



SCAAN Summer Issue - July 27, 2024

# The Keys of the Kingdom



# FROM THE DELEGATE'S DESK.....

### Hello Area 5!

I hope everyone is safe and healthy. I'm honored and privileged to serve as your Panel 73 Delegate assigned to the Treatment and Accessibilities Committee.

I'm proud of the work you're doing to help "*Carry the Message*" of hope and recovery to still suffering alcoholics and their families. Continue to use the resources provided us by the General Service Office (GSO) to further your projects and bolster your activities.

We are approaching our final business assembly of the year and this panel! I can't believe we're in the final 6 months of Panel 73. Wow, what a ride it's been.

I was able to connect with most of the districts to conduct Delegate Report Backs since the Spring Assembly in May. June was a whirlwind of a month leading up to the ACM.

Don't forget to forward the information I shared during the report back with your districts, groups, and members. I will visit 4 more districts in August to round out the reports. I'm happy to revisit any district, attend group meetings that want to hear from me directly, and set up in person or virtual sessions. There was a lot of good work accomplished at the 74<sup>th</sup> General Service Conference this year! Pass it on.

### Page 5 of the A.A. Service Manual reads:

### THE DELEGATE & THE CONFERENCE

<u>After the Conference meeting:</u> Each delegate reports back to their area on Conference proceedings and the approved Conference Advisory Actions and additional committee considerations. <u>Each GSR</u>, <u>having had the opportunity to hear from and ask questions of their delegate</u>, is responsible for <u>informing their group on the Conference outcome</u>.

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I took a much-needed vacation following the June ACM to help move my eldest daughter and her family to Virginia, which wasn't really a vacation, if you know what I mean. Fortunately, the move is complete, we spent time with 3 of our grandkids, and visited one of my brothers in Boone, NC, over the July 4<sup>th</sup> weekend. It was cool to experience the Independence Day Holiday in Small Town USA. And it was great to get some rest and spend time with family. Hopefully, your summer has been enjoyable as well!

The 2024 Pacific Regional Forum will start this evening! Those from Area 5 in attendance will hear directly from GSO staff, the General Manager, and Board members on the health of our Fellowship. It's your opportunity to ask questions and meet our trusted servants and employees face-to-face. I will report updates during the Summer Assembly for those unable to be here in Las Vegas.

Registration for the 2025 International Convention in Vancouver, BC, Canada, will open September 10, 2024. Please visit aa.org for updates as the date is fast approaching.

Don't forget that Area elections will be conducted at the October Fall Assembly. Plan to be there and make yourself available for officer positions. **WE NEED YOU**!



Lastly, I want to thank our Committee Chairs for their continued service helping carry the message in their respective committee, the DCMs/DCMCs for your leadership role in your respective districts, our Officers for their behind-the-scenes work enabling Area 5 to function, and our CFO & Audit Subcommittee for watching over our finances.

Feel free to contact me at any time via my email address: <u>delegate@area05aa.org</u> or my mobile number listed in the SCAAN. I look forward to being with you at our Summer Assembly on Saturday, July 27, 2024.

I am honored to represent Area 5 and all of you!

Respectfully,

Doug S., Delegate Southern California Area 05, Panel 73

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# <u>Upcoming Events</u>





# AREA 05 COMMITTEES

- Accessibilities
- Area Archives
- Audio Visual
- Cooperation with the Elderly
   Community (CEC)
- Cooperation with the
   Professional Community (CPC)
- Cooperation With the Young
   Community
- Corrections
- Finance

- Grapevine/La Viña
- Guidelines and Policies
- Interpretation
- Literature
- Newsletter (SCAAN)
- Public Information (P.I.)
- Registration
- Translation
- Treatment Facilities
- Website/Tech (AREA05AA.ORG)

# **USEFUL WEBSITES**

aa.org - General Service in New York. (GSO and World Services)

area05aa.org - Southern California Area Assembly (Area 05)

aagrapevine.org - A.A. Grapevine (A monthly journal of A.A. stories articles of interest.)

aalavina.org - A.A. La Vina (A.A.'s Spanish Language Magazine)

|          | Sa Area Assembly (Winter) |             | 4 Area DCM Sharing Session (Host: Area 93 Central CA) | Su Area Committee Meeting   |                                   | F-Su PRAASA - Pacific Region AA Service Assembly (Host: Area 06 CA No. Coastal) | _ |                      |                |                               | Su-Sa General Service Conference (Brooklyn, NY) |       | Su Area Assembly (Spring) |             | Sa Steering Committee Meeting | Sa Area Committee Meeting                                            |                             | F-Su Pacific Regional Forum (Las Vegas, NV) | Sa Area Assembly (Summer) |                          | Su Area Committee Meeting | er              | Sa Steering Committee Meeting |                   | Su Area Election Assembly (Fall) |                    | El Foro de Servicios Generales | Sa Area Committee Meeting |          |                          | Sa Steering Committee Meeting |          |                   |                   |                |                                       |                                              |                |                      |                         |                 |
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# **2024 SCAA CALENDAR APPROVED**

# The Keys of the Kingdom

Although the details of her lived experience differ from mine, there are many similarities.

This female alcoholic succinctly explains how "I was caught in a cycle of alcohol and sedation that was proving inescapable, and consciousness has become intolerable." pg. 268.

I can speak only for myself where life had given me plenty of opportunities to perpetuate "my smoldering self-pity into a fair-sized bonfire, and this kept me well supplied with reasons for having another drink, and then another." pg. 269.

What I needed was a miracle.

"But how does one get a prescription for a miracle?" pg. 270 she inquires.

As we stick around the "rooms", we discover that the miracle is this life we're creating in Alcoholics Anonymous.

Early in my sobriety, I was exposed to this story in the book. But what she explained seemed like a far-fetched dream. But the longer I've stayed sober, the truer her words have become.

"A.A. is not a plan for recovery, that can be finished and done with." Each day sober exposes openings where I can practice

the principles behind each of the 12 steps in my life – honesty, hope, surrender, courage, integrity, willingness, humility, love, responsibility, discipline, awareness, and service.

To be gifted with a program "that allows for limitless expansion" is more than this alcoholic could have ever hoped for. As our book explains, "An alcoholic in his cups is an unlovely creature" pg. 16

For me, this story encapsulates my experience as an alcoholic growing up in Alcoholics Anonymous. Where I was selfish, I am given a chance to be of service and where I have been dishonest, I can be courageous with my truth and honesty. Only by being aware of my character defects, am I granted a chance to make right all who I have wronged.

"Where we used to run from responsibility, we find ourselves accepting with gratitude that we can successfully shoulder it." pg. 275

"In return for a bottle and a hangover, we have been given the Keys of the Kingdom" pg. 276 - truly the miracle I had been searching for.

In Gratitude,

Hourig G. Sunland, CA Sober: 2/5/97



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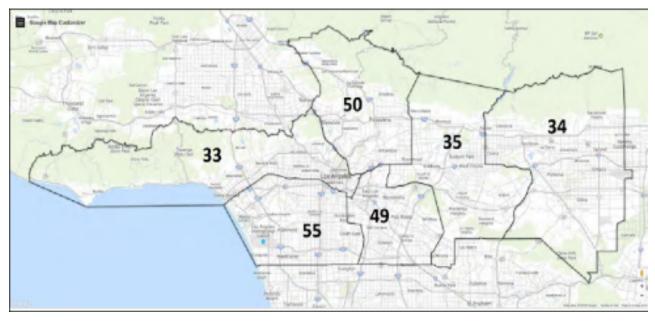
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# Area 05 Maps





AREA MAP (Spanish-Speaking Districts)

### **\*\*OPPORTUNITIES FOR 12 STEP SERVICE AWAIT MEMBERS OF AA!\*\***

### PLEASE SHARE WITH ALL AA GROUP MEMBERS

OUR GENERAL SERVICE AREA 05-SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA ASSEMBLY HAS A SERVICE COMMITTEE CALLED *"CORRECTIONS COMMITTEE"* 

**OUR MISSION:** TO ENCOURAGE AND GUIDE ALL AA MEMBERS IN OUR SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA TO BE OF SERVICE TO THE INCARCERATED STILL-SUFFERING ALCOHOLICS IN ONE OR MORE CAPACITIES:

### 1) H&I JAIL PANEL LEADERS: PLEASE BRING ENOUGH "CONTACT UPON RELEASE FORMS" FOR THE INCARCERATED TO COMPLETE AND THEN BRING BACK TO OUR TABLE AT THE NEXT HnI MONTHLY MEETING OR EMAIL PHOTOS TO <u>area05corrections@gmail.com</u> or text 619-946-8622

2) ANY AA MEMBER WITHOUT JAIL CLEARANCE: ALL ARE INVITED TO WRITE LETTERS TO INCARCERATED MEN AND WOMEN TO ARRANGE TAKING THEM TO THEIR FIRST AA MEETING "UPON RELEASE." WE HAVE A F TO COLLECT YOUR INFORMATION, HAVE LETTER TEMPLATES, AND OTHER RESOURCES TO ASSIST YOU. email: <u>areao5corrections@gmail.com</u> or text 619-946-8622

### **REMEMBER: MEN CONTACT MEN AND WOMEN CONTACT WOMEN!**

**3)** ANY AA MEMBER: OUR GENERAL SERVICE OFFICE (GSO) IN NEW YORK HAS A SERVICE DESK CALLED *"CORRECTIONS CORRESPONDENCE."* ANY AA MEMBER MAY SIGN UP HERE AT <u>aa.org</u> AND WRITE INCARCERATED

4) ANY AA MEMBER CAN JOIN AND SERVE ON OUR AREA 05 CORRECTIONS COMMITTEE. WE MEET 8AM, THE LAST SATURDAY OF THE MONTH ON Meeting ID: 820 9490 1678 Passcode: area05.

5) PLEASE COMPLETE OUR <u>COMMITTEE SURVEY</u> TO GET STARTED.<u>areao5corrections@gmail.com</u> or text 619-946-8622

When sharing about corrections service, refer to an excerpt from a letter that our co-founder Bill W. wrote to a prison group in 1949: Every A.A. has been, in a sense, a prisoner. Each of us has walled himself out of society; each has known social stigma. The lot of you folks has been even more difficult: In your case, society has also built a wall around you. But there isn't any real essential difference, a fact that practically all

A.A.s now know. Therefore, when you members come into the world of A.A. on the outside, you can be sure that no one will care a fig that you have done time. What you are trying to be—not what you were—is all that counts with us

### IN SERVICE, AREA 05 PANEL 73, PAUL D. (CHAIR) AND SAGE G. (ALT. CHAIR)

| January<br>M Tu W Th F<br>1 2 3                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | February<br>M Tu W Th F                                                                                                                                                              | March<br>M Tu W Th F                                                                                                                                                                                                   | y yr                         | Sa I               | Area Assembly (Winter)                                                                           |
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| 20 Martin Luther King Jr. Day<br>April                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 17 Presidents Day<br>May                                                                                                                                                             | June                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 12-13 S<br>27-May 3 S<br>May | Sa-Su F<br>Su-Sa 0 | Pre-Conference Workshop<br>General Service Conference (New York)                                 |
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| 4 Independence Day                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 31                                                                                                                                                                                   | 1 Labor Day<br>? SoCal Convention (TBD)                                                                                                                                                                                | TBD<br>13 S                  | Sa                 | Hispanic Women's Workshop (Host: Area 07)<br>Steering Committee Meeting                          |
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| 13 Columbus/<br>Indigenous People's Day                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 11 Veterans Day<br>27 Thanksgiving                                                                                                                                                   | 25 Christmas                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                              |                    |                                                                                                  |

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SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA ASSEMBLY NEWSLETTER

THE VOICE OF AREA 05

### Motion:

that the Southern California Area Assembly establish a standing Accessibilities Committee to continue efforts to make A.A. accessible and available to all people seeking help with alcoholism.

### Background:

Area 05 is made up of a diverse community of people of different ages, ethnicities, genders, languages, nationalities, visible and invisible disabilities, races, sexual orientations, skin colors, cultures, beliefs and more. The Accessibilities / Interpretation Ad Hoc Committee has been focused on finding ways to make A.A. accessible and available to all alcoholics.

The purpose of the Area 05 Accessibilities Committee is to explore, develop, and offer resources to alcoholics with significant barriers to participating in our program of recovery and to expand access to the A.A. message to alcoholics in underserved or remote communities.

The Area 05 Accessibilities Committee shares a purpose with the corresponding Conference and trustees' committees on Treatment and Accessibilities.

Establishing the standing Accessibility Committee in Area 05 would support our outreach efforts to continue exploring ways to make AA more accessible for alcoholics in the Fellowship and to help remove barriers for those looking for help in underserved or remote communities so that we can bring them hope through our message.

The Panel 73 Accessibilities / Interpretation Ad Hoc Committee began our efforts by creating the Multi-Language Meeting Finder which helps non-English speaking alcoholics find meetings in their own language. This is a tool now used in meetings, districts, and as an outreach tool by other area committees. The Multi-Language Meeting Finder has inspired other areas to develop their own version to help reach non-English communities in their own areas. We are also consulting with several deaf access committees, exploring ways to better reach the deaf and hard of hearing community within our Area, and researching the feasibility of implementing an American Sign Language Gold Can initiative to collect contributions for interpreters for deaf and hard of hearing alcoholics. By visiting districts and exploring the needs within their communities, we have been finding new ways to reach the still-suffering alcoholic and help foster a more unified, inclusive, and accessible Fellowship in our Area.

With the growing diversity of alcoholics in Southern California, we seek to continue finding ways to reach out and carry the message of A.A. to anyone who seeks it - reflecting the unity of our 1st Tradition, the inclusivity of our 3rd Tradition, and the commitment of our 5th Tradition. Establishing a standing Accessibilities Committee in Area 05 would aid in our continued efforts to ensure that the Hand of AA is available to anyone, anywhere reaching out for help.



## Bridging the Gap 2025 Weekend Workshop

Hi my name is Mark and I am an alcoholic.

I am currently serving Area 5 as your Treatment Facilities Chair. As many of you know, our committee has been working steadily to build a Bridging the Gap program here in Area 5. We have seen some great progress over the last 18 months and most notably due to our involvement with the BTG Weekend Workshop. The workshop happens annually in various cities across the US and Canada, sometime around the Fall. This September, I will be attending the BTGWW (Bridging the Gap Weekend Workshop) in Missoula, MT. Our Area 05 budgets for the Chair or Co-chair to attend at an expense of approx \$1100. This workshop has brought new and fresh ideas forward to help us form a strong understanding of how it's done in other areas. We have started to build a great network of resources and we would like to bring the BTGWW to Los Angeles in 2025.

There is an open bid available for next year's conference 2025 host and I believe Area 5 would benefit greatly by hosting right here in LA. The bid process is very simple and most of the responsibility will be covered by the Workshop committee, so we will be offering our bid this year in September in Missoula. We (TF committee) are responsible for finding a host hotel and covering the expenses of the hospitality suite only. We are expected to find volunteers (e.g. hospitality suite coverage, greeters and a local speaker for the banquet dinner). The workshop committee will cover all other expenses (e.g. registration, hotel contracts, printing and other supplies).

Should we get accepted for this bid, there will be a call for volunteers. When that time comes, we would love to have your groups, districts, and local treatment facilities get involved. This is a great opportunity for us to host this workshop and to get our area and even our neighboring areas excited about this service work. I would love to see our treatment facilities from Malibu to Pasadena and Downey to the sunset involved in some capacity.

Thank you kindly, Mark S. - TF Chair, Panel 73





# SCAAN

# **Southern California Area Assembly Newsletter**

# **Statement of Purpose**

To Inform SCAA members and the AA fellowship at large of selected items from GSO, the Area, and items of general interest from the Districts

DATE: SECOND Tuesday of EVERY MONTH - 2023

TIME: 7 PM

LOCATION: Zoom: 882 4199 7773 Password: area05

CONTACT: <u>SCAAN@area05aa.org</u>

Jo S. Area 05 - Panel 73, SCAAN Chair 213-766-8060



### A.A. AREA 05 - SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA Area Committee Meeting Saturday – June 22nd, 2024 Pasadena Elks Lodge #672 400 W. Colorado Blvd. Pasadena Ca. 91105 Host: CIH

The Area Committee Meeting was called to order at 9:00 AM on Saturday, June 22nd, 2024, by Gola R. Area 5 Chairperson, with two minutes of silent meditation and the Serenity Prayer.

### Welcome and Call-to-Order.

People with A.A. Birthdays (Anniversaries) from February 19<sup>th</sup>, 2024 to June 22nd, 2024, were recognized and serenaded with the birthday song. A.A.'s Declaration of Unity was read in & English & Spanish.

Jen C. Area 05 Registrar: Jen performed the Area Roll Call

**Gola R. Area 05 Chairperson:** Made a motion to approve the agenda. Motion was seconded. Asked if there was any discussion. No discussion. Motion was voted on and passed unanimously.

**Shawn A. Area 05 Secretary**: Made a motion to approve the Minutes from the February 18, 2024, Area Committee Meeting. Motion was seconded. Asked if there was any discussion. No discussion. Motion was voted on and approved unanimously.

### **Delegate Report.**

### Doug S. Area 05 Panel 73 Delegate.

**Theme**: As you know, last year I chose "*participation*" as the theme because it's all about being present. Showing up. We're now well into our 2nd year with slightly more than 6 months remaining in our service positions. I've chose another action word to describe our remaining time together. That word is **Responsibility! DCM'S/DCMC's - YOU** are the vital link between your GSR's & Alcoholics Anonymous as a whole. They rely on you to share information you hear here, receive in the emails sent by me, and forwarded to your Districts, that come from the General Service Office, Grapevine & La Vina, and other parts of A.A.

**Accurate District Information:** DCM's please continue to work with our Registrar, Jen C., for a report (or list) of GSRs and Groups in their District and review for accuracy. In addition, you have access to *Fellowship Connection*, which is our interface into the GSO group services.

**<u>2025 Calendar</u>**: Please take the calendar you received from our Secretary, Shawn A., and put those dates into your personal calendars. We'll vote on the 2025 calendar later today. The dates are important for you, your GSRs, the Area and the **next Delegate** for the 75th GSC in April 2025. Next year's Conference starts April 27, 2025, so there's more time to visit groups. More details on that as the year progresses.

**74th General Service Conference and the Conference Process:** While the annual Conference is held in April or May each year, the Conference process is a year-round effort to implement changes approved at the 73rd and 74th GSC and prepare for next year's Conference. The 74th General Service Conference was held April 14-20, 2024, in Brooklyn, New York, with the theme being *"Connecting with Love, Unity and Service."* 

**Delegate Report Back Status**: As many of you know that I've been visiting Districts following the Spring Assembly. I'm visiting as many districts as possible. I'm also available to meet with groups as the need arises. I have shared the Reference Guides and Quick Reference Guides through the Area email distribution lists. Let me know if you need digital copies of the documents. I have visited the following Districts: CIH (May 26), D33 (June 1), D14 (Nikki U. June 6), D18(June 6), D36 (June 8), WCD (6/9), D4 (June 11), D13 (June 13), CHD (June 15), D34 (June 17) and D30

(June 19). District Report Backs Scheduled: D35 (June 24), D3 (August 1), and D7 (August 5). Districts Not Scheduled Yet: D2, D49, D50 and D55. DCMs please coordinate with me to have your district Report Back scheduled.

**Plain Language Big Book (PLBB):** As you know, the Plain Language Big Book was approved at the 74th GSC. Working title: **Plain Language Big Book: A Tool for Reading Alcoholics Anonymous**. The A.A.W.S. publishing committee will meet this week (June 21) to discuss the number of books to print. However, nothing will be decided until the trustees' Literature Committee (TLC) meeting during the July Board weekend (July 26-29, 2024). The price has not been set. Publication target date for Fall 2024, depending on printing run and printer availability. In addition, the Floor Actions (FA) pertaining to literature not addressed during the 74th GSC will

be discussed then as well. The FAs are: Floor Action 8 (Submitted on April 18, 2024): It was recommended that: *The additional feedback from the Conference Committee on Literature identified in their memo* 

to the Publishing Department on sticking points for the Plain Language draft manuscript be

*implemented in the draft before printing.* Floor Action #14 (Submitted on April 19, 2024): It was recommended that: *The explanations of the Steps, Traditions, and Concepts be removed from the Plain Language* 

*Big Book.* Floor Action #15 (Submitted on April 19, 2024): It was recommended that: *Retitle the Plain Language Big Book to: "The Plain Language guide to A.A.'s 12 Steps of Recovery."* 

<u>Area Elections</u>: Folks, we're only 4 months away from our elections, October 20, 2024, held during our Fall Assembly. The elections will be hybrid. We have contracted with Tech 12 to perform the online portion of the assembly. I'm hoping most of you will make yourselves "available" for Area Officer. From the Area 5 Guidelines & Policies, section: VIII. SCAA ELECTIONS

1. Elections are held at the Fall Area assembly of each even-numbered year for the two-year term beginning in January of the following odd-numbered year.

2. SCAA Officers to be elected are Delegate, Alternate Delegate, Chair, Secretary, Accounts Treasurer, Contributions Treasurer and Registrar.

3. Prior to electing each Officer, qualifications and duties for the office are read from the A.A. Service Manual and these Area Guidelines & Policies.

4. Third Legacy Procedures described in the A.A. Service Manual apply.

5. Those eligible to stand for election are Area Committee members, but no one is eligible to stand for an office in which he or she has ever served a full term in any General Service Area. Candidates must be present at the Election Assembly to stand for election. The names of all those eligible to stand are read. Candidates state whether they are available.

6. Voting eligibility in Area elections is the same as those at Area assemblies.

That's it for me! Thanks for letting me be of service.

### **DCMC/DCM Reports**:

**DCMC Combined Hispanic Districts**: **Juan M.** We are made up of the six Hispanic Districts. We have nine committees and five liaison committees. Our districts are preparing for their elections. Internet, PI and Archives committees are working on the next anniversary events. All are welcome to these events. Our La Vina Committee welcomes everyone to their 28<sup>th</sup> anniversary at the Windsor Club in Glendale on July 21<sup>st</sup>. We are getting ready to support District 49 with the two-area workshop. We are also ready to support the 45<sup>th</sup> Hispanic FORO in November. Thank you to the Delegate for his report back at CIH. And Thank you to our Alternate Delegate for all that she does to help carry the message of General Service.

DCMC Combined Hollywood Districts: No Report.

**DCMC Westside Combined Districts:** Joe C. We are home to 15 districts and 13 committees, and we meet once a month on the second Sunday of the month from 9am-11am. We also host a GSR orientation that starts 30 minutes prior to our meeting and goes from 8:30am-9am. Our monthly meetings have an average attendance of 70, and there are usually about 4-5 new GSRs who attend orientation. One thing we're currently working on is negotiating a better rate with our meeting space landlord, whilst also looking for a new, more affordable meeting space. One thing we are very excited about is our new and improved GSR Outreach committee. Kerry O'. who serves as District

36's alternate-DCM is spearheading the committee along with their efforts to grow our meeting, by helping dark meetings gain general service representation. I'd like to express my gratitude to our Delegate Doug for always keeping us up to date with everything that's going on at the General Service Office, AA World Services, and Grapevine. I consolidate everything I receive from Doug, and send out an email to our body, about once a week where all files and documents are attached, as well as an informative summary of what is being shared. Speaking about Doug! He visited our monthly meeting this month, on Sunday, June 9th. He gave us his Delegate's General Service Conference - Report Back. It was very informative, and he kept it fun. Again, thanks Doug! Lastly, here's what you've all been waiting for. The 20th annual Not A Glum Lot Service Festival! The event takes place tomorrow, June 23rd, from noon - 3. We will have an AA Speaker meeting, committee presentations, committee information booths, a 50/50 raffle, we'll be grilling burgers & hotdogs, snacks, candy, ice-cold non-alcoholic beverages, fun, fellowship, and much more! The theme is Big and Bob's Excellent Adventure, and we strongly suggest you wear your most excellent 80's attire. Again, we meet once a month, on the second Sunday of the month, from 9am-11am, at <u>2802 4th Street, Santa Monica, Ca. 90405</u>. All are invited. Our next will be Sunday, July 14th. We hope to see you there!

**District 2: Peter C.** Not much to report from District 2. The monthly meeting for June was canceled per group conscience, basically due to DCM inability to attend. Motion to elect an Alt DCM at May meeting was not seconded. DCM learned that he was expected to attend San Fernando Valley Intergroup meetings, is doing so and serving as Intergroup representative. Any A.A. member is welcome and attendance might benefit those in neighboring districts. Main purpose is promotion of local AA events, calendar, etc. The SFV Intergroup monthly meeting is held on Zoom and live, second Monday of the month, 7:00 PM at Saint InnocentChurch 5657 Lindley Avenue, Tarzana, CA. District 2 GSR is scheduled to attend Regional Forum weekend of July 12 in Las Vegas; look forward to her report on that. Next District 2 meeting will be held as scheduled on first Tuesday on Zoom and live, 6:30 PM, 4011 Dunsmore Avenue, La Crescenta, CA, 91214.

**District 3:** Aidan S. With a quarter of the panel left we have finally hit our groove. We now have a hybrid district meeting. We've had good participation lately. We have a share drive for all district documents. We are working on getting online contributions set up for the district.

**District 4:** JoyAnna H. We meet on the second Tuesday of every month at 7:00pm at the 502 club. We have an average attendance of 8-12 members. We invited the Delegate to give a report back at our last district meeting. **District 5:** Joe F. No Show. No Report

District 6: Paul B. No Show. No report.

**District 7:** Joe T. We meet the first Monday of every month at 6720 Melrose Ave. in Hollywood at 7:15PM. We have an average attendance of six members. We read and discuss one concept each month. The Delegate will be giving a report back at the district in August.

District 8: Terry A. No Show. No report.

District 9: Liz M. No Show. No report.

District 10: Mike R. No Show. No Report

**District 13:** Mandy D. Our district includes; Alhambra, Arcadia, Duarte, El Monte, Monrovia, Rosemead, San Gabriel, Sierra Madre. There are approximately 52 meetings in the district. We presently have 11 GSR's and a treasurer. We meet on the 2nd Thursday of the month at 7pm on Zoom. We were visited by our delegate, Doug, before and after the General Service Conference. There was so much information we ran out of time while receiving our report back so he has kindly agreed to finish at our August service meeting. We had an issue with our p.o. box not having been renewed and checks/money orders were returned. We have a new p.o. box and are now able to accept Zelle donations (which we have a QR code for), the latter was a positive development as the result of a challenging situation. I visited meetings I knew had been impacted by returned money orders or checks, gave them new information and let them know I was sorry for the inconvenience and confusion it caused in our district. **District 14: Given by Sue S. CPC Chair.** District 14 is going strong. We meet the 1st Thursday of the month and attendance has been up. We have 3 officers, 7 GSRs and 3 friends from the district. We have an active PI/CPC committee who continues to work on their project, "Talk to Faith Leaders", to reach all English and Spanish churches, synagogues and temples in the district. At our last meeting, we had a delegate report back by our Alt

Delegate, Nikki. One District member has started a young people's meeting on Fridays at the Los Amigos Meeting Hall. Our District is hosting a Grapevine/ LaVina Writing Workshop. This will happen on June 30th at the Los Amigos Meeting Hall in Montebello from 12:30 to 5:30. This is open to any AA member and a great agenda is set for the workshop. Stacy (our DCM) will be sending out a flier soon. We have several members going to the Pacific Regional Forum in Las Vegas.

District 15: Lester J. No Show. No report.

District 17: No DCM. Inactive

**District 18: Scott N.** We meet the 1st Thursday of the month at 7:30 PM Hybrid at Emanuel Lutheran Church @ <u>150 N Palm Street</u> in La Habra. All are welcome! Our District covers meetings in La Habra, Whittier, Hacienda Heights, and La Mirada all the way to the 605 freeway and north to the 60 and back. For events, we recently celebrated our Founder's Day Picnic last Saturday at the La Mirada Regional Park. It was awesome! Thank you all who attended. We had guests from District 14 and others. Thanks! We currently offer an AA Service Manual and Concepts Study the 2nd Saturday of the month from noon to 3PM at Serenity Hall in Whittier. All AA Members are welcome. Next, we'll have the Beach Extravaganza at Bolsa Chica Beach in August. I'll keep you posted on the date, time and details. For more information about District 18, check out our newly redesigned website at www.aadistrict18.com.

District 19: Denise E. No Show. No report.

District 25: Joan R. No Show. No report.

District 26: No DCM. Inactive

**District 30:** Ron H. We meet the third Wednesday of every month at 6:30PM in Upland. This month we had the Delegate give his report back to the district. We had about twelve members and everyone was really engaged. We continue to visit groups that do not have a general service representative.

**District 33: Carlos E.** We have twenty-two active groups. We visit groups on Tuesday and Wednesday every week. Every two weeks on Thursday we have a study meeting. We also have a district meeting every two weeks. We have ten permanent committees and four temporary committees all active at the same time. The district currently has ten General Service Representatives and two alternates.

**District 34:** Juan A. Our district is composed of thirteen groups. We have twelve general service representatives. We meet the first and third Monday of every month. We visit groups on Wednesdays. We hosted the Area Assembly in May. We our working on a celebration for the 16<sup>th</sup> anniversary of our District. This will take place on July 28<sup>th</sup> at 1535 N. Baker St. #2B, Ontario, Ca. The Delegate gave his report back to the District in June.

**District 35:** Felipe De J. We currently have fifteen groups, fifteen general service representatives, seven alternates and eight committees. We host two La Vina writing workshops. We visit two groups per week. We have a district meeting on the first and last Monday of each month. We attend CIH the last Sunday of each month.

**District 36: Rachel K.** As a district we are consistently encouraging and supporting new General Service Representatives and new Alternate GSR's in the district. We have 7 GSR's and 5 Alternate GSR's. Since our last Area Committee Meeting on February 18th, 2024, we have one new General Service Representative. Where there are groups where the GSR is inactive, we are working to stimulate interest for those groups to want an actively participating GSR to ensure their meeting's voice is heard and ensuring information from the General Service Office is reaching our districts' A.A. members. District 36 continues to meet once a month in person, in addition to our monthly Westside Combined Districts meeting. At our district meetings we have been sharing ideas and best practices, and inviting and hosting Area Committee Chairs and Area Officers to attend our district meeting to encourage, educate and support our General Service Representatives in their service journey. Thank you, Doug, and Nikki, and Shawn and Brian for visiting our district! And thank you Doug for your report back to our district. Our GSR's have reported back to their groups, focusing on the approval of the Plain Language Big Book and the Transgender Pamphlet, and the Asian-American Pamphlet, and the La Vina five-year sustainability plan. We are working to confirm attendance and participation at our Summer Assembly on July 27th to ensure every meeting/group has representation as we consider, discuss and exchange perspectives on behalf of our great fellowship.

**District 37/38: Tara.** Nothing to report, just happy to attend.

District 39/40: Steve R. No Show. No report.

District 41: Nicole. No Show. No report.

**District 43:** Larry V. The delegate gave his report back at our last district meeting.

District 45: Becca S. No Show. No Report.

District 46: Eddie. No Show. No Report.

**District 49: Ruben C.** We have twenty-nine active groups. We are hosting the 45<sup>th</sup> Hispanic FORO in November. We are also the host of the two area (05/93) workshop. The theme for this year's workshop is "Two Areas, One Heart". **District 50: Adrian E.** No Show. No Report.

**District 55:** Leo B. We continue working with 30 groups and average 11 to 16 General Service Representatives. There are twelve committees in the district and nine committees are active. We visit three groups a week to encourage them to elect a general service representative and to carry the message of General Service.

District 56: No DCM. Inactive.

District 58: No DCM. Inactive.

### **Officer Reports**

<u>Alternate Delegate:</u> Nikki U. I am the Area Liaison to several different committees and service structures. I am liaison the SoCal H&I Committee. We will be having our Intergroup meeting tomorrow. We had the California H&I Convention in Bakersfield at the end of November 2023, so I have nothing to report on that. I am also liaison for the SoCal Convention that will be held the second weekend of November. I attended the Four Area DCM Sharing session in Pala.

<u>Secretary:</u> Shawn A. My responsibilities include taking notes for the Area Assemblies and Area Committee Meetings. Getting those notes translated with the help of the Translation Committee and getting them put in the SCAAN. It is recommended that if you give a report or presentation, please provide a copy to the secretary. I want to thank all the Spanish Speaking DCM's and DCMC's for providing copies of their reports. This is helpful in case the audio file is incomprehensible.

**Accounts Treasurer:** Nikk U. Made a motion to approve the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter Accounts treasurer report. Motion was seconded by a member of the Finance Committee. There was discussion regarding PRAASA advances. Nikki explained the situation and we moved on to a vote. Vote was unanimous to approve.

**Contributions Treasurer:** Brian P. Made a motion to approve the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter contributions treasurer report. Second was made by a member of the Finance Committee. Motion to approve was unanimous. On suggestion of the Audit Subcommittee I will be changing the Contribution Report to make it easier to compare the numbers with the Accounts Treasurer Report.

### Registrar: Jen C.

Quarterly Sharing Session on Tuesday, July 16 from 8:00 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. EST.

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Monthly Registrar Sharing Session – 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Every Month, Hosted by Don N. from Area 72, Western Washington

Quarterly Registrar Sharing Session – Hosted by Member Services, Next Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, July 16<sup>th</sup> Ongoing processing of Group Changes, New Group Requests, and working with Member Services to make necessary corrections to data or to assist with Fellowship Connection.

### **Reminder for Election Assembly:**

From Area 05 Guidelines and Policies:

"C2. Those eligible to vote and make motions at Area assemblies are GSRs and Area Committee members, or, in their absence, their alternates. *GSRs must have been registered with the Area at least <u>72 hours in advance</u> of an assembly in order to vote."* 

### **DEADLINE WILL BE: Wednesday, October 16<sup>th</sup>!**

<u>Chairperson:</u> Gola R. Is to coordinate area events and put together area programming and agendas for our area assemblies and area committee meetings. We are still looking for a district to host the Summer Assembly and August Area Committee Meeting. The Election Assembly in October will be hosted by Combined westside Districts and the Last Area Committee Meeting of Panel 73 will be hosted by District 34.

### **Unfinished Business:**

Presentation & Preliminary Approval of Motion to Establish a Standing Area 05 Accessibilities Committee – **Zoraida R. Accessibilities Ad-Hoc Committee Chair** Motion was made to Establish a Standing Area 05 Accessibilities Committee. Second was made. Discussion was opened. It was discovered quickly that all discussion was positive and there were no dissenting views so, we moved to a vote. The vote was unanimous to approve. Motion passed and will be forwarded to the Summer Assembly for final approval.

Presentation & Preliminary Approval Vote: Motion to Support the Treatment Facilities Committee's Bid to Host the 2025 Bridging the Gap Conference -

**Mark S., Treatment Facilities Committee Chair** Motion was made to approve the Area's support of the Treatment Facilities Committee's bid to host the 2025 BTG Conference. Second was made. Discussion was opened. Vote was unanimous to approve. Motion passed and will be forwarded to the Summer Assembly for final approval.

New Business: There was none.

There were Good & Welfare announcements. The meeting was closed with the reading of the Responsibility Statement in Spanish and English. The next meeting is the Area05 Summer Assembly on Saturday July 27th.

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# **Unique and Priceless**

Until I had some time in the program, "The Keys of the Kingdom" was just another story in the back of the book. You can still find it there. THEY haven't removed it or changed the name of the story. When I came into the rooms of Alcoholics Anonymous I knew who THEY were. I was resentful, angry and afraid. I would go to meetings and someone would read "The Keys of the Kingdom" instead of the end of chapter 11.

It wasn't until my friend Bobbie P. said at a meeting, "Is it ok if I read something different? It doesn't matter", she said, not waiting for a response from the secretary. "I'm leading." It was the first time I heard those words and the message in this story. She would talk about how it reached her because it was written by a woman from Chicago. Chicago was far enough away from New York my friend would say,"the author didn't have to spend time avoiding our founder in order to stay sober."

Years later, It came back through my friend Adam.

Looking back, it has been years since Adam passed or I have seen Bobbie, it was the fact that for the first time in my life I had people in my life. People who I cared about who had shared something with me that touched my heart. THEY had made the Big Book 'come alive' because THEY were in my life and I cared about them. I cared about their opinions. I valued their sobriety.

And above all else, I loved them.

As I was making living amends to my parents, I would share the trials and challenges with Bobbie. I had been told to go when I was invited and to leave when I thought I had something to say.

My friend would always share about people who could not come back into her life. About a child she had thrown away. I continued to grow and share. Then, one day, with a smile from her heart, she told me that the child who was gone from her life had reached out. I was given the gift of watching another have relationships restored that could never have happened.

Looking back, I was a part of. The shared pain and loss of my own actions was being corrected by the application of these principles to my life. The alcoholics who filled my life and gave me direction were the same people who I saw change. I had people in my life who I cared about.

THEY were in my life, my wedding, the birth of children, failures in my career, and all the elephants and ants of daily living that came in between and "without strings, without obligation—we acquire relationships that are unique and priceless".

And so, when asked, I can write 500 words for my friend. Not because I have anything to say, but because our service in AA Area 05 is "unique and priceless". It is the gift I have been given and with gratitude, I submit this to you all.

Jim A. Whittier, CA Sober: 4/12/1988





### A.A. AREA 05 - SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA SPRING ASSEMBLY AGENDA SUNDAY – MAY 19, 2024 De Anza Community Center 1405 S. Fern Ave., Ontario, CA 91762 Host: District 34

**Gola R.** Area Chairperson, opened the meeting with a welcoming statement and opening comments at 9:00 a.m. Two-minute silent meditation followed by the Serenity Prayer and Birthdays (Jan 21st – May 19th). The Twelve Concepts were read in English and Spanish. Introduction of new General Service Representatives

### Introduction of New General Service Representatives & Alternates

### **ROLL CALL:**

Jen C. Registrar conducted the Roll Call.

| Area Officers         7         6         Past Delegate         13         6         Voting Members         77         59           DCMs         30         16         Committee Chairs         7         3         18         2         13         Non Voting & Visitors         31         18         77         39         Non Voting & Visitors         31         18         77         30         76         77         30         77         30         77         30         77         30         77         30         77         30         77         30         77         30         77         30         77         30         77         30         77         30         77         30         77         30         77         30         77         30         77         30         77         30         77         30         77         30         77         30         77         30         77         30         77         30         77         30         77         30         77         30         77         30         77         30         77         30         77         30         77         30         30         30         30         30 | 18<br>14 |
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### Approval of the Agenda

**Gola R.** Chairperson presented the Assembly Agenda with the following changes. Motion to approve the agenda was made. Second was made. Friendly amendment by Treatment Facilities Chair to add a Presentation in New Business. Amendment was accepted. Another amendment was requested. To combine both Delegates reports into one long report. Amendment was not accepted. Vote was held. Motion passed.

### Approval of October 15th, 2023, Assembly Minutes

Secretary presented the Fall 2023 Assembly Minutes. Motion to approve was made. Second was made. Vote was held. Motion passed.

### Approval of January 20th, 2024, Assembly Minutes

The Secretary presented the Winter 2024 Assembly Minutes as printed in the SCAAN. Motion to approve was made. Second was made. Vote was held. Motion passed.

### **Delegates General Service Conference Report Back:**

Doug S. Panel 73, Area 05 Delegate, began his report back with his personal experience at the 74th General Service Conference. What he saw, heard, and felt. He pointed out the Display board with pictures and other items from his time at the General Service Conference. I arrived in New York on April 10<sup>th</sup> with my plus one Sue S. We went to a nice Deli and had some food that night. The next day we did some sight-seeing. We went to where Ebbets Field, the original home of the Dodgers, was located. We were able to go see a Broadway play, Moulin Rouge. We also visited 182 Clinton St. A past home of Bill & Lois where Ebby made the twelfth step call on Bill. We also walked to the Brooklyn Bridge.

### Coffee break and morning stretch

### **Standing & Ad Hoc Committee Meetings**

Committee Chairs hosted their Committee Meetings.

### Standing & Ad Hoc Committee Reports: Reports from all Committees:

• Archives Committee - Mary T. We had a small meeting, but it was great with a lot of input. The first thing I want to announce to everybody is that we need an Archives Webmaster. We had started to have an archives website, so we could have a virtual repository. Since we don't have the money to have an actual repository, a building because everything's so expensive. So, we started having a website. Due to technical reasons we had to take it down. We are looking for a volunteer to help the Archives Committee get the Archives Website up and running again.

### Audio Visual Committee - Victor M.

Had a great talk with Sean C. He came by my table learned how to set up and break down the equipment. He'll be helping me out his evening to tear down the equipment. On November 10<sup>th</sup> I will be at the 45<sup>th</sup> Hispanic FORO. I am always ready and willing to come to any events that the Districts are having. Feel free to contact me and I'll get your event scheduled on the calendar.

### Cooperation with the Elderly Committee (CEC) NO REPORT

• **Cooperation with the Professional Community (CPC)** - **Sue S.** The CPC committee meets monthly on the 2nd Saturday of the month for one hour on Zoom. Our committee has a core group of 10 members. Since the last Area Assembly, our CPC members have represented Alcoholics Anonymous at two events: 1) Cal State LA's Mental & Behavioral Health Conference(March 22nd) and 2) Nurses Rock! Run/Walk at Bonelli Park, Pomona (May 3rd). All CPC members had a great experience. I gave an online presentation to Rancho Los Amigos to the Spinal Cord Injury Support Group (March 19th). Many clients have been affected by alcoholism. One Area project is to reach Nurses Programs at Local Schools or Universities. So far, our committee has contacted most of the 19 of these, resulting in one presentation being given online for a Mental Health Professor in October. District 14 has a new project reaching out to all the Faith Leaders by distributing packets which includes literature, grapevines and the contact Information cards. Our committee has distributed over 4,000 English and Spanish AA Contact Information cards (business-sized cards) and about 1,000 5"x7" cards to districts and professionals. We are anticipating the need to order more within our budget for future projects.

• **Cooperation with the Young Community Committee (CYC)** - **Kiko P.** There were 6 of us in attendance. A lot of our committee members are actually, sick like me. I have Covid, so I can't attend in person today. We'll have a booth at the Not a Glum Lot Service Festival on June 23<sup>rd</sup>. We hope to have the Zine ready by that time. We are in talks to host another writing workshop.

### Corrections Committee - Paul D.

Group Conscience Items:

- 4 members:(Joe C, Lester J, Stacie, and myself)
- Need more Groups/Members involved in committee work and letter writing for Contact Upon Release, See Page 12 in the Spring SCAAN!
- •Committee Roster <u>/Survey</u> completed and shared.
- Alt Chair/Secretary (Stacie) and Paul meeting weekly Thursdays 5-7pm by facetime or zoom, to get caught up.

• Panel 73 Projects: Contact Upon Release Program: Culling databases-Stacie/Lydia, need other HnI outreach within our Area

- Upcoming Area Events to Share with your meetings:
- 1. Thursday 5-7 pm Committee Work
- 2. *Prison Zoom Meeting*: Virtual session with persons in custody on the inside. Weekly meetings: Tuesdays @ 6:30 pm EST (Zoom only)

### To join:

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https://us02web.zoom.us/i/82407902054pwd=OWk0MkdOWVk2SmZ6RnZkZ1BGY3p2UT09

- or join by phone: +1 646 558-8656
- Meeting ID: 824 0790 2054. Passcode: 123
- International Corrections Meeting (ICM) Every Sunday on Zoom. 3pm 1st and Last Sunday, 8am all other Sundays.
- Meeting ID: 841 1036 5604 Passcode: 223531 internationalcorrections@gmail.com

Los Angeles H&I Hybrid Meeting, <u>https://www.lahic.org/lahic</u>. 2nd Monday, 7:30 pm, Culver City (Corrections, "Contact Upon Release" Table)

• Finance Committee - Arnulfo G. So, in our meeting today, we reviewed our budget, our 2024 proposed budget. We were also looking at our incoming contributions and our outgoing expenses so far this year. And we're happy to say that we're in line with what we've been proposing for 2024. One of the things we want to ask all the committee chairs to start working on your 2025 Budget.

• **Grapevine/La Vina Committee** - **Andrea D.** There are handouts on the table in the front. It has all you need to know about Grapevine. How to get the Grapevine App, starting a subscription, how to listen to the podcast. There were two of us in our meeting today. Have created a QR code that will direct you to sign up to be a GVR Representative. Just like every meeting should have a General Service Representative, every meeting should also have a Grapevine Representative. We will also be at the Not a Glum Lot Service Festival on June 23<sup>rd</sup>.

• Guidelines and Policies Committee (G&P) - Jim A. We had five members in attendance today. We are excited to announce that we now have a Word Version of the guidelines and policies that will be formatted, so we can present corrections to you before the end of the year.

• Literature Committee - Alex H. We had seven members in attendance today. Most of the discussion revolved around changes to our literature. We do have some suggestions and are working towards developing resources for people who are concerned about literature. We are working on a pamphlet addressing some of the concerns that people have directly relating to the process of literature changes.

• **Public Information Committee - Jenny P.** We had eighteen members in attendance today. We continued our discussion on creating a card that can be put up in public spaces. There will be a QR Code for Central Office. With the twenty-four-hour hotline number. And the website for only the Los Angeles Central Office. We will print a thousand of these cards to hand out to the District Committee Members.

• **Registration Committee** - **Miguel M. Alternate Chair** We had five members in attendance today. Our function is to check members in at the Assemblies and Area Committee Meetings. We support the Registrar who handles the registering of Members. We discussed getting an article in the SCAAN to help everyone better understand what the Registration Committee does and does not do. We are going to start a monthly committee meeting.

• SCAAN Committee - Jo S. SCAAN Committee meet today during Assembly. Three members attended. Selected the theme for the SCAAN Summer Issue: "The Keys of the Kingdom". Story submission deadline is July 1, 2024, for the Summer issue, 500 words or less. As SCAAN chair I had the honor to attend the Area 05 GSR Orientation, 2024 PRAASA in San Francisco where I attended the PRAASA Newsletter Panel & Writing Workshop where stories were written for the new pamphlet: "Do You Think You Are Different?", Area 05 Pre-Conference, 3rd Legacy Meeting, and completed the online workshop sponsored by GSO on 12 Concepts of AA via zoom. Once the new edition of 74th General Service Manual is available, the zoom 12 Concepts Meetings will again be repeated by GSO for all interested.

• **Translation Committee - Jacobo M.** We continue to translate the material that is sent to us. I want to thank my Alternate for of his help. We are looking for a good candidate to chair this committee for the next panel.

• Treatment Facilities Committee - Tiffany, Alternate Chair We had eight members in attendance today. We discussed how we finally got our literature in place and the importance of having district representation for the Bridging the Gap Program. We have our committee meeting the first Saturday of every month at 10:00AM. We are now working also on a workbook and getting our feet moving on Spanish versions of our literature. So far, we have built twenty-eight bridges. We will be at the Not a Glum Lot Service Festival on June 23<sup>rd</sup>.

• Website Committee - Claude D. We are working on making the Area Website faster as it currently is running slow. We are also working with Google for Nonprofits on the email aliases. We have updated the Area map with better lines for the Districts. We will be working on the Combined Districts as well so the District numbers are easier to see.

• Accessibilities & Interpretation Ad-hoc Committee - Zoraida R. We have a new member, Joanne from District Three. We have our monthly committee meeting the last Monday of every month on Zoom. At our last meeting we had a guest speaker, Bryant, from San Diego. We've been exploring how best to reach out to the ASL Community. We are also updating the Multi-Language Meeting Finder. We will be adding ASL Meetings to the list. We will be presenting a motion today for the Are to consider making this a standing committee instead of just an Ad-Hoc committee. We will be at the Not a Glum Lot Service Festival on June 23<sup>rd</sup>.

### Lunch Break

### **Delegates General Service Conference Report Back:**

Doug S. Panel 73, Area 05 Delegate, resumed his report back with the Business Report & Conference Actions.

"REFERENCE GUIDE TO RESULTS FROM THE 74th GENERAL SERVICE CONFERENCE" (30 pages)

<u>https://drive.google.com/file/d/1Woq4NR\_eEpEU\_BxjzRvHvxSO8fpSafc3/view?usp=sharing</u>

# "GUÍA DE REFERENCIA PARA LOS RESULTADOS DE LA 74a CONFERENCIA DE SERVICIOS GENERALES" (32 paginas)

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### "74th GSC QUICK REFERENCE GUIDE" (2 pages)

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### "74a CSG - GUÍA DE CONSULTA RÁPIDA" (2 paginas)

<u>https://drive.google.com/file/d/10z1zPhm-WOPGtGqmvjdhzxNGkks6ABvX/view?usp=sharing</u>

**Audit Sub-Committee - Lauren A.** I selected three members to audit the financial reports and work with the treasurers. I want to thank everyone for their hard work. We met twice this month online. We have corrections for the accounts treasurer report that were sent to Nikki. We are asking that she send an amended report prior to the next Area Committee Meeting. We also asked the Contributions Treasurer to revise the Contributions Report Formatting so that it more closely matches the Accounts Report Format. This will make it easier to manage and compare the two reports.

### **Officer Reports:**

• Alternate Delegate: **Nikki U.** I am the Area Liaison to Southern California H&I. We had a conference earlier this month. In November is the Southern California A.A. Convention. It will be at the same place as last year. I am the Area Liaison to L.A. Central Office. They are discussing what the requirements will be for online meetings to be added to the directory.

• Secretary: **Shawn A.** Remember that we are a two-language area. Everything you say into the microphone is translated by someone. The faster you speak the faster they must try and translate. Presented the Draft 2025 Area Calendar.

• Contributions Treasurer: **Brian P.** I have the First Quarter Contributions Report for presentation today. I have found errors in it. These will be corrected, and I will present the corrected version at the next Area Committee Meeting. Contributions have been strong during the first quarter.

•Accounts Treasurer: **Alternate Delegate Nikki U.** is filling the position for the remainder of the Panel. On the table by registration, you will find copies of the Preliminary 2024 first quarter accounts treasurer report. The Contributions amount on my report matches the Contributions report. There are minor corrections that the Audit Subcommittee recommended. Those will be made, and a corrected report will be sent out prior to the next ACM.

• Registrar: **Jen C.** So exciting numbers for today, we had a total of 129 participants. Eighty-five in person and fifty-three online. An update on our group numbers, we currently have 749 regular groups, 34 virtual groups. 570 inactive groups. and 672 unknowns. But that is a great number, because it was 801. I'll be relocating out of the area in the coming months. I will complete my commitment through this Panel.

• Chairperson: **Gola R.** I ensure the smooth running of the area. Help secure venues for the Area events and District hosts. We still need Hosts for the June ACM, July Assembly and August ACM. We do have hosts for the October Assembly and the November ACM. If you are curious about hosting, please contact me.

### **Unfinished Business:**

### Arnulfo G. - Final Approval vote of 2024 Area Budget.

Motion to approve was made. There was a second from a member of the Finance Committee. Opened for Discussion. Friendly amendment was made to move Line Item 700-94 amount of \$1,185.00 to Line Item #700-95. And to change Line Item #700-94 amount to be \$2,300.00. Both amendments were accepted. Friendly amendment to change Budget Line # 530-35 from \$75.00 to \$105.00 and Line #530-40 from \$1,100.00

to \$1,200.00. Amendments accepted. Friendly amendment to change Budget Line # 660-200 from \$600.00 the \$700.00. Amendment accepted. Vote was held. There were no votes. Minority opinion was heard. Mostly discussing the fact that it appeared that committee chairs were confused on what calendar year budget was being voted on. It was 2024. Vote to revote was held. 31 against and 15 for. Motion to revote failed. Motion passed.

### Hernan L. - 45<sup>th</sup> Hispanic FORO Update.

I am the coordinator of the 45<sup>th</sup> Spanish Foro. District 49 is the host this year. The committee meets the first Sunday of every month in different Districts. The FORO will be held on November 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at the Rosemead Community Recreation Center.

### **New Business:**

• **Zoraida R.** – Presentation of Motion to establish the Accessibilities & Interpretation Ad-hoc Committee as an Area 05 Standing Committee.

• **Mark S.** – Presentation of request for support of the Treatment Facilities Committee making a bid to host the 2025 Bridging the Gap Weekend Workshop.

### Good and Welfare Announcements Motion to Adjourn

There being no further business, the Chair adjourned the meeting, closing with the Responsibility Pledge in Spanish and English.

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### Southern California Area 05 Assembly of Alcoholics Anonymous SUMMER ASSEMBLY AGENDA Saturday, July 27th, 2024 Elks Lodge #2020 - 11233 Woodruff Ave - Downey, CA 90241 Zoom Meeting ID: 891 0086 2280 Passcode: area05

| 8:00  | Registration & Fellowship (Zoom & In-Person)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
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| 9:00  | 2 Minutes Silent Meditation & Serenity Prayer                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| ĺ     | Call-to-Order                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| 1     | Welcome and Opening Comments                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| 1     | AA Birthdays (May 20th – July 27th)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
|       | The Twelve Concepts (Short Form) - Spanish and English                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 9:15  | Introduction of New General Service Representatives and Alternates                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| 9:25  | Roll Call (Registrar, Jennifer C.)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| 9:35  | Approval of July 27th Assembly Agenda (Chair, Gola R.)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
|       | Approval of May 19th Assembly Minutes (Secretary, Shawn A.)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 9:45  | Delegate's Report - Doug S.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 11:00 | Coffee Break and Morning Stretch                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| 11:15 | Standing and Ad Hoc Committee Meetings                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 12:00 | Standing & Ad Hoc Committee Reports                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| 12:45 | Lunch Break                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 1:30  | Officer Reports:<br>Alternate Delegate (Nikki U.)<br>Secretary (Shawn A.)<br>Contributions Treasurer, incl. presentation of 2024 2nd Quarter Contributions Reports (Brian P.)<br>Accounts Treasurer, including presentation of 2024 2nd Quarter Financial Reports (Nikki U.)<br>Registrar (Jennifer C.)<br>Chairperson (Gola R.)                                                                                                                            |
| 2:15  | 4 Area DCM Sharing Session Report Back (Rachel K., DCM D36)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 2:30  | Pacific Regional Forum Report Back (Joe C., DCMC Westside Combined Districts)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| 2:40  | Unfinished Business:<br>Final Approval Vote: Motion to Establish a Standing Area 05 Accessibilities Committee ( <i>Zoraida R.,</i><br><i>Accessibilities Ad-Hoc Committee Chair</i> )<br>Final Approval Vote: Motion to Support the Area 05 Treatment Facilities Committee Bid to Host the 2025<br>Bridging the Gap Conference ( <i>Mark S., Treatment Facilities Committee Chair</i> )<br>Hispanic Foro Update ( <i>Hernan, D49 / Area 05 Foro Chair</i> ) |
| 3:20  | New Business:<br>Presentation of the SCAA 2025 Budget ( <i>Arnulfo G., Finance Committee Chair</i> )<br>Presentation of Proposed Changes to Guidelines & Policies ( <i>Lauren A., Audit Subcommittee Chair / Panel</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
|       | 71 Delegate)<br>Unbudgeted Expense Request (Mark S., Treatment Facilities Committee Chair)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 3:55  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |