

**MONTHLY  
NEWSLETTER OF  
SANTA CLARITA  
VALLEY CENTRAL  
OFFICE OF AA**



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# GRATITUDE GAZETTE

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Open Monday, Wednesday & Friday  
10:00am to 5:00pm

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[www.aascv.org](http://www.aascv.org)

*For current SCV meeting schedule  
use this QR Code; it will bring you  
to the website.*



## Central Office Has A New Website

*Take time to visit our website  
It has a whole new look*

Everything at your fingertips with the click of a few buttons. The new meeting schedule updates monthly and has a printable PDF version on line for those who still prefer the hard copy schedule. Our local meeting schedule also uploads into the online meeting guide app, which is available free from Apple Store or Google. Install the app today and gain access to a list of meetings throughout the US. Don't miss a chance to visit AA in Timbuktu, Mali.....

If you are looking for something to do visit the *Announcements* tab to look for upcoming events throughout Southern California.

Not familiar with the work of Central Office and InterGroup. You need only go as far as the website to learn where InterGroup meets and when. Your meeting has a say in how our Central Office is run and how your money is spent. Send an InterGroup Rep from your

meeting to keep you informed.

Most important is the information on how your meeting or you as an individual can support Central Office. Click on the 7<sup>th</sup> Tradition tab and see how easy it is to set up a monthly contribution via PayPal.

Now, I have saved the best for last.....our online store. Place your order online and pickup at Central Office. If you pay for your order online as well there will be no more having to wait for that "slow poke" Judy behind the desk to get all of the paperwork ready and go through the hassle of providing all the information she needs to process your payment. Just walk thru the door, pick up your items and you're on your way.

A special thanks to Doug W. for all of his hard work in getting us up and running.

# Upcoming Events

## SCV Convention Spaghetti Dinner

September 2, 2023 5:30 – 8:30  
St Kateri Church  
Tickets on sale now!

## AA Grapevine Writing Workshop

September 30, 2023 10:00-2:00  
Zoom Workshop  
ID: 317 725 4183  
Passcode: Grapevine

## 50<sup>th</sup> Annual Antelope Valley Roundup

October 6 – 8, 2023  
Antelope Valley College  
3041 W Ave K  
Lancaster, CA  
Register Online @  
AVROUNDUP.org



## Birthday Board

Chris B. 9/21/2021  
Clark R. 9/28/1966  
Danielle K. 9/16/2022  
Debbie R. 9/29/2004  
George D. 9/7/2021  
Kelli H. 9/22/2022  
Kelly T. 9/12/1992  
Kenn M. 9/2/1993  
Tim W. 9/15/2010

# Announcements

## SCVAA CONVENTION

October 20 - 22, 2023  
Embassy Suites, 28508 Westinghouse Place,  
Valencia, CA 91355

### Registration is now open

<https://www.aascvconvention.org>

## Easy Does It Weekend

Camp Seely AA & Al-Anon Retreat  
September 29, 30 & October 1, 2023  
<https://www.easydoesitweekend.org>

## Ventura County AA Convention

September 8 – 10, 2023  
[www.vcaac.org](http://www.vcaac.org)

## 8<sup>th</sup> Hispanic Women's Workshop

December 9, 2023 8am – 4pm  
Hybrid event with English Interpretation  
Westminster Presbyterian Church  
1757 N Lake Ave, Pasadena, CA  
Zoom Meeting ID: 891 3842 5577  
Passcode: area05

# Steps

**September is the 9<sup>th</sup> month** , and we highlight the following:

### Step 9

Made Direct amends to such people wherever possible, except when to do so would injure them or others.

### Tradition 9

A.A., as such, ought never be organized; but we may create service boards or committees directly responsible to those they serve.

### Concept 9

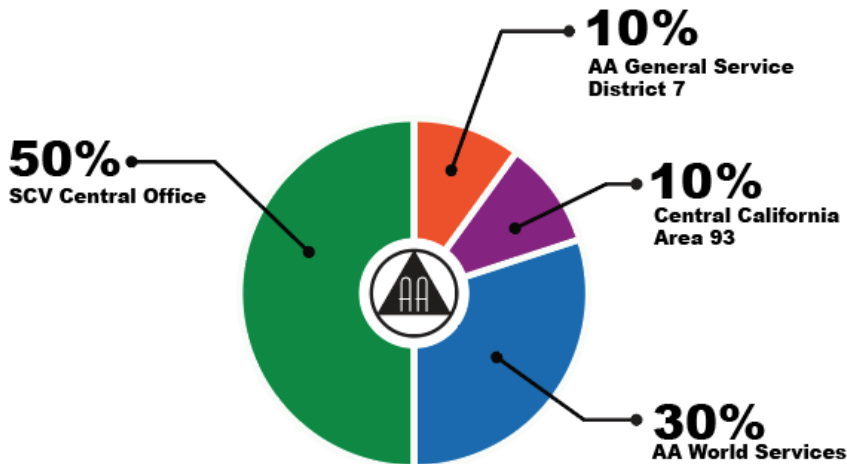
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.Good service leadership at all levels is indispensable for our future functioning and safety. Primary world service leadership, once exercised by the founders, must necessarily be assumed by trustees.



# Districts, Area & Contacts

Financial Support for District 7, of Area 93, World Services and your Central Office is suggested for each meeting that participates in Tradition 7. When a meeting meets its rent and prudent reserve, the remaining contributions are suggested to support A.A.



**AA General Service District 7**  
P.O. Box 599  
Acton, California 93510  
(Check payable to: **District 7, CCAA**)

**Central California Area 93**  
PMB # 140  
606 Alamo Pintado #3  
Solvang, California 93463  
(Check payable to: **CCAA, Area 93**)

**AA World Services**  
P.O. Box 2407  
James A Farley Station  
New York, New York 10116  
(Check payable to: **General Service Fund A.A.** Please put Group # on check)

**SCV Central Office**  
26951 Reuther Ave B4  
Santa Clarita, CA 91351  
(Check payable to: **SCV Central Office**)

## Monthly Service Meetings

### Santa Clarita Valley Central Office/Intergroup

4th Monday of month at Central Office 7pm – 8pm

Send a representative from your meeting; find out what is happening at your local Central Office and within the AA community of Santa Clarita Valley.

### District 7 - General Service

2nd Monday of the month

6:30pm – 8:00pm

Quartz Hill LaGrange

41843 50th Street West

Lancaster, California 93536

Also available via Zoom:

### Hospitals & Institutions (H & I)

1st Thursday of month 6:30 – 8:00

St Stephens Church

24901 Orchard Village

Valencia, CA 91355

## Looking For A Meeting

Did you know there is a meeting guide app for your smartphone?



Find upcoming meetings nearby – Meeting Guide currently includes lists of 400 AA service entities directly to you. Over 100,000 weekly meetings are currently listed, and the information is refreshed twice daily. Supported by AA and World Services. Is now available free from Apple Store and Google. Look for the chair in the circle and download today.

Visit <https://www.aa.org/meeting-guide-app>

# Grapevine News

**Current Issue Spotlight: “Young and Sober”**  
Stories of experience and hope by AA members who got sober early in life.

**Submit Your Story for Upcoming Issues:**

**Favorite Big Book Stories** – Our beloved Big Book turns 85! What are your favorite Big Book stories or memories? What are your favorite chapters or passages and why? How did it help you as a newcomer? Feel free to include a photo of your well-worn Big Book! Stories due October 15, 2023

**Happy Birthday Grapevine!** In June 2024, The Grapevine turns the big 80! Help us celebrate by sharing your very best memories with Grapevine. Why do you love Grapevine? Was there a story that once helped you? How did being a GV Rep help your sobriety? What did you learn? Share your best Grapevine memories! (Stories due by Dec 15, 2023)

**More upcoming topics:** How the Steps Changed My Life.....Dating & Relationships

**Important:** Grapevine is looking for stories of experience with each step and each tradition. Pick a particular step or tradition and share your experience. Grapevine also needs your jokes.

[The Grapevine App is here](#)

Download the app free from [Apple App Store](#) or [Google Play](#)

Subscribe to the digital magazine and archive for \$2.99 per month or \$29.99 per year.

With a subscription, you'll be able to read the new magazine each month, explore the Grapevine, send stories to friends, listen to the audio of each article, listen to the podcast, enter your sobriety date for daily calculation, build a spiritual maintenance checklist.

## News from New York

**Announcing: Daily Reflections now available in new audio formats**

A new Audiobook edition of Daily Reflections is now available in English, French and Spanish.

The audio edition will be accessible as follows:

- **Download** – Available for purchase from Apple, Audio Google Play, Audio Kobo, Audible and other Audiobook vendors. List price of \$11.99.

For information, please visit <https://onlineliterature.aa.org>

- **Listen** – Coming soon: The audio version of each day's reflection will be available in addition to the text.

- **For people in custody “behind the walls”** - People in custody throughout the US will be able to listen to the Daily Reflections audiobook at no charge on tablets supplied by Securus Jpay and Edovo/GTL, as available.

For questions or more information contact [publishingnews@aa.org](mailto:publishingnews@aa.org)

## Literature

Literature is available at Central Office about the various service offices and their functions.

[aascv.org/shop](http://aascv.org/shop)

## ICOAA SEMINAR

38th Annual Intergroup Central Office Seminar with participation from AAWS and AA Grapevine  
October 12-15, 2023 in Cincinnati

Hundreds of central offices and intergroups from across the US and Canada will be represented. Discussions and workshops will be held for all to share the best ways to provide services we offer every day. The seminar is being hosted by Greater Cincinnati Central Office.

The very first ICOAA Seminar was held in September 1986 – with 98 representatives from 82 intergroups attending, plus 3 trustees from General Service Board and 13 employees of GSO and Grapevine. From the very beginning, the stated purpose of the seminars has been to provide a forum, through workshops, discussions, and the exchange of ideas and shared experience, for those who labor on AA's front lines.

Your local Central Office/Intergroup will be making the decision whether it is beneficial to send a representative to the seminar. Stay tune for more information.

# AA **GRAPEVINE**

## WRITING WORKSHOP

*Hosted by the Area 93 Grapevine Committee*

**Saturday, September 30**  
10:00 AM—2:00 PM (Pacific Daylight Time)

**A call for stories, jokes, photos and art**

**ZOOM WORKSHOP**

**ID: 317 725 4183**

**Passcode: Grapevine**

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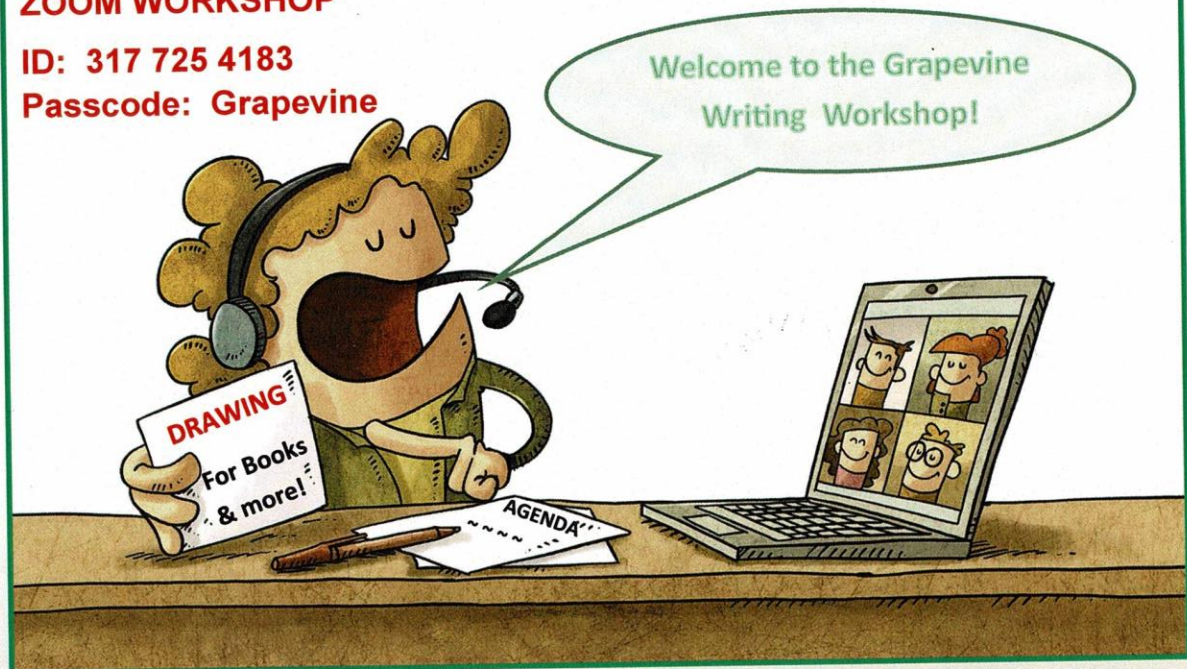


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### **Speakers!**

- ◆ **Jon W.**, Senior Editor, AA Grapevine, New York City
- ◆ **Jeffrey H.**, DCM, Area 93, District 07, Lancaster, CA  
(Author of 'On the Front Lines', Grapevine, Aug 2022)
- ◆ **Ramon C.**, La Viña spokesperson, District 02

**Translation will be provided**

**Start a brand-new story  
or bring a story in progress.**

If you would like to share your story at the workshop for feedback, please contact Bonnie before the workshop to be put on the agenda:

**grapevine@area93.org**  
or call 805-550-8081