

**CALIFORNIA MID-STATE
REGIONAL CONVENTION**

**JUNE 8,9 & 10
8,9 & 10 de JUNIO**

2018



**Alcanzando Nuevas Alturas
Reaching a New High**

CMSRCNA

XV

WELCOME

The Convention Committee for CMSRCNA XV welcomes you to Stockton. This is the biennial convention for the California Mid-State Region of Narcotics Anonymous. Our purpose is to carry the message, encourage unity and celebrate recovery. You will find all of these things and more going on this entire weekend.

We invite you to attend the workshops, the main meetings and enjoy the diverse entertainment. The committee has selected the workshop topics and located the best speakers we could find to carry the strong message of recovery.

Please join with us in celebrating your recovery! We hope that you have a wonderful time with all the close friends that you have just not met yet!

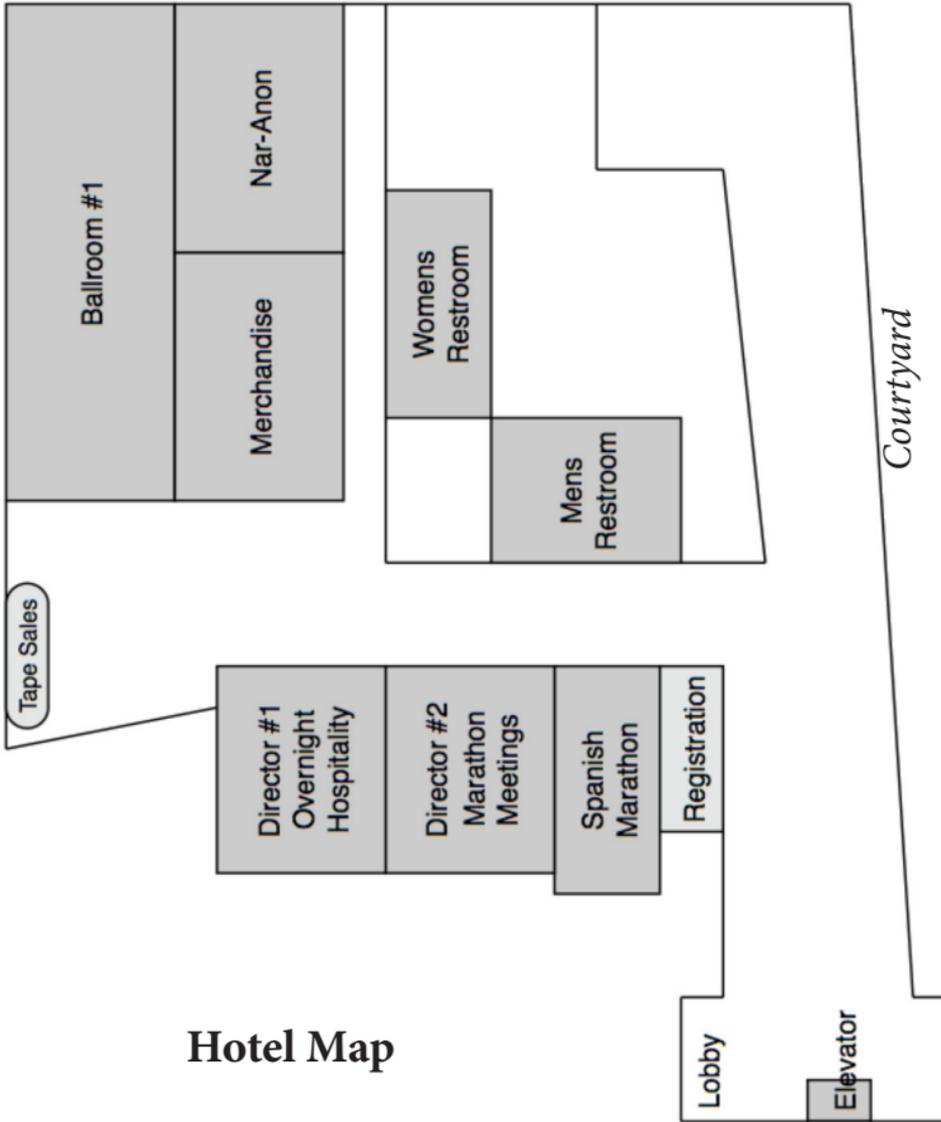
If you have any questions, please feel free to ask any one of the member services representatives in the bright yellow vests.

Have fun and join us as we come together in
REACHING a NEW HIGH!

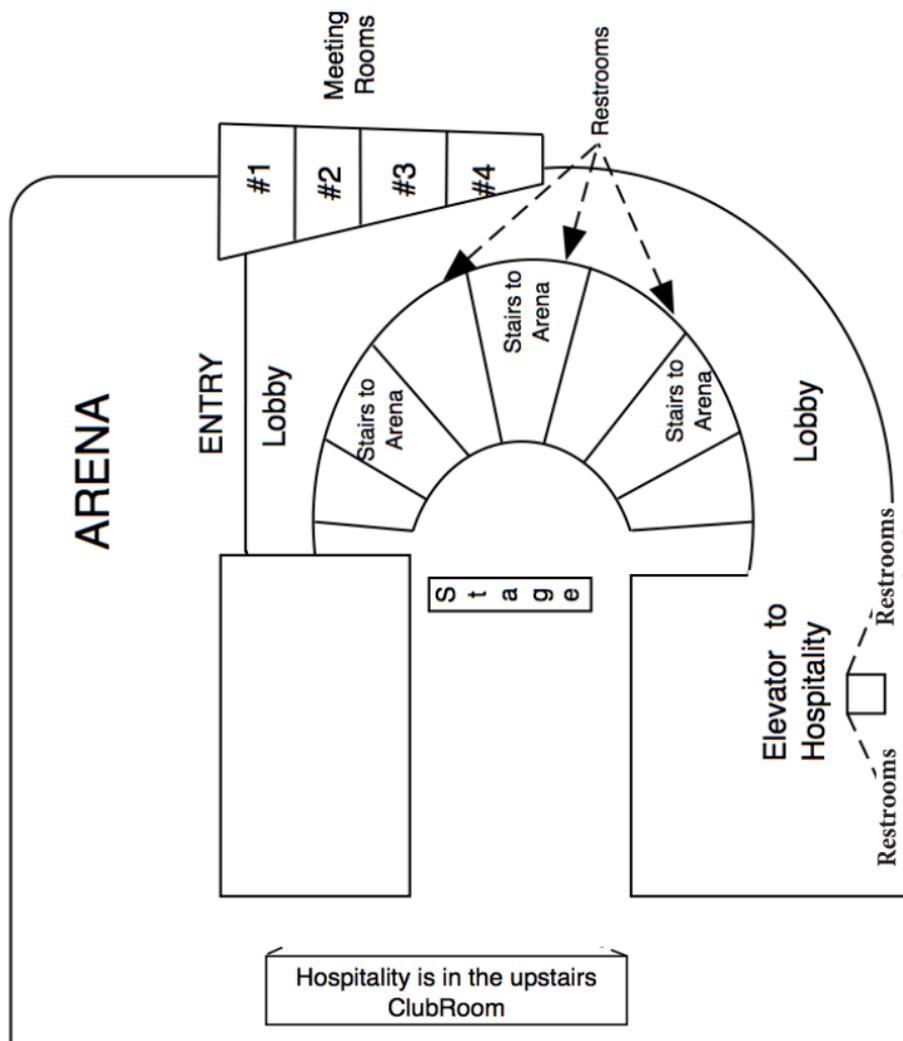
Fourth Tradition Statement

It's also important to consider how we're viewed by society. When NA meetings first began in many places, it was illegal for addicts to meet under any circumstances. Even when meetings are legal, the public often views groups of addicts with alarm. Until NA has established a good reputation, it may be difficult for addicts to find meeting places. If our behavior as NA members is still destructive and selfish, we will once again have difficulty meeting openly. We help protect our reputation as a fellowship when we use our meeting facilities with respect, keeping them clean and in good repair. We should take care to act like good neighbors, conducting ourselves respectfully. Even something as simple as the name a group chooses may reflect on NA as a whole. If the public reputation of Narcotics Anonymous is somehow impaired, addicts may die.

Hotel Map



Arena Map



Regarding the Media

We want to remind you that anonymity serves a two-fold function: it protects individual members from the pressure or temptation to speak for Narcotics Anonymous as a whole, and it protects the fellowship as a whole, from being judged by the words or actions of one recovering individual. It is more than not having your picture taken, or not using your last name.

Everything that you do at the convention is a reflection on Narcotics Anonymous. If you are approached by members of the media, we ask that you do not grant an interview, answer questions, or in any other way make a statement for NA as a whole.

A Public Information representative is prepared, as a service to the fellowship, to assist the media while staying within the spirit of our Traditions.

Please refer or escort members of the media to a CMSRCNA member and they will assist in locating the appropriate Public Information representative.

*Thank you for your cooperation,
CMSRCC XV*

REGISTRATION

LOCATED IN THE HOTEL, PAST THE LOBBY
PLEASE FOLLOW THE SIGNS

Friday: 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
8:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m.

Saturday: 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
9:00 p.m. to 10:30 p.m.

BADGES: Badges are required to get into the DJ Dance
Or \$5.00 per day without a badge

MARATHON MEETINGS: Hotel-Director's Room 2
Will run from 10:00 p.m. to 6 a.m. Friday and Saturday
nights, however the room will be available if anyone wants
to have an impromptu meeting.

NAR-A-NON meetings will be in Hotel-Ballroom 2

SPEAKERS/SECRETARIES: Please check in upon arrival
by the registration table in the hotel right past the lobby.

FOOD TRUCKS:
LOCATED ON THE BACK SIDE OF THE ARENA

MERCHANDISE (Hotel-Ballroom 3) HOURS:

FRIDAY 12:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
9:00 p.m. – Midnight
SATURDAY 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
9:00 p.m. - Midnight

ALTERNATIVE STORE: Hotel-Directors Room 2 Hallway

SUNDAY 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

AUDIO: TAPE 2 TAPE - In Hotel-Ballroom Hallway

HOSPITALITY ROOM 1: Arena-Club Room

FRIDAY 12:00 to 11:30 p.m. SATURDAY 8:00 a.m. to 11:30 p.m.

HOSPITALITY ROOM 2: Hotel-Directors Room 1

ALWAYS OPEN FOR THE ENTIRE CONVENTION

LOST AND FOUND: Located at the Member Services Table in the Hotel Lobby

MEDICAL ATTENTION: IN AN EMERGENCY CALL 911

Otherwise go to Member Services Table in the Hotel Lobby.

PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES: *Need Help?*

See Member Services with the Yellow Vests.

**SMOKING AND VAPING
ONLY PERMITTED IN DESIGNATED AREAS**

RAFFLE WINNERS ANNOUNCED SATURDAY NIGHT

“This program offers hope. All you have to bring with you is the desire to stop using and the willingness to try this new way of life.”

**IP No. 16, For the Newcomer**

From time to time we wonder if we're "doing it right" in Narcotics Anonymous. Are we attending enough meetings? Are we using our sponsor, or working the steps, or speaking, or reading, or living the "right" way? We value the fellowship of recovering addicts - we don't know what we'd do without it. What if the way we're practicing our program is "wrong"? Does that make us "bad" NA members?

We can settle our insecurities by reviewing our Third Tradition, which assures us that "the only requirement for membership is a desire to stop using." There aren't any rules that say we've got to attend this many meetings or these particular meetings, or work the steps this way at this pace, or live our lives to suit these people in order to remain NA members in good standing.

It's true that, if we want the kind of recovery we see in members we respect, we'll want to practice the kind of program that's made their recovery possible. But NA is a fellowship of freedom; we work the program the best way for us, not for someone else.

The only requirement for membership is a desire to stop using.



Just for today: I will look at the program I'm working in light of my own recovery. I will practice that program to the best of my ability.

Friday, 6/8/2018

10:00 a.m. - *Professionals Meeting* - Hotel-Ballroom 1

1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. ~ **Kick-Off Speaker - Arena**

Larry R., Visalia, CA

2:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. ~ **Workshop - Arena 1**

Surviving Chronic Pain

Donna G., Modesto, CA

2:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. ~ **Workshop - Arena 2**

Finding Balance in Recovery

James G., Porterville, CA

2:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. ~ **Workshop - Arena 3**

Selfless Service

Sean H., San Andreas, CA

2:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. ~ **Workshop - Arena 4**

Grieving Through the Literature

Cory W., Jackson, CA

4:30 p.m. - **RECOVERY FEUD**

Club Room - Arena

Friday, 6/8/2018 (cont.)

7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. ~ Friday Night Main Speaker - Arena
Wanda V., San Jose, CA

9:30 p.m. – 11:00 p.m. ~ Concert - Arena
Boston Tribute Band

9:30 p.m. ~ DJ Dance - Hotel-Ballroom 1
Badge Required

“Lost dreams awaken and new possibilities arise.”



Basic Text, p. 88

Most of us had dreams when we were young. Whether we dreamed of a dynamic career, a large and loving family, or travels abroad, our dreams died when our addiction took hold. Anything we ever wanted for ourselves was cast away in our pursuit of drugs. Our dreams didn't go beyond the next drug and the euphoria we hoped it would bring.

Now in recovery, we find a reason to hope that our lost dreams could still come true. No matter how old we are, how much our addiction has taken from us, or how unlikely it may seem, our freedom from active addiction gives us the freedom to pursue our ambitions. We may discover that we're very talented at some thing, or find a hobby we love, or learn that continuing our education can bring remarkable rewards.

We used to put most of our energy into spinning excuses and rationalizations for our failures. Today, we go forward and make use of the many opportunities life presents to us. We may be amazed at what we're capable of. With our foundation of recovery, success, fulfillment, and satisfaction are within our reach at last.



Just for today: Starting today, I'll do whatever I can to realize my dreams

Saturday, 06/09/2018

6:30 a.m. – 7:30 a.m. ~ Just For Today

Hotel-Director's Room 2

8:15 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. ~ Workshop - Arena 1

Sponsorship Family

Ray G., Madera, CA

8:15 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. ~ Workshop - Arena 2

Recovering from Broken Trust

Joey L., Modesto, CA

8:15 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. ~ Workshop - Arena 3

Being of Service to the Newcomer

Tricia G., Madera, CA

8:15 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. ~ Workshop - Arena 4

Practicing Anonymity

Adrian S., Los Angeles, CA

10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. ~ Women's Meeting - Arena 1

Patty A., Belmont, CA

10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. ~ Men's Meeting - Arena 3

Michael R., San Jose, CA

Saturday, 06/09/2018 (Cont.)

12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. ~ Saturday Main Speaker - Arena
Jo Jo J., Minneapolis, MN

2:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. ~ Workshop - Arena 1
Exploring Meditation
Randy S., Mi Wuk Village, CA
Charlie W., Modesto, CA

2:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. ~ Workshop - Arena 2
Walking in Integrity
Sarah B., Manteca, CA

2:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. ~ Workshop - Arena 3
Relapse; What are you going to do about it?
John M., Sugar Pine, CA

2:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. ~ Workshop - Arena 4
Ending Relationships Using Spiritual Principles
Daniel M., Modesto, CA

4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. ~ CSNA Recovery Play - Arena

FOLLOWED BY WINNERS OF THE GONG SHOW

Saturday, 06/09/2018 (Cont.)

6:30 p.m. ~ Saturday Night Main Meeting - Arena

Clean Time Countdown

Cheryl W. - Arts & Graphics Chair

Clancy F. - F & E Chair

Geographic Roll Call

Darrell M. - H & H Chair

Joe S. - Member Services Chair

Main Speaker

Barry K., Charlotte, NC

Secretary: *Kiva R.* - CMSRCC XV Chair

Who is an Addict?: Mike C. - Merchandise Chair

What is the NA Program?: Darrell M. - H & H Chair

Why Are We Here? En Español: Henry D. -

Multicultural Coordinator

How It Works: Ed M. - Treasurer

12 Traditions of NA: Penny F. - Secretary

We Do Recover: Robin P. - Program Chair

Just for Today: Kiva R. - CMSRCC XV Chair

9:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m. RECOVERY FEUD

Club Room- ARENA

9:30 p.m. ~ DJ DANCE - Hotel-Ballroom 1

Badge Required

“When we finally get our own selfish motives out of the way, we begin to find a peace that we never imagined possible.”



Basic Text, p. 44

As we examine our beliefs, our actions, and our motives in recovery, we’ll find that sometimes we do things for the wrong reasons. In our early recovery, we may have spent a great deal of money and time on people, wanting only for them to like us. Later on, we may find that we still spend money on people, but our motives have changed. We do it because we like them. Or perhaps we used to get romantically involved because we felt hollow inside and were seeking fulfillment through another person. Now our reasons for romantic involvement are based in a desire to share our already rewarding lives with an equal partner. Maybe we used to work the steps because we were afraid we’d relapse if we didn’t. Today we work the steps because we want to grow spiritually.

We have a new purpose in life today, and our changing motives reflect that. We have so much more to offer than our neediness and insecurities. We have developed a wholesomeness of spirit and a peace of mind that moves our recovery into a new realm. We extend our love and share our recovery with complete generosity, and the difference we make is the legacy we leave to those who have yet to join us.



Just for today: In recovery, my motives have changed. I want to do things for the right reason, not just for my personal benefit. Today, I will examine my motives.

Sunday, 06/10/2018

6:30 a.m. – 7:30 a.m. ~ Just For Today

Hotel-Director's Room 2

9:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. ~ Spiritual Speaker

Hotel-Ballroom

Alan T., Idaho Springs, CO

PHONE NUMBERS

REGISTRACION: localizada en el hotel pasando el Lobby, siga los señalamientos.

Viernes 12:00pm - 5:00 pm y de 8:30 pm - 10:30 pm
Sábado 8:00am - 5:00 pm y de 9:00 pm - 10:30 pm

GAFETES: Se requiere gafete para entrar al baile de DJ
ó \$5.00 por día.

HORARIO DE MERCANCIA:

Viernes 12:00 pm - 5:00 pm / 9:00 pm - 12 am
Sábado 9:00 am - 5:00 pm / 9:00 pm - 12 am

TODO TIPO DE FUMAR:
Solo permitido en areas designadas

CUARTOS DE HOSPITALIDAD:

1. Cuarto CLUB en la Arena:

Viernes 12:00 pm - 11:30 pm
Sábado 8:00 am - 11:30 pm

2. Cuarto DIRECTORS 1 en el Hotel:

Siempre abierto durante la convención

TAQUERAS: Localizadas en la parte posterior de la Arena
GANADORES DE RIFA: Seran anunciados el Sabado por la noche

Programación en Español

VIERNES 10:00 pm - 1:00 am ~ Juntas Maratónicas
SABADO 9:00 am - 10:30 am ~ Taller

Sobreviviendo el abuso

3:00 pm - 4:30 pm ~ Junta Principal

Junta de Padrinazgo

10:00 pm ~ 1:00 am ~ Taller

CON RESPECTO A MEDIOS DE COMUNICACION:

Queremos recordarte que el anonimato cumple una doble función. Protege a los miembros individuales de la presión o la tentación de hablar en nombre de Narcóticos Anónimos y protege a la confraternidad como un todo, de ser juzgado por las palabras o acciones de un individuo en recuperación. Si los medios de comunicación se ponen en contacto con usted, le pedimos que no conceda una entrevista, responder preguntas ó de cualquier otra manera formular una declaración para NA como un todo.

*Gracias por su cooperación,
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