

Website Administrator's Report for the 2017 Fall Committee Meeting

During the last assembly I announced that the subdomain websites were down, and I'm happy to say that they were up and running again before we left the meeting that day. Unofficially I'd say the site is running faster and cleaner on the new server.

As always, you can find this and several officers' reports on the "NIA Reports and Minutes" page of our website. I've attached some documents to this report from the National AA Technology Workshop (NAATW) I attended in September, including the program, a flyer for the Meeting Guide phone app and a flyer from the "Technology in AA" online forum (TIAA). That forum is open to any AA who wants to "connect with other AAs who are using technology to carry the message." I joined that forum two years ago and have benefitted quite a bit from contacts with many of the leading technology users in AA.

In discussions with NAATW attendees it was obvious to me that the technology issues and concerns we have in Area 20 are shared across the entire AA community. Our new technology committee is a step ahead of the majority of areas, and at some point they will be looking to us for example and leadership.

Finally, I would ask incoming chairs and alternate chairs to think about how to use our website to carry their particular message.

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Area 20 website administrator

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Technology Workshop
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The 12 Statements of Technology

1. We suggest implementing technology where it supports our primary purpose of carrying the message to the alcoholic who still suffers
2. We are responsible and assess value when using self-support funds for technology initiatives
3. We are responsible where anonymity is more vulnerable to a wider audience with increased speed or new sensation
4. An informed group conscience is paramount to technology decision-making
5. We strive to understand where Individual versus Group values are different
6. We perform due diligence and rely on demonstrable A.A. experience
7. We record non-technical requirements before making technology choices
8. We take care to understand the property value and legal implications of technology used for A.A. purposes before making binding decisions
9. We are responsible for transparency in discovery, process, & implementation
10. We use technology to make information available, not to limit it.
11. We communicate and support the intended service level
12. We consider how best to Pass it On

**National Alcoholics Anonymous
Technology Workshop**

September 8-10, 2017

Sacramento, CA

Hosted by the California
Northern Interior Area 07



Hilton Sacramento Arden West
200 Harvard Sreet
Sacramento, California

Registration

Friday: 11:00 - 5:00

Saturday: 7:30 - 1:30

Morning Recovery Meeting in the Zinfandel Room
Saturday & Sunday: 7:30 - 8:30

Hospitality Suite Hours:

Saturday: 7:00 am - Midnight

Sunday: 7:00 am - Noon

Presidential Suite - 12th Floor

Zinfandel Room Open 24 Hours

(Except during Birds of a Feather
and the recovery meetings)

Sharing Space

Charging Stations

Wi-Fi

Friday, September 8, 2017

Main Room

- 12:00 - 12:15 - Welcome
12:15 - 1:00 - Traditions - David N.
1:15 - 2:00 - Anonymity vs Privacy vs Confidentiality - Ross D.
2:15 - 3:00 - 12 Stepping in the 21st Century - Robert S.
3:00 - 3:45 - Sharing Session 1
3:45 - 4:30 - Central Office Technology Use in NAATW - Peter B.
4:45 - 5:30 - G.S.O. Communications Services - Clement C.
5:45 - 6:30 - Grapevine Online - Josh E

6:30 - 8:00 - Dinner & Fellowship

Eagle, Berryessa & Zinfandel Rooms

- 8:00 - 8:45 - Birds of a Feather 1
9:00 - 9:45 - Birds of a Feather 2
10:00 - 10:45 - Birds of a Feather 3

Saturday, September 9, 2017

Main Room

- 8:30 - 8:45 - Welcome
8:45 - 9:30 - Inspiring Engagement With General Service - Fred M.
9:45 - 10:30 - Harnessing the Wisdom of the (AA) Crowd - Lois L.
10:30 - 11:15 - Sharing Session 2

11:15 - 12:45 - Lunch & Fellowship

Track 1 - Berryessa Room

- 12:45-1:30 - New2Tech: What We Want to Know More About:
Introduction to Social Media - Doug G.
Glossary of IT Terms - Lela M.
What are On-line meetings? - Virginia M.
Increasing Participation using Technologies - Kelley M.
1:45 - 2:30 - Cloneable .NET Site Design - Fred F.
2:45 - 3:30 - How Can taa-forum.org Continue the Conversation? - Lew G.

Track 2 Eagle Room

- 12:45 - 1:30 - How to Obtain Nonprofit Status - Brouck H.
1:45 - 2:30 - AA and Search Engines - Coree H.
2:45 - 3:30 - Cloud Strategy - Storage, Security & Safety - Rick U.

3:30 - 4:00 - Break

Track 1 - Berryessa Room

- 4:00 - 4:45 - WordPress 101 - Keith D.
5:00 - 5:45 - Always Inclusive: Translating Our Message:
Carrying Our Message in Writing - Celia B.
Finding Solutions for Simultaneous Interpretation - Jenn D.
Creating an Informed Group Conscience - Lee W.

Track 2 Eagle Room

- 4:00 - 4:45 - The AA Template - A Generic AA Website Approach
- Wayne P
5:00 - 5:45 - Amazon Web Services (AWS) - Blaine B
5:45 - 6:30 - Sharing Session 3

6:30 - 8:00 - Dinner & Fellowship

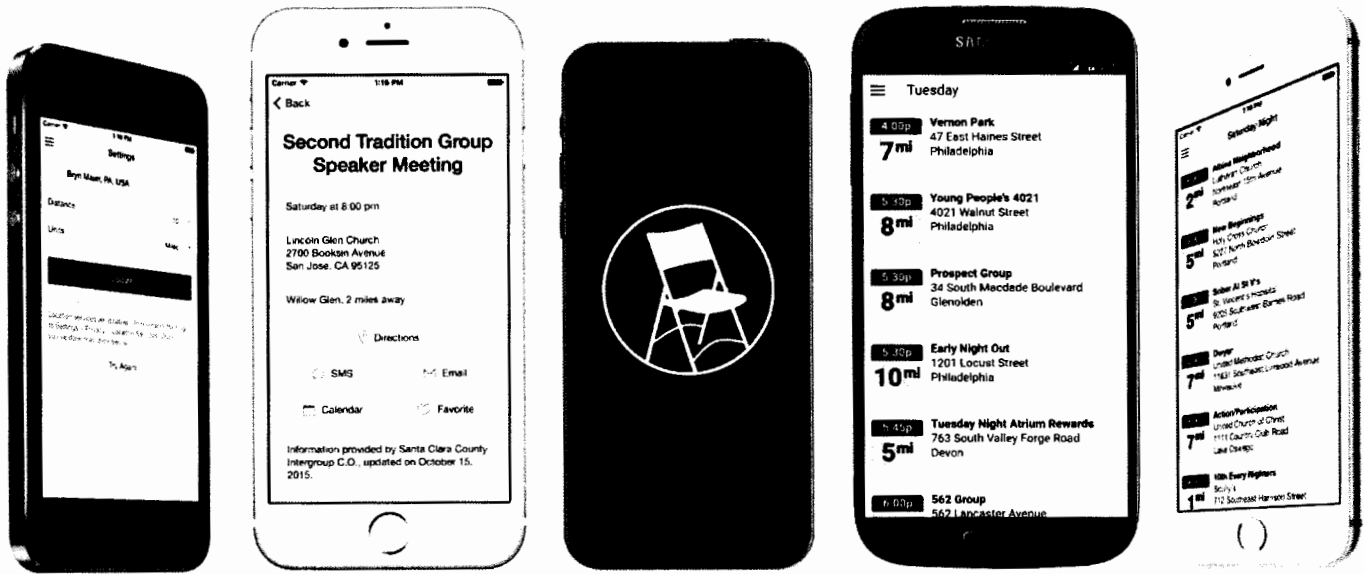
Main Room

- 8:00 - 9:00 - Speaker Meeting - David N.
9:00 - 9:30 - Ice Cream Social
9:30 - 10:15 - Sharing Session 4

Sunday, September 10, 2017

Main Room

- 8:30 - 8:45am - Welcome
8:45 - 9:15 - NAATW Host Meeting
9:15 - 10:30 - Sharing 5
10:30 - 10:45 - Break
10:45 - 11:45 - NAATW Member Meeting
11:45 - Noon - Closing



Meeting makers make it— let's make meetings easier to find!

- Launched in November 2015
- Last 30 days: 43k users, 252k sessions
- Free, no ads
- Available on iOS and Android
- 109 intergroups, areas and districts
- Users check the app 5.8x / month (avg)
- No cost or commitment
- Links back to area websites

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Meeting information comes directly from the districts, areas, and intergroups that know it best. The app checks connected websites twice a day for updates, and reflects new information automatically.

Meeting Guide works in places such as: New York, Los Angeles, San Francisco, Austin, Philadelphia, Minneapolis, St. Louis, Portland (OR & ME), Orlando, Santa Barbara, Salt Lake City, Sacramento, Baltimore, Washington DC, Seattle, Miami, Dallas, Toronto, and Continental Europe.

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—Android User, September 2016

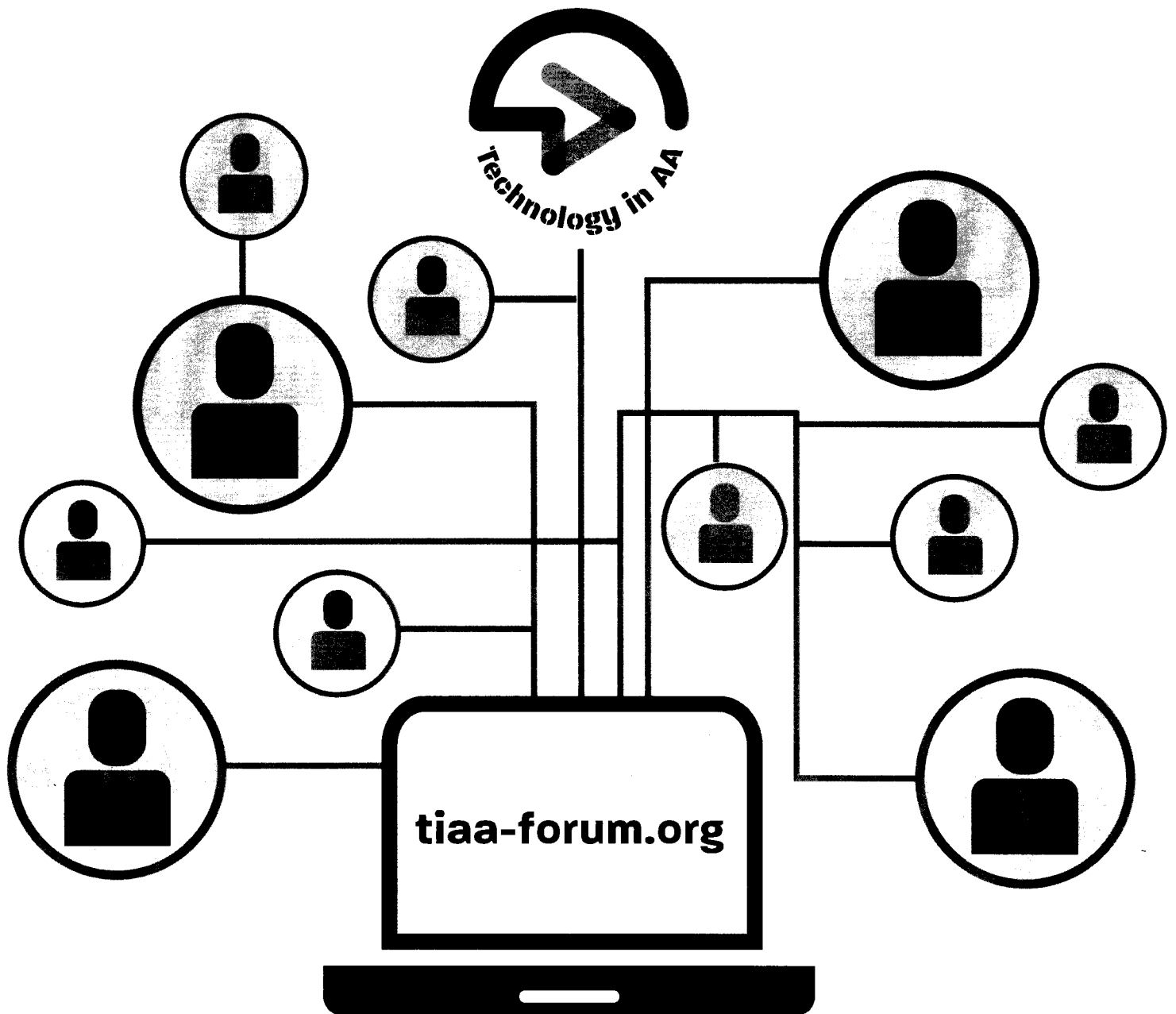
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