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Orientation Assembly – January 24, 2015 First United Methodist Church, San Diego

2111 Camino Del Rio South, San Diego, CA

Registration 8:30a Start Assembly 9:00a

This assembly is vital for all GSRs to attend. **New GSR Orientation 8:00a by Alt. Delegate Jane G. Regional Trustee Joel C. will be in attendance and sharing experience, strength, and hope!**

Pre-Conference Information Sessions Feb 24 Thru March 2 - Tentative Dates and Locations:

These sessions are vital for all GSRs to attend. The purpose is to inform all members, GSRs, and DCMs of a wide range of proposed changes to AA. GSRs and others attending can take the information they receive about proposed changes (called Conference Agenda Items) to their groups. There is a fairly quick turnaround time between the Workshops (Feb 24- Mar 2) when agenda items are distributed, and the Pre Conference Assembly (April 11) when an assembly is devoted to informing our Delegate about different viewpoints on each item. One suggestion from the Service Manual is for us to help “stimulate interest in General Service”.

- Workshops are 90 minutes long. Its not required for District members to go to the pre-assigned locations but it can be helpful for GSRs from a district to all attend the same workshop in order to share experience at, and after the workshop.
- GSRs are encouraged to “bring a group member” to the workshops as one way to bring the idea of General Service to group members in an environment where no commitment is required, and it’s a relatively short meeting. This can help to stimulate interest. The guest may not be the next GSR, but after understanding more... they may support a group being represented by a GSR.
- The preliminary schedule below to use for saving the dates will be updated/posted at Area8aa.org.

DATES AND LOCATIONS FOR THE PRE-CONFERENCE WORKSHOPS. Final Times and Locations will be forthcoming either thru email to the DCMs or thru handouts printed for the January 24th Assembly.

Tues	Feb 24	7pm	Fallbrook Dist 20 Mtg. Room	20
Fri	Feb 27	7pm	San Diego – Dist 15 Mtg. Room	15
Sat	Feb 28	10:30a	Carlsbad – Sat Morning	1, 2, 16, 23
Sat	Feb 28	2:00p	Poway – Sat Afternoon	21, 2, 13
Sat	Feb 28	4:30p	Lakeside – Sat Late Afternoon	11, 10, 12, 8
Sun	Mar 1	9:30a	El Centro – Sun Morning	9
Sun	Mar 1	2:30p	San Diego Downtown – Sun Afternoon	14, 4, 6, 7, 8,
Mon	Mar 2	7:00p	North County	18

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Pre-Conference Assembly Saturday, April 11, 2015:

This Assembly is vital for all GSRs to attend. After discussion on conference agenda items with your groups, GSRs will then bring summaries of those viewpoints to the Area Assembly so the Delegate can consider all viewpoints at the General Service Conference. Conference will be held in NYC on April 19th when further sharing with Conference members from throughout the U.S. and Canada.

PRAASA (Pacific Region Alcoholics Anonymous Service Assembly) March 6, 7. & 8:

\$28 dollar Registration

WWW. PRAASA.ORG

It begins Friday Afternoon, goes all day Saturday including Banquet and ends mid-day on Sunday. The purpose of PRAASA is to develop greater unity among the members, groups and areas of the Pacific Region; to encourage the exchange of ideas and experiences; and to provide an opportunity for members to discuss pertinent aspects of AA. A few of the program topics will include: "Leadership in AA - Ever a Vital need", "Have we forgotten that Alcoholism is a fatal disease?", "Does the AA literature say enough about doing an inventory?", and much more. There will also be several presentations and discussions that involve the principles behind agenda items that may be discussed at the General Service Conference. Many say attending PRAASA changed their lives forever. Are you ready for a recharge?

*****Traditional Friday Night Area 8 Dinner – Contact Alt Area Chairperson Gonzalo**

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PRAASA AIRFARE CODE NMKMT

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*Please note that there is a direct ticketing fee for booking through the reservation number above. Ask operator before making new reservations via phone.

Please let your districts know I am glad to schedule group or District visits either in a group setting or business meeting setting. Just call me and we can work out the time and date.

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If I can be of help in any way, just call or email. I'm available to visit groups or districts if invited.

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