

17TH ANNUAL

# Western Area Conference of Young People in Alcoholics Anonymous

CONFERENCE PROGRAM



# I stood in the sunlight at last.

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Welcome to the 17th Annual Western Area Conference of Young People in Alcoholics Anonymous, hosted in Denver Colorado! The host committee is excited and honored to serve you this weekend. Our hope is that through the events that ensue, we can facilitate an environment for 12 step work and foster an atmosphere of fun, fellowship, and goodwill. When you return home to your groups, we hope that you're inspired to carry our message and practice the principles of the 12 steps in all your affairs.

If you have any questions or need help, please seek out a host committee or security member. We will be wearing white shirts and/or gray hoodies with the WACYPAA emblem on the front and HOST on the back.

With much love,  
The WACYPAA XVII Host Committee

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# Facts, Aims, and Purposes of WACYPAA

## **February 5, 2009 —**

WACYPAA was conceived at the 1996 ASCYPAA (Arizona State Conference of Young People in AA), and was later founded in Anaheim, California on September 8th, 1996 at the 39th ICYPAA (International Conference of Young People in Alcoholics Anonymous) in a meeting of AA members from around the region to be served by WACYPAA. At that meeting the region was defined as the states of: Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Oregon, Utah, Washington, and Wyoming; as well as Baja California Norte, Baja California Sur, Chihuahua, Durango, Sinaloa, Sonora, and the Canadian Provinces of British Columbia, Yukon Territory, and Alberta. Each year, the conference must be held within this region.

The purpose of WACYPAA is to build and strengthen unity in Young Peoples Groups in Alcoholics Anonymous in the western area of North America and Hawaii. The focus is especially to reach those areas which historically had little exposure to such conferences. The WACYPAA Advisory Council and the members of the Conference will encourage the participation from

all states, provinces, and countries within the scope of the Conference. All bids will be given equal consideration regardless of size, population, or location. We recognize that not all AA members will find our conference necessary to their recovery from alcoholism; we seek only to provide it for those who find it desirable.

At the Anaheim meeting, the state of Arizona was tentatively chosen as the site for the first WACYPAA. The Arizona group was to present their

bid in February 1997 at the All California Conference of Young People in Alcoholics Anonymous in San Francisco. Seven AA members volunteered to attend and serve as a temporary advisory council for the purpose of approving Arizona's bid, or to solicit further bids at a later date if the Arizona bid was not deemed to serve the best interests of the region. Once an initial site is chosen, a bid session will be held annually at each subsequent WACY-PAA where a site will be chosen for the next year's conference. Any group of three or more AA members from within the region is welcome and encouraged to bid for a chance to host a WACY-PAA in their local area.

Each year, AA conferences provide overwhelming evidence that large numbers of alcoholics are achieving a lasting and comfortable sobriety in Alcoholics Anonymous. These conferences offer an environment for celebration of our sobriety, as well as an opportunity to meet and share experience, strength, and hope with AA members who reside in areas other than their own.

**If you have any questions, or comments, please write to:**

WACY-PAA

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# Sunlight at Last!

## **Pages 11–12 of the book *Alcoholics Anonymous* —**

My friend sat before me, and he made the point-blank declaration that God had done for him what he could not do for himself. His human will had failed. Doctors had pronounced him incurable. Society was about to lock him up. Like myself, he had admitted complete defeat. Then he had, in effect, been raised from the dead, suddenly taken from the scrap heap to a level of life better than the best he had ever known!

Had this power originated in him? Obviously it had not. There had been no more power in him than there was in me at that minute; and this was none at all. That floored me. It began to look as though religious people were right after all. Here was something at work in a human heart which had done the impossible. My ideas about miracles were drastically revised right then. Never mind the musty past; here sat a miracle directly across the kitchen table. He shouted great tidings.

I saw that my friend was much more than inwardly reorganized. He was on a different footing. His roots grasped a new soil. Despite the living example of my friend there remained in me the vestiges of my old prejudice. The word God still aroused a certain antipathy. When the thought was expressed that there might be a God personal to me this feeling was intensified. I didn't like the idea. I could go for such conceptions as Creative Intelligence, Universal Mind or Spirit of Nature but I resisted the thought of a Czar of the Heavens, however loving His sway might be. I have since talked with scores of men who felt the same way.

My friend suggested what then seemed a novel idea. He said, "Why don't you choose your own conception of God?"

That statement hit me hard. It melted the icy intellectual mountain in whose shadow I had lived and shivered many years.

*I stood in the sunlight at last.*

It was only a matter of being willing to believe in a Power greater than myself. Nothing more was required of me to make my beginning. I saw that growth could start from that point. Upon a foundation of complete willingness I might build what I saw in my friend. Would I have it? Of course I would!

# Opening Night Program

THURSDAY JANUARY 2ND, 2014

## Registration / Merch

Tower Court A

HONESTY

### 5pm-7pm

Registration opens

### 7pm-9pm

Closed during  
speaker meeting

## Hospitality

Tower Court D

OPEN-MINDEDNESS

### 5pm-7pm

NMCYPAA

### 7pm-9pm

Closed during  
speaker meeting

### 9pm-11pm

From 40 oz to Freedom

### 11pm-1am

PORCYPAA

## Main Events

Windows

UNITY

### 6:30pm

Doors open

### 7pm-9pm

Opening Speaker Meeting

**Speaker:** Gil L from Phoenix, AZ

**Welcome Address:** Alternate  
Delegate Tami R from Littleton,  
CO

**Chair:** Billy W from Englewood,  
CO co-chair of WACYPAA 17

### 11pm-2am

Live Music from the  
FRCYPAA DJ All-Stars!

The Opening Night conference space is limited to the rooms listed above (Widows & Tower Courts A&D). This space will be closed at 2am and all WACYPAA XVII conference space will open at noon on Friday January 3rd!



# Main Speaker Meeting Schedule

## THURSDAY-SUNDAY

### Thursday

Windows

**UNITY**

**6:30pm**

Doors open

**7pm-9pm**

**Speaker:** Gil L from Phoenix, AZ

**Welcome Address:**

Alternate Delegate Tami R from Littleton, CO

**Chair:** Billy W from Englewood, CO co-chair of WACYPAA 17

### Friday

Grand Ballroom

**RECOVERY**

**6:30pm**

Doors open

**7pm-9pm**

**Speaker:** Kenny D from Seattle, WA

**Welcome Address:**

Area 10 Delegate Diane D from Steamboat Springs, CO

**Chair:** Andrew Mc from Morrison, CO Program Chair of WACYPAA 17

### Saturday

Grand Ballroom

**RECOVERY**

**6:30pm**

Doors open

**7pm-9pm**

**Speaker:** Ralph W from Los Angeles, CA

**Welcome Address:**

Former SW Regional Trustee Gary K from Parker, CO

**Chair:** Nathan S Chair of WACYPAA 17

### Sunday

Grand Ballroom

**RECOVERY**

**7:30am**

Doors open

**8-9:30am**

**Speaker:** Sandy F from Conifer, CO

**Chair:** Camala Mc

from Morrison, CO Events Chair of WACYPAA 17

# Conference Entertainment Schedule

## THURSDAY – SUNDAY

Grand Ballroom RECOVERY / HOPE	Windows UNITY	Silver SERVICE	South Convention Lobby TRUTH
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Thursday</b>
Not in use	<b>11pm–2am</b> Live Music from the FRCYPAA DJ All-Stars!	Not in use	Not in use
<b>Friday</b>	<b>Friday</b>	<b>Friday</b>	<b>Friday</b>
<b>10pm-2am</b> Variety Show & “all request” DJ per- formance with DJ-BC from Denver, CO	<b>10pm-2am</b> Live Music with Wide Open from Denver, CO Be ready to dance all night!	<b>7pm-9pm</b> Kids Movies during the speaker NO UNATTENDED CHIL- DREN ALLOWED  <b>Midnight-2am</b> Bill W Documentary	Come see the story portal and the bouncing castle in the Outreach/ Fellowship area. Available anytime
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Saturday</b>
<b>10pm-2am</b> Top 40’s Dance Party with DJ A-Rich	<b>10pm-2am</b> 90’s Party! Live 90’s Grunge/Alt- Rock with Concept XIII & 90’s hip hop with DJ BC	<b>7pm-9pm</b> Kids Movies during the speaker NO UNATTENDED CHIL- DREN ALLOWED	Come see the story portal and the bouncing castle in the Outreach/ Fellowship area. Available anytime

# Panel Speaker / Workshop Schedule

FRIDAY JANUARY 3, 2014

Tower Court C

**FORGIVENESS**

Tower Court B

**LIGHT**

Spruce

**LOVE**

Century

**HARMONY**

**2:30pm–3:30pm**

Basic 11th Step Instruction with Mike A  
Denver, CO

**1:30pm–2:30pm**

*Hay una solució*  
**Chair:** Stefanie F  
Chicago, IL  
**Speakers:** Antonio  
U. Ciudad Obregón,  
Sonora, Mexico;  
Jason B. Westminster,  
CO; Alex Denver, CO;  
Marytere R. Tijuana,  
Baja California,  
Mexico

**4:30pm–5:30pm**

Basic 10th Step  
Instruction Nate L  
Denver, CO

**4pm–5pm**

Power & Alignment  
Yoga Katie R  
Denver, CO

**4pm–5pm**

What is the Grapevine?  
Area 10 Grapevine  
Chair David H

**4pm–5pm**

Spanish Speaking  
Open Meeting

## Late Night Panel

FRIDAY JANUARY 3, 2014

Silver

**SERVICE**

**10:30pm–Midnight**

**Topic:** Never Had a Legal Drink

**Host:** WACYPAA XVII

**Chair:** Cassidy M from Conifer, CO

**Speakers:** Kayla L from Denver, CO; Jake M  
from Los Angeles, CA; Emily L from Colorado  
Springs, CO; Cody T from Hayward, CA; Natalie  
R from San Francisco, CA; Evan L from San  
Antonio, TX

# Panel Speaker / Workshop Schedule

**SATURDAY JANUARY 4, 2013**

Grand Ballroom #1

**RECOVERY**

**9am–10:30am**

**Topic:** The 12 Steps

**Host:** SWACYPAA 1

**Chair:** Jon H from Salt Lake City, UT

**Speakers:** 1,2,3 James S from Salt Lake City, UT;

4,5 Alexander D from Denver, CO;

6,7 Nick W from Salt Lake City, UT;

8,9 Mike B from San Antonio, TX

10,11,12; Wade G from Salt Lake City, UT

**11am–12:30pm**

**Topic:** We call THIS plain insanity

**Host:** WACYPAA XVII

**Chair:** Mackenzie B from Denver, CO

**Speakers:** Courtney D from Parker, CO; Seth T from Edmond, OK; Maggie W from Houston, TX

Houston, TX

**1pm–2:30pm**

**Topic:** 12th Step Responsibility...Are We Going to Any Lengths?

**Host:** WACYPAA XVII

**Chair:** JP D from Parker, CO

**Speakers:** Kenny D from Seattle, WA; Diane D from Steamboat Springs, CO; Gary K from Parker, CO

CO

Windows

**UNITY**

**8:30am–10am**

**Topic:** Hearing God's Will in the "Group" Conscience (Tradition 2 in Relationships)

**Host:** WACYPAA XVII

**Chair:** Nathan S from Denver, CO

**Speakers:** Frank A from Evergreen, CO; Jennifer A from Evergreen, CO; Dusty M from Conifer, CO ; Chris M from Conifer, CO

Conifer, CO

Conifer, CO

**10:30am–12pm**

**Topic:** Anonymity: Altruism & the spirit of service

**Host:** 56th ICYPAA

**Chair:** Taylor K from Houston, TX

**Speakers:** Conrad L from Denver, CO; Elissa W from Houston, TX; Andrew Mc from Morrison, CO

Morrison, CO

Morrison, CO

**12:30pm–2pm**

**Topic:** The 12 Traditions

**Host:** OKYPAA

**Chair:** James B from Oklahoma City, OK

**Speakers:** 1,2,3 Whitney R from Oklahoma City, OK; 4,5,6

Kate H from Oak Creek, CO;

7,8,9 Kevin E from Oklahoma City, OK

Silver

**SERVICE**

**9am–10:30am**

**Topic:** Leadership in AA, ever a vital need

**Host:** CCYPAA

**Chair:** Chelsea B from Colorado Springs, CO

**Speakers:** Jacob B from Colorado Springs, CO; Michelle K from Parker, CO; Mark H from Omaha, NE

Omaha, NE

Omaha, NE

**11am–12:30pm**

**Topic:** From YPAA to general service

**Host:** WACYPAA XVII

**Chair:** Lori D Aspen, CO

**Speakers:** Jon G from Boulder, CO; Tami R from Littleton, CO; Donny W from Folsom, CA

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**1pm–2:30pm**

**Topic:** Responsibility & Accountability

**Host:** PORCYPAA

**Chair:** Kayley H. from Portland, OR

**Speakers:** Liz C from San Francisco, CA; Scott L. from Portland, OR ; Kelli H from Scottsdale, AZ

Portland, OR ; Kelli H from Scottsdale, AZ

Scottsdale, AZ

# Panel Speaker / Workshop Schedule

SATURDAY JANUARY 4, 2013

Grand Ballroom #1

RECOVERY

**3pm–4:30pm**

**Topic:** Abandoning Limited Objectives (steps 6&7)

**Host:** *Flagstaff Young Peoples*

**Chair:** McWayne from Flagstaff, AZ

**Speakers:** Mike V from Flagstaff, AZ; Camala Mc from Morrison, CO; Jon R from Salt Lake City, UT

Tower Court C

FORGIVENESS

**8:30am–10am**

Power Yoga + Guided Meditation with Ryan J from Denver, CO

**10:30am–11:30am**

Basic 11th Step Instruction with Jeremiah B from Denver, CO

**4pm–5pm**

Vinyasa Yoga with Katherine H from Denver, CO

Spruce

LOVE

Come visit our Archives, Literature and General Service Outreach Room

Windows

UNITY

**2:30pm–4pm**

**Topic:** What diverts me from my primary purpose?

**Host:** *NMCYPAA*

**Chair:** Dorian M from Las Cruces, NM

**Speakers:** Kelsey E from Albuquerque, NM; Tim W from Houston, TX; Shante S from Albuquerque, NM

Tower Court C

LIGHT

**12pm–1pm**

“The Spot Check” with Kelsey E from Albuquerque, NM

**4:30pm–5:30pm**

Basic 10th Step Instruction with Shawn H from Denver, CO

Silver

SERVICE

**3pm–4:30pm**

**Topic:** The 12 Concepts

**Host:** *WACYPAAX XVII*

**Chair:** Jeremiah B from Denver, CO

**Speakers:** 1,2 Jeff P from Cheyenne, WY; 3,4,5 Sandy F from Conifer, CO; 6,7,8 Jesse D from Denver, CO; 9,10,11 David H from Parker, CO; 12 J.P. D from Parker, CO

Century

HARMONY

**12pm–1pm**

**Topic:** *Language of el corazón*

**Chair:** Theo C. Denver CO

**Speakers:** Allison L. Boulder, CO.; Eryka C. Los Gatos, CA.; Victoria C. Boulder, CO.; Paul B. Denver, CO.

**2pm–3pm**

**Topic:** On and Off the Rez

**Chair:** Emily M Denver, CO

**Speakers:** Sasha S. Ojibwe Red Lake Nation; Quinton A. Tohono O’odham Kiowa; West P. Ojibwe from Lac Courte Oreilles WI .

# Late Night Panel

**SATURDAY JANUARY 4, 2014**

Silver

**SERVICE**

## **10:30pm–Midnight**

**Topic:** Ain't Nothin but a GLBT Thang

**Host:** SACYPAA

**Chair:** Tom G from Denver, CO

**Speakers:** Courtney D from Denver, CO; Ford S from Sacramento, CA; Danji C from Sacramento, CA

# Marathon Meeting Schedule

## FRIDAY-SUNDAY

Denver

WILLINGNESS

### FRIDAY

**12pm**

**Topic:** A Vision for You  
(Big Book pg.164)

**Host:** SACYPAA

**1pm**

**Topic:** We Always  
Have a Plan (Big Book  
pg.31)

**Host:** SWACYPAA

**2pm**

**Topic:** I'm Not the  
Director (Big Book  
pg.63)

**Host:** NMCYPAA

**3pm**

**Topic:** Random

**Host:** OKYPAA

**4pm**

**Topic:** A Life Which  
Includes Deep Re-  
sentment (Big Book  
pg. 66)

**Host:** *South Dakota  
Young Peoples*

**5pm**

**Topic:** Understanding  
the Presence of God  
(Big Book pg.46)

**Host:** GGYPAA

**NO MEETINGS**

**DURING MAIN  
SPEAKER**

**10pm**

**Topic:** Never Pray for  
Our Selfish Means (Big  
Book pg.8,87)

**Host:** OKYPAA

**11pm**

**Anniversary Mtg.**

**Topic:** Justifiable An-  
ger (12&12 pg.90)

**Host:** NCYPAA

### SATURDAY

**12am**

**Topic:** Boy Meets  
Girl On A.A. Campus  
(12&12 pg.119)

**Host:** 1008 Group AZ

**1am**

**Topic:** Random

**Host:** *Saturday Night  
Straight Talk*

**2am**

**Topic:** Alcohol Was  
My Master (Big Book  
pg.8)

**Host:** SANJYPAA

**3am**

**Topic:** The Fourth  
Dimension (Big Book  
pg.25)

**Host:** *4D Young  
Peoples*

**4am**

**Topic:** Mental Blank  
Spot (Big Book pg.42)

**Host:** WSCYPAA

**5am**

**Topic:** Crushed by a  
Self Imposed Crisis  
(Big Book pg.53)

**Host:** *The Last Call*

**6am**

**Topic:** Step 6 (read  
from 12&12)

**Host:** *Attitude  
Adjustment*

**7am**

**Topic:** Step 7 (read  
from 12&12)

**Host:** WACYPA17

**8am**

**Topic:** We Missed the  
Beauty of the Forest  
(Big Book pg.50)

**Host:** *Young & Restless*

**9am**

**Topic:** Random

**Host:** EBYPAA

**10am**

**Topic:** Quitting on a  
Non-Spiritual Basis  
(Big Book pg. 34)

**Host:** WSCYPAA

**11am**

**Topic:** God Given In-  
stincts (12&12 pg.42)

**Host:** ANNYPAA

**12pm**

**Topic:** No Effective  
Mental Defense (Big  
Book pg.43)

**Host:** *Colorado  
Springs YPG*

**1pm**

**Topic:** Desperation of  
Drowning Men (Big  
Book pg.28)

**Host:** LVYPAA

**2pm**

**Topic:** Tradition Two  
(read from 12&12)

**Host:** BACYPAA

# Marathon Meeting Schedule continued

## FRIDAY-SUNDAY

Denver

### WILLINGNESS

#### SATURDAY

**3pm**

**Topic:** Random

**Host:** *Not a Glum Lot*

**4pm**

**Topic:** No Middle of the Road Solution (Big Book pg.25)

**Host:** *Prescott YPAA*

**5pm**

**Topic:** Placing Dependence On Other People (Big Book pg.98)

**Host:** *Durango Young Peoples*

**6pm**

**Topic:** Random

**Host:** *OKYPAA*

#### NO MEETINGS

#### DURING MAIN

#### SPEAKER

**10pm**

**Topic:** We Are Not Doctors (Big Book pg.133)

**Host:** *TACYPAA*

**11pm**

**Anniversary Mtg.**

**Topic:** If Newcomers Could See No Joy (Big Book pg.132)

**Host:** *AOCYPAA*

#### SUNDAY

**12am**

**Topic:** The Anti-Promises (Big Book pg.52)

**Host:** *LACYPAA*

**1am**

**Topic:** Random

**Host:** *PORCYPAA*

**2am**

**Topic:** Demonstrating His Omnipotence (Big Book pg.133)

**Host:** *From 40ozs to Freedom*

**3am**

**Topic:** Tradition Three (read from 12&12)

**Host:** *ICYPAA*

**4am**

**Topic:** Resting on Our Laurels (Big Book pg.85)

**Host:** *Flagstaff Young Peoples*

**5am**

**Topic:** Patience, Tolerance, Kindliness and Love (Big Book pg.83)

**Host:** *South Dakota Young Peoples*

**6am**

**Topic:** Power of Choice (Big Book pg.24)

**Host:** *ICYPAA*



# Hospitality Room / 24 Hour Game Room Info

## FRIDAY-SUNDAY

### HOSPITALITY

Tower Court D

#### OPEN-MINDEDNESS

The Hospitality Room is an area where attendees of the conference are invited to socialize with groups and committees from around the WACY PAA region, design your badge, be creative and participate in organized games and activities.

### 24 HOUR GAME ROOM

Gold

#### JOY

The game room is stocked with a variety of different games. Conference attendees are invited to use this space for games and fellowship building throughout the weekend, 24 hours a day. Have fun, but please remember to be courteous and welcoming to all members.

# Hospitality Schedule

## FRIDAY-SUNDAY

### THURSDAY

5pm-7pm

NMCYPAA

7pm-9pm

Closed during speaker

9pm-11pm

From 40ozs to Freedom

11pm-1am

PORCYPAA

CLOSED UNTIL 1PM FRIDAY

### FRIDAY

1pm-3pm

ANNYPAA

3pm-5pm

Denver Young Peoples

5pm-7pm

Prescott YPAA

CLOSED DURING  
SPEAKER MEETING

9pm-11pm

AOCYPAA

11pm-1am

We are not Saints (Vail, CO)

### SATURDAY

1am-3am

NCYPAA

3am-5am

CCYPAA

5am-7am

PENYPAA

7am-9am

SOCALYPAA

9am-11am

GGYPAA

11am-1pm

WACY PAA XVII

1pm-3pm

ICYPAA

3pm-5pm

SACY PAA

5pm-7pm

WACY PAA XVII

CLOSED DURING  
SPEAKER MEETING

9pm-11pm

Denver Young Peoples

11pm-1am

Too Young To Die

### SUNDAY

1am-3am

Young & Restless

3am-5am

EBYPAA

5am-7am

WSCYPAA

# 24 Hour 10th & 11th Step Rooms (with Yoga)

## FRIDAY-SUNDAY

### 10TH STEP ROOM

Tower Court C

#### FORGIVENESS

Continued to take personal inventory, and when we were wrong, promptly admitted it.

### 11TH STEP ROOM

Tower Court B

#### LIGHT

Sought through prayer and meditation to improve our conscious contact with God as we understood him, praying only for the knowledge of God's will for us and the power to carry it out.

These rooms are available from noon on Friday until noon on Sunday for conference attendees interested in practicing these principles and utilizing basic instructional guides for furthering their understanding. Basic instruction on the practice of these steps will be given by members of the fellowship, and additionally yoga and guided meditation workshops will be facilitated in the 11th step room. We want to be clear that yoga and other outside spiritual practices are NOT a required part of the 11th step process, but a few of our members have found it useful in the development of a relationship with a Power greater than themselves and we have allowed them to share that experience with you. Feel free to meditate, practice the 10th or 11th step in these rooms at any time so long as it does not disrupt a scheduled event.

**Notice: hotel policy —no burning candles or incense of any kind**

## FRIDAY

### 4:30pm–5:30pm

Basic 10th Step Instruction with Nate L from Denver, CO

### 2:30pm–3:30pm

Basic 11th Step Instruction with Jeremiah B from Denver, CO

### 4pm–5pm

Power & Alignment Yoga with Katie R from Denver, CO

## SATURDAY

### 12pm–1pm

"The Spot Check" with Kelsey E from Albuquerque, NM

### 8:30am–10am

Power Yoga + Guided Meditation with Ryan J from Denver, CO

### 4:30pm–5:30pm

Basic 10th Step Instruction Shawn H from Denver, CO

### 10:30am–11:30am

Basic 11th Step Instruction with Mike A from Denver, CO

### 4pm–5pm

Yoga with Katherine H from Denver, CO

# Spanish Speaking, Cultural and Misc. Meeting Room

FRIDAY–SUNDAY

## FRIDAY

**2:30pm–3:30pm**

**Hay una solució:** Cada miembro compartirá su experiencia, fortaleza y esperanza sobre como encontraron la solución y como tratan de llevarla a cabo con amor armonioso y fraternal dentro de la comunidad de A.A.

**Chair:** Stefanie F. Chicago, IL

**Speakers:** Antonio U. Ciudad Obregón, Sonora, Mexico; Jason B. Westminster, CO; Alex Denver, CO; Marytere R. Tijuana, Baja California, Mexico

**4pm–5pm**

**Spanish Speaking Open Meeting**

## SATURDAY

**9:30am–10:30pm**

**400 Years of Drinking:** Discuss how alcohol and alcoholism has effected and continues to effect generations for Natives over the past 400 years and what AA can do to help.

**Chair:** Jordan L Denver CO

**Speakers:** Linda H. Little Shell Chippewa & Cree, Montana; Jared B Mohawk, New York; Rock K. Otoe—Missouria, Cheyenne-Rive Sioux, and Ioway

**12pm–1pm**

**Language of el corazón:** ¿Quieres ariciar en juntas en inglés/español y expandir tu comunidad, pero temes que tu manejo del idioma no te lo permite? Esta mesa se enfocara en ir más allá del miedo hacia el lenguaje del corazón.

Do you want to get involved in English/Spanish speaking meetings and expand your fellowship, but the fear of your language skills get in the way. This bilingual panel will focus on moving past fear into the language of the heart.

**Chair:** Theo C. Denver, CO.

**Speakers:** Allison L. Boulder, CO.; Eryka C. Los Gatos, CA.; Victoria C. Boulder, CO.; Paul B. Denver, CO.

**2pm–3pm**

**On and Off the Rez:** This panel will discuss the differences of experiences on and off the reservation regarding: drinking, recovery, AA, and living sober.

**Chair:** Emily M Denver CO

**Speakers:** Sasha S. Ojibwe Red Lake Nation; Quinton A. Tohono O'odham Kiowa; West P. Ojibwe from Lac Courte Oreilles WI

**4pm–5pm**

**Spanish Speaking Open Meeting**

# General Service, Literature, & Archives

Spruce

LOVE

This room is stocked with historical archives from WACYPAA, general service information, and the history of the WACYPAA XVII host committee's journey to this year's event! Our Denver Area Central Committee of Alcoholics Anonymous has A.A. literature for sale and a number of general service related workshops are available throughout the weekend. Please see the "workshops & panels" section of the program for more information on the days and times of general service workshops, or come by the room!

## Just for Kids

We regret that we were unable to find any suitable childcare options for parents at this conference. All panels and speaker meetings are being recorded, and our WACYPAA XVII host committee asks that all parents be mindful and not allow children to disrupt any of the meetings. Please see a host committee member if you missed a meeting or workshop and we will be glad to get you copies of the meetings you missed at no cost. This will be done by our host committee and not Mr. Tape so please find someone wearing a host committee shirt and explain your situation.

**Under no circumstances are any children to be left unattended anywhere in the hotel.**

**During the speaker meetings on Friday and Saturday night, kid's movies will be played in the Silver Room from 7-9pm. We thank you for your cooperation and hope you enjoy the conference.**

## ASL & English-Spanish Translation

ASL translators are available during the main speaker meetings and on a limited basis during the Saturday workshops. Please sign up for assistance when registering for the conference to receive more details.

If you have translation needs during WACYPAA 17, please notify a committee member at the registration table.

*Si usted tiene necesidades de traducción durante WACYPAA 17, por favor notifique a un miembro del comité a la mesa de registro.*

# How to bring WACYPAA to Your Area

Each year, groups or committees from within the defined region of the Western Area Conference of Young People in Alcoholics Anonymous are given the opportunity to “bid” for a chance to host the conference in their area the following year. In order to bid for the conference a group or committee from within the defined area must adhere to the following requirements.

1. Each bidding committee must have at least three AA members who have been continuously sober for a minimum of one year.
2. Bidders must have commitments from at least two appropriate facilities (Hotels, Universities, Convention Centers, Gymnasiums, etc.) so sized as to accommodate the entire conference. Please include proposed dates for the conference and a showing of available meeting space. The cost of the facility must be included. Bidders must provide information regarding housing for attendees, including cost and accessibility to the proposed conference site. If awarded the conference, the host committee agrees to have a signed contract within 45 days.
3. Bidders must provide a permanent mailing address for their committee, and if available provide an email address also.
4. A letter of assurance from a local AA service body (district, intergroup, etc.) and state YPAA conference advisory council, if applicable, that no large scale AA activity will be held in the proposed general service area within a period of 30 days before, and 30 days after the proposed conference dates, is required.
5. Please demonstrate how the bid committee has been involved with General Service (some have chosen to get a letter of support, or to show how their group was active in area or district service).
6. Bid committees should be able to demonstrate financial autonomy and responsibility, within the spirit of the 12 Traditions of AA.
7. Bidders must show the WACYPAA Advisory Council that they have compiled the necessary research to determine the effects that Federal, State, Provincial, and/or local taxes would have on the proposed conference.
8. If awarded the conference, the new host committee must agree that all proceeds, after conference and “core” advisory expenses and donations of up to 50% of the remaining proceeds to AA service bodies in their area, will be turned over to the WACYPAA Advisory Council for their disposition following the conference.
9. Bids can take no longer than 20 minutes to present.
10. Please draft a statement illustrating the reasons why you wish to host a WACYPAA in your area.

# Bidding Schedule

## FRIDAY-SUNDAY

North Convention Lobby

ENTHUSIAM

### Bid City Outreach Area

All the bid cities are given a table where they display their bid packets, banners and fliers of upcoming events. Come talk to them about where they think we are going next year!

Silver

SERVICE

### Advisory Q&A

The Advisory Council is a elected body of representatives, mostly from past host committees, who are now responsible for the wellbeing of the conference and are responsible to the conscience of the region.

Grand Ballroom #2

HOPE

### Bids & General Session

Committees will go on stage and present their bids Saturday morning. If you think you want to bid next year this is the place to be!

## FRIDAY

### 12pm

Bid Cities Set up their tables!  
(Make sure your packets are turned in)

### 5pm

Bid City Q&A with Advisory Council

### 7pm

Speaker meeting—  
REPRESENT YOUR AREA!

### 10pm-12am

Meet & Greet with Advisory Council at your tables

## SATURDAY

### Anytime/All the time

Bid city outreach and fellowship

### 8am-12pm

Bid sessions

### 10pm

Remaining bid cities meet advisory

### 7pm

Speaker meeting—  
WHERE'S IT GOING?!

## SUNDAY

### 10am

New Host Meets with Advisory

# Host Committee

**Nathan S** Host Committee Chair

**Billy W** Host Co-Chair

**Ian B** Treasurer

**Lori D** Co-Treasurer

**Edy U** Secretary

**Lindsey R** Co-Secretary

**Alexander D** Outreach / Jack of All Trades

**Andrew Mc** Program Chair

**Will F** Facility Representative

**Nicole G** Registration

**Jordan LH** Co-Registration

**Betsy C** Hospitality

**Shawn H** Co-Hospitality

**Benjamin D** Theme & Logo / Merchandise

**Cliff S** Co-Security

**Erik K** Co-Security

**Davis M** Literature

**Nate L** Conference Entertainment

**Camala Mc** Events

**Jeremiah B** Co-Events

**Kelsey S** Audio-Visual

**Mackenzie B** Co-Audio Visual

**Emily L** Program Committee Secretary

**Erik K** Inreach / Volunteer Coordinator

**JP D** General Service Liaison

**Mike A** Hospitals & Institutions

**Tom G** GLBT Liaison

**Ali H** Bid City Liaison

**Jack M** IT

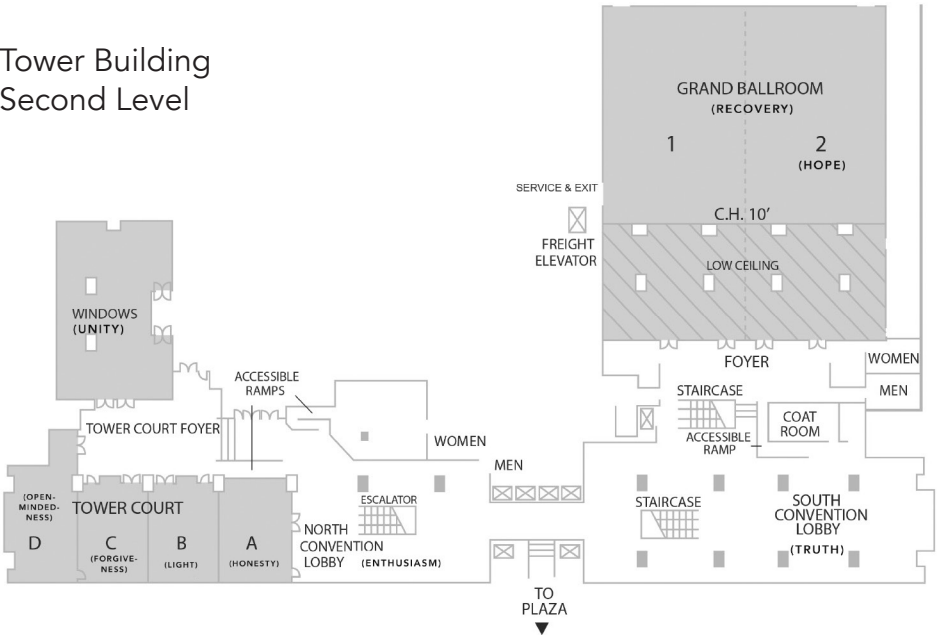
**Laura S** Prayer Chair

**Liam T** Special Needs & Accessibility

The WACYPAA XVII Host Committee has been helped by so many people throughout the year. We want to send a special thank you to all the "member at large" persons on our committee and those who have helped with the respective sub-committees of WACYPAA XVII.

# Hotel Map

## Tower Building Second Level



## Tower Building Mezzanine Level

