



# The Mid-Southern California Area 9

# Newsletter

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MSCA Area 9 includes all AA groups in the counties of Los Angeles (South of Rosecrans Ave.), San Bernardino, Riverside, and Orange.

## Treatment Facilities Committee

by Patrick S

First of all, I would personally like to thank both our Treasurer Joe and also our Alternate Delegate Carlos for the help and support of our efforts to host a T.F.C. Workshop later this year. We will be discussing this at the next ASC and voting upon it at the September Assembly. Anybody who would like to be of service putting on this event, please contact me at [hospital-treatment@msca09aa.org](mailto:hospital-treatment@msca09aa.org).

Last year, I vaguely recall hearing rumors about a Bridging the Gap Convention. I believe it was held somewhere in Ohio. This year, I have been included on the mailing list, so here's the info:

15th Annual Bridging the Gap Workshop  
Weekend (BTGWW)  
September 9-11, 2005 \* Hosted by Area 39  
(Kansas City)  
Location: St. Joseph, Missouri  
Contact: Mark C. (in Alexandria, VA) at (703) 329-0292; [mdogva@msn.com](mailto:mdogva@msn.com)  
Presentations/ discussions on activities such as Temporary and Pre-release Contact.

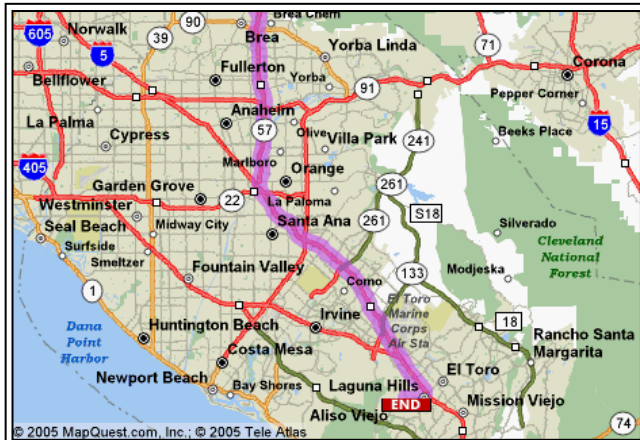
Since Bridging the Gap is an important form of 12 Step

work, and since our Area has not done very much of this to date, I believe very strongly that somebody from our Area should participate in this workshop either this year or next. Hopefully our 2006 budget will allow us to send at least 1 person to the workshop (which will be held in Salt Lake City next year).

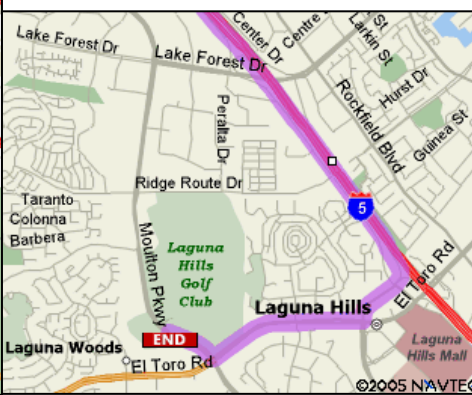
I have thoroughly enjoyed representing MSCA09 at the monthly Southern California H & I Intergroup (HIIG). There are many highly devoted AA members on the Committee doing 12 step work in both Treatment and Correction Facilities. The Committee meets on the 4th Sun. of each month; H and I committees take turns hosting the meeting so it rotates all around Southern California. For more information about the HIIG, check out their web site at: [www.aahandi.org](http://www.aahandi.org).

We are still hoping to get some participation from the Spanish-speaking Districts; perhaps somebody would like to volunteer to be our Co-Chair. Even if you can not make an ongoing commitment, we cordially invite you to participate in our Committee meetings just prior to the Area meetings at 10:15.

Devotedly Yours,  
Patrick S., MSCA09 T.F.C.



### Sunday, Sept. 11, MSCA Assembly (Dist.12)



24112 Moulton Parkway, Laguna Woods, CA 92653 (Leisure World Clubhouse Two, Gate 12)

Directions:  
From the 5 fwy South, exit El Toro Rd, turn left at stop sign (Ave Carlota), turn right at El Toro Rd (1st street), straight to Moulton Parkway, turn right, straight to Gate 12 entrance, turn right. Entrance at guard shack. (Greeters at entrance)  
From the 5 fwy North, exit El Toro Rd, turn left on El Toro, straight to Moulton Parkway, turn right, straight to Gate 12 entrance, turn right. Entrance at guard shack. (Greeters at entrance)

## Tradition 8 (long form)

Our A.A. experience has taught us that:

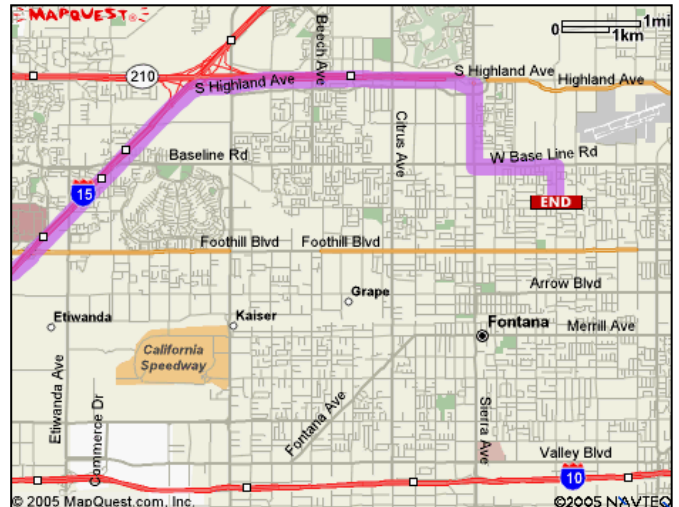
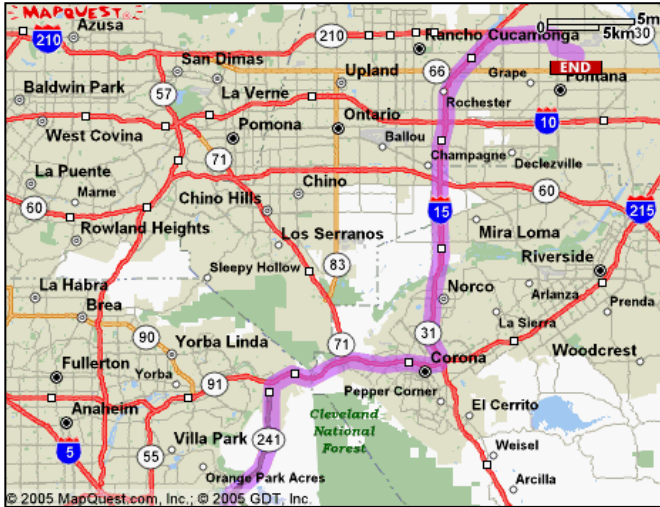
Alcoholics Anonymous should remain forever non-professional. We define professionalism as the occupation of counseling alcoholics for fees or hire. But we may employ alcoholics where they are going to perform those services for which we might otherwise have to engage nonalcoholics. Such special services may be well compensated. But our usual A.A. Twelfth Step work is never to be paid for.

## Concept 8 (long form)

The Trustees of the General Service Board act in two primary capacities: (a) With respect to the larger matters of over-all policy and finance, they are the principal planners and administrators. They and their primary committees directly manage these affairs. (b) But with respect to our separately incorporated and constantly active services, the relation of the Trustees is mainly that of full stock ownership and of custodial oversight which they exercise through their ability to elect all the directors of these entities.

# Sunday, Aug. 14 Mid Southern California ASC (Area Service Committee) Meeting

(Host: Dist. 11), Alder Middle School, 7555 Alder St., Fontana, CA 92336



Directions: From the intersection of the 91 and the 57: Take the CA-91 E toward RIVERSIDE. Merge onto I-15 N toward BARSTOW. 19.1 miles. Merge onto CA-210 E.3.4 miles. Take the SIERRA AVE exit.0.3 miles. Turn RIGHT onto SIERRA AVE.0.9 miles. Turn LEFT onto BASELINE AVE/BASELINE RD. Continue to follow BASELINE AVE.1.0 miles. Turn RIGHT onto ALDER AVE. 0.3 mi.

### Who are the ASC Members?

The MSCA ASC is made up of Area Officers, past Delegates, DCMC's, alternate DCMC's, DCM's, other District Officer's, Standing and Coordinate Committee Chairs and Co-Chairs.

### What's the Purpose of an ASC?

1. Identifying, defining, and discussing Area, Districting and Group problems and issues.
2. Obtaining the consensus of each District and its Groups.
3. Acting as an advisory Committee to the Assembly, Executive Committee and Delegate.
4. Establishing the agenda for the next assembly

## DCM (District Committee Member) Presentation

Phil L. (Area 09 DCM Chair) will be visiting District 8 on Aug. 17 at 7:30 pm to give an in-depth presentation on just exactly what a DCM is and what service they offer. The meeting starts at 7pm 22130 Barton Rd., Grand Terrace Community Ctr.

The MSCA Assembly includes permanent committees responsible for conducting much of the AA business activity in the Area. We have Standing and Coordinate Committees. Chairs and cochairs of the Standing committees are listed below.

### Panel 54 Area Standing Committee Chairs, Cochairs, et al.

Archives Chair...Pete B	GSR School, Spanish...Felipe G
Archives Cochair...Ron E	Literature Chair...Craig S
CEC...Michael M	Literature Cochair, Spanish ...vacant
CPC...Maggie R	Treatment Facilities Chair...Patrick S
CPC Cochair, Spanish...Miguel M	Newsletter Chair...Nancy R
Convention Liaison...Jason S	Newsletter Cochair, Spanish...Jesus O
Convention Liaison, Spanish...Arturo F	Public Information Chair...Christine S
Correctional Facilities Chair...Alex N	Public Information, Spanish...Luciano P
DCM School...Phil L	Registration...Henry B
Electronic Media...Nick M	Special Needs Chair...Nancy B
Finance Chair...Mike M	Special Needs Cochair, Spanish...vacant
Grapevine Chair...Melissa B	Archivist...Charles K
La Vina Chair...Raul C	Audio Equipment...Joseph M
GSR School...Jim B	

### Panel 54 Area Officers

Delegate: Nancy J, [delegate@msca09aa.org](mailto:delegate@msca09aa.org),  
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## Upcoming Events

**Aug. 14...ASC (Area Service Committee) Meeting\*** (Host: Dist. 11), Alder Middle School, 7555 Alder St., Fontana, CA 92336

Sept. 11...Assembly (Host: Dist. 12), 24112 Moulton Parkway, Laguna Woods, CA 92653 (Leisure World Clubhouse Two)

Oct. 2..Heritage Day (Host: District 5)

Oct. 9...Election Assembly (Host: D 1), 26300 Crenshaw Blvd., Palos Verdes, CA (South Coast Botanic Garden)

Nov. 5...Servathon (Host: Dist. 14)

Nov. 13...ASC (Host: Dist. 5)

Dec. 11...ASC (Host: Dist. 6)

March, 2006... PRAASA, 21850 Oxnard Street, Woodland Hills, CA 91367

## Schedule for most MSCA ASCs and Assemblies:

9:30 am....GSR School  
 9:30 am....Delegate's Sharing Session  
 10:15 am....Committees meet  
 11:30 am.....Lunch  
 Noon until 3:30...main meeting

\*Note: GSRs vote at MSCA Assemblies, but not at ASC meetings.

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