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## Marin AA News and Events May 2021 Vol. 4 Issue 5

**FEATURE PRESENTATION:** *We are NOT a Glum Lot ! by John W*  
*Below is a link to a fun and interesting article about laughter and fellowship in AA with lots of observations about the Talent Show we had on April 18<sup>th</sup>...*

**[~Article We Are Not A Glum Lot- MFI Talent Show](#)**

### General News...

- There is actually a place to go for online meetings 24/7: [aahomegroup.org](http://aahomegroup.org)
- Family Recovery Night: May 15<sup>th</sup> with speakers from Chicago and Canada  
Sponsored by Corte Madera stepped up AFG – Al Anon with AA participation  
See flyer at [aamarin.org](http://aamarin.org)
- Marin Pop-Up Chip Meeting – Thursday, May 27<sup>th</sup> 7:00 - 8:00 pm  
Sausalito's Bay Model (bring chair and warm jacket) – Those receiving a chip may take a minute to share "How I did it."

### Marin A.A. Service Entity News...

See all Service Committee meeting Zoom IDs, Passwords and A.A. Meeting times and information at the Intercounty Fellowship A.A. website - [aasfmarin.org](http://aasfmarin.org).  
Send flyers for A.A. group sponsored events to [events@aamarin.org](mailto:events@aamarin.org)

### **Marin Fellowship Intergroup (MFI)**

Ask your group to open an MFI Rep commitment so you can help create Marin AA events!  
Spring Events... Zoom ID: 201 848 7355 PW: 2468

#### **STEP ONE Same Coin - Two Sides**

AA Panel Discussion with Al Anon Participation  
Saturday, May 22<sup>nd</sup> 4-5:30

#### **FOUNDERS DAY – Sunday, June 13<sup>th</sup> 2-5:00**

On zoom and in-person at the Alano Club  
Fantastic BBQ; Trivia Game; Your Favorite Quotes from AA literature;  
Speaker Meeting on "Our Great Responsibility" by Bill W  
A terrific bluegrass band in between things...  
Contribution: \$10.00 Carpool if you can!

## **Golden Gate Young People in AA (GGYPAA)**

There IS excitement for young people in AA! See [ggypaa415@gmail.com](mailto:ggypaa415@gmail.com) to find out about what's happening. There are always events going on! We have our May business meeting on 5/9 @ Noon over zoom! There are tons of open positions - all are welcome! ID: 814 1243 2101 PW 581942

## **Hospitals and Institutions (H&I)**

- H&I is returning to the Alano Club on June 8<sup>th</sup> for in-person Orientation and Business meetings.
- Currently H & I is serving five facilities for a total of 10 meetings a week. Alternate secretary positions are available at all five and speakers are needed!
- Orientation is the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month. The next one is May 11th at 6:15 pm. Be prompt; late people will not be allowed to attend. Business meeting at 7:15 where you can pick up commitments. Links, IDs and PWs at [aasfmarin.org](http://aasfmarin.org).
- Donations are desperately needed . H&I prefers electronic payments via [handinorcal.org](http://handinorcal.org). Please mention H&I area 61 so Marin gets credited for it.

## **General Service District 10 (Marin)**

Be sure your group has a GSR commitment to help keep Marin AA connected with AA world-wide! The GSR is an AA member with two-plus years of sobriety and a love for Alcoholics Anonymous.

Your group's opinion is needed for the Area upcoming Post-Conference Assembly (Saturday, May 15, via Zoom) about several motions to serve the still-suffering alcoholic, including a proposal for graphic novelization of the first 164 pages of the Big Book, creation of a new pamphlet serving the Spanish-Speaking LGBT member, and creation of a new pamphlet to spotlight the six Warranties found in Concept 12 of the AA Service Manual.

Email Marin District Committee Member Chair Jacqueline P for more info: [jp.panel71@gmail.com](mailto:jp.panel71@gmail.com)

## **Public Information/Cooperation with the Professional Community (PI/CPC)**

A commitment with PI/CPC lets you help educate the greater community about AA. A few service opportunities right now: speakers for the high schools are needed; e.g. presentations at Novato HS 5/17 & 5/18. Anyone interested should come to the zoom biz meeting 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday at 7:30!

## **Accessibilities (Who's Missing from your meeting?)**

Needed: Donations of used tech equipment for members who will continue to need access to meetings virtually, even after we return to in-person and/or hybrid meetings.

There is a plan under consideration for a monthly bilingual Spanish-English meeting here in Marin, certainly an idea whose time has come.

If you can donate tech equipment, or know of someone who needs it, please contact Chairperson Jennifer K. 415-898-9589 h or 415-271-1465 cell. (see flyer at [aamarin.org](http://aamarin.org)) The committee meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of the month.

## General Service District 18 (Spanish Speaking)

The next meeting for Spanish speaking AA District 18 is MAY 19TH 7:00 – 9:00 For information, contact Jose C 707 623-6702 Las Horas Del Dia! All are welcome and translation is provided.

## Marin Teleservice

WEST MARIN 12 STEP WORKERS...we need you! It's so important to have a local person available, if possible, when someone is desperate and calls for help. If you're ready for a new service commitment, this is a good one! Six months sobriety requirement. Contact [marintelesevice.com](http://marintelesevice.com) and complete a volunteer form for the 12 Step Worker commitment.

## Intercounty Fellowship of AA (IFAA)

- Soft reopen of Central Office: COVID-19 protocols in place. Phone and online orders for shipping or curbside pickup still encouraged and appreciated. Details at [aasfmarin.org/order-aa-literature](http://aasfmarin.org/order-aa-literature)
- Membership survey re: transitioning back into the rooms in the May 7 issue of The Buzz
- Town Hall - Thursday, May 20, 2021 @7pm to discuss re-opening in-person meetings
- Keep Central Office updated if your meetings move back to in-person.
- Coming Up: Founders Day Inclusion and Diversity event.

## Bridging the Gap (BTG)

- BTG is resuming our presentations at the Marin County Jail. We are looking for more presenters and more speakers, as well as a tech coordinator and other committee level commitments. See: [bridgingthegapmarin.org](http://bridgingthegapmarin.org)

There is a great website with more information at [bridgingthegapmarin.org](http://bridgingthegapmarin.org). BTG meets the second Wednesday of every month with the orientation at 6:00 and business meeting at 6:30. Zoom ID: 895 5162 2288 Password: 574200. For more info: [bridgethegapd10@gmail.com](mailto:bridgethegapd10@gmail.com) 415 323-3708.

## The Alano Club



Our AA Home in Marin...

Cafe remains open with Dine In from 7:30 am – 2:00. Also Take Out, Door Dash, Grub Hub

The noon meetings are daily outdoor  
The 6:00pm meeting is Mon-Fri

Other zoom meetings are encouraged to restart in person at the club. Rent is \$10/meeting (optional)

Membership is always appreciated - see [marinalanoclub.org](http://marinalanoclub.org) for details.