



A.A. Awards

Lasker Award

The American Public Health Association presented the Lasker Award to Alcoholics Anonymous "in recognition of its unique and highly successful approach" to an "age-old public health and social problem, alcoholism."



Started in 1946, these annual awards have been presented to individuals and groups which have made major contributions to public health efforts. This highly prestigious award is often compared to the Nobel Prize, and many of its laureates have received both honors.

The presentation was made in San Francisco at the Opera House on October 30, 1951. Mr. Bernard Smith (nonalcoholic), former chairman of the Board of the Alcoholic Foundation (now the General Service Board), accepted the award on behalf of Alcoholics Anonymous.

Gold Key Award



Presented to A.A. in 1959. The Gold Key Award was established in 1959 by the National Council on Alcoholism (now known as National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence) to honor individuals who have made outstanding contributions to the field of alcoholism on a national level. This organization was founded by Marty M., who was among the first women to achieve permanent sobriety in A.A.. Bill W., A.A.'s co-founder, accepted the award on behalf of the Fellowship.

Volunteer Action Award

In recognition of A.A.'s 48-year history of providing the suffering alcoholic with a way back to society and family, President Reagan presented A.A. with a Volunteer Action Award in a ceremony at the White House on April 13, 1983.

The President's Volunteer Action Awards were created in 1982 and serve to highlight those individuals who have demonstrated outstanding accomplishments through voluntary action.



Accepting the award for Alcoholics Anonymous was William E. Flynn, M.D., then a nonalcoholic trustee on A.A.'s General Service Board. The award itself, in the form of a sterling silver medallion, is an honor we all share in A.A. The President made the following remarks when the award was presented: "Alcoholics Anonymous, begun in 1935 by two men diagnosed by medical specialists as incurable alcoholics, is a unique program of support, example and friendship by recovering alcoholics for new members. Since A.A.'s founding, over 650,000 men and women who have participated have overcome their alcoholism."

The Franciscan Award

In 1967, the order of Conventional Franciscan Fathers and Brothers granted the Franciscan Award to Alcoholics Anonymous in recognition of the "outstanding contribution to humanity" that A.A. has made "in the field of social service." A letter to the General Service Office announcing the award reads, in part: "We hope that the granting of the Franciscan Award to the society of Alcoholics Anonymous will be an impetus to all the members to continue and increase their great and much needed work."

This was the second time the Franciscans granted the Fellowship an award. Acknowledging that first award, Bill W. writes in January 1950: "From the A.A. point of view, an interesting and helpful precedent has been established. We shall be able to say with confidence when other donors put in an appearance that they would do quite as well, even better in fact, if they chose to honor the Society of Alcoholics Anonymous rather than any of its founders. As I told you, this happy concept was not mine at all. It really came from the Founder of your order, St. Francis of Assisi, whose example and spirit have already done so much for me and for A.A."



-compiled by Linda W., Los Osos

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Sobriety Birthdays



Name	Years
Kim	3
Mary R.	10
Bob R.	30
Barney R.	33
Debbie P.	34



If you'd like to celebrate your sobriety birthday with us in the Nameless Newsletter send details to: NNLEditor@sloaa.org or send a donation (suggested \$1.00 per year of sobriety) in an (birthday) envelope and let us know if you'd like us to include it in the newsletter! Send to CCCOI, PO Box 1237, San Luis Obispo, CA 93406

MEETING DIRECTORY CHANGES

- [List of Face-to-Face meetings](#)
- [List of ONLINE meetings](#)

Our ability to help the still suffering alcoholic can be enhanced by your meeting changes, additions and deletions. Please keep your information up to date!

How to submit changes to our Directory

1. Call Central Office (805-541-3211) and relay the change info to the volunteer.
2. Email the change info to: communications@sloaa.org
3. Access the meeting change form online at <https://www.sloaa.org>

7TH TRADITION MAILING LIST for GROUP TREASURERS (Donations)

General Service Office (GSO)
P.O. Box 459
New York, NY. 10163-0459

Area 93
PMB #140606
606 Alamo Pintado #3
Solvang, Ca. 93463

District 22
P.O. Box 1891
San Luis Obispo, CA. 93406

Central Office Intergroup (CCCOI)
P.O. Box 12737
San Luis Obispo, CA. 93406
VENMO: @slocentraloffice

Hospitals and Institutions (H&I)
P.O. Box 12737
San Luis Obispo, CA. 93406



UPCOMING EVENTS

March 5-7, 2021
PRAASA (Pacific Regional AA Service Assembly
Virtual Assembly
INFO2021@PRAASA.org <https://www.praasa.org>

March 6, 2021
South County Speaker Meeting
8:00pm
Zoom ID: 945 645 5808

March 5-7, 2021
SENY Virtual Convention
<https://www.aaseny.org>

April 1 – 4, 2021
San Diego Spring Roundup 2021
Acceptance is the Answer
<http://www.sandiegospringroundup.com/>

March: *Faith*

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.

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The Third Step Prayer

God, I offer myself to Thee, to build with me and to do with me as Thou wilt.

Relieve me of the bondage of self,
that I may better do Thy will.

Take away my difficulties, that victory over them may bear witness to those I would help of

Thy Power, Thy Love, and Thy Way of life.

May I do Thy will always!

As Bill Sees It pg. 310

If you arrive at A.A. with no religious convictions, you can, if you wish, make A.A. itself your "Higher Power". Here's a large group of people who have solved their alcohol problem. In this respect they are certainly a power greater than you. Even this minimum of faith will be enough.

Many members who have crossed the threshold just this way will tell you that, once across, their faith broadened and deepened. Relieved of the alcohol obsession, their lives unaccountably transformed, they came to believe in a Higher Power, and most of them began to talk of God.

Twelve and Twelve, pp. 27-28

AAWS Continues to Process Literature

Please contact the Order Department at 212-870-3312 or email orders@aa.org or visit the online store at <https://onlineliterature.aa.org>

Central Office Intergroup

Volunteer Opportunities

Office Volunteer (currently calls are forwarded to the volunteer's home, but in the future the volunteer would answer the phones in the office and process literature sales)

Call Forwarding Volunteer (Calls to be forwarded to the volunteers' home)

Please email our volunteer coordinator Chad at chad@payatech.com if interested.

Central Office Representative (COR)

Does your group have a COR? This is a person who attends a monthly meeting (currently on Zoom) on Service Sunday at 8:45am to provide communication between the Central Coast Central Office Intergroup and their (home) group. For more information, please attend the next COR Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/95401867130>

Meeting ID: 954 0186 7130

Newsletter Contributor

Submit an article, story, poem, cartoon or joke related to recovery from alcoholism. Please email it to our newsletter editor Judy at nnleditor@sloaa.org or mail to PO Box 12737 San Luis Obispo, CA. 93406 if interested.

Curbside Literature Sales

You must be able to order and pick up the same day. The books will be brought to the front door as the **office is not open at this time**.

1. Call Central Office on the day you want to pick the books up **(805) 541-3211** between 12-3pm Mondays and 1-4pm Saturdays and place your order.
2. You will be told the amount you owe.
3. Bring the exact amount, as we cannot make change at this time. Checks (made out to CCCOI) and cash are accepted.
4. Pay for and pick up your books at **1333 Van Beurden Drive, Los Osos** by 3 PM Mondays and 4 PM Saturdays. We will bring them to the door. Van Beurden Dr. is located where South Bay Blvd and Los Osos Valley Road meet.
5. If you would like any FREE **Newcomer Packets, Meeting in a Pocket, or Birthday Contribution Envelopes** (limited to 5 each) – please let us know when you place your order.

District 22: SLO County

What in the heck is **PRAASA??**

Pacific Region Alcoholics Anonymous
Service Assembly

March 5 – 7

The first Ever Virtual PRAASA
with Al-Anon Participation

The purpose of PRAASA is to:

- Develop greater unity among the members, groups, and areas of the Pacific Region.
- Encourage the exchange of ideas and experiences.
- Provide an opportunity for members to discuss pertinent aspects of Alcoholics Anonymous.
- The Assembly and the PRAASA Committee should always foster the Recovery, Unity and Service legacies of Alcoholics Anonymous.

Come join over 1,000 excited A.A. members from all over the Pacific Region to be part of this unforgettable event. The entire weekend is packed with panels, round table discussions, presentations, open mike sharing, speakers, and ongoing fellowship.

All from the comfort of your home via Zoom!

Register at www.PRAASA.org
Suggested Contribution of \$15



Until then remember
SERVICE ROCKS!

Bonnie N.,
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We still in need of an Alternate DCM

RULE 62



"Where the %#! is the power source?"

Don't take yourself too seriously!

Here is a current list of the **General Service Representatives (GSR)** of the 22nd District of Area 93 of Alcoholics Anonymous and the groups they represent.

Thank you to all of the GSR's for your service:

Frank C. Morning Fantastic, MB

Peggy B. (ALT) Morning Fantastic, MB

Butch ABC Group, PR

Ry V. Sunday Evening Rap, SLO

Newton H. Mesa Group, AR

Chenoah H. (ALT) Mesa Group, AG

Joe R. Melody, SLO

Christine S. Early Risers, LO

Richard M. Surrender to Win, AT

Deb H. Sat. Morning Women's, MB

Nick D. Morro Bay Speaker, MB

Linda W. Living in the Steps, LO

Patricia R. Harbor Lites, MB

Sandi P. Sobriety Sisters, PR

Travis M. Pioneer Group, SLO

Colleen D. Cayucos CY

Paul G. Sunday Morning, AT

Sonia Monday Night, AT

Kurt M. Fellowship Speaker, SLO

Tiana R. Morro Bay Young People, MB

Aaron B. Avila Beach Group, AV

Anthony N. Serenity Group

Matt D (Alt) Serenity Group

Also Welcome to our new Grapevine Chair – Yvonne L. of Paso Robles.

Please report any corrections to me. All registered groups can have a GSR. Does your group have one?