

# Intergroup Fellowship June 2024





### **Founders Day Potluck BBQ**

Join us for a day of food, fellowship, fun and the creation of a Founder's Day group art project!

Bring a dish to share!
Saturday, June 8. Meeting 12–1 pm
Fellowship, Art Games & FUN 1–4pm
Ladybug Park
8517 Liman Way, Rohnert Park.

Available to help? Call or text Erica 707 239-9747

Still looking for an MC, cleanup, setup, BBQ help

"'Remember Bill, let's not louse this thing up. Let's keep it simple!' I turned away, unable to say a word. That was the last time I ever saw him." Dr. Bob died at noon the following Thursday, November 16, 1950.

from page 342, Pass It On: The story of Bill Wilson and How the A.A. Message Reached the World, © 1984

Last year a position on ICSC was created so that the most recent Chair of ICSC could stay on as a non-voting advisor. After review of our bylaws, it's come to our attention that this position was created erroneously and will no longer continue.

Please reach out to Amber C, Intergroup Chair, with any questions you may have regarding this matter.

### Step 6

Were entirely ready to have remove all these defects of character.

### **Tradition 6**

An A.A. Group ought never endorse finance or lend the A.A. name to any related facility or outside enterprise, lest problems of money, property, or prestige divert us from our primary purpose.

### Concept 6

The Conference recognizes that the chief initiative and active responsibility in most world service matters should be exercised by the trustee members of the Conference acting as the General Service Board.

# CALLING ALL INTERGROUP REPRESENTATIVES

Sonoma County Intergroup Needs You!

Please attend the monthly General Meeting on the 4th Monday of the month to make sure your meeting is getting the most up to date information and your group's conscience is heard! There is currently 26% meeting participation at the General Meeting. Please join us as we discuss important topics related to activities, the bookstore and more!



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## In and Near Sonoma County:







### From the Editor:

The Sonoma County Fellowship News is, like everything we do, a group effort. Everything in here is created by members who submit items, information, and articles that I piece together.

We'd like to expand the newsletter to include short articles (about 250-400 words) on topics such as: why I serve, personal experiences with the step of the month, surprising gifts of the program, quips heard at meetings, or...

Puzzles, artwork, and comics could also be fun and interesting. So I encourageall members to create and share for the newsletter.

And of course you are always welcome to send your comments and suggestions.

Thanks to all who contributed their reports, announcements and flyers, as well as to the production aides for June's poppy-color scheme, the proofreading, and general support.

Please email: newsletter@sonomacountyaa.org
— in your service, *Arjuna* 



# **Bookstore**

750 Mendocino Ave., Suite 10 in Santa Rosa 707 546-2066 Open Monday thru Saturday 10am - 6pm. Closed Sundays, Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Years Day. The online store open 24/7 https://scif.myshopify.com/



### Book of the Month \$13.00 "Thank You for Sharing: Sixty Years of Letters to the Grapevine"



General Service invites you to

### THE DELEGATE'S BBQ!

California Northern Coastal Area Delegate Eric L

sharing his NYC Conference experience

### Monday, June 3 2024

Potluck and BBQ ~ 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm Delegate's Report ~ 7:30 pm to 9:15 pm

(In lieu of the regular General Service business meeting)
Zoom Meeting ID: 973 6892 3488 Passcode: Dist12GS

Faith Lutheran Church ~ 4930 Newanga Ave., Santa Rosa Parking is limited; carpooling recommended

Hot Dogs, Burgers, Veggie Burgers & Drinks provided Please bring a side dish, salad or dessert to share

Volunteers Needed! Call Larry V. (510) 552-9894

### **Hospital and Institution Committee**

You can make a huge difference in service to the confined alcoholic, either by bringing the message or bringing the meeting. Come to the next H & I business meeting and participate in valuable twelfth step work. Bring a friend, bring a sponsor, bring a sponsee!

"Voices of Long-term Sobriety" \$16.45 "Our 12 Traditions" \$13.75

PLEASE READ REGARDING CONTRIBUTIONS TO H & I: Checks from the main office will be returned if they are not made out correctly. Make checks/money orders payable to: NorCal H&I. In memo: Area 22 (for Sonoma County). Checks made out to H&I will be returned by the bank. Online contributions can be made at www.handinorcal.org/contribute. This can be used for personal contributions or group contributions.

Welcome to our new Meeting Reps: Franklin S., Dena Z., and Dan G. Thank you for your service! Welcome to our visitors: Zac, Andrew, Kyle, and Dan. Keep coming back! Happy May Sobriety Birthdays to Dave F. 39 yrs, Robert H. 21 yrs, Kenny 10 yrs, Chantel 2 yrs, Dan G. 21 months, Tori 1 year, Dena 10 months!

Come to the next business meeting and check out service opportunities. It will be on Wednesday, June 5, at 6:15pm at The Center for Spiritual Living in Santa Rosa. New Rep and visitor orientation begins at 5:45, and all are welcome to attend.

— in Service, Cat C.

### **Upcoming Seminars**

I invite you to volunteer for the upcoming seminars. I am looking for speakers with experience or enthusiasm on these topics:

July 2024: The God of My Misunderstanding. (1-male, 1-female) Your journey started with difficulty hearing "God" mentioned in meetings. You struggled with Step 3 and 11. You had little idea what spirituality meant. This seminar will enhance your grasp of the concept of a Higher Power and offers the benefit from others who had previously struggled with this topic.

September 2024: Spiritual Intoxication & Emotional Sobriety.

(2-male, 2-female) Term "dry-drunk," often used in shares points to individuals whose recovery is solely based on abstinence only. This seminar will explore spiritual awakenings, God-shots, self reflection, growth, ridding oneself of ego and finding a higher-self to reap the benefits of being happy, joyous and free.

November 2024: Life on Life's Terms: Applying the 12-Steps as a Program of Recovery. (2-male, 2-female) Alcohol Anonymous is a continuous program of action. This seminar will explore how the presenters walked through difficult times by applying the steps of Alcohol Anonymous to their life problems.

If interested, please contact Stacy: seminars@sonomacountyaa.org

— thank you, Stacy T.

### Registrar's Report for April 2024

As of April 22<sup>nd</sup> 2024, there were a total of 243 groups here in Sonoma County, with a total of 429 meetings each week:

> Zoom: 125 In-Person: 280 Hvbrid: 24

### **Intergroup Representatives**

There were a total of 60 Intergroup Representatives in attendance at the April Intergroup meeting:

by Zoom: 23

in-Person: 31, plus 6 new representatives! — thanks for letting me be of service, Ellen W.

### **April 2024 Treasurer's Report**

The Bookstore income for April was \$9,221. Cost of goods total was \$6,022. Total expenses for April were \$3,970 for a loss of \$771. Central Office income for April 2024 was \$7,565. Total expenses for April were \$3,921 for a gain of \$3,644. Intergroup Activities income for April 2024 was \$0. Expenses for April 2024 were \$60, for a loss of \$60. Overall in April we had an overall gin of \$2,934.

Year to date income is \$65,478, total cost of goods is \$25,630, and our expenses are \$34,239 for an overall gain of \$5,609.

# Sonoma County Intergroup Fellowship Statement of Activities by Entity YTD

Accrual Basis April 2024

	Bookstore		Central Office		Total Intergroup		TOTAL	
	Apr 24	Jan - Apr 24	Apr 24	Jan - Apr 24	Apr 24	Jan - Apr 24	Apr 24	Jan - Apr
Ordinary Income/Expense Income Activities Income						666.52		666.5
Alkathon Income Bank Interest Bookstore	9,221.45	38,092.44		10.79			9,221.45	10.7 38,092.4
Central Office Income			7,591.54	26,735.12			7,591.54	26,735.
Newletter Subscriptions			(26.50)	(26.50)			(26.50)	(26.
Total Income	9,221.45	38,092.44	7,565.04	26,719.41		666.52	16,786.49	65,478.
Cost of Goods Sold Cost of Sales Bookstore Credit Card Processing Fees Shopify Monthly fee	5,689.01 193.38 139.86	24,276.90 787.16 565.86					5,689.01 193.38 139.86	24,276. 787. 565.
Total COGS	6,022.25	25,629.92					6,022.25	25,629
Gross Profit	3,199.20	12,462.52	7,565.04	26,719.41		666.52	10,764.24	39,848
Expense Accounting, Bookkeeping & Legal	125.00	500.00	125.00	500.00			250.00	1,000
Activities Exp. Alkathon Exp. Bank Charges		32.00			(60.25)	533.00 56.24	(60.25)	533 56 32
Contributions Depreciation Expense	128.63	514.52	128.63	514.52		482.55	257.26	482 1,029
Directories Insurance Expense	(460.28)	(286.33)	(460.27)	210.00 (286.35)			(920.55)	210 (572
Licenses & Permits	30.00	30.00					30.00	30
Newsletters Office Expenses	96.53	609.69	854.83 76.98	1,689.33 426.60			854.83 173.51	1,689 1,036
Pamphlets & Cards PayPal Fees Payroll & PR Taxes	1,882.51	80.00 8,698.51	1,882.58	423.00 66.36 8,651.69			3,765.09	503 66 17,350
Payroll Expenses	1,002.31	0,090.51	1,002.30	0,031.09			3,703.09	17,550
Renovations - Bookstore Rent - Facility & Storage	648.59	90.03 2,594.36	1,078.90	4,861.20			1,727.49	90 7,455
Seminar & Conferences								
Telephone Expense	84.63	338.43	84.64	338.46			169.27	676
Teleservice Hot Line Utilities - Facility	62.40	408.78	59.00 62.40	236.38 408.78			59.00 124.80	236 817
Volunteer Expense Web Site & Internet Costs	700.68 671.60	745.68 671.60	27.99	99.96			700.68 699.59	745 771
Total Expense	3,970.29	15,027.27	3,920.68	18,139.93	(60.25)	1,071.79	7,830.72	34,238
et Ordinary Income	(771.09)	(2,564.75)	3,644.36	8,579.48	60.25	(405.27)	2,933.52	5,609
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# Group Contributions to Intergroup

<b>Group Number</b>	Name	City	Day	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	Total
	11th Step Group	Healdsburg	Saturday	135.00			•	\$135.00
425498	12 & 12 Live & in Person	Petaluma	Thursday	106.00				\$106.00
134282	12 X 12 Plus Group	Santa Rosa	Tuesday	20.00				\$50.00
173873	A Vision For You	Petaluma	Thursday	290.34				\$290.34
123327	Afternoon Delight	Cotati	Tuesday	74.64			56.38	\$131.02
	As Bill Sees It Discussion	Santa Rosa	Monday		20.00			\$20.00
631609	Big Book Study	Sonoma	Monday		245.01			\$245.01
1/6606	District Deme 12	Soriorila Co			00.22			\$22.30
1683//	Expect A Miracle	Santa Kosa	Wednesday	1000	204.72			\$204.72
695254	Friday Night Vets	Santa Rosa	Friday	100.97				\$640.97
1292/3	riiday ivooners	Salita Rosa	Thursday	02.061				02.000.5
30019	Good Neignbors	Geyserville	Inursday	700.00	00.00			\$200.00
102245	Harmony Group	Santa Rosa	Monday	000	797.00			\$292.00
122205	Healdsburg Came to believe	Healdsburg	Friday	20.00	00.07			\$50.00
133395	Healdsburg Sober Sisters	Healdsburg	Wednesday	00.080	150.00			\$150.00
697399	Language of the Heart	Petaluma	wegnesday	240.00				\$240.00
13/1/4	LGBI Newcomers	Santa Kosa	Friday	114.89				\$114.89
123069	Lunch Bunch	Petaluma	ıuesday	201.85				\$201.85
3/3/19	Mid Morning Sanity	Zoom	M-F	:	149.50	122.82		\$272.32
	Mon.NightAlcoholics Only	Santa Rosa	Monday	142.40				\$142.40
708310	Monte Rio Fellowship	Monte Rio	any		256.00			\$256.00
175749	New Women in AA	Rohnert Park		,	118.40			\$118.40
342867	Not Taking a Trip			60.31		80.83		\$141.14
	Other Saturday		Saturday	230.00				\$230.00
174795	Petaluma Valley	Petaluma	Friday		161.00		177.53	\$161.00
175166	Quitting Time	Petaluma	Th, Sa, Su		110.05			\$110.05
	Realización	Santa Rosa	Daily		20.00			\$50.00
628278	River Women's Meeting	Guerneville	Monday	31.60				\$31.60
697920	Saturday Solution Group	Petaluma	Saturday	162.40				\$162.40
	Sebastopol Men's Stag	Sebastopol	Monday		155.00			\$155.00
173254	Serenity Fellowship	Santa Rosa	Various		1250.00			\$1250.00
143996	Single Purpose Group	Sebastopol	Wednesday	20.00				\$50.00
145485	Sober Sisters	Sebastopol	Tuesday	41.32				\$41.32
161999	Sober Sunday	Santa Rosa	Sunday	365.93				\$365.93
74129	Sobriety Rocks	Sebastopol	Sunday	127.60				\$127.60
606963	Sonoma Big Book Group	Sonoma	Tuesday	134.40				\$134.40
101117	Sonoma County Men's Stag	Cotati	Monday	880.00				\$880.00
143995	Sonoma Friday Night	Sonoma	Friday	149.98				\$149.98
355860	Sonoma Sober Sunrise	Sonoma			81.52			\$81.52
100537	Sonoma Valley Fellowship	Sonoma	daily	200.00				\$500.00
702959	Step Sisters Group	Santa Rosa	Sunday	46.00				\$46.00
659338	Sunday Breakfast Club	Petaluma	Sunday	53.00				\$53.00
133425	Sun.NightClosedDiscuss.	Rohnert Park	Sunday		852.00			\$852.00
102266	Sunday Niters	Sebastopol	Sunday		250.00			\$250.00
671043	There is a Solution	Healdsburg	Sunday	250.00				\$250.00
44343	(unknown)	(unknown)	(unknown)	120.40				\$120.40
141135	Up the Steps	Santa Rosa	Saturday	140.14				\$140.14
67/693	Wednesday Westerners	Petaluma	Wednesday		280.64			\$280.64
2/2//	Wednesday Wonders/ nbc	Soniorila Canta Baca	wednesday		250.00			330.00
71170	Without a Flayer	Dahaart Dark	Med/Th		00.00			\$550.00
(21513	Wollielisbook study	Minden raik	wed/IIIu	CAACC	20.00			227.47
100760	Women's Tues, at Noon	Windsor Canta Doca	Tuesday	324.42				\$324.42
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486288	(unknown)	(unknown)	(unknown)	425.00				\$425.00
	Individual Members	N/A	N/A			75.67		\$75.67
		TOTALS		\$6.764.09	\$5.148.34	\$279.32		\$12.790.64

### SCIF General Meeting Minutes – April 22, 2024

The meeting opened at 7:30 with the Serenity Prayer and Preamble, followed by readings of Tradition 4 and Concept 4.

**Introduction of New Representatives:** Krista Taking a trip, Ed Knuckleheads, Steve Rooms in Sebastopol, Jennifer Afternoon Delight, Linda Sunday Closed, Carley Monday Women's in Rohnert park 7pm

**Birthdays since we last met:** Stacey 5 years, Jennifer 9 yrs, Shauna 5 yrs, Max 4 yrs, Joanna 8 yrs, Jake 18 months, Carley 38 yrs, Alma 2 yrs

**Election of ICSC Committee Members** (Simple Majority): Tina, member of ICSC nominating committee introduces nominees: Brad, Wendy. Wendy is elected. Congratulations

**Election of Committee Chairs 3rd Legacy Nominations** (Simple Majority): Vice Chair Position Nominees: Melanie is available and needs more information.

### **OFFICER REPORTS**

**Chair:** (Amber C.) Remind everyone group insurances are at the bookstore. If your group purchased insurance they are due by May 12<sup>th</sup>. Welcome to the new reps if you weren't able to make it to the orientation please join us next month at 7pm. Please give info to Megan if you were voted in.

Vice Chair: (Kristin P.) No report

**Secretary:** (Megan M) Motion to approve minutes from last meeting. Second by Clark. No report.

**Treasurer:** (Holly H.) The Bookstore income for March 2024 was \$8020. Cost of goods total was \$5,865. Total expenses for March were \$3,545 for a subtotal loss of \$1,390. Central Office income for March 2024 was \$3,519. Total expenses for March were \$4,963 for a loss of \$1,444. Intergroup Activities income for March 2024 was \$0. Expenses for March 2024 were \$0, so there was no loss or gain. Overall in March we had an overall loss of \$2,834. Year to date our income is \$48,692 total cost of goods is \$19,608, and our expenses are \$26,339 leaving a gain of \$2,745.

**Registrar:** (Ellen W.) As of March 2024 there were a total of 241 groups here in Sonoma County offering a total of 427 meetings each week. Zoom only general meeting. There were a total of 54 reps in attendance and 7 were new. Reps: Zoom 12, In-person 35, New reps 7. Meetings Zoom 130, In person 272, Hybrid 25.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

ICSC: (Marian McD.) My FINAL report to SCIF - my last as ICSC Chair As I began my time as Chair of ICS 6 months ago, I saw my role as consolidation as I followed two strong leaders and I stated my vision for my term. •We DO what we say we will do, and we finish what we start! • We are RESPONSIBLE and RESPONSIVE. Those have been the themes of my term. If we aim to do what we say we will do, we must KNOW what we have said we will do! That led to a close look at our Bylaws and Policies and Procedures. As we began we were not even clear which bylaws were current! We now believe that current Bylaws are from 2008 and current P+Ps are from 2020. In service to "We finish what we start," I have proposed a Continuity Report to be prepared by each outgoing Chair to be given to ICSC, reviewing projects COMPLETED during their term and projects PENDING, in process, with the plan for completion. I have initiated that report to ICSC. We have an Ad Hoc ("for this") committee meeting once a month to identify issues to be brought to ICSC, which will include a careful look at both Bylaws and P&Ps to determine if revisions are needed. That committee continues to meet. All are welcome to participate. Bookstore staff has found a nationwide group of Managers of AA Intergroups and Bookstores which is proving to be a valuable source of information and experience. We have had pushback for the decision to add non-Conference Approved Literature (CAL) books to the bookstore, and that input is being carefully heard and considered. We are certainly not the first to offer non-CAL books. We are COMMITTED to following the Traditions as guided by the group conscience of the Sonoma County Intergroup Fellowship. Tradition

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One: Our common welfare should come first; personal recovery depends upon

AA unity. I ask that each of us recall that we are ALL acting in service to our recovery and to our community. Tradition Two: For our group purpose there is but one ultimate authority - a loving God a He may express Himself in our group conscience. Our leaders are but trusted servants; they do not govern. Assuredly we will offer the opportunity for all groups to provide their input to any proposed revisions of bylaws or P & Ps. This will not be quick! We can do no better than to move forward in commitment to our treasured Traditions. Thank you for allowing me to be of service!

**BOOKSTORE:** (Bob F.) Go look at our online Bookstore, it is looking much better. In March we sold 341 Basic AA books. Book of the month for May is "Our Great Responsibility" 20% off \$11.99. Grapevine Books for the 2nd quarter at \$2 off each; "One on One AA Sponsorship," "Our 12 Traditions," "Voices of Long-term Sobriety." A brand-new Grapevine book is out and available at the bookstore "Our Twelve Steps" for \$18.99. Group Insurance expires on May 14th and a payment of \$50 per meeting location for the next policy year 2024-2025 is due by May 12th. Certificate application is at the bookstore, or a PDF on the website or by email. Starting May 1st the bookstore hours will be 10-6 Mon-Sat closed Sunday. The Bookstore is looking for part time help with landscape maintenance, service guide editing and publishing and thrift store shopping. See Bob.

**OUTREACH:** (Peter R.) So far ten people have volunteered for our outreach committee. We will be meeting after the meeting to discuss meetings we will be going to that do not have intergroup representation. Anyone interested can email me or stay after the meeting.

**ACTIVITIES:** (Erica C.) Founders day location and date are set. Saturday June 8<sup>th</sup> from 12-4 at Lady Bug Park. Flyer coming soon. More will be revealed.

**ALKATHONS:** (Shauna) Please join us for the 28<sup>th</sup> Annual Cache Creek River Rafting trip. Tickets are on sale at www.cachecreekgroup.org. June 21-23, 2024!! WHAT'S INCLUDED: 2 Days of Whitewater Rafting, All Meals, Riverside Camping, Nightly Meetings, Blacklight Disco Dance Party.

**NEWSLETTER:** (Arjuna) Submission DEADLINE for the June Newsletter is Friday, May 17<sup>th</sup> which is 10 days before the General Meetings as always. Please submit stuff as early as possible, especially since the last weekend in May is the Memorial Day Weekend. Also, please send announcements of events happening early in July.

**WEBMASTER:** (Dave N.) Please send notes and things you want on the website, please make sure all information is correct before sending to post on the website. Once your email is received I will respond but that doesn't mean it will be posted immediately. Email on the newsletter and website.

**SEMINARS:** (Stacey) Coming in May is the first seminar this year. They will be in person. Saturday, May 11th from 4-6pm held at the bookstore. First panel is "Back to the basics - Old School AA," with one hundred fifty-four years collective sobriety across panelists. Other three topics will be posted in the newsletter. If you are interested in the topics please reach out to me.

**TELESERVICE:** (Anne G.) Things are looking good with shifts being covered. One shift is still open Wednesday 1-5pm. Requirement. Requirement is 1 year sobriety, working knowledge of the 12 steps and 12 traditions and 1 year commitment. Would like to start creating a list of those who are interested in teleservice but may not meet the requirements yet.

**ICSC NOMINATING COMMITTEE:** (Clark) We had our election tonight and will have our next election in October for the November term.

**UNITY DAY:** (Maria): Held at 1000 Gravenstein Highway in Sebastopol at the Community Church. Date is October 19<sup>th</sup>.

### **LIAISON REPORTS**

**SWACYPAA:** (vacant) Will reporting. Hosting a 7 state conference August 8-11<sup>th</sup> in San Rafael at Embassy Suites. Register for \$25 and you can also sponsor a newcomer. Next event will be a silent disco April 27<sup>th</sup> at the Petaluma Alano club.

### SPANISH CENTRAL OFFICE: (Alma) No report

**H & I**: (Brad) H & I needs speakers. You need to go to the H & I business meeting to be a speaker. Find which meeting speaks to you and talk with that coordinator. 1st Wednesday of every month Center for Spiritual Road at 5:45 for new reps for orientation. 6:15 regular start time.

**GENERAL SERVICE:** (Denise G.) General Service is the link between our fellowships and A.A. as a whole. We take the voice of our groups, their group conscience, back to our delegate and the General Service Conference. We also keep our groups informed on what is happening within Alcoholics Anonymous.

On April 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>, 2024, the Pre-Conference Assembly was held in Petaluma, CA. This event was hosted by our district, and District 18, Spanish District North. It was very successful and had the 4th highest attendance of a Pre-Conference

for CNCA, Northern California. Our GSRs gave their group consciences to our Delegate by email, written report, or by presenting to the assembly at the microphone. We actually made it through all the agenda topics by Sunday afternoon.

The Conference was held last week in New York City. We will hear a full report at the Post-Conference Assembly in Willits on May 11, 2024. We have been advised that the "Plain Language Big Book" was approved and will be going to print, it should be available for purchase this Fall. It is actually a tool to be used with the Big Book, and your feedback on the finished project will be asked for. Stay tuned!

District 12 will be hosting a Delegate's BBQ on June 3, 2024, in lieu of our regular business meeting. I have flyers on the back table. We invite you and your fellowships to attend, enjoy the BBQ and fellowship, then adjourn to the rectory to hear the Delegate's report yourself. It should be a great evening-please help us get the word out!

Our business meetings are the 1st Monday of each month at 7:30 pm at Faith Lutheran Church on Newanga Ave. It is a hybrid meeting- see sonomacountyaa. org for details!

Thank-you for allowing me to be of service. Denise Gebb District 12 DCMC General Service

BRIDGING THE GAP: (Megan) No report

**PI/PCP:** (Brett): PI/PCP is public information and cooperation with the professional community. PI/PCP's purpose is to educate the public about AA and our fellowship. They provide literature and speakers for school presentations, DUI classes and to professionals who have contact with alcoholics. We need speakers with 2 years of sobriety. Our business meeting is the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month at 7:30 pm with speaker training at 7pm at the bookstore.

ACCESS SONOMA COUNTY: (Sam) Access Committee Report April 2024 Access Committee is happy to report on the successful Mental Health and Recovery Workshop which was held this past Saturday April 20th. At the workshop, speakers were split between two panels. One panel focused on sponsorship experiences involving mental health challenges, and useful solutions to barriers encountered. And the second panel focused on various ways physical wellness plays a role in mental health, as well as AA's official view of medication use and cooperation with the medical community. The workshop also made time for Q&A, as well as breakout sessions where attendees engaged in discussions in smaller groups facilitated by each of the panel speakers. Five local A.A. members and one A.A. member from Berkeley graciously agreed to speak on these panels. Some who attended via Zoom were from outside Sonoma County, mostly other Districts within our General Service Area 6, and one member visiting from Switzerland was able to attend in person. Overall we consider this event a great success, we're humbled and grateful for the opportunity to have hosted, and we're looking forward to planning other events like this for Sonoma County fellowship in the future. Access is a sub-committee of General Service, so the generous distribution of 7th Tradition contributions to District 12 from local members, meetings and groups is what made this event possible. And a turnout of approximately 100 people confirms the level of interest in events like this, and emphasizes the importance of continuing to create such events. Nearly 40% of attendees participated via Zoom, the rest attended in-person, showing the ongoing accessibility need for Hybrid events. Several Spanish speaking attendees were able to participate thanks to the coordination Interpretation and Translation (I&T), another sub-committee of General Service District 12. The topic of this workshop was chosen last year by Sonoma County fellowship, and we hope to hold future events on other topics of which similar levels of interest were expressed. Those topics include Aging in Recovery, Childcare/Caregiving in Recovery, and others. Access would like to thank Sonoma County fellowship for providing the opportunity to hold this workshop. When planning this event and others like it, Access is committed to increasing awareness of the additional challenges some alcoholics experience when reaching out for help, and to create space to explore as a fellowship ways we might eliminate or minimize barriers which may prevent someone from having access to all aspects of A.A: meetings, fellowship, the Twelve Steps, literature, sponsorship and service opportunities at the group level and beyond. To contact Access Committee please email asc@sonomacountyaa.org. All are welcome to attend business meetings, held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month at 7:15pm, via Zoom. Next meeting is May 9th. Meeting ID: 934 2984 1277 Passcode: 804715

**OLD BUSINESS:** none **NEW BUSINESS:** none

**GROUP SHARING:** None

**GROUP REPRESENTATIVE SUMMARY:** provided by Holly

Meeting adjourned with Responsibility Statement at 8:39 pm

-in Service, Megan M.

# Beyond our Wildest Dreams:

# Mark your calendar! AA International Convention

### VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA, CANADA July 3 - 6, 2025

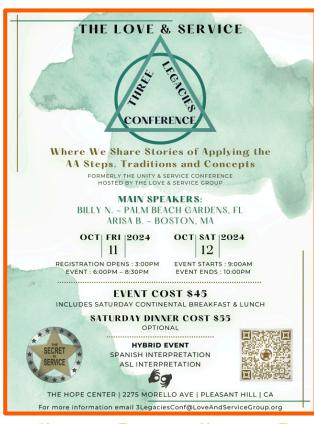
Members will gather from around the globe to celebrate AA's 90th anniversary at the 2025 International Convention!

### FOR INFORMATION AND FAQ, VISIT:

### www.aa.org/international-convention

As the Convention approaches, we will update the aa.org website with registration information. Join AA members and their families at the Vancouver Convention Center and BC Place Stadium for an exciting weekend of meetings, workshops, dances and events. Let's celebrate sobriety together in 2025!







### June 2024 — Service Meetings & Events

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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1st Sunday 2 SWACYPAA Business Mtg. 7:30 pm 1551 Montgomery Dr, Santa Rosa Hybrid — Zoom ID: 8391309 8280 no password	General Service Business Mtg. 7:30 pm New Rep Orient, 6:30 pm 4930 Newanga Ave, SR For Zoom ID: Email chairperson.	4	1st Wednesday 5 H&I 5:45 New Rep Orient. 6:15pm Business Mtg Center for Spiritual Living 2075 Occidental Road Santa Rosa	6	7	8
9	2nd Monday SCIF Steering Committee 7:30 pm AA Bookstore 750 Mendocino Ave. Hybrid: Go to sonomcountyaa.org for ID and password	<b>Teleservice</b> 6:00 pm on Zoom ID: 860 4370 3384 PW: 62	2 <sup>nd</sup> Wednesday 12 PI/CPC Business Mtg. 7:30pm at the AA Bookstore Hybrid — Zoom ID: 961 8127 1048 PW: Dist12GS 7:00 New Rep Orient	Access Sonoma County Business Meeting 7:15pm on Zoom ID: 934 2984 1277 PW: 804715	Newsletter Submission Deadline 5:00 pm. newsletter@ sonomacountyaa.org	15
3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday SWACYPAA Business Mtg. 7:30 pm 1551 Montgomery Dr. Santa Rosa Hybrid — Zoom ID: 839 1309 8280 no password	17	3rd Tuesday Bridging the Gap Business Mtg. 6:30 pm at the Bookstore. 6:00 pm New Rep. Orientation.	19	Summer Solstice 1:51 pm	21	22
<sup>23</sup> / <sub>30</sub>	4th Monday 24 SCIF Intergroup Business Mtg., 7:30 pm St. Luke Church 905 Mendocino Ave, S.R. Hybrid — Zoom ID: 860 4370 3384 PW: 62 7:00 pm New Rep Orient.	25	26 page 7	27	28	29



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### **Common Acronyms:**

SCIF = Sonoma County Intergroup Fellowship
ICSC = Intergroup Central Service Committee
DCMC = District Committee Member Chair
PI/PCP = Public Information/Cooperation with
the Professional Community

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