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## Protecting Our Fellowship

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### Protecting Our Fellowship: Why Conference-Approved Literature Matters

When I first came to Alcoholics Anonymous, I was handed the book of Alcoholics Anonymous that connected me to millions of alcoholics worldwide. We read the same pages, quoted the same sentences, and found the same hope. That shared literature was part of what kept AA unified.

Over the years, some groups, meetings and service bodies have begun using

materials from other outside sources. Such as Anonymous Press, Hazeleden, the Bible, and other outside publishers in place of Conference-approved AA literature. While these publications are helpful, this shift violates core Traditions, most directly Tradition 6 that protect our Fellowship from the dangers of outside affiliation.

### The Danger of Outside Enterprises

Tradition Six is unambiguous: "An A.A. group ought never endorse, finance or lend the A.A. name to any related facility or outside enterprise, lest problems of money, property and prestige divert us from our primary purpose." (Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions, pg. 155)

When an AA group uses other outside publications as primary AA literature, they

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## SCV Central Office

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<b>Jasmine G.</b>	Wednesday Women's Night Happy Hour
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<b>Patty G.</b>	Women's Bean Bag Toss, Stepping Stones
<b>Stephanie M.</b>	By the Book, Stepping Stones
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# Legacies for March

- Step 3** Made a decision to turn our will and our lives over to the care of God as we understood Him.
- Tradition 3** The only requirement for A.A. membership is a desire to stop drinking.
- Concept 3** To insure effective leadership, we should endow each element of A.A.—the Conference, the General Service Board and its service corporations, staffs, committees, and executives—with a traditional “Right of Decision.”

# How to Become an IGR

You can get involved by becoming an Intergroup Representative (IGR) for your meeting or group if they do not have one. An IGR should have at least one year of sobriety and be able to attend the monthly Intergroup meeting on the 4<sup>TH</sup> Monday of each month at 7:00 PM. You can also get involved by participating in one of the Intergroup committees.

If your meeting or group is not represented, you can take a group conscience to decide on representation, make a motion, and vote to have an IGR. You can then vote for a member to be your representative. The term is two years. A group may also elect an alternate IGR.

The Central Office can assist with questions and the process to help anyone interested in becoming involved in this service work. Central Offices are essentially AA service entities, “directly responsible to those they serve,” as described in Tradition Nine. Local group representatives reflect the groups’ conscience in the service center operations.

## Birthday Board

We would love to acknowledge your sobriety so help us keep our birthday info updated by emailing us at [info@aascv.org](mailto:info@aascv.org)

Aaron S. . . . .	3/11/2023	3
Cheryl L. . . . .	3/26/2022	4
Adriana B . . . . .	3/23/2022	4
Isidro O . . . . .	3/17/2022	4
Anne Mc . . . . .	3/13/2022	4
Lia M . . . . .	3/21/2020	6
Aaron S. . . . .	3/26/2018	8
Darren D. . . . .	3/5/2013	13
Aaron K. . . . .	3/5/2005	21
Betty H . . . . .	3/2/2000	26
Lori T . . . . .	3/27/1998	28
Julie G. . . . .	3/21/1983	43

It’s a common tradition for AA members to make contributions to the AA. Structures to celebrate their sobriety anniversaries, also known as AA birthdays. This is a way for members to give back to support their journey to recovery.

## Faithful Friends

Consider supporting your Central Office by giving monthly or one time. Visit [AASCV.org](http://AASCV.org) to contribute.

## AA Meetings

[aa.org/meeting-guide-app](http://aa.org/meeting-guide-app)

### Did you know your Central Office updates meetings in the SCV for the meeting guide app for your smartphone?

Your Central Office has 163 meetings in English and Spanish both in person and on-line listed. If you need to update or add your meeting information, please reach out to the Central Office at [webservant@aascv.org](mailto:webservant@aascv.org).

To find upcoming In-Person and Online meetings nearby or anywhere in the U.S. or Canada, use the Meeting Guide App. This app currently includes listings from 400 AA service entities, providing you with access to over 100,000 weekly meetings. The information is refreshed twice daily and is provided by AA World Services.



The [Meeting Guide App](#) is available for free from the Apple Store and Google Play Store. Look for the chair in the circle and download the app today.

# Protecting Our Fellowship

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create an implicit endorsement. They're telling newcomers and the public: "This speaks for AA." But it doesn't. These materials haven't been through our Conference process. They don't represent our **collective conscience**.

## The Principle of Self-Support

Tradition Seven states: "Every A.A. group ought to be fully self-supporting, declining outside contributions." (Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions, pg. 160)

This Tradition isn't just about money—it's about independence. When we purchase outside literature instead of Conference-approved materials, our dollars support commercial publishers rather than our Fellowship's service structure. The General Service Office (GSO), which serves groups worldwide and maintains our infrastructure, relies significantly on literature sales.

As the Twelve and Twelve explains, we learned this principle the hard way: "Frightened by these complications, some groups refused to have a cent in their treasuries." Eventually, "the pendulum stopped swinging and pointed straight at Tradition Seven as it reads today." (Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions, pg. 162)

Our **financial independence protects our spiritual independence**. When we support outside publishers, we risk the very entanglements that Tradition Seven was designed to prevent.

## Our Collective Conscience

Concept One declares: "Final responsibility and ultimate authority for A.A. world services should always reside in the collective conscience of our whole Fellowship." (AA Service Manual, Concept I)

Concept Two explains how this authority is exercised: "The General Service Conference of A.A. has become, for nearly every practical purpose, the active voice and the effective conscience of our whole Society in its world affairs." (AA Service Manual, Concept II)

When the Conference approves literature, it's the collective conscience of AA saying: "This represents us. This carries our message." The Conference—made up of delegates elected by areas, made up by districts, representing groups—is how we speak with one voice.

To bypass this process by using outside literature is to say: "I don't trust our collective conscience. I prefer my own judgment or my group's judgment to the wisdom of the Fellowship as a whole."

## Autonomy With Responsibility

Some may invoke Tradition Four's autonomy clause. Yes, "each

# Change for Change

You've seen those small change dishes at coffee counters—pennies and quarters that don't seem like much on their own, but together make a real difference. The same is true for supporting our Santa Clarita Valley Central Office.

Central Office is where newcomers find their first meeting, where literature and chips are available, and where the phone is answered day and night by someone who understands. These services rely on rent, utilities, phone lines, and supplies—costs that add up.

We're inviting you to help in a simple way: contribute your spare change. Keep a small bowl or jar at home or in your meeting labeled "For Central Office." When it fills, drop it off. Small, steady gifts keep our local AA heartbeat strong.

Every call answered, every Big Book sold, every meeting list printed is powered by generosity—one coin at a time. Your change truly helps change lives.

You can also contribute through our "Faithful Friends program at [AASCV.org](https://www.aascv.org) with either a one-time or monthly contribution.

# AA Links

- AA - [aa.org](https://aa.org)
- Area 93 - [area93.org](https://area93.org)
- AA Grapevine - [aagrapevine.org](https://aagrapevine.org)
- Area 93, District 7 - [area93district7.org](https://area93district7.org)
- Stepping Stones Alano Club - [steppingstonesalanoclub.org](https://steppingstonesalanoclub.org)
- Central Park Group - [centralparkgroupsantaclarita.com](https://centralparkgroupsantaclarita.com)
- SCVYPAA - [scvypaa.org](https://scvypaa.org)
- Rafter Group - [raftersaa.com](https://raftersaa.com)
- AV Central Office - [avcentraloffice.org](https://avcentraloffice.org)
- Santa Clarita Valley Central Office - [aascv.org](https://aascv.org)

# Southern California AA Convention Corner

- The 74<sup>TH</sup> Southern California AA Convention is scheduled for the weekend of October 16<sup>TH</sup> 2026
- The 2026 Southern California AA Convention will take place at the The Westin Rancho Mirage Golf Resort & Spa, located at 71333 Dinah Shore Dr., Rancho Mirage, CA 92270

Visit their website at [aasocal.com](https://aasocal.com) for information on their planning meetings scheduled for 2026

group should be autonomous except in matters affecting other groups or A.A. as a whole.” (Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions, pg. 146)

But that same Tradition warns: “A group ought not do anything which would greatly injure A.A. as a whole, nor ought it affiliate itself with anything or anybody else.” (Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions, pg. 147)

Literature choices affect AA as a whole. A newcomer who learns AA’s message from outside publications carries that version forward when sponsoring, doing Twelfth Step work, and serving. Over time, we fragment our message through the accumulated effect of individual choices.

### Principles Before Personalities

Tradition Twelve reminds us: “Anonymity is the spiritual foundation of all our traditions, ever reminding us to place principles before personalities.” (Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions, pg. 184)

The text explains: “**The spiritual substance of anonymity is sacrifice... Principles would have to come before personalities, without exception.**” (Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions, pg. 184, 187)

When we bypass the Conference process and choose outside literature based on personal preference or a group’s taste, we place personalities before principles. We say our preference matters more than the collective conscience.

### The Path Forward

Concept Four ensures: “At all responsible levels, we ought to maintain a traditional ‘Right of Participation.’” (AA Service Manual, Concept IV)

If we believe Conference-approved literature needs updating or expansion, we have a clear path: bring it to our group, move it through our service structure, and let it be heard at the Conference. This is how we’ve created new pamphlets and revised existing literature while maintaining our core message.

When we choose outside literature instead, we abandon this process. We take a shortcut that weakens the structure of keeping our message consistent and our Fellowship independent.

### One Message, One Fellowship

Our Conference-approved literature represents the collective conscience of millions of alcoholics who found recovery and wanted to pass it on undiluted. It’s not perfect—it’s written by imperfect people—but it’s ours. It comes from us.

“The unity of Alcoholics Anonymous is the most cherished quality our Society has. Our lives, the lives of all to come, depend

squarely upon it. We stay whole, or A.A. dies.” (Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions, pg. 129)

When we use outside literature, we risk precisely what Traditions Six and Seven were designed to prevent: outside entanglements that compromise our unity, our independence, and our singular focus on carrying an undiluted message to the alcoholic who still suffers.

The solution is simple: trust the process that has kept us unified for nearly ninety years. Use Conference-approved literature. Support our service structure. And if we want new literature, let it emerge from our collective conscience through the Conference—not from outside publishers seeking our market.

Let us stick to what we do supremely well: carrying one message, tested by millions of recoveries, speaking with one voice, through literature born of our collective conscience and our shared experience.

As citizens of the world, we’re free to read any resource we choose. But as AA members, we follow our Traditions and principles in our meetings, events, and anywhere AA is the core activity. Spiritual growth is rooted in personal sacrifice for the group and for AA as a whole.

**FAITHFUL**

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Contributions to the Santa Clarita Valley  
Central Office

Yes! I wish to participate as a Faithful Friend!  
Visit [aascv.org](http://aascv.org) and fill-out the PayPal form  
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needed.



## Grapevine News

[aagrapevine.org/store](http://aagrapevine.org/store)

**Grapevine Digital Subscription. Combines the Grapevine complete On-Line access to the website, archive, and the App:**

The March issue of the Grapevine is available and the feature articles focus on “**AA & the Family**,” with touching, powerful stories by AA members about alcoholism and how AA has affected their families.

Alcoholism takes its toll on families in so many complicated and painful ways. But when a family member makes it to AA, they can find hope. Our Fellowship has amazing tools to repair damaged relationships, but it can take time. This month we feature powerful stories by moms, sons, daughters, husbands and sisters who found hope, healing and a better way to live.

Following are just a few of the featured stories – **Just Like Dad; Family Storm; Three Generations Of Love; That Quiet Voice.** Subscribe to the AA Grapevine – The International Journal of Alcoholics Anonymous.

### Daily Quote

“In the nick of time, and by God’s grace, each of us has been enabled to develop a growing sense of the meaning and purpose of his own life.”

AA Co-Founder, Bill W., November 1961, “Again at the Crossroads”, ***The Language of the Heart***

Our New Podcast:  
**Grapevine Weekly Open AA Meeting**

Each week AA Grapevine holds an open virtual AA meeting with a host and two speakers. We record the meeting to create this podcast.

To join the meeting live on Wednesdays at Noon Eastern, use Zoom code 877 2036 8287 with password 238047.

The podcast is available on your favorite podcast platforms. A new episode drops every Friday. Enjoy!

## Central Office News

Central Office relies on contributions from our local groups/ meetings and AA members to cover its monthly operating costs. In 2026 we are looking to expand our hours to better serve our AA Community in Santa Clarita.

## Literature

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

### AA Grapevine Greeting Cards

Each card is beautifully illustrated with a cartoon about humorous moments in sobriety. All cartoons are conceived and drawn by AA members and were previously published in AA Grapevine.

To learn more, visit [aagrapevine.org/store](http://aagrapevine.org/store)

## News from New York

Announcing: Now available for viewing! “The Twelve Concepts for World Service Video” A lively animated tour through the principles of A.A. service.

In this “animated short,” based on the illustrated pamphlet, we see our Twelve Concepts brought to life. We follow along as we see how wide participation in the “inverted triangle” of the A.A. Fellowship enables us all to work together to carry the message of hope and recovery. This lively tour through the Twelve Concepts offers a wonderful introduction to A.A. service, with roles and responsibilities illustrated in an easy-to-understand “whiteboard animation” style. **To View And Share** - “The Twelve Concepts Video” (in English) may be viewed and shared with others on [aa.org](http://aa.org).

March 7th 4 PM - 7 PM

MARCHING FORWARD...  


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**Special Event**  
 Marching Forward to the 20th SCV AA Convention  
 with Al-Anon Participation

 [aascvconvention.org](http://aascvconvention.org)

March 7<sup>TH</sup>, 4<sup>PM</sup> - 7<sup>PM</sup>  
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 25718 McBean Parkway,  
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- AA and Al-Anon Speakers
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Questions: Carole C. (661) 305-1265  
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## The Recovering Corker Column

[info@aascv.org](mailto:info@aascv.org)

**Dear Recovering Corker,**

Dear Corker,

How do people typically feel at their very first meeting of AA?  
 What can I expect?

Thank you.

**Anonymous**

**Dear Anonymous,**

At the first meeting there may be mixed emotions. Nervousness. Anxiety about not knowing anyone, or what will happen at the meeting. Relief - just by walking into the room, sitting down and listening.

Most meetings are warm and welcoming. People may introduce themselves by first name only.

Some may offer their phone number or say "keep coming back." It can feel comforting to be around people who understand without needing a long explanation. You may hear someone share a story that sounds familiar and you may think - "oh yeah that happened to me too."

For some, there's a sense of relief knowing they are not alone.

**ACYPAA 53**  
 All California Young People in AA Roundup



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 "OUR THOUGHT-LIFE WILL BE PLACED ON A MUCH HIGHER PLANE WHEN OUR THINKING IS CLEARED OF WRONG MOTIVES." P. 86



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**2026 SCV Convention Corner**

The 2026 SCV Convention season is starting with our first special event, **Marching Forward...**, on March 7<sup>TH</sup>. You can purchase tickets online at [aascvconvention.org](http://aascvconvention.org).

The 2026 Steering Committee has been selected, and our trusted servants, Kevin D., Chairperson, and Viktoria T., Co-chair, will guide us in planning the 2026 Convention.

To join one of the Planning Committees, come to the Rafters on Sunday, March 8, at 12:30 P.M.

# White Knuckling

## A Daily Code for the Newcomer

By Kimberly C.

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There is a phase of sobriety no one romanticizes. It happens before you have a sponsor. Before you understand the language. Before meetings feel like home. Before the word “God” means anything other than confusion or resistance. It’s just you and the decision not to pick up. The first few months sober are not about transcendence. They are about survival with dignity. They are about building a new nervous system while the old one is still screaming. I call this phase *White Knuckling*. Not because it’s dramatic. Because it’s honest. You are gripping the edge of a cliff with bare hands. You don’t yet have spiritual muscle memory. You don’t yet have a fellowship to cushion every fall. What you do have is a choice — repeated, daily.

Before I was entrenched in AA or had a sponsor guiding me, I lived by a simple code. Four principles. They were not polished. They were practical. They carried me through the earliest months when everything felt exposed.

If you are newly sober, this is the **checklist**.

### 1. Take Contrary Action

Your instincts got you here. That’s not self-hatred. It’s math. The patterns that kept you drinking — avoidance, control, people-pleasing, secrecy, aggression, escape — will not dissolve overnight. In early sobriety, your impulses may still point toward chaos. So, you pause and ask: What would I normally do right now? And then — with as much steadiness as you can gather — you do the opposite. If you normally isolate, you call someone. If you normally defend yourself, you listen. If you normally lie to smooth things over, you tell the truth. If you normally escalate, you step back. Contrary action feels unnatural. That is the point. You are interrupting a long-established neural groove. You are retraining your responses in real time. This requires presence. You cannot run on autopilot and stay sober. White knuckling means watching yourself like a scientist. It means catching the reflex before it becomes behavior. It will feel awkward. Do it anyway.

### 2. Practice Rigorous Honesty — No Side Pockets

Sobriety is not just abstinence. It is alignment. Addiction thrives in hidden compartments: half-truths, curated narratives, quiet resentments, secret fantasies, small manipulations that feel harmless but aren’t. I made a rule early on: no side pockets. If I was angry, I admitted it. If I was scared, I admitted it. If I didn’t know, I said I didn’t know. I stopped pretending I was fine when I wasn’t. I stopped managing how I appeared in every room. I stopped keeping emotional backup plans. Rigorous honesty does not mean oversharing with everyone. It means you stop lying to yourself. It means what you think, what you say, and what you do

begin to line up. That alignment creates relief. When there are no hidden compartments, there is less internal pressure. And less pressure means less need to escape.

### 3. Good Orderly Direction

In the beginning, I did not have a clear idea of a higher power. I had willingness. I leaned into an acronym: G.O.D. — Good Orderly Direction. When I didn’t know what to believe, I asked a simpler question: What is the next action that brings order instead of chaos? Cleaning up a mess instead of defending it. Making amends instead of justifying myself. Going to bed instead of staying up and bingeing soul-sucking shows. Paying the bill instead of avoiding it. I did not need theology. I needed direction. Sometimes it felt like blind faith. Sometimes it felt like “fake it until you make it.” But something happened when I consistently chose what was orderly, honest, and responsible. Light followed. Peace followed. Clarity followed. I began to understand a higher power not as a concept, but as an experience. When I walked in good order, my life responded in kind. That was enough evidence for me. You don’t need a fully formed spiritual philosophy in your first months sober. You need willingness to move toward what is clean. Understanding grows from action.

### 4. Do the Next Correct Thing

Early sobriety compresses time. The idea of forever is overwhelming. Even the idea of next month can feel unbearable. So, shrink the frame. Do the next correct thing. Before you speak, pause: Is this true? Is this kind? Is this necessary? Before a confrontation: Am I trying to win, or am I trying to stay sober? Before a decision: Will this move me toward peace or toward chaos? The next correct thing might be simple. Drink water. Leave the room. Send the honest text. Cancel the plan. Go to sleep. Breathe. You are not rebuilding your entire life in one heroic gesture. You are stacking correct actions. One after another. Momentum forms quietly. Dignity returns slowly. Self-trust grows almost imperceptibly. Eventually you realize you are not just surviving — you are stabilizing.

### The Daily White Knuckling Checklist

In those early months, I asked myself the same questions every day: Did I take contrary action when my old patterns surfaced? Was I rigorously honest — with no side pockets? Did I follow Good Orderly Direction? Did I do the next correct thing? That was enough. No spiritual fireworks. No grand declarations. No perfect belief system required. Just willingness. Discipline. Repetition. White knuckling is not weakness. It is strength under construction. It is the scaffolding that allows a new life to rise. Eventually, the grip softens. You build community. You deepen spiritually. The fear quiets. The language makes sense. But in the beginning?

You hold on. You follow the code. And one day, almost without noticing, you realize you are no longer clinging to the cliff.

You are standing on solid ground and sober. Right on the way to happy, joyous, and free.



# Newsletter

**Santa Clarita Valley Central Office**  
Join to read our monthly newsletter. Each month, you will receive our newsletter with articles, calendar of events, links to meetings, distribution information and other nuggets of current information.




**74th Southern California AA Convention**  
**Planning Meetings**

*Come Join Us and Be of Service!*

February 8th, 2026,  
March 8th, 2026,  
April 19th, 2026,  
May 17th, 2026,  
June 14th, 2026,  
July 12th, 2026 **WALK THROUGH** at The Westin  
August 9th, 2026,  
September 13th, 2026...

**2026 Planning Meetings Starting at 10:30am**

**74th SCAAC Convention at The Westin on October 16-18, 2026**  
November 15, 2026: (Wrap Up Meeting)

For more info: [info@aasocal.com](mailto:info@aasocal.com)  
visit us at: [www.aasocal.com](http://www.aasocal.com)

**at The 502 Club**  
**510 S. 2nd Ave #10, Covina, CA 91723**

## Calendar Events

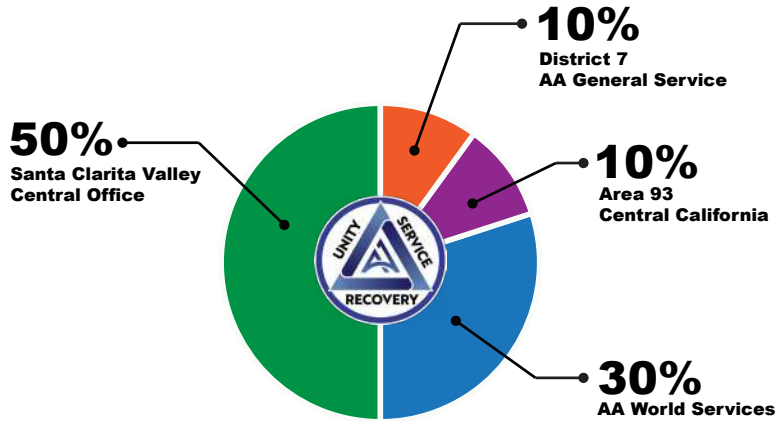
See <https://aascv.org/events-and-announcements/>

Date	Event	Time	Location	Address
3/1/2026	AV Monthly Roundup (In-Person)	4:30 PM - 5:30 PM	In-Person	42545 Wall Street, Unit 115, Lancaster CA 93534
3/3/2026	The 2026 Unity in Action (On-Line)	10:00 AM - 11:00 AM	On-Line	ID: 202 006 1935 PW: 624101
3/5/2026	SCV H & I Monthly Meeting (In-Person)	6:30 PM - 8:00 PM	In-Person	24901 Orchard Village Rd, Santa Clarita, CA 91355
3/5/2026	AV Central Office Intergroup Meeting (In-Person)	7:00 PM - 8:30 PM	In-Person	43619 17TH Street West, Suite 103 Lancaster, Ca. 93534
3/7/2026	Marching Forward... SCV Convention Special Event	4:00 PM - 7:00PM	In-Person	25718 McBean Parkway, Valencia, CA 91355
3/8/2026	SCV AA Convention Steering Committee Meeting	11:30 AM - 12:30 PM	In-Person	22607 6TH Street, Newhall, CA 91321
3/8/2026	SCV AA Convention Planning Committee Meeting	12:30 PM - 1:30 PM	In-Person	22607 6TH Street, Newhall, CA 91321
3/8/2026	AV H&I Monthly Meeting (In-Person)	10:00 AM - 11:00 AM	In-Person	42545 Wall Street, Unit 115, Lancaster CA 93534
3/8/2026	74TH Southern California AA Convention Planning Meetings (In-Person)	10:00 AM - 12:00 PM	In-Person	510 S 2ND Ave, Covina, CA 91723
3/9/2026	District 7 Monthly Business Meetings (Hybrid)	6:30 PM - 8:00 PM	Hybrid	41843 50TH Street West Quartz Hill CA 93536; ID 835 1211 4894
3/16/2026	Cooperation with the Professional Community (CPC) (On-Line)	6:00 PM - 7:00 PM	On-Line	ID: 825 7541 7228 PW: Workbook
3/19 - 3/22	All California Young People in AA Roundup (In-Person)	All Day	In-Person	6101 W Century Blvd, Los Angeles, CA 90045
3/23/2026	SCV Intergroup Meeting (In-Person)	7:00 PM - 8:30 PM	In-Person	26951 Ruether Ave., B-4 Santa Clarita, CA 91351

# 7TH Tradition

## Contributions to Central Offices, District 7, Area 93 and GSB

Financial Support for your Central Office, District 7, Area 93, and General Service Board of AA it is suggested for each group that participates in Tradition 7. When a meeting meets it rent and prudent reserve, the remaining contributions are suggested to support all of the AA Service Structure. The percentages are suggestions.



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## District 7

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## Central California Area 93

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Solvang, CA 93463  
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## AA World Services

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New York, NY 10116  
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## Group IDs

It is very important to add your: **Group/ Meeting Information to all checks and other payments.**

- **AAWS Group ID Number (9-Digits)**
- **Meeting/Group Name**
- **Location and Time**

## Monthly Service Meetings

### SCV Central Office/ Intergroup

**4TH Monday of the month**  
Central Office 7:00 PM  
26951 Reuther Ave B-4  
Santa Clarita, CA 91351

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**  
6:30 PM – 8:00 PM  
Quartz Hill Grange  
41843 50TH Street West  
Lancaster, CA 93536

Zoom ID: 830 4964 7466

### Hospitals & Institutions (H&I)

**1ST Thursday of the month**  
6:30 PM Orientation  
Business Meeting 7:00 PM  
St. Stephens Church  
24901 Orchard Village  
Valencia, CA 91355

## Privacy Tip on the Venmo App

Many AA members use Venmo to make contributions. Follow these instructions to set your transactions to private.

1. Open the Venmo app on your mobile device.
2. Go to the lower right-hand corner and click "Me," then the "Gear" icon on the upper right-hand corner.
3. Choose "Privacy" under the Settings options.
4. Change the Default Privacy Setting.

5. Under the "Default Privacy Setting" section, tap on it and select "Private." This will ensure that all future transactions are private by default.
6. Set Past Transactions to Private:
7. Scroll down to the "Past Transactions" section.
8. Tap on "Change All to Private" to update the visibility of all your past transactions to private.

By setting your transactions to private, only you and the person you're paying or receiving money from will be able to see the details of the transaction.

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**Your  
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District  
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What is a DCM?  
The heart of A.A. is the group, which elects a general service representative (GSR) to attend the General Service Conference (GSC). The GSR attends district meetings that are made up of the groups in that district. The GSRs elect a district committee member (DCM). Thus, the DCM is the future, because it is the future of the General Service Conference.

Where does the DCM come from?  
GSRs in each district usually elect a DCM for a good district committee. Background in A.A.



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