

WCI Chatter

Sunday, July 18, 2021

Announcements

Here are the results of the Intergroup Election held on June 24, 2021, effective July 01, 2021.

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SPECIAL AREA ASSEMBLY

Pursuant to Sections 2.04(b) and 2.04(f) of the Amended Bylaws of Maryland General Service, Inc., notice is hereby given that we will be holding a Special Area Assembly on Monday, August 16, 2021 from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm. We will be using the Zoom platform for the Assembly.

The purpose of this Special Area Assembly is to consider possible agenda items for next year's General Service Conference, and to prepare members to fully participate as voters and candidates in the upcoming Election Assembly in October.

This Special Area Assembly will be hosted on Zoom, and all members of Alcoholics Anonymous in Area 29 are welcome to attend!

Zoom Information for the Special Area Assembly is here:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3352329265?pwd=ZTIDcUx6aTUwWXIYaXNndm1tbWs2Zz09>

Meeting ID: 335 232 9265

Passcode: 164

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+13017158592,,3352329265#,,, *164# US (Washington DC)

If you cannot attend the Assembly and would like to provide input on agenda items or receive election preparation materials, please email chair@marylandaa.org

Service Opportunity for Individuals and/or Home Groups

Austin Addiction & Mental Health Center – New Opportunity

WCI Corrections & Treatment Committee is looking for individuals and/or Home Groups to deliver “Beginner AA” meetings to Austin Addiction & Mental Health Center at 27 W 7th St Frederick. These are in-person meetings held each **Thursday morning @ 11am**. Group size will range between 3-12. All attendees are 18 years or older.

Austin Addiction AA Meeting Details

- No more than 2 speakers (male or female)
- At least 1 of the 2 speakers must have a minimum of 1 year sobriety
- Meetings start at 11am
- In-person meeting – (not a Zoom meeting)
- Focus on beginners to AA
- Coordinate meeting details with Austin Addiction Counselor Lisa Paar, CAC-AD

11am meetings still open:

- 1st Thursday – open
- 2nd Thursday – open
- 3rd Thursday – open
- 4th Thursday – open
- 5th Thursday - open

WCI Corrections & Treatment Committee will provide the contact details for Lisa Paar at Austin Addiction to confirm the commitment and ensure a smooth transition into this service position.

If you or your Home Group is interested, please email WCI Institutions at institutions@westcentralAA.org

Mountain Manor Treatment Center – New Opportunity

Anyone interested in providing in-person meetings to Mountain Manor Treatment Center/New Horizon/Safe Harbor, **Third Saturday @ 1:00 pm** are invited to contact Kye Stephenson, CSC-AD Primary Counselor, at 301-447-2360.

Orenda Center for Wellness - (Females Only) – 1 Meeting Still Open!

The WCI Corrections & Treatment Committee is looking for a few more female AA members to deliver in-person meetings for the **Orenda Center of Wellness** in Frederick, MD. These are in-person meetings held each **Monday & Wednesday** evening at 7:00pm.

Women in this program are transitioning from inpatient treatment and have 90 days or less of sobriety.

Meetings are held at 600 West Patrick St, Frederick MD. Free parking is located behind the building. Below are the AA Meeting details:

- No more than 2 females for each meeting
- At least one of the 2 speakers must have a minimum of 1 year of sobriety
- Meeting start time is 7:00pm
- In-person meeting – (not a Zoom meeting)
- Focus is on beginners to AA
- Coordinate meeting details with **Kelsea K – Director of Orenda Center of Wellness**

There is currently 1 meeting open:

- 5th Monday - **OPEN**

The WCI Corrections & Treatment Committee will provide contact details to Kelsea K at Orenda to confirm the commitment and ensure a smooth transition into this service position. If interested, please email **WCI Institutions** at institutions@westcentralAA.org.

Service Opportunity - Thursdays @7PM
Crossroads Treatment Center

WCI Corrections & Treatment Committee is looking for individuals to lead a "Beginner AA" meeting at the Crossroads Treatment Center in Frederick, MD. These are in-person meetings held each Thursday evening @ 7pm.

Meetings are held in the Conference Room at 511 W South St Frederick, MD (adjacent lot & street parking is available).

Crossroads Treatment Center AA meeting details

- Male or female, no more than 2 Meeting Leaders/Speakers - each with a minimum of 1 year's sobriety.
- Meeting starts at 7pm
- In-person meeting – (not a Zoom meeting)
- Using AA Big Book, 12&12 or Daily Reflections literature are recommended. Focus on Steps 1, 2 & 3 and related topics.

If interested, please contact Kelly

phone: 301-696-1950

email: Office@crossroadscenterfrederick.com

regular office hours: Mon-Fri 9am-5pm

Any questions, please email WCI Corrections & Treatment at institutions@westcentralAA.org

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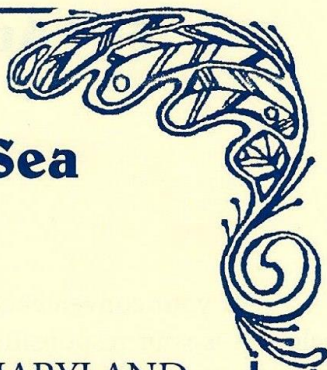
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64th ANNUAL A.A. SESSIONS By - The - Sea

Tuesday thru Sunday September 7-12, 2021

CONVENTION HALL - OCEAN CITY, MARYLAND

We are pleased to announce an outstanding program

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TUESDAY EVENING

Anson P.
Miami, FL
8:30 P.M.

FRIDAY EVENING

Deb H.
Akron, OH
8:30 P.M.

WEDNESDAY EVENING

John E.
Belvue, NE
8:30 P.M.

SATURDAY MORNING (AFG)

Barbara A.
Crestwood, KY
10:00 A.M.

THURSDAY EVENING

Vanetta C.
Little River, SC
8:30 P.M.

SATURDAY EVENING

Dick A.
Crestwood, KY
8:00 P.M.

FRIDAY MORNING (AFG)

Lori G.
Oklahoma City, OK
10:00 A.M.

SUNDAY MORNING

Cliff G.
Oklahoma City, OK
10:00 A.M.

THERE WILL BE NO SMOKING IN THE CONVENTION HALL

- Interpreter for the hearing impaired -

Good
Fellowship

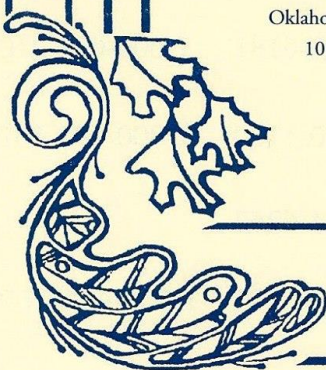
Good
Speakers

Golf
Tournament

Good
Beach

A. A.
Literature

Fishing
Trip



All registrations must be picked up at the Convention Center. You must be pre-registered, and the name badge must be worn visibly to attend any event at the Convention Center. When all seats have been taken, all requests for Registrations and Checks will be returned to you. There will be no other Registrations or Name badges available at Sessions.

64TH ANNUAL A.A.



OCEAN CITY MARYLAND
SEPTEMBER 7-12, 2021

It is with gratitude and pleasure we inform you that all preparations have been completed for our 64th Annual Sessions by-the-Sea to be held in Ocean City, Maryland on September 7th – September 12th, 2021 at the Roland E. Powell Convention Center.

We have A.A speaker meetings every night. Alanon meetings are held at 10am on Friday and Saturday. All meetings are held in the 2nd floor ballroom. Name badges and seats will be provided to those who are pre-registered only. Please wear the name badges on the frontal lapel area only.

Our seating capacity is 2,200 seats and when this number is reached we cannot issue any more registrations or seats and your request and check will be mailed back to you. If your request is accepted it will serve as your receipt of registration and we will have it on file at "Sessions". **There will be no walk-up registrations available.**

Seats will be provided for everyone on a first come-first serve basis except for the reserved seats deemed necessary for those who are in need of them. These seats will be determined and identified by "Sessions" ushers one hour prior to meeting start time. Please show respect to these reserved seats and also the people in need of them.

We will continue to ask for courtesy from everyone to prevent any distractions during our meetings. Please try to be seated and ready for the meeting prior to its start time.

Registrations and name badges must be picked up in our registration room at the convention center by the person listed on the registration request form only. Registration will open at 10am Tuesday. We want to be sure you get what you asked for.

We hope to see you at Sessions in September!

In the event Sessions is cancelled due to Coronavirus, your registration money will be refunded. We should know by September 1st if the convention is cancelled.

Make Checks payable to
Sessions Registration
P.O. Box 23, Denton, Maryland 21629

Registration Pickup Hours of Operation

Tuesday	10:00am – 5:00pm
Wednesday	10:00am – 5:00pm
Thursday	10:00am – 5:00pm
Friday	10:00am – 2:00pm
Friday	6:30pm – 8:30pm
Saturday	10:00am – 2:00pm
Saturday	6:30pm – 8:30pm

On Tuesday and Wednesday nights, registration badges are not required to be worn to attend those meetings. For Thursday, Friday, and Saturday nights, badges are required and should be visibly worn above the waist.

SESSIONS 2021 REGISTRATION REQUEST FORM

Name Registered to (first and last) _____

Address _____

City & State _____ Zip _____

Registrations _____ X \$20.00 each = _____ Telephone _____

Check # _____ If your request is accepted it will serve as your receipt and we will have it on file at "Sessions"

Request for a reserved seat. If accepted it will appear on your name badge.

Hearing impaired and desires an interpreter _____ Other _____

Email _____

64th Annual Sessions By-The-Sea

September 7-12, 2021

Hotel Information

For your convenience, "Sessions" rates have been offered by hotels and motels listed below. It is your responsibility to select a place to stay during the week, and make your own reservations. To obtain "Sessions" rates, you must inform the hotel you will be attending Sessions By-The-Sea. Locations and phone numbers are listed for each hotel. Ask the hotel about other items such as room tax, minimum nights required to make reservations, week day and weekend rates, and any other items they have to offer or require. Please make your reservations as soon as possible. More information can be obtained by contacting the Ocean City Hotel-Motel Association at 1-800-OC-OCEAN.

QUALITY INN OCEAN FRONT	54th Street	410-524-7200	1-800-638-2106
HARRISON HALL HOTEL	15th St. & Boardwalk	410-289-6222	1-800-638-2106
HOLIDAY INN	67th St. Oceanfront	410-524-1600	1-800-638-2106
OCEANIC HOTEL	1st St. & Inlet	410-289-6494	1-800-638-2106
BEST WESTERN-Sea Bay Inn	6007 Coastal Hwy.	410-524-6100	1-800-888-2229
PLIM PLAZA HOTEL	Boardwalk & 2nd St.	410-289-6181	1-800-638-2106
FENWICK INN	138th Street & Coastal Hwy.	410-250-1100	1-800-492-1873
HAMPTON INN	4301 Coastal Hwy.	410-524-6263	
GRAND HOTEL & SPA	2100 Baltimore Ave.	410-289-6191	1-800-447-6779



Our area is slowly opening back up after a year of quarantine. We know you need to do SERVICE WORK because it just ROCKS! Please feel free to attend the District meeting of your choice even if you are NOT a GSR. Find out what all the hoopla is about! Both District 40 and District 41 are busy planning events for this summer and we need your participation and ideas.

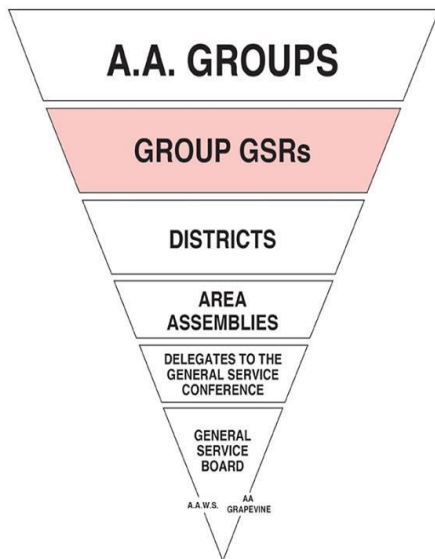
The GSR is the home group's voice in AA.

And we don't want to sic that baby on you!

Zoom information can be obtained by contacting either Angela B. or Mike F.

GSR's are not a glum lot!

STRUCTURE OF THE CONFERENCE
(U.S. and Canada)



MEETING INFORMATION AND CONTACTS:

DISTRICT 40

Third Monday of each month - 6:30PM
NOW IN PERSON & Zoom
Frederick Presbyterian Church - 115 W. 2nd St.
Contact Angela B., D40 Secretary @
angela3cats@yahoo.com

DISTRICT 41

First Wednesday of each month - 7PM
Contact Mike F., D41 DCM @
D41area29maryland@gmail.com

"I slept and dreamt that life was joy. I awoke and saw that life was service. I acted and behold, service was joy."

-Tagore

GSO Delegate Report

Please join District 40 & District 41 in hosting the GSO Delegate Report Back from our Area 29 Delegate Cynthia Terl on Monday July 19 at 6:30 pm. The report back will provide information on any changes that are up and coming throughout AA.

We will host a hybrid meeting.

Frederick Presbyterian Church (where Early Bird meets)

115 W 2nd St

Frederick MD 21701

Our regular business meeting will be suspended to allow more time.

We will be providing cookies!

Jul 19, 2021 06:30 PM

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88449376709?pwd=RnNZc3ZaZ3h1Wi9FeWFScnZ3Z2VNdz09>

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Passcode: 665677

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+1 312 626 6799 US (Chicago)

+1 346 248 7799 US (Houston)

+1 669 900 6833 US (San Jose)

1 253 215 8782 US (Tacoma)

Meeting ID: 884 4937 6709

Passcode: 665677

Find your local number: <https://us02web.zoom.us/u/kw72pop6l>

Meeting Information and Changes

LAST STOP GROUP – HYBRID

Saturday 7:30 pm

Montgomery Methodist Church, 28325 Kemptown Rd, Damascus, MD

Zoom ID: 359 791 7617

Passwd: None

This meeting has been around for over 20 years and is now in dire need of attendance support. Please help to always keep the doors open.

EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY

The Monday Night Brunswick Group Zoom meeting is no longer available.

EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY - IN-PERSON

The Hittin' the Books Meeting (Mondays at 7:30 PM) is no longer on ZOOM.

Peace in Christ Lutheran Church, 8798 Adventure Ave, Walkersville, MD

SERENITY AT SEVEN - IN-PERSON

Monday 7:00 pm

Difference Makers Church, 11210 Bethesda Church Rd, Damascus, MD

Format is the 12 & 12 discussion meeting with a Tradition meeting last Monday of the month

THE APPROACHING GRACE GROUP - IN-PERSON

Saturday at 7pm

Grace Episcopal Church. 5740 Green Valley Rd, New Market, MD

THE REVELATIONS GROUP –HYBRID

SATURDAY, JULY 24th, 11:00 am - TOPIC DISCUSSION MEETING

SPEAKER: Kat B.

Frederick Presbyterian Church

125 W. 2nd Street, Frederick MD 21701

Attendees who are fully vaccinated need not wear masks during our meeting. Attendees who are not fully vaccinated, are encouraged to continue to wear a mask and maintain physical distancing.

We are now Serving Coffee!

Zoom ID: 950 848 616

Passwd: 608633



Saturday Night
Message Of Hope Meeting

8:30 p.m

Zoom ID: 896 9213 5559

Password: 341483

HOPE

CROSSROADS AA ON TUES NIGHT

**In-person Meeting
Every Tuesday @ 7pm**

Hosted by AA Members - Focus
on Steps 1, 2 & 3 & related topics.
All levels of sobriety are welcome!

511 W South St, Frederick, MD
***CROSSROADS TREATMENT
CENTER***

(CLOSED AA MEETING)

12 Traditions Study

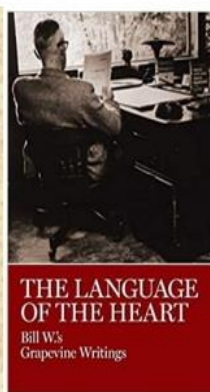
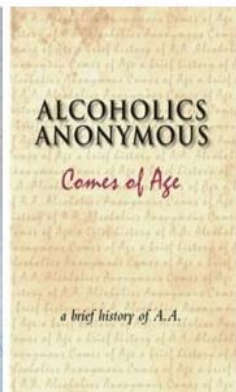
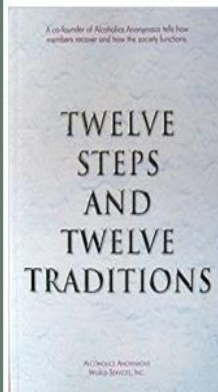
Alcoholics Anonymous

Exploring A.A. Literature

New day! New time!

Mondays @ 7:00 p.m. EDT

Zoom ID 627 530 3589; P/W 514472



For more info contact HowitWorks21228@gmail.com



THE FIRING LINE

Monday Night Speaker Meeting
July 19th - 6:00 pm EST

Hosts: Jorge B.
Coffee & Donuts
Bowie, MD

LOCATION:
5 E. 2nd St
Frederick MD

THE SHOULDER TO SHOULDER GROUP

Zoom meeting list Eastern time:

Sunday

10:00am -BIG BOOK STUDY

Tuesday

7:00pm - MEN'S MEETING

Thursday

7:00pm- LIVING OUT OF THE BIG BOOK

Saturday

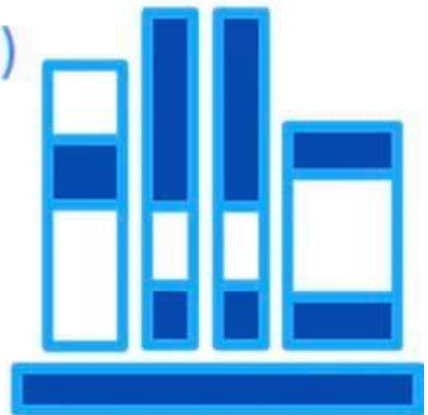
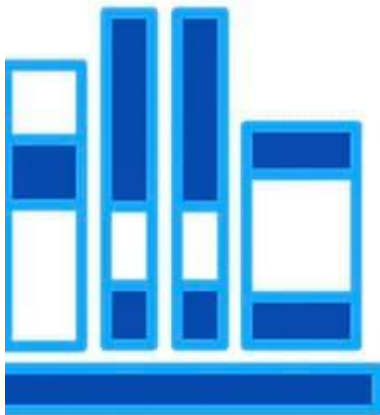
1:00pm- WOMENS BIG BOOK STUDY

7:00pm- ONE HOUR SPEAKER

Meeting ID: 503 536 771

Meeting Password: Shoulder1

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Awakening of the Spirit

Meditation | Speaker | Open Sharing

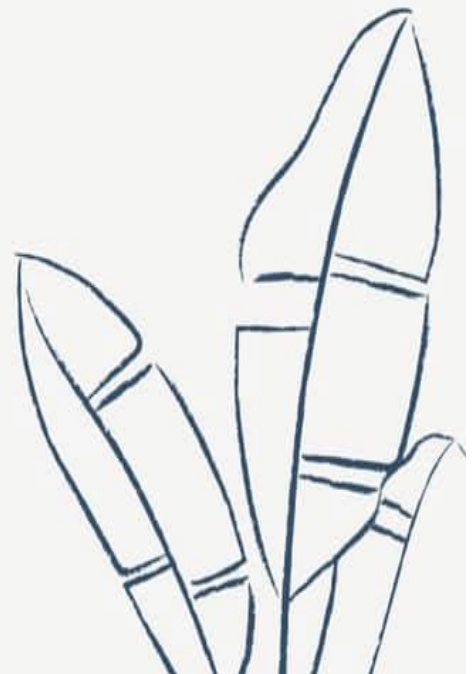
In Person AND Zoom

Thursday's @ 7PM



Join Us LIVE at:
5111 Pegasus Ct
Frederick, MD 21704

Join Us on ZOOM at:
ID: 402 613 4028
PW: 332 955



GRAPEVINE COMMITTEE MEETING



Meeting held on the 4th Tuesday of each month at
6:30 pm

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85217774704?pwd=TVhEdFpKdmxSRINvNnJHU1pYWdVaQT09>

Meeting ID: 852 1777 4704

Passcode: 019347

Hosted by: Brandi D., Area 29 Grapevine Committee Chair

For more info: grapevine@marylandaa.org

Group and District GVR's encouraged to attend 😊

*Are you looking for a fun service position? Please join us and find out more! All are welcome to attend!

HAGERSTOWN AREA ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS – MEETING FINDER

[Meetings Archive - Hagerstown Area Alcoholics Anonymous \(hagerstownaa.org\)](https://hagerstownaa.org)

Institutional Commitments Announcement

Volunteers are currently taking meetings into Institutions. The Institution committee is always looking for both men and women volunteers.

For more information and available commitments see the new [Institutions Page](#) on the WCI Website.

UPCOMING EVENTS

How it Works* – Catonsville, MD

Area 29, District 18

**Suspending Normal Meeting Format for August only to bring you:
Traditions & Concepts Workshops*

Saturday 12 pm Noon EDT

Presents

August Workshop Series - 2021

TRADITIONS & CONCEPTS

HYBRID - In person and via Zoom

Zoom ID 627 530 3589

P/W 514472



- August 7, 2021 History of the Traditions Presentation by Jim W.
- August 14, 2021 Traditions Presentation by Jim W.
- ***
- August 21, 2021 Concepts Presentation by John W.
- August 28, 2021 Bringing Traditions and Concepts to your Home Group and Business Meetings by John W.

For more info contact HowitWorks21228@gmail.com



Friends of Bill W. 11th Annual Golf Tournament

Monday September 20, 2021

**First Come First Serve
100 Player Max!**

***COST PER PLAYER: \$125
HOLE SPONSORSHIP
\$100 PER SIGN***

Registration at 8 AM
Shotgun Start at 9 AM
Awards & Luncheon Follow
At 2 PM or end of play
Captain's Choice Format
Single best ball on each shot)
No handicap required
Milligans and Raffle Tickets
sold at Registration
Prizes for Individual Play

MENU

Breakfast at 8-9 AM
Donuts, Pastries & Coffee

Lunch at 2 PM
Oysters on the Half Shell
Sliced Roast Beef
Italian Sausage
Grilled Chicken Breast
Caesar Salad
Assorted Salads
Cheese & Pickle Tray
Soda & Water

Sparrows Point Country Club

919 Wise Avenue
Baltimore, MD 21222

Proper Golf Attire Required
No Denim Permitted

All proceeds benefit
Baltimore Intergroup
8635 Loch Raven Blvd., Suite 4
Baltimore, MD 21286

410-663-1922

REGISTER NOW!





**MASON DIXON GROUP
GRILL N CHILL**

**2nd FRIDAY OF MONTHS
MAY - SEPTEMBER**

MAY 14, JUNE 11, JULY 9, AUGUST 13, AND SEPTEMBER 10

LOCATION: THE PARK BEHIND THE EMMITSBURG POST OFFICE

GRUBS UP AT 6:30 PM --MEETING AT 8:00 PM

PLEASE JOIN US FOR SEVERAL FRIDAY EVENINGS OF

HAMBURGERS, HOT DOGS ARE SUPPLIED BY THE GROUP

BRING A COVERED DISH (WITH SOME FOOD IN IT) TO SHARE



August 20 - August 21, 2021

Richmond, Virginia

25th Annual Southeast Woman to Woman Conference

"Secrets Women Don't Share"

A Conference for sober Alcoholic women with Al-Anon participation



This is a Virtual Event

Speakers

Workshops Old Timers Panel

Marathon Meetings

Registration is free but required at www.sewomantowoman.org

BEGINNERS WORKSHOP - ONGOING

Do you know anyone new to AA? Do you have any new sponsees? Take advantage of this beginner orientation! Feel free to come check it out even if you're not new!

The format includes:

*An introduction to Alcoholics Anonymous (What is AA? What is a Big book? What is a Home Group? What is a Sponsor...)

*A speaker sharing about their beginning into the program

*20 minutes of Q&A (There is no such thing as a dumb question)

When: Last Saturday of each Month, 1:30 pm Eastern

Where: Join via Zoom

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84039113545?pwd=akdzMTFBQmZSZ2o1TWZ2eIvLWSttdz09>

Meeting ID: 840 3911 3545; Passcode: 164164

INTERNATIONAL MEETINGS: SHOWING THE TIME DIFFERENCE

Central Europe + 6 hours <https://alcoholics-anonymous.eu/online-meetings/>

New Zealand +16 hours <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2923712604>

Australia + 12 to + 14 hours <https://aa.org.au/meetings/online-aa-meetings/>

United Kingdom +5 hours <https://www.alcoholics-anonymous.org.uk/members/regional-&-local-websites/Not~in~a~Region/Online-Groups>

OTHER NEWS

Grapevine and La Viña Are Here to Help: To help members during this time, Grapevine is giving everyone free access to all of its 2020 Grapevine and La Viña issues. (The audio to Grapevine's stories will be available as well, so people can listen to the stories if they like.) Please share with your fellows. Also, here is a link to Grapevine's Youtube channel with some original audio stories as well as other important information. To enter, visit: www.aagrapevine.org/we-are-here-to-help.



If you have an Event/Announcement/Anniversary/Recent Meeting Change you'd like to appear in a future issue of Chatter, please send details to wcichatter1@gmail.com. Our Website is located at <http://westcentralaa.org/>. To unsubscribe from Chatter, please go to the website and click on the Chatter Tab at the top. Our List of Meetings (Including Live, Online, or Hybrid) is also posted on the website, click on " [Where and When Page](#)." near the top of the page. To Add, Remove or Change a Meeting, on the website, go to the "Meetings" Tab and choose "[Meeting Change](#)". Also, please direct your AA friends to the website to [subscribe](#) to Chatter if they are so inclined. Scan the QR Code below to visit the WCI Website.

