EASTERN AREA CONVENTION OF YOUNG PEOPLE IN ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS



EACYPAA XVII

# **CARRY THE VISION**

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### WHAT IS EACYPAA?

The Eastern Area Convention of Young People in Alcoholics Anonymous (EACYPAA) meets annually. The convention provides an opportunity for A.A.s from all over the Eastern Area and all over the World, to come together and share their experience, strength and hope as members of A.A. EACYPAA is overwhelming evidence that large numbers of people are achieving a lasting and comfortable sobriety in Alcoholics Anonymous. Like any other convention, it is an opportunity to learn more about the program and sobriety.

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https://www.eacypaa.org/non-discrimination-antiharrassment-policy/

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### **WELCOME TO EACYPAA XVII**



"It is easy to let up on the spiritual program of action and rest on your laurels. You are headed for trouble if you do, for alcohol is a subtle foe. We are not cured of alcoholism. What we really have is a daily reprieve. Every day is a day when you have to CARRY THE VISION of God's will into all of your activities. "How can I best serve Thee - Thy will (not mine) be done." These are thoughts which must go with you constantly. You can exercise your will power along this line all you wish. It is the proper use of the will.

Much has already been said about receiving strength, inspiration, and direction from Him who has all knowledge and power. If you have carefully followed directions, you have begun to sense the flow of His Spirit into you. To some extent you have become God-conscious. You have begun to develop this vital sixth sense. But you must go further and that means more action."

### A MESSAGE FROM YOUR HOST COMMITTEE

# What A Time to Be Alive!!!!!

Hello fellow AA friends and welcome to the XVII Eastern Area Convention of Young People in Alcoholics Anonymous in Atlantic City, New Jersey! The EACYPAA XVII Host Committee wants to WELCOME each and every one of you! We have an action packed program full of recovery and fun. Our 5th Tradition reminds us that our primary purpose is to carry the message of Alcoholics Anonymous and we hope that each of you will leave EACYPAA fired up about sobriety! The journey leading up to this convention has touched all of us on the host committee, and we hope the enthusiasm you experience this weekend will enable you to CARRY THE VISION of God's will into all of your activities and back home to your A.A. communities. This convention is all about you, the attendee, and we could not have done it without your support. We truly do get to live a life beyond our wildest dreams today and it all starts with one alcoholic talking with another. From the bottom of our hearts we want to thank you for being a part of this amazing weekend and coming to share this wild journey with us!

In Love & Service,

THE EACYPAA XVII HOST COMMITTEE

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# **FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS**

### WHEN DOES EACYPAA START?

The official Pre Convention activity will start Thursday, March 7th at 6PM. We will be exploring Bally's and the connecting hotels during this event and tasting a bunch of food Atlantic City has to offer, riding bulls and dancing at Dusk. Afterwards, we will be showing movies in the Bally Room until the wee hours of the morning.

### CAN MY FRIENDS AND I BRING INSTRUMENTS AND AMPLIFIERS TO EACYPAA?

Only acoustic instruments will be allowed in the convention area. If we allowed everyone who asks to bring amplifiers, it would be a free-for-all out there, and not fair to fellow YPAA's who don't want to hear your reggae cover of "Everlong." We do however appreciate small portable speakers for any outreach tables. New Jerseyans are quite fond of pop up dance parties.

### SPEAKING OF OUTREACH TABELS, WHERE THEY AT?

All outreach tabels will be located in the rotunda area on the 6th floor.

### WHERE ARE THE EACYPAA ARCHIVES?

EACYPAA Archives will be located in the Versailles park room and will only be open Friday from 11AM-6PM, Saturday from 1AM-6PM, and Sundy from 9AM-Noon.

### CAN I CLAIM MY SEAT AT MAIN MEETINGS A WEEK BEFORE ANYONE ARRIVES?

No. Main meeting doors will open at 6:30PM. Anything stored in the Grand Ballroom will be cleared before that time.

### 411 ON RECORDINGS?

All main meetings will be recorded. Recordings will be available on line at NJYPAA.org shortly after the convention.

### CAN I RIDE MY BICYCLE TO EACYPAA AND RIDE IT INSIDE THE HOTEL?

You can ride your bike to EACYPAA and ride it around the boardwalk, but not in the hotel. No bikes will be allowed in convention area. For safety reasons, any form of transportation that would carry you faster than a walking pace will not be allowed. Also, if you are coming from far away we don't recommend that you only use your bike as a form of transportation. Make a friend and #getinthecar

### I'M A PRETTY SOLID UNICYCLIST SO -

Next question.

### WHERE CAN I PARK?

Self-parking is free for one car with each room reservation (Get your voucher at the front desk). Roll up to EACYPAA in style and park in the Bally's self-park garage. If you are not staying at the hotel self-parking is \$5/day and valet parking is \$10/day. Get your parking discount coupon at the registration desk.

### WHAT IS INCLUDED IN MY STAY AT THE HOTEL?

Complimentary access to Pools/Hot tubs for guests of Bally's (when you check in to the pool they will tell you there is a charge, you will not be charged\*). Complimentary WiFi . Smoking rooms available upon request by calling the hotel directly. \*You must be booked at the group rate.

### WHEN CAN I CHECK IN AND CHECK OUT?

Check in is 4PM & Check out is Noon.

### WHAT'S THE DEAL WITH FOOD!?

There are many restaurants nearby and many of them provide a 15% discount when you show your convention badge. Yet another perk to wearing your awesome lanyard all weekend long! Before you sit down and dine, ask a restaurant staff member to honor the discount.

### RESTAURANTS THAT ACCEPT THE "SHOW YOUR BADGE" 15% DISCOUNT

### **BALLY'S:**

Buca Di Beppo, Guy Fieri's Chophouse, Dunkin Donuts, Noodle Village, Guy's BBQ & AC Snack Shack

### **CAESARS:**

Gordon Ramsay's Pub & Grill, Nero's Grille, Cafe Roma & Palace Court Buffet

We will also be offering a pop-up concession stand that will have beverages and finger foods available. This will be available in the atrium right outside the grand ballroom at peak times throughout the weekend.

### WILL THERE BE A LOST & FOUND? (KEYS, CELL PHONES, FACES ETC.)

Yes, there will be a Lost & Found area which will be clearly marked on the printed program. So don't lose the printed program, butter fingers.

### **GOT ANOTHER OUESTION?**

If we missed something, or if you're just lonely, please send us an email at EACYPAAXVII@NJYPAA.org or drop in to the host committee headquarters.

### **HOTEL AND CASINO RULES**

BELOW IS A LIST OF HELPFUL TIPS TO ENSURE YOU HAVE THE BEST EXPERIENCE POSSIBLE THIS WEEKEND. THIS IS A CASINO, WHICH MEANS THERE ARE SOME UNIQUE RULES OUTSIDE OF THE ORDINARY CONDUCT EXPECTED AT A YPAA CONVENTION.

Anyone touching or playing the piano on the 6th floor common area will be ejected from the grounds. No questions asked. Bally's is very serious about classical music so don't even think about it Beethoven. Look at the paintings instead!

Be mindful of the amount of smokers in the smoking rooms on the 6th floor. Only 15 at a time in the rooms. If you need to smoke ASAP just head down to the boardwalk and look at the beautiful Atlantic Ocean.

No masks or face paint of any kind anywhere in the building, EXCEPT THE GRAND BALLROOM! One must be easily identifiable to their ID.

There is no seating or lounge areas anywhere in the hotel and guests are not allowed to sit anywhere on the floor or steps in the common areas on the 2nd floor. If you need to rest, head over to the Zen Den in the Monticello Park Room.

Underage attendees are able to walk through the floor but cannot stop anywhere or leave the main isles. Hotel security will escort you from the premises if you are underage sitting or playing on the casino floor. You must have your ID on you at all times if you are over 21 and plan to gamble.

There are cameras everywhere. Hotel security is watching so please keep in mind that you may be the only example of the big book they get to see.

### **BID INFORMATION**

### **BID CITY TABLES**

All bid city tables will be located in Traymore Ballroom A. Come say hello to all the bids who have worked their butts off this past year to host us in 2020!

### **BID TABLE SESSIONS**

Bid Table Sessions will take place on Friday at 3PM in Traymore Ballroom A. Advisory will tour the tables, and it will be a chance for advisory and bidders to ask and answers questions.

### **BID PRESENTATIONS**

Bid Presentations will take place on Saturday in the Grand Ballroom starting at 8AM. Represent and help cheer on where EACYPAA will be in 2020!

### **EACYPAA FORUM**

EACYPAA Forum will take place at Noon following the Bid Presentations in the Grand Ballroom. This is your chance to ask Advisory any questions about the convention.

### SITE SELECTION DELIBERATIONS

Advisory deliberations for the location of the next EACYPAA will take place in Central Park Room 7 starting at 5PM. #wheresitgoing

# **REGISTRATION, HOTEL & MERCHANDISE INFO**

### **REGISTRATION**

Registration is located outside of the Grand Ballroom at Registration Booths B & C during the following times:

Friday 8:00AM - 7:30PM & 10:30PM - Midnight Saturday 8:00AM - 7:30PM & 10:30PM - Midnight

### **BADGES**

All conference attendees must wear their EACYPAA lanyard/badge while on the hotel property. We appreciate your cooperation as this will allow our Security Team to operate most effectively. Lanyards/badges must be visible upon entrance into any convention event. Please visit Registration A or B to pick up your badge. No one will be turned away from any EACYPAA event based on inability to pay. Scholarships are available through the generous contributions of A.A. members and A.A. groups. Anyone needing a scholarship should head to Registration where our team will be happy to assist.

### **MERCHANDISE**

The Merchandise Sales Area is located in the Rotunda area of the Hotel at the Registration A Booth at the following times:

Friday 8:00AM - 6:30PM & 10:30PM - Midnight Saturday 8:00AM - 6:30PM & 10:30PM - Midnight

### **SECURITY & VOLUNTEERING**

Please visit our Security & Volunteer Headquarters in the Longwood Garden Room if you need help, require assistance or would like to volunteer. If you have questions or need assistance, please do not hesitate to ask a Host Committee member or a Security Team member. We are happy to help in any way that we can.

### **HOSPITALITY SUITE**

The hospitality suite will be located in the Dennis Tower on the 6th floor. Hospitality suite will be closed during the main meetings, but will be open Thursday - Sunday and have light snacks and refreshment available. Check in to see the schedule of committees hosting the suite.

# **REGISTRATION, HOTEL & MERCHANDISE INFO**

### **LOST & FOUND**

For any items lost or found please visit the Security & Volunteer Headquarters located in the Longwood Garden Room.

### **COURTESY**

There will be many other guests at the hotel that may not be participating in the convention. There are other guests staying at the hotel, please try and keep the noise level down around the hotel rooms. Please be mindful and respectful of them. This may be the only representation of AA that they see, and we want to leave the door open for others that may need help.

### **ACCESSIBILITY**

The main meetings will have American Sign Language (ASL). ASL interpreters are on call and they can be provided for any meetings, panels or workshops. Please come to Registration if you need assistance with accessibility.

### ANONYMITY/PRESS MEDIA

Our public relations policy is based on attraction rather than promotion; we need always maintain personal anonymity at the level of press, radio, television and films" (A.A. Tradition 11). In order to respect this tradition, please refrain from taking pictures or videos in all meetings and panels. The Eleventh Tradition states in the long form that, "our [last] names and pictures as A.A. members ought not be broadcast, filmed or publicly printed." This includes Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram.... #donttagpeople

### **SMOKING & VAPING**

THERE IS ABSOLUTLY NO SMOKING OR VAPING IN THE CONVENTION AREA! We do have small smoking rooms located across from the grand ballroom. BE RESPECTFUL IN THESE ROOMS, they are only meant to hold 15 people max. Smoking/vaping is available outside on the boardwalk, outside the pool areas, and near all entrances. Please use designated areas and dispose of butts.

# PRE-CONVENTION EVENT

# A TASTE OF

# **FOOD SCAVENGER HUNT**

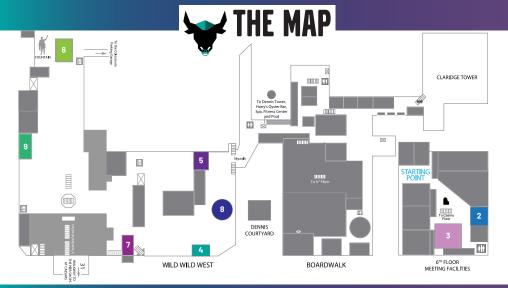
THURSDAY, MARCH 7TH

Followed by Movies in the Bally Room!

Limited Tickets Available

**FOOD HUNT** 6-9PM **BULL RIDES** 7-9 PM **DANCE PARTY** 8-10PM





**5:30PM** Meet at Rotunda (6th floor, Bally's Hotel) pick up Food Stubs 6-8PM Food & Beverage Hunt

7-9PM Mechanical Bull Rides

**7-10PM** After Party at Dusk Nightclub

- 2. GUY'S CHOPHOUSE-TRUFFLE FRIES & GINGER CRANBERRY ICED TEA
- B. BUCA DI BEPPO BRUSCHETTA & SASSY STRAWBERRY ITALIAN SODA
- 4. GUY'S BBQ- PORK SLIDER & ORANGELY REFRESHING
- 5. SNACK SHACK- CHICKEN TACO
- 6. GORDON RAMSEY'S PUB-TOAD IN THE I
- 7. BOARDWALK CUPCAKES- CUPCAKE
- 8. WILD WEST CITY BULL RIDES

### FLOOR MAP

### GARDEN ROOMS

- 1. Tivoli: Panel Room G1
- Berkshire: Panel Room G2
- 3. Imperial: Panel Room G3
- Longwood: EACYPAA XVII Host Room & Headquarters. Security/Volunteer Check In & Lost and Found G4

### PARK ROOMS

- Monticello: Zen Den P5
- Fairmount: Marathon Meeting Room P6
- Central: Panel Room P7
- Lincoln: Panel Room P8
- Versailles: EACYPAA ARCHIVES



# MAIN DANCE ENTERTAINMENT | FRIDAY-SATURDAY

# **FRIDAY**

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### **CARRY THE VISION - WE HAVE ARRIVED**

Doors Open at 6:30PM Meeting Starts at 7:00PM Area 45 Remarks: **KEN T.** 

State Roll Call

Speaker: LYNN P. (St. Petersberg, FL)

# **SATURDAY**

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### **CARRY THE VISION - VITAL SIXTH SENSE**

Doors Open at 6:30PM
Meeting Starts at 7:00PM
Area 44 Remarks: MAUREEN R.
Trustee Remarks: NEWTON P.

**Sobriety Count Down** 

Speaker: RICH H. (Mahwah, NJ)

# **SUNDAY**

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### **CARRY THE VISION - INTO ALL OUR ACTIVITIES**

Doors Open at 10:30AM
Live Painting Raffles
Meeting Start at 11:00AM

Speaker: AUGUST L. (Princeton, NJ)



# FRIDAY 10:30PM





SATURDAY 11:00PM

SUNDAY S:00AM



# PANELS | FRIDAY

### FIRST YPAA, I'M FREAKING OUT

CENTRAL P7 ROOM | 9:30AM-10:30AM

We love you lots and lots and lots and WHOOLLEEE BUNCCHEESS! What am I getting myself into? Members share their experience on what it felt like walking into their first YPAA and what they left with that they never expected.

Moderated by: TRAVIS Z. (Pittsburgh, PA)

JILL W. (Pittsburgh, PA), MAX S. (Neptune, NJ), NANCEY RC. (Cliffwood Beach, NJ)

### LOSING PEOPLE TO THIS DISEASE AND GETTING THROUGH IT

LINCOLN P8 ROOM | 10:30AM-11:30AM

How do we cope with a relationship that is lost due to this disease? Members share their experience on what they went through when they lost a loved one and how they kept going.

Moderated by: MICHAEL M. (Akron, OH)

HAYLEE B. (Eau Claire, WI), JERROD L. (Oyster Bay, NY), FRED L. (Malverne, NY), ROSEANN C. (Verona, NJ)

### WHAT DO I WANT TO BE WHEN I GROW UP

BERKSHIRE G2 ROOM | 11:30AM-12:30PM

Experience shows us that when we get sober we start maturing from the age we began drinking. This brings us back to the age-old question. . . Members share their experience on how they discovered what their path looked like after they got sober.

Moderated by: ANDREW B. (Detroit, MI)

GABBY M. (Rockaway, NJ), BETH B. (Westfield, NJ), KEVIN M. (Randolph, NJ)

### THE PROMISES COME TRUE BUT NOT AT THE SAME TIME

TIVOLI G1 ROOM | NOON-1:00PM

Instant gratification is no longer a language we can afford to speak, this is why 'sometimes quickly, sometimes slowly' is perfect for alcoholics. Members share their experience on the joys of the program coming to life throughout their journey.

Moderated by: TIM O. (Rochester, NY)

KIRSTEN F. (Fresh Meadows, NY), SEAN R. (Springfield, PA), JEN R. (Hoboken, NJ)

### **AM I SPIRITUALLY FIT ENOUGH TO ATTEND WHOOPEE PARTIES?**

LINCOLN P8 ROOM | 12:30PM-1:30PM

Check yo'self before you wreck yo'self! Members share on how they maintain their spiritual condition daily and ask themselves if they have a legitimate reason for being in a place with alcohol before they go.

Moderated by: DAVID B. (West Hills, CA)

NOEL L. (Langhorne, PA), PHIL D. (Boston, MA), SUSAN W. (Jersey City, NJ)

### **NOW ABOUT SEX... PAGE 69 OR PAGE 96?**

BERKSHIRE G2 ROOM | 1:30PM-2:30PM

Many of us needed an overhauling when it comes to looking at our sex conduct. Members share their experience on what they went through and how they changed.

Moderated by: PETER V. (WINTHROP, MA)

JOHN L. (Ft. Lauderdale, FL), PJ W. (Smithville, NJ), TRESSA W. (Smithville, NJ)

# PANELS | FRIDAY

### WE ARE PEOPLE WHO NORMALLY WOULD NOT MIX, BUT... DIVERSITY

CENTRAL P7 ROOM | 1:30PM-2:30PM

No matter which walk of life you came from, the 'feeling of having shared in a common peril is one element in the powerful cement which binds us.'

Moderated by: HEATHER D. (Philadelphia, PA)

MATTY H. (Boston, MA), DONNA P. (Long Island, NY), BRYSON S. (Albany, NY)

### STAYIN ALIVE... REAL TALK FROM THE OLD TIMERS

TIVOLI G1 ROOM | 2:00PM-3:00PM

Members with double-digit sobriety share on what it takes to continue the path of recovery and the lifelong friendships cultivated in the program.

Moderated by: NATHALIE D. (Malverne, NY)

LAMONT W. (Atlantic City, NJ), SPORTY R. (Atlantic City, NJ), LAGARIUS H. (Atlantic City, NJ)

### **KEEP YOUR HEAD WHERE YOUR FEET ARE**

BERKSHIRE G2 ROOM | 3:30PM-4:30PM

The past cannot be changed and the future isn't here yet. Members share on staying in the present moment and taking life and sobriety one step at a time.

Moderated by: JESSE M. (Harrisburg, PA)

MANDY V. (Erlanger, KY), RUDY N. (Wayne, NJ), JACK L. (Asbury Park, NJ)

### **A.A. ON THE FIRING LINES, ARMED FORCES**

CENTRAL P7 ROOM | 3:30PM-4:30PM

No matter where we go, we always take the program of A.A. with us, even in the Armed Forces. Members share their experience in bringing the program of recovery with them while serving.

Moderated by: JOEY P. (Warwick, RI)

DAN M. (Absecon, NJ), SUSIE R. (Northfield, NJ), BRANDON M. (Naples, FL)

### TO THINE OWN SELF BE TRUE, LGBTQ

TIVOLI G1 ROOM | 4:00PM-5:00PM

Members share on staying true to themselves and discovering a community of kindred folks from every walk of life and 'of every stripe.'

Moderated by: KIM J. (Syracuse, NY)

KIKO M. (West Chester, PA), MEGAN E. (Mendham, NJ), HENRY R. (St Paul, MN)

### STAYING IN THE MIDDLE OF THE HERD

LINCOLN P8 ROOM | 4:30PM-5:30PM

Where you're less likely to be picked off! Members share on staying in the middle of the fellowship with people who live in the solution, not the problem.

Moderated by: MATT K. (Jersey City, NJ)

DIANA D. (Allentown, NJ), RYAN K. (Long Island, NY), DAVE O. (Randolph, NJ)

# PANELS | SATURDAY

### **CHARACTER DEFECTS 101**

LINCOLN P8 ROOM | 9:00AM-10:00AM

We all got them! Members share their experience on how they gave them to God and let go of the defects that got in the way of true and joyful recovery.

Moderated by: CHRIS S. (Rochester, NY)

JEFFERY T. (Binghamton, NY), EMILY T. (San Antonio, TX), JENNA D. (Rehoboth Beach, DE)

### **PRAYER 101: HOW TO PRAY, FOR DUMMIES**

TIVOLI G1 ROOM | 9:30AM-10:30AM

There are no "right words" needed to establish a connection to a Higher Power. Members share their experience on how they came to rely on prayer through words, actions, and faith.

Moderated by: DEMETRIUS B. (Memphis, TN)

DANNY F. (New Orleans, LA), BRONWYN F. (West Palm Beach, FL), MICHAEL B. (Manasquan, NJ)

### **SOBRIETY: WAY MORE THAN JUST NOT DRINKING**

BERKSHIRE G2 ROOM | 10:00AM-11:00AM

It's not just abstinence from alcohol? Members share their experience on living the program and applying the principals in all their affairs.

Moderated by: JENN K. (Satellite Beach, FL)

GRACE N. (Chepachet, RI), BILLY S. (Erlanger, KY), MARIEL H. (Eatontown, NJ)

### **TRUDGING LIKE A CHAMP**

LINCOLN P8 ROOM | 10:30AM-11:30AM

Trudge meaning 'walk with purpose'. Members share how they overcame the times where life was one extreme or the other and how eventually the plane evened out and they continued to trudge the road to happy destiny.

Moderated by: KAILEY V. (Boston, MA)

GABE W. (Washington, DC), ADAM D. (Somerset, NJ), DOMENICK C. (Randolph, NJ)

### WHAT DOES A SPIRITUAL AWAKENING LOOK LIKE?

CENTRAL P7 ROOM | 10:30AM-11:30AM

Members share their experience on their spiritual experience and how their attitude and outlook on life changed as a result of the 12 Steps.

Moderated by: KATHERINE Z. (Philadelphia, PA)

DEVON R. (Brooklyn, NY), THOMAS R. (Waretown, NJ), ROBBIE W. (Wildwood, NJ)

### THE MOTIVE BEHIND THE MOTIVE... AND SOMETIMES BEHIND THAT MOTIVE

TIVOLI G1 ROOM 11:30AM-12:30PM

Ridding ourselves of our own self-centeredness often means we must learn to be honest with our motives, even when we are hiding a bad motive under a good motive. Members share their experience of examining motives and the willingness to change.

Moderated by: RACHEL L. (New York, NY)

TANYA D. (East Windsor NJ), PAUL R. (Cleveland, OH), JASON G. (Dunsmuir, CA)

# PANELS | SATURDAY

### **ALPHA BETA SOBER, CAMPUS RECOVERY**

BERKSHIRE G2 ROOM | NOON-1:00PM

Members share their experience in the program of recovery while in college.

Moderated by: LEILA M. (Monroe, LA)

LYSS P. (Omaha, NE), TYLER S. (Rockville, MD), ASHLEY C. (Ocean City, NJ)

### **EMOTIONAL SOBRIETY WITHOUT THE EMOTIONAL HANGOVER**

CENTRAL P7 ROOM | NOON-1:00PM

Being restored to sanity isn't about being "happy, joyous, and free" all the time, it's about being in the present moment, whatever it happens to look like. Members share how they regained the ability to feel their feelings.

Moderated by: NICK P. (Hackensack, NJ)

EMILY C. (Fredericksburg, VA), JOHNNY Q. (Beacon, NY), JEN M. (Randolph, NJ)

### **SOBER PARENTING**

LINCOLN P8 ROOM | 12:30PM-1:30PM

Being a parent can be one the most difficult but beautiful undertakings in a person's life. Add to this the daily maintenance of sobriety and you have what can be at times a very overwhelming situation. Members share their experience with the balance of it all.

Moderated by: JEFFREY S. (Douglassville, PA)

SASHA (Sparta, NJ), ERIC H. (Tappan, NY), JEFF J. (Madison, NJ)

### **NOT SO STRAIGHT PEPPER DIET, LGBTQ**

TIVOLI G1 ROOM | 1:30PM-2:30PM

Members shared their experience finding an open heart and a life-saving and life-affirming program of recovery.

Moderated by: SHANNON E. (Mendham, NJ)

CHANCE U. (Rockville, MD), SAMANTHA P. (Goffstown, NH), ZACH S. (Wilkes-Barre, PA)

### MIND YOUR OWN FLIPPIN BUSINESS, GOSSIP IN A.A.

BERKSHIRE G2 ROOM | 2:00PM-3:00PM

'Gossip barbed with our anger, a polite form of murder by character assassination, has its satisfactions for us, too. Here we are not trying to help those we criticize; we are trying to proclaim our own righteousness.'

Moderated by: LEIGH ANN S. (Weehawken, NJ)

ARON C. (Gainesville, FL), BEN P. (Pittsburgh PA), RYAN D. (Boston, MA)

### **MENTAL HEALTH & SOBRIETY**

LINCOLN P8 ROOM | 2:30PM-3:30PM

Putting down the drink is only the beginning. Members share their experience with seeking help in inside the program as well as outside.

Moderated by: ALEX D. (Providence, RI)

DOUG V. (Milford, MI), JEN G. (Collingswood, NJ), STAN B. (Mt. Lakes, NJ)

# PANELS | SATURDAY

### **NEVER HAD A LEGAL DRINK, BUT THE FAKE ID WAS LEGIT**

TIVOLI G1 ROOM | 3:30PM-4:30PM

Members share their experience of getting sober before 'legal age', finding their home in A.A. and the challenges they faced being young and sober.

Moderated by: MARY R. (Philadelphia, PA)

MORGAN N. (Wilmington, DE), RICHARD L. (Spinnerstown, PA), TERRY F. (Bedminster, NJ)

### **NAVIGATING DATING ON A.A. CAMPUS**

BERKSHIRE G2 ROOM | 4:00PM-5:00PM

How do we cultivate healthy relationships and sober sexual conduct? Members share their experience on what it was like, what happened, and what it's like now after meeting each other on A.A. campus.

Moderated by: LOGAN R. (Rochester, NY)

NORA A. (Dublin, PA), RENE M. (Hopatcong, NJ), ERIN O. (Jersey City, NJ)

### **TIME MANAGEMENT FOR SERVICE JUNKIES**

LINCOLN P8 ROOM | 4:30PM-5:30PM

The balance of service work can be tricky. Members share their experience on how they took on service commitments and still showed up for life outside of A.A.

Moderated by: ROB L. (New Rochelle, NY)

JULIA M. (Warwick, RI), NEWTON P. (Cary, NC), BOB R. (Long Branch, NJ)

### **SHOWBER: ATTENDING SHOWS AND FESTIVALS SOBER**

TIVOLI G1 ROOM | 5:00PM-6:00PM

Just because we get sober doesn't mean the fun is over. Members share their experience on how they take their recovery with them in all aspects of life, even festivals.

Moderated by: JEN A. (Union City, NJ)

MATTHEW S. (Wayne, NJ), PHOEBE S. (Brooklyn, NY), MARK B. (New York, NY)

# **WORKSHOPS** | FRIDAY & SATURDAY

### **GRAPEVINE/LA VIÑA WRITING WORKSHOP**

TRAYMORE BALLROOM B | FRIDAY 11:00AM - 1:00PM

Are you interested in submitting your story to the Grapevine/La Viña? Great! Come learn how with the Outreach Coordinators of the Grapevine. They will be doing an introduction on submitting stories to the Grapevine/La Viña, and then have a second segment where attendees will have time to write their story. You can also purchase a Grapevine subscription, donate to a fellow A.A. member or donate to one of the many A.A. members in correctional facilities who are on the waiting list.

KARINA C. & NIVIA H. (Outreach Coordinator, A.A. Grapevine/La Viña)

### "ONE BIG TENT / THE GOD WORD" WORKSHOP

TRAYMORE BALLROOM B | FRIDAY 2:00PM - 4:00PM

"What we all have in common is that the programme helps us find an inner strength that we were previously unaware of - where we differ is in how we identify the source. Some people have thought of the word God as standing for "good orderly direction", or even "group of drunks", but many of us believe that there is something bigger than ourselves which is helping us today."

CHRISTI M., EILEEN T., GEORGE S. & JOHN V. ("Without A Prayer Group" of Forked River, NJ)

### **GROWING UP AND ADULTING IN A.A.**

TRAYMORE BALLROOM B | SATURDAY 10:30AM - 12:30PM

Just because we put the booze down doesn't mean we get all our marbles back. This quartet breaks down what growing up and adulting in sobriety looked like for them, how they kept and continued to keep God and A.A. in the center of all their affairs.

BETTY F. & KATHY H. (Hopatcong, NJ), ADRIENNE H. & GLEN H. (Rector, AK)

### **SAFETY IN A.A. WORKSHOP**

TRAYMORE BALLROOM B | SATURDAY 1:30PM - 2:30PM

We want the hand of A.A. to always be there, but when do we draw the line for our common welfare? How the practical application of the yellow safety card is beneficial to everyone. SARAH J. (New York, NY)

### **HISTORY AND ARCHIVES WORKSHOP**

TRAYMORE BALLROOM B | SATURDAY 3:30PM - 5:30PM

Sean M. will be presenting an exciting recapture of the legacy of Alcoholics Anonymous with an emphasis on A.A. in New Jersey.

SEAN M. (South Brunswick Township, NJ)

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# MARATHON MEETINGS | THURSDAY - SATURDAY

WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?

EACYPAA XVII HOST COMMITTEE | THURSDAY 10:30PM

**GRATITUDE** 

DISTRICT 19 YOUNG MENS GSR | FRIDAY 1:00PM

**ONE DAY AT A TIME** 

SEASHORE VETNOR GROUP | FRIDAY 2:30PM

**ACCEPTANCE** 

LICYPAA | FRIDAY 4:00PM

**CONTEMPT PRIOR TO INVESTIGATION** 

BUCKS COUNTY BID FOR PENNSCYPAA / PA BID FOR ICYPAA | FRIDAY 5:30PM

**FEEL YOUR FEELINGS 101** 

RISCYPAA | FRIDAY 11:00PM

**SELF WILL RUN RIOT** 

ICYPAA HOST | SATURDAY 12:30AM

**HAPPY, JOYOUS & FREE** 

SYRYPAA I SATURDAY 2:00AM

**OPEN TOPIC** 

ESCYPAA VI HOST | SATURDAY 3:30AM

**SERVICE** 

DISTRICT 19 YOUNG MENS GSR | SATURDAY 5:00AM

**UPON AWAKENING** 

DISTRICT 19 YOUNG MENS GSR | SATURDAY 6:30AM

**SERENITY AT THE BOTTOM OF THE COFFEE POT** 

**GETTING SOBER YOUNG | SATURDAY 8:00AM** 

**APPLYING THE PRINCIPALS** 

MECYPAA | SATURDAY 9:30AM

STEPS 1-3

DISTRICT 47 | SATURDAY 11:00AM

# MARATHON MEETINGS | SATURDAY - SUNDAY

**STEPS 4 & 5** 

STEPPING STONES PHILADELPHIA | SATURDAY 12:30PM

**STEPS 6 & 7** 

VSCYPAA HOST | SATURDAY 2:00PM

**STEPS 8 & 9** 

WORCYPAA I SATURDAY 3:30PM

**STEPS 10. 11 & 12** 

LICYPAA | SATURDAY 5:00PM

**JUSTIFIED ANGER** 

NEW ENGLAND BID FOR EACYPAA | SATURDAY 11:30PM

**DRINKING PROBLEM OR THINKING PROBLEM** 

PCYPAA | SUNDAY 1:00AM

**RESTING ON OUR LAURELS** 

KEYSTONE BID FOR EACYPAA | SUNDAY 3:30AM

UNITY

DISTRICT 19 YOUNG MENS GSR | SUNDAY 5:00AM

**OPEN TOPIC** 

DISTRICT 19 YOUNG MENS GSR | SUNDAY 6:30AM

WHY WE LOVE A.A.

DAYPAA | SUNDAY 8:00AM

MAY GOD BLESS YOU AND KEEP YOU TILL THEN

METAIRIE GROUP NEW ORLEANS DISTRICT 20 | SUNDAY 9:30AM

WHAT ARE YOU STILL DOING HERE?

EACYPAA XVII HOST COMMITTEE | SUNDAY 1:30PM

<sup>\*</sup> ALL MARATHON MEETINGS TO BE HELD IN THE FAIRMOUNT PARK ROOM

# EVERYTHING ZEN | FRIDAY - SUNDAY

### **UPON AWAKENING MEDITATION**

MONTICELLO: ZEN DEN P5 | FRIDAY 8:00AM - 9:00AM

Guided morning meditation to keep us centered throughout the day. Led by Cheryl S.

### **MINDFUL MEDITATION & RECOVERY**

MONTICELLO: ZEN DEN P5 | FRIDAY 11:30AM - 12:30PM Guided meditation with emphasis on recovery. Led by Bob V.

### **POETRY JAM**

MONTICELLO: ZEN DEN P5 | FRIDAY 2:30PM - 3:30PM Recovering through the spoken word. Led by Matthew S.

### **NIGHTLY MEDITATION**

MONTICELLO: ZEN DEN P5 | FRIDAY 11:00PM - 12:00PM Guided meditation with emphasis on awareness. Led by Benny B.

### **UPON AWAKENING MEDITATION**

MONTICELLO: ZEN DEN P5 | SATURDAY 8:00AM - 9:00AM

Guided morning meditation to keep us centered throughout the day. Led by Evan S.

### WIND DOWN MEDITATION WITH AROMATHERAPY

MONTICELLO: ZEN DEN P5 | SATURDAY 1:00PM - 2:00PM

Frankie says 'relax'. Meditation focused on relaxation with aromatherapy. Led by Jessica A.

### **NIGHTLY MEDITATION**

MONTICELLO: ZEN DEN P5 | **SATURDAY** 11:00PM - 12:00PM Guided meditation with emphasis on awareness. Led by Kacie R.

Come in, meditate, relax and recharge. We have coloring books, games, charts and aromatherapy. If you need a break from the busy convention this is your spot to be present with yourself. Zen Den will be open 7:00am till 3:00am Friday and Saturday and 7:00am till noon Sunday. It will also be closed during the main meetings.

# AL-ANON PROGRAM | FRIDAY & SATURDAY

### **STEPS & SPIRITUAL JOURNEY**

CENTRAL P7 | FRIDAY 11:30AM - 12:30PM

Speaker Meeting

Moderated by: NIETA G. Speaker: ANDREW W.

### **BREAKING THE CYCLE**

LINCOLN P8 | FRIDAY 2:30PM - 3:30PM

Panel

Moderated by: ANDREW W. Panelists: VIKRAM R & LISA S.

### **HEALING BY SHARING**

CENTRAL P7 | FRIDAY 5:30PM-6:30PM

Meeting

Moderated by: MOLLY D.

Speaking: CAROLINE & SARA J.

### **BREAKING THE CYCLE (SPOTLIGHT ON ACOA)**

CENTRAL P7 | SATURDAY 1:30PM-2:30PM

Panel

Moderated by: HEATHER

Panelists: BRYCE B. & SAMANTHA

### WHY I CAME, WHY I STAY (SPOTLIGHT ON PARENTS OF A.A.'S)

CENTRAL P7 | SATURDAY 3:00PM-4:00PM

Panel Discusion

Moderated by: JESS Panelist: JUDY F.

### LET IT BEGIN WITH ME (SPOTLIGHT ON STEPS)

GRAND BALLROOM | SATURDAY 4:30PM-5:30PM

Main Speaker Meeting Moderated by: LC Speaking: TONY L.

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# ENTERTAINMENT | FRIDAY

### NAMA - JUST - STAY

OCEAN BALLROOM | FRIDAY 9:30AM - 10:30AM Sunrise Yoga Class with Erin P.

### **LIVE BANDS**

OCEAN BALLROOM | FRIDAY 12:30PM - 3:00PM 12:30-1:00 Surfside Sounds

1:00-2:00 Locksmith 2:00-3:00 Gutter Drunk

### SPIRITUAL WARFARE NERF GUN PARTY

TRAYMORE BALLROOM C | FRIDAY 4:00PM-6:00PM

To sign up visit Registration A

### SPIRITUAL GANGSTERS SPEAKEASY DANCE

GRAND BALLROOM | FRIDAY 10:30PM-2:30AM

DJ Kiko & DJ SamWas

### **COMEDY SHOW**

OCEAN BALLROOM | FRIDAY 10:30PM-MIDNIGHT

Laughing is the best medicine

### **RULE # 62 LIP SYNC BATTLE**

OCEAN BALLROOM | FRIDAY MIDNIGHT-2:00AM

To sign up visit Registration A. DJ's T-Bone & the Fuzz

### **LIVE PAINTING (INDIVUIDAL ARTISTS)**

PIANO FOYER | FRIDAY 10:00AM-12:00PM

FRIDAY 4:00PM-6:00PM

**SATURDAY** 10:00AM-12:00PM

**SATURDAY** 4:00PM-6:00PM

Different Artists live painting their individual concept of 'Carry the Vision'. Painting will be raffled off at Sunday morning meeting. To enter the raffle put your name in the 'Painting Raffle' box at Registration B by 9:00AM Sunday morning.

### **LIVE PAINTING (ARTIST COLLAB)**

PILLAR FOYER | FRIDAY 12:00PM-4:00PM

**SATURDAY 12:00PM-4:00PM** 

Different Artists conduct a live painting of their collaborated concept of 'Carry the Vision'. Painting will be raffled off at Sunday morning meeting. To enter the raffle put your name in the 'Painting Raffle' box at Registration B by 9:00AM Sunday morning.

# ENTERTAINMENT | SATURDAY - SUNDAY

### THERE'S NO PLACE LIKE OM

OCEAN BALLROOM | SATURDAY 9:30AM - 10:30AM Sunrise Yoga Class with Alexandra H.

### LIVE BANDS

OCEAN BALLROOM | SATURDAY 11:30AM - 3:00PM

11:30-12:30 Originaire 12:30-1:15 Bravely 1:15-2:00 Teddy O. Acoustic 2:00-3:00 Arcs and Edges

### **PRIVATE POOL RAVE**

POOL | SATURDAY 1:00PM-4:00PM

### **GALACTIC DRUM & DANCE CIRCLE**

DUSK NIGHT CLUB | **SATURDAY** 4:00PM-5:00PM Drums by Brian J.

### **SPECIAL HYPE PERFORMANCE**

GRAND BALLROOM | SATURDAY 6:45PM-7:15PM

Featuring some very Special Guests

### **BLACK LIGHT WEAR WHITE DANCE**

GRAND BALLROOM | SATURDAY 11:00PM-3:00AM DJ Jay W & DJ Archy

### **'CARRY THE CROWN' DRAG SHOW**

OCEAN BALLROOM | SATURDAY 11:00PM-12:30AM

The art of Drag in the style of Atlantic City' Miss America Pageant. DJ Kiko

### **RAP BATTLE**

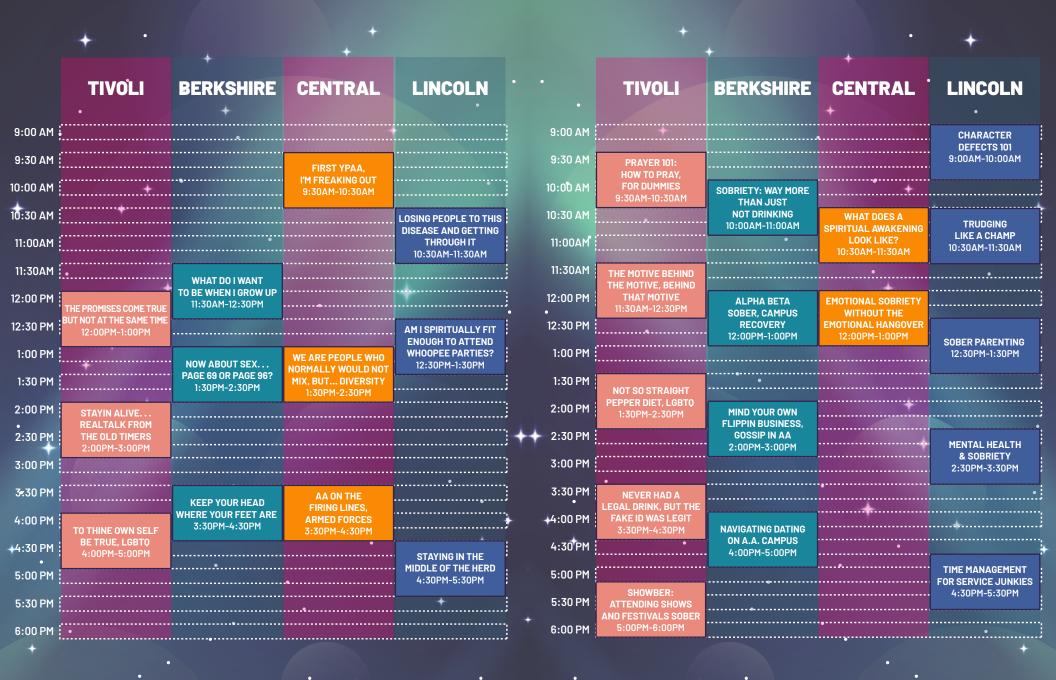
OCEAN BALLROOM | SATURDAY 12:30AM-3:00AM

To sign up visit Registration A. DJ Kiko

### **PSYTRANCE RAVE**

GRAND BALLROOM | SATURDAY 3:00AM-5:00AM DJ Archy

# PANELS AT A GLANCE | SATURDAY



# ENTERTAINMENT AT A GLANCE | FRIDAY - SATURDAY

# ENTERTAINMENT AT A GLANCE SATURDAY - SUNDAY

