

MARIN AA NEWS & EVENTS



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Are You Getting the Whole Story?

Congratulations to meeting representatives to our Marin Service Committees: BTG - PI/CPC - Teleservice - H&I - GGYPAA!

However, what some might not realize is that they could be missing the REAL action! If you're not attending the Service Committee monthly business meeting, you won't know the latest info to report. So you can't give your home group the whole story!

PLUS - the committee is where the real fun is - and where learning about AA on a deeper level happens: you get to help plan upcoming events and learn how Alcoholics Anonymous principles are applied in helping the still suffering alcoholic. Take a step UP! Keep on making the announcement at your meetings AND when you can, also go to the Service Committee's business meeting to be knowledgeable - be where the action is.

It's 12 Step work at its best!
by Jennifer K.
Marin Accessibility Committee Chair



It's Easy!

Marin Intergroup 2020 continues to grow!

We are seeing that the intention is not to replace Central Office, but rather to build Marin fellowship through educational and fun events.

To have your group be part of this historical evolution in Marin AA just request a new meeting commitment:
Liaison to MI 2020 - 1st Mondays - 7:00 at the Whistlestop!

ON FIRE FOR SERVICE!

A Series of Four Workshops on
Trusted Servant Commitments

First Workshop:

"Secretary, Treasurer & Other
In-Meeting Commitments"

Panel Presentations, Roundtable, Group Discussion, Report-Back Shares & PIZZA!

Saturday April 20th 2-5 PM
Marin Alano Club in the BackYard

1360 Lincoln Ave, San Rafael, CA 94901

Please pre-register at www.aamarin.org/workshop or email workshop@aamarin.org or call (415)506-2009

Presented by Marin Alano Club & Marin Intergroup 2020

MARIN TELESERVICE
• PRIMARY PURPOSE •
HELP THE STILL SUFFERING ALCOHOLIC



Sunday 📞 April 28th | **WHISTLESTOP**
DINNER 5PM • SPEAKER 6PM | 930 TAMALPAIS AVE • SAN RAFAEL

ALL YOU CAN EAT
• SPAGHETTI • MEATBALLS
• VEGETARIAN PASTA •
• GARLIC BREAD • SALAD
• DESSERT TABLE •
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Early in my recovery, I found many flaws in the Big Book as well as the 12 Steps and 12 Traditions! For example from Tradition 2 "Our leaders are but trusted servants, they do not govern."

Even when one sets aside the obvious - that one cannot be a servant and a leader at the same time - if the leaders aren't governing then who is governing? The answer I'd get from Long Timers is, while chuckling, "No one." Annoying.

Despite the serious flaws of AA, I was desperate to be sober, so grabbed opportunities to be of service. My motives were self serving and nothing more. I said hello to new comers not to help the newcomer, but because I didn't want to drink.

Slowly, I felt better and better. Slowly, I began to want to help newcomers, help put on the Annual Thanksgiving Feast and meeting, sponsor women, help run meetings and more!!

A world that I did not know existed and was next to me all my life, opened up. With the guidance and support from AA members, I have been able to live and grow in this world of love and service.

I'm four years sober and after countless hours of service, I know in my heart Tradition Two is true ,and that no one governs and it all works. I cannot explain why AA works without governors, but it does.

Currently, I am a District Committee Member - which makes me a leader who is a trusted servant and does not govern. As long as we work the AA program, it works.

In Service, Molly M.

General Service

Pre-Conference Area Assembly 4/13-14 in Santa Rosa. (flyer at aamarin.org) Group consciences will be shared, to be submitted to the General Service Conference in New York in May. AA assemblies are a great experience!

Next General Service Meeting: 9 Ross Valley Dr. San Rafael; Monday 4/15 7:30. New GSR Orientation 6:45 pm

BTG - Bridging the Gap

Bridging the Gap is moving to a new level of service! BTG goes to places where alcoholics might be found, and does a presentation to let residents know that someone is available to take them to a meeting when they get done 'with their time!' You can be a part of this important service. Work as a volunteer to take people to their first meeting when they get out, or you can get oriented to be a Presenter.

Right now there is an exciting training for men or women who want to go into Marin County Jail to let those inside know about BTG. Just fill out a clearance form, and go for the training at the jail. Two people present: one tells their story and one explains how to have a BTG volunteer there on their release date. BTG has now also been invited to go to Serenity Knolls to present this service. Yay BTG! Way to go!

Whether you want to get involved on the volunteer list, or as a presenter, come to the orientation Wednesday, 4-10 at 6:00 at the Alano Club, or call 415 206-5006.

H&I - Hospitals and Institutions

An outstanding H&I Conference May 3 - 5 will be at the Fairgrounds in Vallejo! There is a dynamic line up of speakers and panelists on the program. Admission is only \$20.00 and is open to everyone!

The San Quentin Sponsorship Program info and sign up are now online at handinorcal.org. The orientation is in April in Oakland. H and I Business Meeting: Alano Club Tues 4/9 at 7:15. Orientation 6:15

PI / CPC

PI/CPC stands for Public Information / Cooperation with the Professional Community. Currently PI/CPC is seeking speakers for High Schools and DUI classes (particularly women.)

If interested, attend the speaker orientation at the Alano Club on Thursday, April 25th, at 7pm, followed by the regular business meeting at 7:30.

