District Dispatch

COVID19 alert - ALL District 2 In Person Committee meetings

have been **CANCELLED** Until further notice

SNEAK PREVIEW

on AGENDA ITEMS for the upcoming 2020 General Service Conference

Some hot stuff

- Changes to our Preamble from we are a group of men and women to we are a group of people.
- That pages three through 41 of the Alcoholics Anonymous pamphlet "The A.A. Group" (P-16), be included in the appendix of the next printing of the book "Alcoholics Anonymous."
- Change so that the Big Book is in 5th grad reading level (net/net dumb down the Big Book when the 5th Edition is printed

ITEM H: Review draft language regarding safety and A.A. to be included in Living Sober and "Questions and Answers on Sponsorship."

ITEM I.2: Consider not retiring the existing version of the pamphlet "The Twelve Traditions Illustrated."

ITEM L-Changes to the first 164 pages to be gender neutral to reflect our membership.

ITEM P. Consider requests to revise the book Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions:

- 1. To remove the phrase "opposite sex" from paragraph two on page 117 in the chapter "Step Twelve."
- 2. To reconsider use of the phrase "**lustful enough to rape**" in paragraph one on page 66 in the chapter "Step Six."

ITEM T.Consider revising the pamphlet "Questions & Answers on Sponsorship":

- 1. Change the suggestion that sponsor and newcomer be of the same sex.
- 2. Expand the section on "Service Sponsorship" and retitle the pamphlet to include service sponsorship.

Link to District 15 with the content with the background materials are over 1,138. On the area website this is broken down by committee.

http://area15aa.org/delegate/delegates-corner/general-service-conference-2/70th-gsc-agenda-items/

PASSWORD: area15aa

A.A. HIGHLIGHTS FOR DISTRICTTWO (2)

GENERAL SERVICE

Meetings 1st Sunday of the month @ The Club; 3333 W Columbus Drive

*Mar 29th/May 3 / Jun 7

GSR Orientation / DCM Sharing 2-3 pm // Business Meeting 3-5pm

LITERATURE COMMITTEE

Meetings 11:00 am / 1st Saturday of the month @ Tri-County Central Office, Inc. 8019 N. Himes, Suite 104; Tampa, FL 33614 -- Contact Betsy B

PI/CPC COMMITTEE

Meetings 9:15 am / 3rd Saturday of the month @ Tri-County Central Office, Inc. 8019 N. Himes, Suite 104; Tampa, FL 33614 -- Contact Suzanne B

ACCESSIBILITIES COMMITTEE

Meetings 9:00am / 1st Sunday of the month @ 301 House - 8601 Bowles Rd; Tampa, FL 33637 - Contact Larry B

GRATITUDE DINNER COMMITTEE

Interested in volunteering?

We can use your service.

Contact GARY R to participate!
Event is 3Q2020 Meetings currently
TBD at 3333 Club from TBD

TBAIC CORRECTIONS

Meetings 9:30 am /2nd Saturday of the month @ Tri-County Central Office, Inc. 8019 N. Himes, Suite 104; Tampa, FL 33614 -- Contact Alan D

What is the role of your DCM? The district committee member (D.C.M.) is an essential link between the group G.S.R. and the area delegate to the General Service Conference. As leader of the district committee, made up of all G.S.R.s in the district, the D.C.M. is exposed to the group conscience of that district. As a member of the area committee, he or she is able to pass on the district's thinking to the delegate and the committee. (The pamphlet "Your D.C.M.," available from the General Service Office, provides basic information on this service job.)

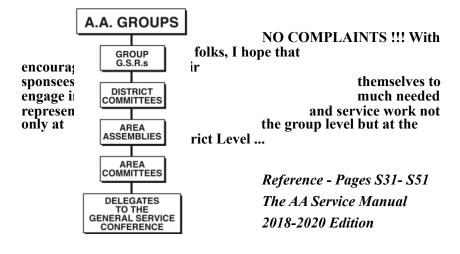
What is the role of the Alternate D.C.M.? (We call it an ACM in District 2) The alternate is a backup for the D.C.M. If the D.C.M. resigns or is unable to serve for any reason, the alternate steps in. Usually, the alternate is elected at the same time as the D.C.M., by the same procedure. Alternate committee members should be encouraged to assist, participate, and share in the D.C.M.'s responsibilities at district and area meetings.

Composition G.S.R.s, D.C.M.s, and area officers make up the assembly. Any A.A. member may attend, and in many areas members are encouraged to attend assemblies as a way of encouraging them to become active in general service.

Eligibility to Vote Generally speaking, all area committee members and officers and all G.S.R.s have one vote each in an assembly. Experience indicates that even though committee members and area officers are members of a group in the area that is represented by a G.S.R., they are entitled to a vote at the assembly. Alternates normally vote only if the regular D.C.M. or G.S.R. is not present.

Why is this important? No tickey no lunchie folks! NO GSR = less voting power at the group level

Read more about the GSR's role in the group -https://www.aa.org/assets/en_US/p-19_gsr.pdf



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ARCHIVE COMMITTEE

For more info reach out to your DCM!

CARRY THE MESSAGE DAY

Interested in volunteering?
We can use your service.
Contact ROB R to participate!
Event is TBD!

CURRENT PRACTICE

No monthly meeting, however, if wondering what we do come join us at our monthly District meeting:)

DELEGATE LUNCHEON

Interested in volunteering?
We can use your service.
Contact ROB R to participate!
Event is August 2nd at 3333 Club from 1
to 5 pm

More will be revealed
This year Districts 1, 2 &15 will be combined!! Whoot Whoot!

DISTRICT DISPATCH

Please send any feedback or articles from your District for inclusion. If you'd like to help please reach out to your DCM

GRAPEVINE COMMITTEE

Meetings 11am /4th Saturday of the month @ Tri-County Central Office, Inc. 8019 N. Himes, Suite 104; Tampa, FL 33614

INTERGROUP LIASION

Meetings 6 pm /2nd Tuesday of the month @ Tri-County Central Office, Inc. 8019 N. Himes, Suite 104; Tampa, FL 33614

GSO Update on Corona Virus

The General Service Office (G.S.O.) has been receiving inquiries about how groups should respond to the COVID-19 (coronavirus). Groups and members are concerned about health and safety issues, and are looking for guidance on how to address this question.

The General Service Office is a repository of shared group experience and functions as a resource center for A.A. members and groups who are looking for the shared experience of the Fellowship. Providing guidance on health issues is outside the scope of the A.A. sharing that G.S.O. offers. However, we might suggest contacting your national, state/provincial and local health authorities for appropriate information.

We do have some general experience to share regarding how some groups and members have begun to address this issue. Our collected experience suggests that talking about these issues before they arise can help a group be prepared to address them in a sensible and helpful manner and allow the group to continue keeping the focus on our common welfare and primary purpose.

Some groups have discussed making changes to customs at their meetings. Some examples have included: avoiding shaking hands and handholding; making sure meeting hospitality tables are sanitary; or suspending food hospitality for the time being. Regardless of group decisions, each individual is responsible for their own health decisions.

Some groups have considered contingency plans in case the group is temporarily unable to meet in person. Plans have included: creating contact lists and keeping in touch by phone, email or social media; meeting by phone or online. Providing members information for the A.A. Online Intergroup (www.aa-intergroup.org) may serve as an additional helpful resource. If a group isn't holding its regular meetings, they may want to communicate this to local A.A. resources, such as the district, area and intergroup or central office.

G.S.O. has received inquiries about the A.A. events it coordinates throughout the year. Visit www.aa.org for up-to-date information regarding G.S.O./A.A.W.S. coordinated events. Please be assured that the health and safety of attendees is a priority. G.S.O. is closely monitoring relevant health advisories regarding COVID-19 (coronavirus).

We hope this limited sharing is helpful.

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https://www.aa.org/assets/en_US/en_updatesoncoronavirus.pdf with permission of A.A. World Services, Inc.

PLEASE NOTE THAT BY THE DATE OF THE PRINTING OF THIS DISPATCH THIS INFORMATION MAY BE OUTDATED, PLEASE USE YOUR COMMON SENSE AND ERROR ON THE SIDE OF SAFETY.

A.A. HIGHLIGHTS FOR DISTRICTTWO (2)

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE
OPEN DCM POSITIONS

SUBDISTRICT C (DOVER/PLANT CITY)

SUBDISTRICT G (CARROLWOOD)

SUBDISTRICT I (TEMPLE TERRACE)

SUBDISTRICT M(SEMINOLE HEIGHTS)

SUBDISTRICT R (LITHIA/VALRICO)

SUBDISTRICT T (NEW TAMPA/USF)

SUBDISTRICT U (DREW PARK/NE

W TAMPA)

SUBDISTRICT V (CITRUS PARK, NORTHDALE)

SUBDISTRICT W (EN ESPANOL)

WANT TO DO SOME
SERVICE WORK?
VOLUNTEER TO BE A DCM
WE HAVE

9 OPEN DCM SLOTS

(11 FILLED)!

Delegate Corner - COVID19 update from Shirley P.



South Florida Area 15 2019 General Service Committee 2020 Panel 69

South Florida, Bahamas, U.S. Virgin Islands, British Virgin Islands, Antigua, St. Maarten & Cayman Islands

Good day Area 15 members,

It is at times like we are experiencing today that we must be mindful of the needs of others. In stating this know that is my highest priority to keep the safety and well being of our membership and fellowship.

On March 12th the General Service Board was unanimous in its decision to conduct the meeting of the 70th General Service Conference, scheduled at the Hilton Westchester in Rye Brook, New York (Westchester County) April 19-25, 2020 under a modified schedule during the week of April 19-25, 2020 via remote meeting technology, to include Conference committee meetings and reports, board reports, possibly some additional presentations, and debate and voting on Conference committee recommendations.

As your delegate my mission is to receive your sense of the General Conference Agenda Items. In addition, obtain the group conscience on Conference agenda items; and then to attend the General Service Conference in April, well prepared. I am working with a team of fellow members to utilize one of these methods to prepare for Conference: Zoom, Skype and Go-to-Meeting. This will enable the feedback of those wishing to share their thoughts on the Conference Agenda Items...

I need the thoughts and feedback from our Area/District/Groups Committee Chairs & Officers, DCM/ADCM's, GSR/AGSR's and all others... electronically: via email, online (IM), text, phone communication. I am ready to work with all of you to prepare me for our very first Virtual 70th General Service Conference. I will be sending out to the entire email membership the details within the next two weeks for those who wish to provide this information electronically. Please note this will be in conjunction with the Assembly and or if you do not attend the event due to your safety concerns.

G.S.O. management recommendation

G.S.O. management recommends that the onsite meeting of the 70th General Service Conference, scheduled at the Hilton Westchester in Rye Brook, New York (Westchester County) April 19-25, 2020, be canceled. Notice of this cancellation will be communicated to all Conference members as soon as possible.

G.S.O. management recommends that the 70th General Service Conference be conducted under a modified schedule during the week of April 19-25, 2020 via remote meeting technology, to include Conference committee meetings and reports, board reports, possibly some additional presentations, and debate and voting on Conference committee recommendations. It is noted 1) that the logistics of a "virtual" Conference are being finalized and 2) that flexibility and understanding is requested of the Conference body in the efforts to implement workable arrangements and to amend "How the Conference Operates", as necessary.

Let me know your thoughts, reply your concerns, I look forward to hearing from you all...be safe.

In loving service and fellowship,

Shirley F. Delegate Area 15 Panel 69

To all Area 15 members,

We are all concerned about the COVID-19 virus and how it effects our plans for our Assembly. At this time, and subject to change, we plan to hold the Assembly as planned. We have had much discussion, as GSO has also, about the health and safety of our membership. Please take responsibility for your individual health in regards to attendance, and plan to attend only if you feel comfortable doing so.

At this time, there is nothing to qualify the cancellation clause in our contract and it would be the area's full financial responsibility to pay for the cancellation.

Also, as individuals, we will be responsible for our reservation in the same way. If you do not plan to attend, it is your responsibility to cancel you reservation, or you will be responsible for those room charges. Please remember to cancel through https://doi.org/10.2016/j.com/ by March 31st so your reservation can go to someone on the wait list.

Please check your email daily for new communication because we do not know if outside entities like state or government officials will impose restrictions that may prevent us from meeting.

Again, please check your email daily, and send out to everyone that is concerned, any and all communications.

We will be utilizing the area website for all current communications.

Yours in service, Cary W.

District 2-

Taking into consideration the health and wellness of our members/fellowship the suggestion of Florida Governor regarding the Corona Virus pandemic and that we should cancel or postpone large gatherings, we are discussing having a virtual meeting. Please monitor your email for further details. Our goal is to safely get the group conscience on the 70th General Service Conference Agenda Items so we can give our Delegate Shirley a sense of the body.

See attached letter from our Area 15 Delegate regarding the 70th General Service Conference being held via remote meeting technology.

There is also another letter from our Area 15 Chair regarding the Corona virus and how this may affect our Area 15 Assembly in Boca Raton April 3-5, 2020.

Please continue to monitor your email and the Area 15 website for future updates.

www.area15aa.org

Tradition of the Month

Tradition Four: Long Form: With respect to its own affairs, each A.A. group should be responsible to no other authority than its own conscience. But when its plans concern the welfare of neighboring groups also, those groups ought to be consulted. And no group, regional committee, or individual should ever take any action that might greatly affect A.A. as a whole without conferring with the trustees of the General Service Board. On such issues our common welfare is paramount.

Practice These Principles...**

Tradition Four: Each group should be autonomous except in matters affecting other groups or AA as a whole.

- 1. Do I insist that there are only a few *right* ways of doing things in AA?
- Does my group always consider the welfare of the rest of AA? Of nearby groups? Of Loners in Alaska? Of Internationalists miles from port? Of a group in Rome or El Salvador?
- 3. Do I put down other members' behavior when it is different from mine, or do I learn from it?
- 4. Do I always bear in mind that, to those outsiders who know I am in AA, I may to some extent represent our entire beloved Fellowship?
- 5. Am I willing to help a newcomer go to any lengths —his lengths, not mine—to stay sober?
- 6. Do I share my knowledge of AA tools with other members who may not have heard of them?

If you enjoyed the Editorial for Tradition 3 last month, here is the link for the Editorial for Tradition 4 !!! http://silkworth.net/ http://silkworth.net/ <a href="mailto:downlo

A.A. HIGHLIGHTS FOR DISTRICTTWO (2)

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE

OPEN ACM POSITIONS

SUBDISTRICT A(CENTRAL BRANDON)

SUBDISTRICT B (ZEPHYRHILLS/WESLEY CHAPEL/DADE CITY)

SUBDISTRICT C (DOVER/PLANT CITY)

SUBDISTRICT D (LUTZ/ LAND O' LAKES / ODESSA)

SUBDISTRICT E (WEST COLUMBUS)

SUBDISTRICT G (CARROLWOOD)

SUBDISTRICT H(APOLLO BEACH/RUSKIN/ SUN CITY)

SUBDISTRICT I (TEMPLE TERRACE)

SUBDISTRICT J(TOWN N COUNTRY)

SUBDISTRICT M(SEMINOLE HEIGHTS)

SUBDISTRICT N(RIVERVIEW)

SUBDISTRICT O (INTERBAY/GANDY/BAY TO BAY)

SUBDISTRICT Q(S.BRANDON/CLAIR MEL)

SUBDISTRICT R (LITHIA/VALRICO)

SUBDISTRICT U (DREW PARK/NW TAMPA)

SUBDISTRICT V (CITRUS PARK, NORTHDALE)

SUBDISTRICT W (EN ESPANOL)

WELCOME NEW ACMS:

SUBDISTRICT T(NEW TAMPA / USF)

THANK YOU TO SOPHIA C. FOR VOLUNTEERING AND STEPPING UP TO HELP CARRY THE MESSAGE ...

17 OPEN ACM SLOTS

(ONLY 3 FILLED)!

These questions were originally published in the AA Grapevine in conjunction with a series on the Twelve Traditions that began in November 1969 and ran through September 1971. While they were originally intended primarily for individual use, many AA groups have since used them as a basis for wider discussion. https://www.aa.org/assets/en_us/smf-131_en.pdf

Pamphlet of the Month

Did you know?

There are over 70+ pamphlets out there !!! These pamphlets and all our AA Conferenced Approved Literature undergo a rigorous approval and vetting process in order to ensure that 'our common welfare come first'! **Please defer to the literature as much as possible.Did you know?** AllA.A. pamphlets are available in https://www.aa.org and they can be printed or saved in PDF format? Following are the pamphlets that we have featured:

Month	Featured Pamphlet	Link to Pamphlet
January	The Twelve Concepts for World	https://www.aa.org/assets/en_US/p-
	Service Illustrated	8_thetwelveconetps.pdf
February	The AA Group Pamphlet	https://www.aa.org/assets/en_US/p-
		16_theaagroup.pdf
March	Many Paths to Spirituality	https://www.aa.org/assets/en_US/p-
		84 manypathstospirituality.pdf

This month's featured pamphlet is **YOUNG PEOPLE AND A.A** https://www.aa.org/assets/en_US/p-4_youngpeopleandaa.pdf



This is a great pamphlet and is 43 pages long. There are over a dozen compelling stories from young people of various ages in this pamphlet. I can't say enough about it. I encourage folks of all ages to check it out. I've highlighted on the next page some of the best parts and the quiz from the last page. I also wanted to share with folks the link to the most recent video that was in a recent press release from GSO last month on February 19, 2020

Alcoholics Anonymous shares new video: "Young & Sober in A.A.: From Drinking to Recovery" https://www.aa.org/pages/en_US/young-and-sober-in-aa-from-drinking-to-recovery



ON IMAGE TO SEE VIDEO

A.A. HIGHLIGHTS FOR DISTRICTTWO (2)

SOUTH FLORIDA AREA 15

GENERAL SERVICE ASSEMBLY QUARTERLY SOUTH FLAREA 15 GENERAL SERVICE ASSEMBLY

APRIL 3 - 5, 2020

Boca Raton Marriott at Boca Center April 3-5, 2020 Reference: South Florida General Service Conference Reservations must be received by March 6, 2020 English Flyer Spanish Flyer

WELCOME NEW GSRS AND ALT GSRS!!

THANK YOU FOR STEPPING UP TO THE PLATE AND SERVING YOUR GROUPS !!!

- RENE L - NEW WAY GROUP; TUESDAY @GRACE EPISCOPAL 7PM

THANK YOU TO THOSE GROUPS WHO HAVE GIVEN FINANCIAL SUPPORT TO OUR DISTRICT. AT OUR LAST DISTRICT MEETING WE GAVE OUT THANK YOU LETTERS. IF YOU DID NOT GET YOUR THANK YOU LETTER PLEASE SEE YOUR GSR/ACM OR DCM.

STAY TUNED // MORE WILL BE REVEALED IN THE UPCOMING MONTHS !!!

UPDATES FROM OUR AREA ASSEMBLYMEETING

UPDATES FROM OUR DISTRICT COMMITTEE MEMBERS

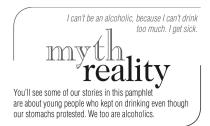
Pamphlet of the Month (cont'd/with excerpt from pamphlet)

Tina and Kevin are two of the 19 very young alcoholics who relate their experience as recovering alcoholics in a revised pamphlet just released by Alcoholics Anonymous: "Young People and A.A." Eight recollections by early teen and preteen alcoholics are included in the new edition, which also contains most of the original stories by alcoholics 25 and under.

The young A.A.s speak candidly about their preconceived notions of A.A. and what happened when they stepped tentatively into their first meetings. As Nicole, who sobered up at 14, says, "I knew A.A. held the solution to alcoholism. What I didn't know was that anyone old enough to have a problem is old enough to seek help from A.A." Since the Fellowship began in 1935, the age of new members has constantly dropped. A.A. groups for young people began appearing as early as 1945 in Los Angeles, Cleveland and Philadelphia, and now can be found across the United States and Canada. Today approximately 10 percent of A.A. members are under 30.

In reaching out to young alcoholics, A.A. offers them a variety of special literature and audiovisual material, mainly available in Spanish and French as well as English. The stories help the young newcomer to A.A. understand that an alcoholic can "hit bottom" without going through 20-plus years of drinking, never mind the loss of family, friends and financial stability. Through identification with the recovery stories of people their own age, they learn they never have to feel so alone and frightened again—and can lead comfortable, happy, even exciting lives in sobriety.

Among other A.A. pamphlets that speak directly to young people are three in comic-book format: "Too Young," in which teenagers aged 13 to 18 share their drinking stories; the newly revised "It Happened to Alice," geared to young female alcoholics; and "What Happened to Joe," which tells the story of a young construction worker on the edge of alcoholic self-destruction. A counterpoint to the pamphlet "Young People and A.A." is the 28-minute video of the same name in which four young A.A. members tell the stories of their drinking and recovery in A.A., with closed captions for the deaf and hard-of-hearing.



I hope you enjoyed this month's District Dispatch as much as I enjoyed putting it together for folks, Until Next Month — Love & Service, Sophia C.

Pamphlet of the Month Score it yourself Quiz Tally up the Yes & No's

1. Do you lose time from school or work because of drinking?

- 2. Do you drink to lose shyness and build up self confidence?
- 3. Is drinking affecting your reputation?
- 4. Do you drink to escape from study or home worries?
- 5. Does it bother you if somebody says maybe you drink too much?
- 6. Do you have to take a drink to go out on a date?
- 7. Do you ever get into money trouble over buying liquor?
- 8. Have you lost friends since you've started drinking?
- 9. Do you hang out now with a crowd where stuff is easy to get?
- 10. Do your friends drink less than you do?
- 11. Do you drink until the bottle is empty?
- 12. Have you ever had a loss of memory from drinking?
- 13. Has drunk driving ever put you into a hospital or a jail?
- 14. Do you get annoyed with classes or lectures on drinking?
- 15. Do you think you have a problem with liquor?

Major Event Cancellations

2020 International Convention Cancelled



International Convention Alcoholics Anonymous

July 2-5, 2020 | Detroit, Michigan

Love and Tolerance is Our Code • L'amour et la tolérance, vollà notre code • El amor y la tolerancia son nuestro Código

2020 International Convention, July 2-5, Detroit, Michigan, is Canceled Announcement by Michele Grinberg, Chair of the General Service Board of A.A.

It is with heavy hearts that we announce the cancellation of the 2020 International Convention in Detroit, July 2-5.

We know that this is a disappointment to our Fellowship, as every five years we look forward to celebrating sobriety, the Alcoholics Anonymous program of hope and recovery, and meeting dear friends, old and new, from around the world.

Planning for the International Convention started in 2008 when Detroit was chosen to host the 2020 event. From the moment the city was selected, local leaders extended a warm welcome to A.A., and the event was representative of Detroit's own rebirth as a great convention city. The excitement shown by the A.A. community and the people of the greater Detroit area was seen throughout the 12-year planning process. We experienced a phenomenal response from local A.A. members ready to volunteer and welcome members from all over the world to the International Convention. The appreciation and welcome we received from the Detroit community, including their desire to share the city with the A.A. Fellowship, has been especially warm and overwhelming.

For many weeks, the General Service Board, directors, management team and planning partners for the International Convention have been monitoring the public health announcements in real time as daily life continues to change for every citizen across the globe.

This is not a decision that is taken lightly. However, because of our numerous concerns related to the health and safety of our attendees, especially if 50,000 of us were to gather in Detroit in early July, we are confident it is the correct decision at this time. It has become clear that proceeding with a Convention of this magnitude in Michigan at that time is an unacceptable safety risk because of the uncertainty of the disease spread and containment. These are unprecedented times, impacting travel possibilities and requiring restrictions on large mass gatherings. For all of us, the health and well-being of our community comes first.

Due to the size and scale of the International Convention, the necessary contracts and work which must be started now, as well as travel arrangements, hotel availability, and Michigan's Statewide shutdown creating more uncertainty and inability to move forward on convention production, we are called to make a decision now.

We want to share clearly that we have made this determination based on the facts available today and, most importantly, based on the sense of responsibility and genuine care we feel for all our attendees, as well as for the citizens of Detroit, Michigan and Windsor, Canada.

General Service Office of Alcoholics Anonymous
P.O. Box 459 | Grand Central Station | New York, New York 10163 USA | (212) 870-3400 | www.aa.org

Interested in ZOOM meetings in the Tampa Bay Area? Go to the following links below:

http://www.meetings.aatampaarea.org/wp-content/uploads/ 2020/03/Online-AA-Meeting-List-3-24-20.pdf

http://www.meetings.aatampaarea.org/wp-content/uploads/ 2020/04/WhenandWhere_-Tampa-AA-Zoom-Meeting-List-Sheet1.pdf

Please refer to the Tricounty's website on the EVENTS tab for the most up to date listing

http://www.aatampa-area.org/
index.html

A BIG THANK YOU and SHOUT OUT

to the several folks that have stepped up to the plate in creating and maintaining the ZOOM listing of meetings !!! you folks know who you are ... THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU !!!! YOU ALL ROCK !!!

Cancellations cont'd

We have thought long and hard in these past few weeks, consulting in depth with our planning partners, staff and the Detroit community before making this decision. Our theme "Love and Tolerance is our Code" has never felt truer, nor more important in these times of uncertainty. We remain grateful for your love and support. We look forward to a large and happy gathering of our Fellowship in Vancouver, British Columbia in 2025.

While the decision to cancel our International Convention is a difficult one, it is important to remember that Alcoholics Anonymous is not a place or an event; it exists in the hearts, minds and help freely offered. A.A. groups and members across the globe continue to focus on our primary purpose of carrying a message of hope and recovery; and with our shared code of love and tolerance, may we continue for so long as we are needed.

Sincerely

Mishala Orighana

Chair, General Service Board of Alcoholics Anonymous

Please click the following link for information regarding the 2020 International Convention registration cancellation process.

Also check out the Frequently asked questions related to the process for the 2020 International convention at the link below:

https://www.aa.org/pages/en_US/frequently-askedquestions-about-the-cancellation-process-for-the-2020international-convention

FOUNDERS DAY CANCELLED

Other regional information on events can be found on the <u>aa.org</u> page!

Just a reminder with these new zoom meetings to please respect each other's anonymity:)



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