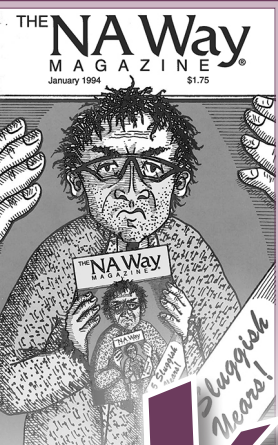
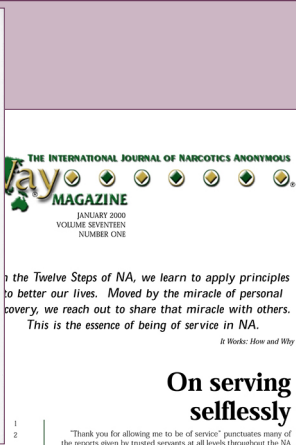
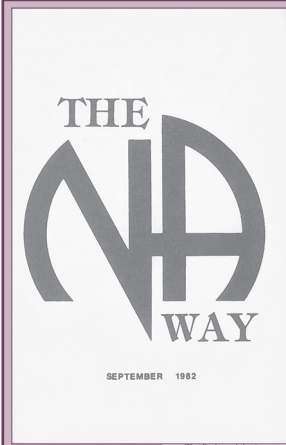




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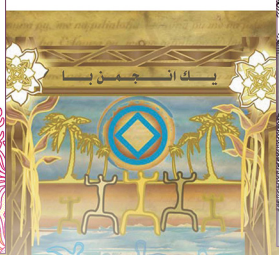
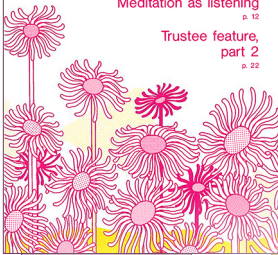
On serving selflessly

“Thank you for allowing me to be of service,” punctuates many of the reports given by trusted servants at all levels throughout the NA Fellowship. Many of us find this phrase kind of strange when we first come to NA. We think, why are these people thanking us, the people for whom they take on heavy burdens of responsibility? Shouldn't it be the other way around? But after we've had the opportunity to be of service—in any capacity—and realize what it does for us, in terms of personal growth, we no longer find it odd to thank the people we serve for trusting us to do something for them.

It is indeed a privilege to be of service. Not everyone can handle it at first. Some of us serve on committees and are unable to put our personal views aside in favor of what's best for NA as a whole. Some of us get angry that others are not more helpful or more grateful, and quit in the middle of a commitment.

However, if we keep working on our recovery, most of us do develop an ability to serve selflessly. When we do, there are many opportunities, ranging from the group to world, artistic, technical, fast-paced to slow-key.

This issue of *The NA Way Magazine* is dedicated to NA's trusted servants. Just because they're serving selflessly expecting no reward, it doesn't mean they wouldn't welcome our support and good will, even our thanks. So try it—the next time the opportunity arises, thank a trusted servant's day—way thanks for being of service.



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First, a bit of history about fund-flow in Narcotics Anonymous. In our earliest editions of our fellowships service manuals, recommended direct group donations to all levels of service. However, in 1982, when the World Service Conference approved a revision of the service manual sections on the group, area, and region, groups were encouraged to donate all their excess funds to the area committee, which was then to donate its excess funds to the region, and the region's excess was to flow on to the world. Direct donations as now suggested in the new adopted Code were replaced by this system of passing on surplus funds from one service level to the next.

So how then did we come full circle? How have we arrived right back where we started from all those years ago? Well, the surplus funds that haven't flowed. In many cases, our resources are exhausted at the area level, leaving little or nothing to be passed on to the regional and world levels of service.

So what do members ask. The region and world seem to be doing okay with what they're getting, and besides, how does that affect my home group, anyway? The fact is, world services and regional services have been able to survive and prosper because of increasing dependency on profits from fundraising activities such as conventions, dances, memorabilia sales, and the related proceeds of NA Resources in order to make up for a lack of group support. In a very real way, our home group members have been affected by our ineffective fund-flow.

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From the editor

It's been a busy week at your World Service Office. Along with the usual whirlwind of weekly work, we announced the opening date for WCNA 37 registration! As conversations focused on next year's World Convention, I thought of my first WCNA 29 years ago (also in Orlando), and felt grateful for the amazing life I've been living in recovery. This NA Way takes a look back at another timeframe: Twenty years ago, after years of an inventory process, World Services underwent a restructuring that also affected *The NA Way Magazine*. Three boards of directors were combined into one World Board, and a multiple subcommittee structure was replaced by a strategic planning system. Several subcommittee-specific newsletters were deleted, and *The NA Way Magazine* adapted to provide service information and updates from NA World Services. To mark this 20-year milestone, we've included articles from June 1997 (the last in the old format) and October of 1997 (the first in the new format). We had to edit some articles for space and content, but the electronic issue includes copies of the original articles. You can also access all issues from October 1997 to present at www.naway.org. We hope you enjoy this look back.

De J. Editor

CORRECTION: In [July 2017](#), we incorrectly labelled a photo on page 10 as being taken in Nigeria; it was actually taken in Liberia. Thanks to Butch F for that correction.

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The NA Way Magazine welcomes letters from all readers. Letters to the editor can respond to any article that has appeared in *The NA Way*, or can simply be a viewpoint about an issue of concern in the NA Fellowship. Letters should be no more than 250 words, and we reserve the right to edit. All letters must include a signature, valid address, and phone number. First name and last initial will be used as the signature line unless the writer requests anonymity.



Jimeto

The meeting had already started when he quietly stepped in and surveyed the room. Why did he cross the room and take the seat right next to mine? His style of dress was unusual. He looked as though he had just stepped off an old Western movie set. As he settled into the chair next to mine, I managed, with great effort, to resist the urge to scoot my chair in the opposite direction. I didn't understand the need I felt to put space between Jimeto and myself, but I suppose it was some sort of fear of those who are different and unfamiliar.

It might have been his long, raven-black hair or his buckskin shirt and laced-up boots (which I later learned he had made himself). His hair grew to the middle of his back. A section of it was wrapped with a leather strap and braided. The rest of his hair hung straight and heavy. He wore faded and tattered jeans, and there was an odor that was not unpleasant, but woody, like the smoke of a campfire.

My error in judgment taught me the difference between humility and self-righteousness. I was very negative and critical. When his turn came to speak, there was a softness in his voice. "My name is Jimeto; I am an addict." There was a special quality to his speech. I became lost in his words. As soon as he began to speak, I felt pangs of regret about the snap judgment I had made about this strange-looking little man.

After the meetings in the months that followed, I became better acquainted with him, and I recognized the specialness of this man. Jimeto, a Hopi Indian from northern New Mexico, shared with me his love of living a solitary life deep within the thick protection of the Sacramento Mountains. He said he felt at peace with the self-sufficiency of his lifestyle there. He had left the place he loved to be near his ailing mother. After just a few months, he found himself entangled in the sickness of drug addiction that was so prevalent among his family. It was this disease of addiction and his willingness to seek help that brought him into the meeting that first night.

There was another special aspect to Jimeto. He had a spiritual side, one that I would never be able to explain with mere words. I never quite understood it myself. Whenever I talked with him, it was as if those piercing eyes could see into the depth of my soul. Once I asked Jimeto what it was that I was feeling. He laughed and said, "The Creator communicating spirit to spirit." I wondered to myself if this was the same spirit I called the Holy Ghost.

Jimeto has been gone from the group for several years now, but I have not forgotten my friend or the valuable lessons I learned through him. I am not as quick to make snap judgments about people as I once was. I practice a more accepting attitude toward those who are different from myself. I seem to have torn down many walls of self-righteousness and found in their place a truer meaning of humility within my heart. This is just as the Creator intended: for each of us to be unique, each in our own way. I have my dear friend Jimeto to thank for all of this. It is with love and gentleness that I remember him. I like to think he found his way back into the mountains, that he is at peace and free from the addiction that entangled him.

DM, New Mexico, USA

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Basic caption contest winner

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Basic Caption Contest!

The winning submission is from

Laura K, New Jersey, USA

Our lives stretch out before us like a limitless horizon.

(It Works: How and Why, Step Nine)



First Esperanza Convention; San Antonio, Texas
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And some other notable entries:

Easy does it, but do it.

Ambush S, Dharan, Nepal

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I have felt a disturbance in the Serenity. Someone out there is breaking a Tradition...

Chris C, California, USA

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An added gift. (See *Just for Today*, 25 January.)

Eduardo C, Mato Grosso, Brazil

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All those years crashing at sunrise, when the real miracle was being clean and watching the sun come up.

Jim L, Florida, USA

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One promise, many gifts.

Uma promessa, muitas dadas.

Paulo Roberto F, Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil

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Service: The silent gift of a spiritual program.

Melissa J, Maryland, USA

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Enjoying the Serenity.

Jen Panos, Thessaloniki, Greece

The next BCC

Here's your chance to participate in *The NA Way Magazine* in a whole new way. Write a caption for this image, send it to us, and you'll be magically entered in our caption contest. We'll choose the best (and maybe a few others) for publication in an upcoming issue. Your prize will be the satisfaction of seeing your name in *The NA Way*!

Email your entry with "Basic Caption Contest" in the subject line, and be sure to include your name and where you're from in the body of the email: naway@na.org.



Photo: Dave T, California, USA



A great gift

Hi to my friends all over the world. My story is the same as anyone else's. I picked up and used for a number of years, and today I am clean because you have taught me to live the NA way. I am still learning and I want to participate in life.

I have a son who is three years old, and I am a splendid father to him. I am able to give him all the love I didn't receive as a child. My early recovery was a confusing time. I couldn't handle the feelings I had, and I didn't know what to do about my son. I felt so much guilt for not taking care of him. My sponsor (God bless him) taught me that if I didn't take responsibility for myself and my recovery, I wouldn't be able to take responsibility for anyone else. I don't live with my son's mother, but we have a wonderful relationship. We don't use our child as a weapon to hurt each other, and we're both very aware that we owe that ability to recovery.

I haven't been clean very long. Soon, I will celebrate my three-year NA birthday. It's a long time for me. NA just celebrated ten years in Sweden, and I was there with all my friends in recovery. Isn't that a wonderful gift?!

At last night's meeting, I felt a wonderful sense of gratitude for being restored to enough sanity to learn from my mistakes. Yesterday, before the meeting, I walked through my old neighborhood and met an old friend. He asked me if I "knew someone who had something." Maybe I should have invited him to an NA meeting, but I didn't.

Today I will clean my apartment, and tonight I will have my son at home. I'll be able to make sure we both have a bath, and that I shave, and that we both put on bed-clothes. And I'll sleep, oh so well. I bet no drug can beat that feeling. I will continue to recover with you in NA, one day at a time. Thanks for helping me live a wonderful life.

Anders S, Sweden

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Should my sponsor be a man or a woman (if I am gay)?

Our informational pamphlet *Sponsorship* addresses the issue of whether one's sponsor should be a man or a woman by stating, "...members of the same sex better understand certain issues such as sexuality, family or identity problems, relationship problems, etc."* The pamphlet adds that sponsorship relationships with someone to whom we might be sexually attracted run the risk of distracting us from the program.

These two principles seem to come together well for heterosexual members of our Fellowship, but what if I am a gay man? Should I have a gay male sponsor? This would perhaps create strong identification, but would run the risk of me finding my sponsor sexually attractive and getting distracted. If I pick a straight woman, we identify at the level of whom we pick as partners and we avoid the risk (on my part, anyway) of sexual/emotional entanglement, but straight women have no experience regarding what it's like growing up gay or male in our society. If I pick a lesbian to sponsor me, there are similar hits and misses regarding identification, with no risk of distraction due to sexual/

emotional involvement. Finally, if I ask a straight male to sponsor me, we are both men, which may or may not create some sexual tension for me, but there is a problem with identification and the risk that he may have conscious or subconscious homophobia. Lesbians have similar, though not identical, conflicts.

Recently, a gay friend with a straight male sponsor told me that he uses his sponsor for help with working the Steps to stay clean, but relies on gay friends to address relationship issues or sexuality.

Our Fellowship felt that the issue of distracting "emotional bonds" based upon gender is one of the few areas that creates a prohibition regarding sponsorship. If our Fellowship truly means to welcome all, regardless of sexual orientation, it is important for us to be sensitive to conflicts that our literature, in its heterosexual bias, creates.

CP, California, USA

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** Editor's Note: In 2004, IP #11, Sponsorship, was revised in part to better reflect our members' diversity.*

... the way it used to be

The year was 1968. Flower Power was fighting Vietnam while Jimi Hendrix, Bob Dylan, Janis Joplin, and others were fighting the British Invasion. Motown was selling their "soul." Captain Kirk was going where . . . , and Batman was not a movie. A nation was silently learning that it would never quite get over Kennedy's assassination. My own world was much smaller.

That summer I played catcher for the Little League champion Cubs. I had a steady girlfriend named Paula. We were both innocent then and had nothing to hide. We simply enjoyed being with each other—sitting on the curb outside or on the couch inside, doing homework, digging the sounds, or dreaming of being grown up. Often on weekends,

we'd go to the dance at the local recreation center, ecstatically watching one another while the band played and the white in our clothes glowed like neon under black lights. We had many friends, too. It was a time when people were easy to accept.... And we didn't seem to worry about who we were, as long as we had fun and were allowed to be adventurous. Later that winter, my life changed course.

I was also curious about drugs and had to try them. Previously, I had flirted with alcohol, until the night I drank way too much. Vaguely aware of my insane behavior the night before, and reeling from acute hangover symptoms, I doubted I would ever fancy getting "sloshed" again. But the side effects of other drugs were subtle to me, and I began changing my lifestyle and friends for the want of them. Within three more years, my life had changed drastically to accommodate my lust to get high. I quit school and got a full-time job because making money meant more drugs. I blindly agreed to share an apartment with a stranger who was much older than me and to sell drugs for him because selling drugs meant more drugs for me. I regularly accepted the consequential hangovers because drinking meant getting high. I was almost 15 years old and out of control, and I had unknowingly crossed the line.

That spring, after enduring the lectures from Mom and the school principal, I reenrolled in school and tried to go back, but I didn't fit anymore—not in school or with my old friends, or with my family or at the fireside chats. I didn't even feel like I fit myself anymore unless I was getting high. Thus began my death and condemnation to the living hell we know as addiction....

Eventually my devices failed me as the world around me decided not to participate in my insanity. Even the high began to fail me, as there was never enough to fill the disturbing void inside me that continued to grow. I started feeling the loneliness I had created over the years. At first, playing the heroic loner figure and self-pity comforted me, until my



emptiness grew to such dimensions that it was undeniable. The loneliness my soul dwelled in was so vast, so deep, so hollow, and so painful that I cursed the God of the trees and clouds. I begged for help. Through Narcotics Anonymous, a God answered who could ignore the recklessness of my pleas. I surrendered.

I recognized those who had trod the same soulscape I had experienced, and I clung to the hope they shared. Between intermittent bouts of self-centeredness, anger, and self-pity, I began taking suggestions and working the Twelve Steps, trying to replace my weapons with the spiritual principles of the program.

To make amends means to put right. A sponsor told me I should start mending the relationship with myself first, because without a solid standing with myself, I would run the risk of making amends for the wrong reasons. I knew that if I were going to do any justice to this process, I would have to find out where I had crossed that line and start rebuilding a relationship with myself from there. Recovery is a process, indeed.

Throughout my life, I learned many negative principles that I must unlearn as I try to replace them with the ones I learn in recovery. After all, those negative principles compounded each other and fed the desperation and loneliness I sought to escape. And the new principles are the light on the path to the God of my understanding.

In time, by abstaining from drugs and practicing the principles taught in the Steps, I will be able to grow up again. I'm certain I'll be mending this relationship for a long time to come (old dogs and new tricks, you know). Having accepted this way of life for a few days at a time now, I no longer have to suffer the moral repression I chose through active addiction, and I consciously feel the difference today. And feeling the way I felt in the days before I crossed the line is my goal. Someday I'll unlearn enough from

addiction to safely bring the champion Little League catcher back. I have hope and faith in recovery.

MS, Florida, USA

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What if we held an H&I meeting and no one showed up?

Sad thought, huh? Well, it happened to four of us for almost a year. About six years ago, I moved into a very rural area in southwestern Pennsylvania. The peace and quiet were great—still are, as a matter of fact. Three years after moving here, I ended up in the county jail for a few hours (another story). While I was there, I thought about my H&I commit-

ment in the city I had left, and wondered if my new area had an H&I committee.

A couple of weeks later, I got hold of the local H&I chair. He told me that several years before they had regularly taken a panel into the county jail, but it had folded and they were now struggling to fulfill the commitments they had. Anyway, to make a long story short, after several phone calls and a lot of coffee, we had an okay from the warden to take a panel into the county jail. I had four willing panel leaders and I was feeling great. We were giving it back; we would make a difference.

The first meeting went well. Most of the good old boys in the facility hadn't heard of NA before, but they listened. After the first month, attendance started dropping. Over the next five months, it went from bad to worse. There was a period of several months when not one addict from the jail showed up at the meeting. Our hearts broke. After a year of minimal attendance, our H&I chairperson called the warden, gave him a phone number to call if anyone requested an NA meeting, and closed our H&I panel.

I felt worse than I had the night I was locked up in that very jail. I questioned my motives. Was I running on self-will?

I went to meetings and shared about it. It was at one of those meetings that I saw him—one of the addicts from the jail who had come in the last months we were doing the meeting there. He said he was trying to stay clean, and thanked H&I for making a difference in his life. Wow!

We now do a shared service H&I in another not-so-rural correctional facility. We have four meetings per month and 20 to 30 addicts at each meeting. So, what if we had an H&I meeting and no one showed up? Depends on what you mean by "nobody," I guess.

David J, Vice Chairperson,
WSC H&I Committee*

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*Editor's Note: Prior to 1998, the World Service Conference had standing committees.

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We also received some of your newsletter guidelines, which have been uploaded to the Local Service Resources* page at www.na.org/localresources. **There's still time to share your guidelines** for others to use and adapt in their newsletter service efforts. Email yours to naway@na.org. Thank you!

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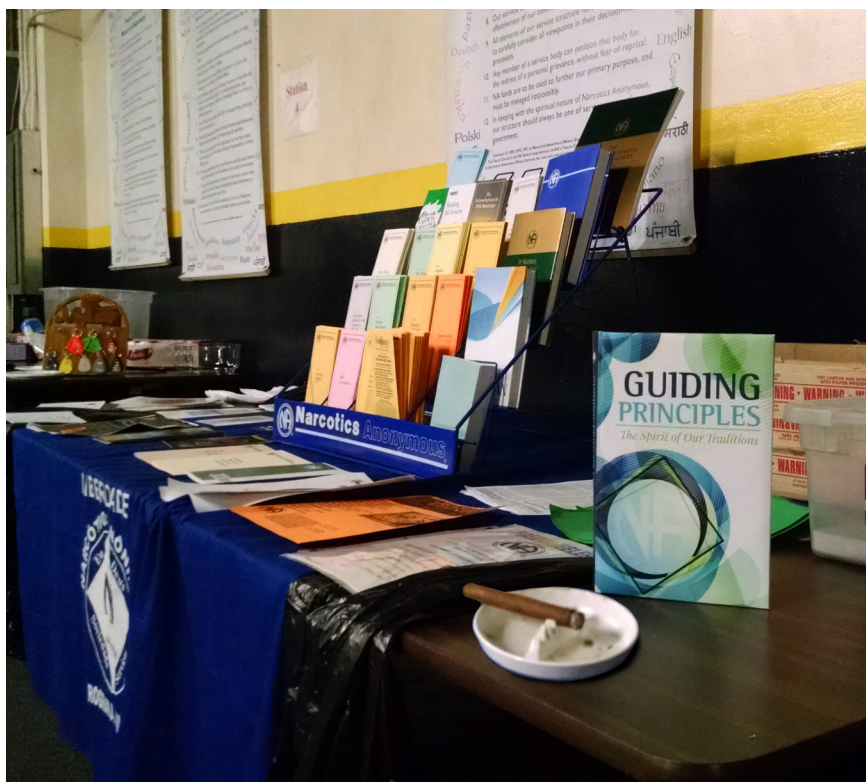
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NA communities are invited to send photographs of their meeting places and events. Sorry, we cannot use photos that identify NA members. Please tell us the group/event name, location, how long it has been in existence, format or special traditions, and what makes it a unique part of your NA community. Please send submissions to naway@na.org.

42 years

A then long-term member started our meeting at his home in 1975 and then it moved in July 1977 to the Survivor's Club (one of NA's first clubhouses near Studio City). Later it relocated to a church in Burbank, followed by a hospital in North Hollywood, and then to its current location, a bingo hall also in North Hollywood, where it has been holding meetings every Tuesday night since 1988. After keytags and cakes to celebrate recovery milestones, we read that week's Step essay followed by the leader sharing their experience of working that Step, and then the meeting is open for participation. At the end of the meeting, any newcomer who does not have one is given a Basic Text, and all newcomers receive a phone list and packet of IPs. Attendance varies from 25 to 50 members, with cleantime ranging from brand-new to many with 30+ years. The North Hollywood Step Study Group is also known by some as "The Cigar Meeting" because it is one of the few remaining smoking meetings . . . and several group members' Step study is accompanied by a good cigar.

The North Hollywood Step Study Group



Sign language translations

Does your NA convention or event provide sign language translations of speakers? And do you record their translation services? If so, we're reaching out to you to help us better reach out to hearing-impaired and deaf NA members. Sign language translation recordings would be a valuable addition for many NA communities—and you can help us make them available at na.org/localresources. This webpage includes NA service resources and tools from around the world—all made available for you to download and adapt as you wish in your NA community. If you have sign language translations of NA speakers, or if you're seeking this type of resource, please contact us at fsmail@na.org.





SERVICE CENTER

Every member, inspired by the gift of recovery, experiences spiritual growth and fulfillment through service.

A Vision for NA Service

A Vision for NA Service inspires and underpins all of the work we do throughout our NA service system. In this issue, we offer a mixture of service materials, including information on two of the [IDTs](#), Atmosphere of Recovery in Service and Technology and Social Media: Applying Our Principles. In addition, as a part of our celebration of the [20th anniversary of The NA Way](#) in its current format, we're republishing an article from the October 1997 issue. In it, a member shares his [World Service Conference](#) experience from his particular point of view. The last piece in this section is an update on [two projects that are developing service tools](#) for local NA communities, and we've also included a reminder about ongoing [H&I and PR web meetings](#).

A member's-eye view of the World Service Conference

I'm just sitting here trying to formulate my report to the region about what happened at the World Service Conference. I'm sure I'll come up with a businesslike report, but right now all I can think of are the more touching moments of the Conference. Perhaps it was because this was my last year as a participant that I found myself with that lip-quavering lump in my throat, the "I'm going to cry in public" feeling, on more than one occasion—but I don't think so.

I wasn't the only one who was moved when the representative from the Philippines appealed to the Conference to get back on track, or when Anthony E, one of the WSO executive codirectors, stood at the podium fighting back tears about Debbie G, a staff member who had passed away at work during the year. I wasn't the only one who felt transported by joy when a newcomer with 14 days clean asked, "How can I join?" and the whole Conference stood and cheered and told him he already had. I wasn't the only one who fought back tears when the representative from Japan finished sharing through her interpreter and then stepped back to the microphone to say "I can't, we can" in English.

There are more things that make up a World Service Conference than are seen later in the parliamentary procedure and motions recounted in the Conference minutes. Maybe some will measure the Conference by what we passed or didn't pass, but I will measure this Conference in a very personal way by those events and the people who made them happen.

Nick G, Massachusetts, USA

OUR VISION IS THAT ONE DAY:

EVERY ADDICT in the world has the CHANCE to *experience* our message in his or her own *language* and *culture* and find the *opportunity* for A NEW WAY OF LIFE;

EVERY MEMBER, INSPIRED by the *gift of recovery*, experiences spiritual GROWTH and FULFILLMENT through *service*;

NA SERVICE BODIES WORLDWIDE work together in a *spirit of unity* and *cooperation* to support the GROUPS in *carrying* our MESSAGE OF RECOVERY;

NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS has UNIVERSAL RECOGNITION and *respect* as a VIABLE program of *recovery*.

All of the efforts of Narcotics Anonymous are inspired by the primary purpose of our groups. Upon this common ground we stand committed.

A **VISION** for NA Service

Honesty, trust, and goodwill are the foundation of our service efforts, all of which rely upon the guidance of a loving Higher Power.

honesty
TRUST
GOOD
WILL

OUR VISION

Click here to see the original article published in *The NA Way Magazine*, October 1997

Atmosphere of Recovery in Service

[A Vision for NA Service](#) looks ahead to the time when "every member, inspired by the gift of recovery, experiences spiritual growth and fulfillment through service." The spiritual growth and fulfillment referenced here can be one of the greatest gifts in our recovery, but in order to realize this part of our vision, an atmosphere of recovery in service is crucial. We need NA communities whose members invite and inspire each other to grow.

Unity in service doesn't just happen. We have to approach service with an open mind and a grounding in the spiritual principles of our Traditions and Concepts—a working knowledge of group conscience, integrity, and anonymity, to name just a few. The friendships we develop in service also strengthen NA unity. Our Basic Text speaks of the necessity for an atmosphere of empathy and recovery in our groups. When we apply what we've learned in our recovery to our practices in our service bodies, we create a strong recovery atmosphere there, too.

With this IDT, we would like to hear about your experiences with "spiritual growth and fulfillment through service," and how we can help others experience an atmosphere of recovery in service. Workshop discussion questions for this IDT invite us to discuss what the phrase "spiritual growth and fulfillment" means to each of us, and to consider questions such as:

- What does an atmosphere of recovery in service look like to you?
- What can you and your service body do to nurture an atmosphere of recovery in service?
- What specific actions can NA trusted servants take to make service more attractive?
- Members enjoy what they are good at. How can we inspire all members to serve in ways that best match their skills and talents?

Resources for this and other IDT workshops are available at www.na.org/IDT. Please share the results of your workshop notes and results with us at worldboard@na.org.



What actions will you take to revitalize the service culture in your NA community?

I will _____

You are welcome to take a picture of this card and send it to: wb@na.org

Atmosphere of Recovery in Service

Technology and Social Media: Applying Our Principles

The widespread use of apps, social media, websites, online discussion boards, and other types of technology presents a variety of opportunities and challenges for us in NA. Many individuals use social media to connect with family and friends, share personal experiences and opinions, and interact with other NA members. And many NA service bodies are either using social media or considering it.

Currently Existing Resources

We have a number of resources to help us use social media productively and in accordance with our spiritual principles, including a service pamphlet that gives practical advice about social media—both for individual NA members and for NA service bodies—and other resources focused on our principles and their application in service. Here are some of the resources currently available:

- [Social Media and Our Guiding Principles](#) service pamphlet
- [Public Relations Handbook](#)
- [PR Basics](#)
- [Traditions essays from It Works: How and Why](#)
- [Our new book, Guiding Principles: The Spirit of Our Traditions](#)

Social media are increasingly the means by which people find information, announce events, and share their news. For many organizations, a social media presence has become crucial in a number of ways—bringing members together, informing people about their work, and letting the public know they exist. Nonetheless, for NA members and service bodies, social media can present particular challenges to some of our principles. It can be difficult to maintain individual anonymity and unity as a Fellowship, to name just a couple of the more obvious difficulties we can encounter online.

This Issue Discussion Topic challenges us to consider and discussion questions such as:

- What are some of the principles that come into play (or perhaps should come into play but don't) when using social media?
- What successes can you share about applying these principles while using social media, as an NA member or as a service body?
- What challenges to applying our principles have you faced when using social media, as individuals or as a service committee, for communication within the Fellowship?

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Technology and Social Media: Applying Our Principles

Large Group Brainstorm
What are some of the principles that come into play (or perhaps should come into play but don't) when using social media?

Large Group Discussion

1. What successes can you share about applying these principles while using social media, as an NA member or as service body?
2. What challenges to applying our principles have you faced using social media:
 - As individuals
 - As a service committee, for communication within the Fellowship

Small Group Discussion

1. What principles are lacking?
2. Considering the challenge and applying our principles, what solutions can you offer?

Large Group Discussion

1. Has your service body used social media as a public relations tool?
2. What successes and challenges have you experienced?

Toolbox Projects Update

At WSC 2016, participants passed a project to develop service materials. Guided by the results of a Fellowship survey, they selected two focuses for the project: Local Service Toolbox and Conventions and Events Toolbox.

Local Service Toolbox Project

A survey posted on the project webpage asked which two tools were most important to work on first, and the results confirmed the decision to start with a draft of Consensus-based Decision Making Basics and a tool for members involved with rural and isolated service. A draft of CBDM Basics is currently available on the project website: na.org/toolbox.

We have been hosting regular web meetings on rural and isolated service and we believe the ideas shared in those meetings have given us a head start on creating a tool that will have value for those of you serving in rural or isolated communities. Material from these meetings can be found here: www.na.org/ruralservice.

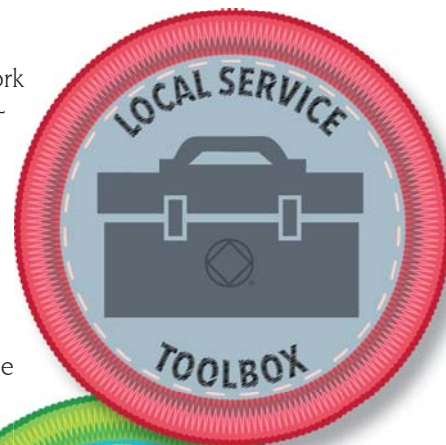
There are currently more than 350 members on the toolbox and rural service contact lists. Please email toolbox@na.org for the toolbox project, or nick@na.org for the rural service meetings, if you would like to be added to those lists.

Conventions and Events Toolbox Project

It has been a number of years since the old *Conventions Handbook* was retired, and it is time we begin working on some new material that represents current best practices and experiences of our service committees responsible for overseeing these events.

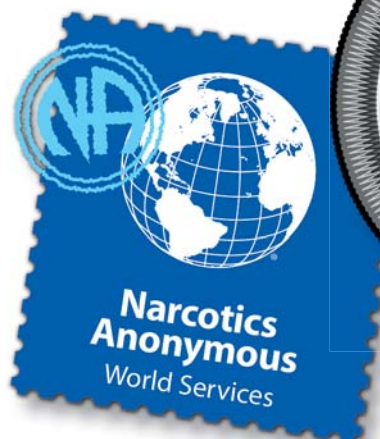
We have held periodic web meetings and we have enjoyed receiving input from many sources. Our current list of interested members includes more than 140 members from around the world. We are encouraged by the participation and believe it will be reflected in the quality of the content of the tools as they are finalized. A draft program tool has been posted on the website for review and input. The next draft tool on money management will be posted for review and input very soon.

Please email conventions@na.org to be notified about these meetings and visit the project webpage at www.na.org/conventions.



Ongoing web meetings: PR and H&I

We also regularly conduct web meetings for PR and H&I. NAWS facilitates the discussions, and the topics come from members involved in PR or H&I. Any member may join; simply provide your name and email address to either pr@na.org or handi@na.org. The next H&I web meeting is 16 November at 4:00 pm PST, and the next PR web meeting is scheduled for 11 January 2018 at 4:00 pm PST.





FELLOWSHIP DEVELOPMENT

As NA grows, we continually move toward our vision that one day every addict in the world has the chance to experience our message and find a new way to live. Here are some highlights of Fellowship development (FD) activities performed on your behalf by NA World Services between May and July. We remain grateful for the opportunity to directly interact with those we serve.

- The World Board approved a travel team for the second FD effort in **Haiti** 11–18 June 2017. The two identified goals were first to present NA to 200 treatment professionals and students at the Seventh Symposium of the Center of Spirituality and Mental Health. The second was to introduce NA to local community workers on the front lines in the relief efforts for Haiti. There are four NA members in Haiti who expressed a desire to start a meeting in a church, and it seems likely an NA meeting will be started.
- The **Fifth East African Convention** (EACNA) was held in Mombasa, Kenya, 19–21 May 2017. This is the first time the event was held in Kenya, as all previous EACNA have been held in Dar es Salaam or Zanzibar, Tanzania. The African Zonal Forum was created at a meeting held right before the first EACNA, and NAWS has continued to support an annual gathering of African communities since that meeting. To see the difference in the local NA community from EACNA 1 to EACNA 5 was heartwarming and a vivid reminder of the power of our simple message. We held a meeting of the Swahili-speaking delegates from Uganda, Rwanda, Tanzania, Zanzibar, and Kenya immediately following the convention to try to advance the work of their translation efforts. They have many drafts and are still settling on creating a common understanding of how to accurately reflect the NA message in Swahili.
- **We participated virtually** in an area event held three or four times per year in the **Badgerland Area (Wisconsin)**. The event was held at a local coffeehouse and included outdoor and recovery activities. For this audience ranging from newcomers to long-term members, we adapted the NAWS Update, adding basic information on the overall NA service structure. We explained the connection between members, groups, and World Services, and reviewed the strategic planning process, project updates, and ways members can get involved in projects. We were grateful to participate in their unique event, using the technology available to us to participate virtually.
- We attended the **Upper Rocky Mountain Convention** (URMRCNA) the last weekend of May in Cheyenne, Wyoming, where we did a *Guiding Principles* workshop and a workshop on the Sixth Tradition. A number of members who attended had never partici-

pated in a small-group discussion or Issue Discussion Topic workshop before, and many were energized to take the workshop back to their areas or home groups. Though URMRCNA is a relatively small event for NAWS to attend, doing a workshop at a local convention allows us to reach members we would never otherwise have a chance to interact with. It both puts a face on World Services for people and—at least as important—introduces members to small-group discussion and the workshop format in general.

- The **Midstate Regional Assembly** was held in Tracy, California, 2–4 June 2017. Tracy is an underserved area with three active meetings per week and an unserved prison, with the closest area 30 miles away in Stockton, which is fractured by different fellowships. There were up to 100 members present at different times throughout the weekend. The *Guiding Principles* workshop was met with a lot of excitement and interest and was very well attended. The NAWS update was informative and exciting for most, and this energy was met with discussion on how to stay in touch with NA World Services. The assembly loved the idea of the various webinars and publications. Given the rural and isolated geography in this region, information from the Rural and Isolated Service webinars was the basis for a third session Sunday morning. Many members attended and signed up for these ongoing webinars.

In addition to the face-to-face interactions, PR, service material development, and other activities at NA World Services, an important part of our Fellowship development efforts is **translations**. Some of the pieces published recently are:

- Bengali (Bangladesh) IP #1
- Nepali IP #6
- Kannada IP #16
- Russian White Booklet, revised to include local members' personal stories, and Russian IP #s 13, 26, and 27.
- Danish *Just for Today* (Revised to the Sixth Edition Basic Text)
- Irish (Gaelic) keytags
- Spanish *NA and Persons Receiving Medication-Assisted Treatment*

We also added to our **eLiterature** collection two translated Basic Texts: *Narcotici Anonimi* in Italian and *Narcóticos Anónimos* in Spanish. We have also created a page on na.org to assist members looking for electronic versions of literature. Check it out at www.na.org/ELIT.

Subscribe to [NAWS News](http://www.na.org/NEWS) for ongoing updates from the World Board.

Calendar flashback

Twenty years ago, the NA Way events listing page changed names from "Comin' up" to "Calendar." What didn't change was the continually growing number of worldwide events. Back then, although a few listings included an email address (or a long, complex URL for more info), most listed a postal address to write to for more information. Today it's rare to see a Calendar listing with a postal address . . . but the ongoing growth of NA and NA events endures.

CANADA

British Columbia 31 Oct-2 Nov 1997; Pacific Northwest Regional Convention; Renaissance Hotel Harborside, Vancouver. *The 40th PNWCNA will be held this year and will feature a carnival event.*

INDIA

Delhi 7-9 Nov 1997; Delhi Area Convention; Bhogal Agarsen Bhavan, Brij Ghat, near Garth Mukteshwar, Uttar Pradesh. *The theme for this year's DACNA 13 is "Many Lives, One Journey."*

IRELAND

Dublin 17-19 Oct 1997; 13th Irish Regional Convention; The Grand Hotel, Malahide. *Wexford Town is the location for 2017's IRCNA 32.*

ISRAEL

Haifa 4-7 Sept 1997; 14th European Convention and Conference; Exhibition Convention Center, Haifa. *ECCNA 33 (in the beach town of Portimão, on Portugal's southern coast) included daily yoga and Tai-chi sessions, a sunset party, live concerts, and a space dedicated to playing traditional Portuguese games.*

PHILIPPINES

Manila 16-18 Jan 1998; 3rd Philippine Regional Convention; Santuario de San Antonio; Forbes Park, Makati. *Today there are nearly 50 meetings in the Philippines.*

UNITED STATES

California 24-26 Oct 1997; Western States PI and H&I Learning Days; Crowne Plaza SFO, Burlingame. *This event evolved into Western States Learning Days and then into its current Western Service Learning Days. The 31st WSLD rotated to Monterey Bay, California.*

Hawaii 30 Oct-2 Nov 1997; 6th Hawaii Regional Convention; Kona Surf Resort. *Hawaii celebrated its 35th regional convention in 2017 with the theme "E Pupu Kahi – We Are One."*

Puerto Rico 11-13 July 1997; Unidos Podemos 8; Isla Verde. *NA Puerto Rico gathered for its 27th Convención Unidos Podemos (United We Can) in August 2017.*

Tennessee 26-30 Nov 1997; Volunteer Regional Convention; Hyatt Regency, Knoxville. *VRCNA is held over the US Thanksgiving weekend each year. In 2017, with a theme of "Recovery Rocks," VRC celebrates its 35th year.*

Wisconsin 24-26 Oct 1997; Wisconsin State Convention; Racine Marriott, Racine. *In its 34th year, WSNAC rotates to Oshkosh, WI, hosted by the Inland Lakes Unity Area with the theme, "Together We Can."*





CALENDAR

Multiday events and those occurring between publication dates are printed according to the schedule posted online. To enter events or to access event details, visit the online calendar at www.na.org/events. (If you don't have internet access, fax or mail your event info to 818.700.0700, attn: NA Way; or *The NA Way*; Box 9999; Van Nuys, CA 91409 USA.)

Argentina

Cordoba 3-5 Nov; Argentina Regional Convention 25; Hotel Portal del Lago, Cordoba; www.na.org.ar

Brazil

Bahia 23-26 Nov; Brazil Regional Convention 20; Gran Hotel Stella Maris, Salvador; www.convencaoregiaobrasil.com.br

Colombia

Bogotá 11-13 Nov; Bogotá Area Convention 4; Auditorio Universidad Cafam, Bogotá; sitio.nabogota.org/index.php

Greece

Corinthia 3-5 Nov; The Ties That Bind Us: 30 Years NA Greece; King Saron Hotel, Corinth; nagreece.gr

India

West Bengal 1-3 Feb; Indian Regional Convention 9; Hotel Diamond Glory, Mandarmani; www.facebook.com/ircna9

Ireland

Wexford 17-19 Nov; Irish Regional Convention; Clayton Whites Hotel, Wexford; na-ireland.org

Lithuania

Kaunas 4-5 Nov; Lithuanian Convention; Europa Royale Hotel, Kaunas; lietuvos-na.lt

Nepal

Ilam 10-12 Nov; Eastern Area Convention; City Hall, Ilam; event info: +977.9813933636

2) Chitwan 2-4 Feb; Chitwan Area Convention 2; Narayani Resort Gaidakot, Chitwan; event info: 9865350602

South Africa

17-19 Nov; South African Regional Convention 24; YFC Cyara, Magaliesburg, Johannesburg; www.na.org.za

United States

Alabama 3-5 Nov; Greater Birmingham Area Convention 22; Holiday Inn Airport, Birmingham; event info: 205.902.4987

2) 12-14 Jan; Central Alabama Area Convention 21; DoubleTree Hilton Downtown Montgomery, Montgomery; www.alnwfl.org

Arizona 1-4 Feb; Arizona Men's Spiritual Retreat; Franciscan Renewal Center, Scottsdale; maccna.org

Arkansas 19-21 Jan; Winter Convention; Lindsey Resort, Heber Springs; arscna.org

California 30 Nov-3 Dec; Men's Spiritual Retreat; Serra Retreat, Malibu; mensnaretreat.com

2) 5-7 Jan; TAC Convention 18; Red Lion/Holiday Inn, Redding; tac-convention.com

Colorado 3-5 Nov; Colorado Regional Convention 31; Crowne Plaza Convention Center DIA, Denver; nacolorado.org/crcna

Connecticut 5-7 Jan; Connecticut Regional Convention 33; Hilton Stamford Place, Stamford; ctnac.org

Florida 3-5 Nov; First Forest Area Spiritual Retreat; Retreat at Silver Springs, Ocala; forestareana.org

2) 1-3 Dec; Celebration of Unity Convention; Lake Yale Conference Center, Leesburg; cou.orlandona.org

Georgia 23-26 Nov; West End Area Convention 31; Renaissance Hotel, Atlanta; westend.grscna.com

Illinois 10-12 Nov; Greater Illinois Regional Convention 21; Pere Marquette, Peoria; centralillinoisna.org

2) 25-28 Jan; Chicagoland Regional Convention 30; Hyatt Regency McCormick Place, Chicago; crcofna.org

Kentucky 5-7 Jan; Louisville Area Convention 28; nalouisville.net

Maryland 24-26 Nov; Free State Regional Convention 25; Delta Hotels Baltimore, Hunt Valley; fsrcna.org

Massachusetts 3-5 Nov; Pieces to Recovery Courage 2 Change; Holiday Inn, Mansfield; nerna.org

2) 12-14 Jan; Boston Area Convention 18; Boston Park Plaza Hotel, Boston; nerna.org

Michigan 10-12 Nov; Macomb Area Convention 7; Wyndham Garden, Sterling Heights; michigan-na.org/macomb-area

Missouri 2-4 Feb; Cabin Fever Prevention Convention 26; Lodge of the Four Seasons, Lake Ozark; cabinfeverconvention.org

Nevada 3-5 Nov; Sierra Sage Regional Convention 22; Grand Sierra Resort-Convention Center, Reno; www.sierrasagena.org

New Jersey 3-5 Nov; NE New Jersey Area Convention; Renaissance WoodBridge Hotel, Iselin; nanj.org

2) 29 Dec-1 Jan; Bergen Area Convention 24; Hanover Marriott, Whippany; newyearnewlife.org

New York 17-19 Nov; Western New York Regional Convention 22; Hyatt Regency, Buffalo; nawny.org

2) 19-21 Jan; Nassau Area Convention 15; Long Island Huntington Hilton, Melville; nacna.org

3) 2-4 Feb; In the Spirit of Love 30; Holiday Inn, Waterloo; flana.net

North Carolina 5-7 Jan; Spiritually High in the Land of the Sky 33; Crowne Plaza Resort, Asheville; spirituallyhigh.org

2) 26-28 Jan; The Road Home 10; DoubleTree Oceanfront, Atlantic Beach; theroadhomena.org

North Dakota 10-12 Nov; Upper Midwest Regional Convention 34; Baymont Inn and Suites, Fargo; umrna.org

Ohio 24-26 Nov; Unity Weekend 5; Crowne Plaza Cincinnati, Blue Ash; event info: 513.526.6834

2) 5-7 Jan; Central Ohio Area Convention 27; Crowne Plaza North Hotel, Columbus; nacentralohio.org

3) 2-4 Feb; Toledo Area Convention 21; Holiday Inn French Quarter, Perrysburg; natoledo.com

Oklahoma 12-14 Jan; Norman Winter Convention; Sheraton, Midwest City; wascokna.org

Pennsylvania 10-12 Nov; Delco Area Convention 3; Clarion Hotel, Essington; nadelco.org

2) 16-19 Nov; Start to Live 35; Seven Springs Hotel and Resort, Seven Springs; www.starttolive.org

3) 12-14 Jan; 1st Together We Grow Up Convention; Clarion Hotel, Essington; http://facebook.com/groups/180755792448542

South Carolina 17-19 Nov; Ultimate Convention 2; Crown Reef Resort, Myrtle Beach; tunacon.org

2) 24-26 Nov; Serenity Fellowship Reunion; Sea Mist Oceanfront Resort, Myrtle Beach; event info: 910.840.0809

3) 19-21 Jan; Upper South Carolina Area Convention 38; Greenville Marriott, Greenville; www.cna.org

Tennessee 23-26 Nov; Volunteer Regional Convention 35; Holiday Inn Memphis Airport, Memphis; vrcna.com

Texas 3-5 Nov; Best Little Regional Convention 29; Pearl on the Concho, San Angelo; bigcountryna.com

2) 12-14 Jan; Esperanza Area Convention 4; El Tropicano Riverwalk Hotel, San Antonio; eanaonline.org

Virginia 12-14 Jan; Virginia Regional Convention 36; Hotel Roanoke & Conference Center, Roanoke; avcna.org

Washington 3-4 Nov; Washington/N Idaho Regional Service Learning Days; Saint Paul's Episcopal Church, Walla Walla; wnirna.org

Wisconsin 2-4 Feb; Greater Milwaukee Unity Convention 21; Hyatt Regency Milwaukee, Milwaukee; namilwaukee.org

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We are also asking for volunteers with at least five years clean to participate in the WCNA 37 speaker evaluation process. The commitment requires reviewing speaker recordings over the next few months (November 2017–March 2018). If you are interested in serving as a **speaker evaluator**, send us your information below before **31 December 2017**.

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**Complete and submit this form online at www.na.org/wcna or print and send form by post to:
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NAWS Product Update

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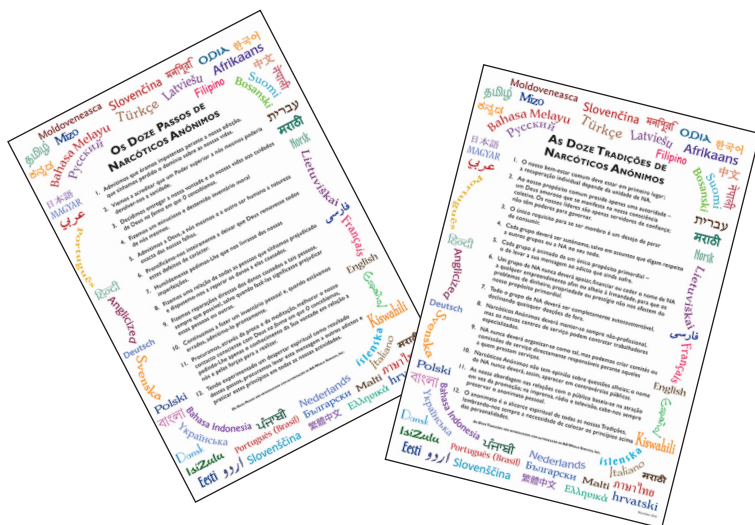
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WCNA 37 HOTEL OPTIONS

While we realize many people are accustomed to booking rooms on their own, it really helps WCNA when you book rooms in our room block. **Here is some encouragement to pre-register and book rooms in our room block: If you pre-register and book your hotel in the WCNA room block by 31 July 2018 (without cancellation), you will be entered into a drawing for a FREE, THREE-NIGHT STAY!** We will randomly select two pre-registrants and cover their room and tax charges for the Thursday, Friday, and Saturday nights of WCNA. We look forward to seeing you in Orlando!

Numbers listed correspond to the hotel location on the map. All prices listed are per night for single/double occupancy. Reservations at these rates must be made through the housing bureau: toll-free within in the US at 844.460.9824 or from outside the US at +1 704.419.8426 (Monday – Friday 8:30 am – 9:00 pm Eastern Time).

1. Courtyard Orlando International Drive/Convention Center — \$149
2. Days Inn Orlando Convention Center/International Drive — \$106
3. DoubleTree by Hilton Orlando at SeaWorld — \$129
4. Extended Stay America - Westwood Blvd North — \$85
5. Extended Stay America - Westwood Blvd South — \$90
6. Hilton Orlando — \$159
7. Holiday Inn Express & Suites Orlando at SeaWorld — \$119
8. Hyatt Regency Orlando — \$159
9. Rosen Centre Hotel — \$119
10. Rosen Inn at Pointe Orlando — \$95
11. Rosen Plaza Hotel — \$117
12. TownePlace Suites Orlando at SeaWorld — \$129

Hotel Cancellation Fees

Any confirmed reservation cancelled at any time will incur a cancellation fee according to the following schedule:

- Hotel reservation cancellations made between now and 7 August 2018 will be assessed a \$50 cancellation fee.
- Hotel reservation cancellations made on or after 8 August 2018 will be assessed a \$200 cancellation fee.

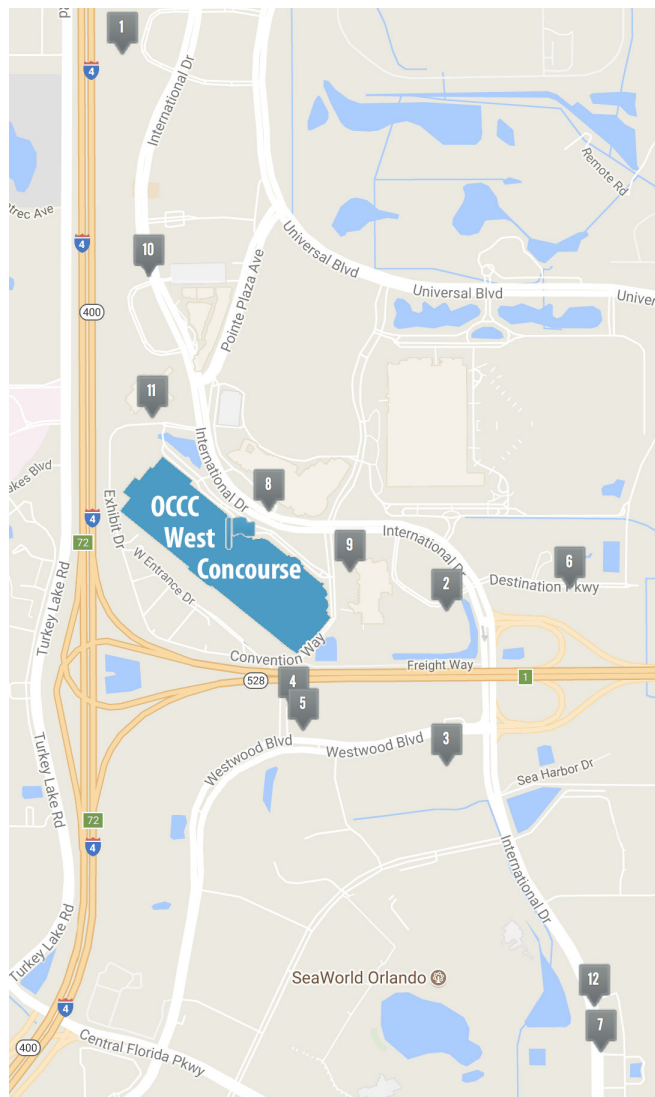
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Reservation changes can be made until 23 August 2018 on the website or by contacting the housing bureau directly toll-free within in the US at 844.460.9824 or from outside the US at +1 704.419.8426. **Please do not contact your hotel regarding your reservation until after 23 August 2018.**

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3. WCNA 37 is a registration-required event: a registration badge is required to enter any part of the Orange County Convention Center except the registration area. (Your badge gives you admission to the coffeehouse events, dances, and all other non-ticketed events.)
4. Special events seating is determined by the date of pre-registration (not the date you purchase the tickets).
5. Pre-registration closes 31 July 2018; after that general registration will be available at \$125.
6. Pre-registrants have access to the onsite merchandise store on Thursday (general registrants will not have access until Friday).
7. **All members who pre-register by 31 July 2018 (without cancellation) will be entered in a drawing for two full convention packages, including registration and all WCNA special event tickets!** (Does not include pre-reg merchandise)



Pre- and Post-Convention Events

Orlando is the most visited city in the US—and it's a great fit for an event like ours. Information about Orlando and surrounding areas, and about the Orange County Convention Center is available at: www.visitorlando.com and www.occc.net/Attendee. Stay tuned for more information on pre- and post-WCNA activities.

Post-Convention Cruise to Cuba!

Details are being coordinated for you to set sail for fascinating Cuba where you'll explore its multifaceted culture, stroll the Malecón, and marvel at the Baroque architecture and cobblestone streets of Old Havana. Besides vintage cars and premium cigars, Cuba offers a world-class art collection at Museo Nacional de Bellas Artes. You'll find mouth-watering fare at local paladar restaurants, dazzling beaches and landscapes, and the Cuban people who are known for their friendly hospitality. For more information, visit www.montrosetravel.com/wcnacruise.

WCNA 37: THE MAGIC IS REAL

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**30 August-2 September 2018
Orlando, Florida USA**

FIRST NAME _____ LAST NAME _____
 ADDRESS _____
 CITY _____ PROVINCE / STATE / COUNTRY _____ ZIP/POSTAL CODE _____
 EMAIL _____ TELEPHONE _____
 ADDITIONAL REGISTRANT _____ ADDITIONAL REGISTRANT _____

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Part 1: Pre-registration

(General registration beginning 1 August will be \$125)
 _____ × \$110 = \$ _____
 TOTAL PRE-REGISTRATION \$ _____

Part 2: Pre-registration Merchandise

This merchandise is available only with a pre-registration. We will place our merchandise order in April 2018. Limited quantities and sizes will be available after that date, so please order early!

Special Coffee Mug _____ × \$16 = \$ _____
Embroidered T-Shirt
 Men's ___S___M___L___XL___XXL___XXXL _____ × \$22 = \$ _____
 Women's ___S___M___L___XL___XXL _____ × \$22 = \$ _____
Screen Printed T-Shirt
 Men's ___S___M___L___XL___XXL___XXXL _____ × \$18 = \$ _____
 Women's ___S___M___L___XL___XXL _____ × \$18 = \$ _____
 Sub-total = \$ _____
 Florida sales tax: x 6.5% = \$ _____
 TOTAL MERCHANDISE \$ _____

Part 3: Convention Events

All special events tickets you purchase before 1 August 2018 will have pre-assigned seating based on the date of pre-registration (not the date you purchase the tickets). If you want to sit with friends, either purchase a table for the meal events or have one member of your party purchase all of the event tickets together. Otherwise, you will be seated with friends you just haven't met yet!

Blues Luncheon: Thursday, 30 August (Lunch served 11:45 am–12:45 pm)
 Blues Luncheon – Single Seats _____ × \$55 = \$ _____
 Blues Luncheon – Table for 10 _____ × \$550 = \$ _____
Of the Blues tickets purchased, how many are vegetarian? _____

Jazz Brunch: Friday, 31 August (Brunch served 10:00–11:00 am)
 Jazz Brunch – Single Seats _____ × \$50 = \$ _____
 Jazz Brunch – Table for 10 _____ × \$500 = \$ _____
Of the Jazz tickets purchased, how many are vegetarian? _____

Comedy Show: Friday, 31 August (10:00 pm – *potentially offensive material*)
 Comedy Show – Single Seats _____ × \$35 = \$ _____

Banquet Saturday, 1 September (Dinner served 5:30-6:30 pm)
 Banquet – Single Seats _____ × \$65 = \$ _____
 Banquet – Table for 10 _____ × \$650 = \$ _____
Of the Banquet tickets purchased, how many are vegetarian? _____

Concert: Saturday, 1 September (10:00 pm)
 Single Tickets _____ × \$75 = \$ _____
 TOTAL EVENTS \$ _____

Part 4: Method and Amount of Payment

Part 1 \$ _____ + Part 2 \$ _____ + Part 3 \$ _____
 Sub-total \$ _____

Newcomer Contribution \$ _____
 = Grand Total \$ _____

Method of Payment in US Dollars (check one)

CHECK/MONEY ORDER AMEX VISA MASTERCARD DISCOVER

_____ CREDIT CARD NUMBER _____ EXP DATE _____ SECURITY CODE _____

_____ CARDHOLDER NAME _____ SIGNATURE _____

Register online at www.na.org/wcna

Make checks/money orders payable to WCNA 37 and mail to:
 WCNA 37; c/o NAWIS; PO Box 9999; Van Nuys, CA 91409 USA

FAX credit card registrations to +1.818.700.0700.
 For more information, call +1.818.773.9999 x771
 Monday – Friday: 8:00 am – 5:00 pm (PT).

WCNA reserves the right to refuse or limit any purchase.

Absolutely no cancellations, exchanges, or refunds after June 2018 for registration, merchandise, or events.

