, or the "sponsor" who takes advantage of newcomers. This Safety in A.A. Workshop was a great forum to discuss this important issue, and featured three members who shared their personal experience regarding safety in A.A. This experience ranged from a newcomer having a sponsor with a great rich quick investment scheme to personal and romantic relationships that involved members getting involved with con men and losing thousands of dollars in relationships that began in the rooms of Alcoholics Anonymous. These are just a few examples and there certainly aren't easy answers of how to deal with members taking advantage of each other except for the group as a whole working together to help ensure the safety of its members. It seems obvious that we want to support and help defend newcomers who come in contact with those who would use the name of Alcoholics Anonymous for their own selfish ends. Our "common welfare" must come first – there is currently an effort to create a conference-approved A.A. pamphlet regarding this topic of safety in A.A., and it is very timely for NCCAA to have this kind of discussion as part of our conferences.

The All A.A. Services Panel in Foster City in March 2015 focused on the issues of A.A. members with special needs, and accessibility issues, and how well are we welcoming them into our fellowship. The presenters included members from the San Francisco/Marin Access Committee and CNIA Access Committee and is a great example of how our fellowship as a whole is working to provide the best service that we can. San Francisco/Marin Access Committee sponsors the Sunshine Club which organizes meetings for members who are recovering from illness or injury while they are recuperating in their homes or a facility. There was also a wonderful discussion of providing services for the Deaf and hard of hearing member of Alcoholics Anonymous which includes A.A. materials developed through our General Service Office, and local financing of American Sign Language (ASL) interpreters for A.A. events. NCCAA currently is able to support ASL interpretation for the four Open Speaker meetings at each conference, and welcomes the participation of members of the Deaf community.

NCCAA Conferences continue to be a great forum for members of our fellowship to discuss issues vital to the growth and overall health of our fellowship as a whole. Upcoming conferences will include further opportunities to consider important issues related to how our 12<sup>th</sup> Step services are provided and how A.A.'s message of recovery can best reach the alcoholic who still suffers in a safe environment.

---- Submitted by Anonymous

**Hi, I'm Helen T. and I am A  
VERY GRATEFUL Alcoholic/Al-Anon**

Sometime between the evening of April 19 and the early morning of April 20, 1999, I took my last drink. I can't remember exactly because I was a black-out drinker. It was one of those mornings when I woke up in my own bed in my pajamas and didn't remember how I got there. What I did remember was that I had driven myself home from a business dinner with my management team and I knew that I had created a terrible scene in the restaurant but, of course, didn't remember what I had actually said or done. I actually went out to check to see if my car was there and had no damage. What a relief to see that it was and didn't! I also remember that I had one of the worst hang overs that I had ever had and I'm happy to say it was my last!!!

Most importantly, what I do remember about that morning was a knowing in my heart (today I call it grace) that I could not keep living the way I was. At the time I had a two-year old granddaughter, my only grandchild, and knew if I continued moving in the direction that my drinking was going I would probably not be around to experience the joy of seeing her grow up. I knew I would either kill myself or, even worse, kill someone else and end up in prison.

I had seen television ads for an alcohol recovery program at St Helena Hospital in Deer Park. At the time, I thought it was very funny that there was a recovery program in the heart of the Napa Valley-Wine Country since my drug of choice was my "drug" of choice was wine. I picked up the "very heavy" telephone that morning in my hung-over condition and called.

It was at St. Helena Hospital in their 28-day program that I learned that my drinking was but a symptom of my problems. Once the alcohol was out of my life, I realized that I had a lot of work to do to figure out why I used alcohol as my solution. I actually did not have to detox and loved the experience of being at St. Helena. On some level it was like a vacation from my "real" life—the one I could no longer stand living in

I, of course, made many decisions initially that I was counseled not to make in early recovery because, even though I wasn't drinking, I was still thinking like an alcoholic. I got involved in a relationship there, decided to retire, decided to sell my home and relocate to my home in Lake County and the home of the man I met at St. Helena. Thank God for AA and ninety meeting in ninety days.

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The guy I got involved with thought I could keep him sober, which, of course, I couldn't but fortunately, even though he went back out, I didn't. I was in that relationship for 2-1/2 years and because he was ultimately court-ordered back to St. Helena because of a DUI, I found Al-Anon. I owe AA and Al-Anon my life. When asked what I value most in my life today, I have to say it is my sobriety because without it, I would actually not have a life worth living.

Many events and ups and downs have transpired over the last 17 years but none of them have caused me to pick up a drink. Because of both programs, I have sobriety from my chemical addiction, alcohol, and most of the time from my main process addictions—co-dependency, workaholic, and emotional dependency. My two programs along with the other spiritual work I do and teach with my partner are my lifeline. I have learned that "I am 100% responsible for my life and there is no one to blame for anything, including me"—a saying that has become my mantra. I now have the joy of sponsoring many beautiful women in Al-Anon and have made many beautiful and lasting friendships.

I am happy to say that for 14 years I have been partnered with a wonderful, spiritual man who is a "normie" and my summer home has become our permanent home and sanctuary.

Through having a sponsor, being a sponsor, working the steps, service, and vigilance to my spiritual path, I have attained a state of peace, serenity and well-being in my life that 17 years ago I would never have thought was impossible.

Today, I am a very grateful Alcoholic/Al-Anon and definitely plan to "Keep Coming Back". What I know for sure today that I didn't know for many years is that my only problem is me and the only solution is my dedication to working the programs of AA and Al-Anon and adhering to my spiritual path, which includes the Higher Power "of my understanding".

I'll end my "story" with repeating what we say at the end of every Al-Anon meeting—KEEP COMING BACK IT WORKS IF YOU WORK IT, SO WORK IT 'CUZ YOU'RE WORTH IT and today I know I am.

Helen T.



### FROM THE STEERING COMMITTEE ----

This issue we will be hearing from the Young People's Secretary, Chau-Marie G.

The Young Peoples' (YP) Secretary is appointed by the Chairperson of NCCAA. This position is responsible for attaining readers for YP meeting on Saturdays at the conferences and sits on the speaker selection committee. The Saturday night dance is the Host Committee's chair's responsibility, but they often ask YPAA to be involved with facilitating that.

I did not get involved with NCCAA until my sponsor asked me to be her co-chair when she chaired the Modesto host committee in 2013. So my experience with NCCAA hasn't been that long. My foundation in AA was built on the foundation of mainstream Phoenix AA and the 12&12&12 – that is the 12 Steps, the 12 Traditions, and the 12 Concepts. Also a very integral part of my NCCAA position is communicating with the group delegates prior to conferences, giving them the “blue ribbons” which allows them to vote at the delegate meetings.

My involvement with YPAA, however started when I attended ICYPAA in 1985 which was held in Denver. It motivated me and proved to me at the age of 19 that I could stay sober and that fun was still possible. I moved to Modesto when I was 8 years sober but didn't get involved with ACYPAA until a sponsee asked me to participate in MCVYPAA (Mid Central Valley) bidding for ACYPAA. We were finally awarded ACYPAA 30, where I served as facilities chair. ACYPAA found a place in my heart and I've been involved ever since.

My personal mission as YP Secretary for NCCAA is to appeal to YPAA as a whole and get them involved with NCCAA. “Young people in AA are the older members of tomorrow,” and therefore we need to grow our conference one Young Person at a time. We have been appealing to local YPAA committees to get involved in NCCAA. Change is evident, so YP have an opportunity to build and maintain current and future NCCAA conferences!

Thank you for the opportunity to be of service!  
Young People's Secretary: Chau-Marie G.

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### WHY REGISTER?

These conferences are self-supporting. No group money is used to pay for the event. The cost of the event is paid through registration fees and 7th Tradition. Attendance is voluntary and as responsible AA members “We are self-supporting through our own contributions” and “We do pay our own way.” Please help us carry the message to as many people as possible by registering and giving generously in the basket.



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				San Ramon 2016	Santa Rosa 2016	Modesto 2016	Committee 2016		
<b>Beginning balance as of March 18, 2016</b>			<b>\$10,795.03</b>						
<b>Income</b>									
Registration	17,780.39		16597.00	100 PP	1157.26	48 Mail/Other	0.00	26.13	Good News
Seventh Tradition	3,275.08		3275.08	23 Sq Pre	0.00	22 Sq Pre	0.00	0.00	
Free Drawing	2,937.80		2937.80	351 Mail	0.00	7 PP	0.00	0.00	
Marathons	382.15		382.15	280 Door 34 Sq	0.00	0 Door	0.00	0.00	
Donations	300.00		300.00	1034 Total	0.00	77 Total	0.00	0.00	
Concessions	0.00		0.00		0.00		0.00	0.00	
<b>Total Income</b>		<b>\$24,675.42</b>		<b>\$23,492.03</b>		<b>\$1,157.26</b>		<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$26.13</b>
<b>Expense</b>									
Hall-Rental	7,752.00		6727.00		1025.00		0.00	0.00	
Hall-Security	0.00		0.00		0.00		0.00	0.00	
Concessions	0.00		0.00		0.00		0.00	0.00	
Donations	0.00	( C )	0.00		0.00		0.00	0.00	
Dance/Band	600.00		600.00		0.00		0.00	0.00	
Free Drawing	391.57		391.57		0.00		0.00	0.00	
Decorations/Flowers	523.99		223.99		300.00		0.00	0.00	
Sign Lang/Interpeter	200.00		200.00		0.00		0.00	0.00	
Professional/Insur Fees	250.00	( C )	0.00		0.00		0.00	250.00	Taxes
Taxes	25.00	( C )	0.00		0.00		0.00	25.00	
Registration	116.19		116.19		0.00		0.00	0.00	
Flyer-Distr/Mail/Post	297.74		279.31		18.43		0.00	0.00	
Printing-Flyer/Program	2,580.24	( C )	1368.74		1211.50		0.00	0.00	
Speaker/Officer-Dinner	862.42		362.42		500.00		0.00	0.00	
Speaker/Officer-Lodging	3,410.90		3410.90		0.00		0.00	0.00	
Speaker-Travel	2,099.18		1473.48		625.70		0.00	0.00	
Officer-Travel	1,824.70		848.70		665.00		0.00	311.00	
Speaker-Meals	218.89		103.02		0.00		0.00	115.87	
Committee-Supplies	74.49	( C )	0.00		0.00		0.00	74.49	
Committee-Postage	0.00	( C )	0.00		0.00		0.00	0.00	
Committee-Meals	805.04	( C )	689.17		0.00		0.00	115.87	
Exp-Upcoming Conf	0.00	( C )	0.00		0.00		0.00	0.00	
Good News Printing	157.24		0.00		0.00		0.00	157.24	
<b>Total Expenses</b>		<b>\$22,189.59</b>		<b>\$16,794.49</b>		<b>\$4,345.63</b>		<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$1,049.47</b>
<b>Surplus/Loss</b>				<b>\$6,697.54</b>		<b>(\$3,188.37)</b>		<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>(\$1,023.34)</b>
<b>Ending balance as of</b>			<b>\$15,059.92</b>						
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June 10, 11 & 12, 2016**

**Friday, June 10, 2016**  
 2:00 PM Registration Opens  
 3:30 PM Early Bird Meeting  
 8:00 PM Open Speaker Meeting  
  
**Richard B., Ocean City, MD**

**Saturday, June 11, 2016**  
 9:30 AM H & I Panel  
 11-12:30 PM Open Group delegates business meeting  
 1:00 PM General Service Delegates Report  
**Raymundo L. CNCA Panel 65 Delegate**  
 3:30 PM Young People's Meeting  
  
**Oliver G., Concord, CA**  
 8:00 PM Open Speaker Meeting  
  
**Wayne B., St. Petersburg, FL.**  
 10:00 PM Dance Following Drawing

**Sunday, June 12, 2016**  
 9:30 AM All A.A. Services Panel Meeting  
 10:30 AM Open Speaker Meeting  
  
**David N., Santa Rosa, CA**

*Marathon Meetings*

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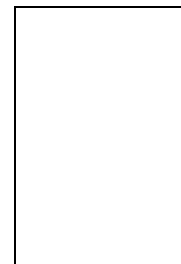
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