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**October 2019**

## **Special Message from the WSO Board**

### **Bill D. is Named WSO Treasurer**

WSO Chair Charlie H. has announced the following, on behalf of the WSO Board of Trustees:

Pat H. has resigned from the WSO Board, and from her position as WSO Treasurer. The Board has selected Bill D. to be our new WSO Treasurer. We on the WSO Board thank Pat for her service to the ACA fellowship. We also wish Pat the very best going forward.

**Registration is NOW Open!!**

## **Annual Business Conference**

April 23 & 24, 2020

## **ACA World Convention**

April 24 (evening), 25 & 26, 2020



**The 2020 ABC/AWC** will be held at the Renaissance Marriott in Boca Raton, Florida. The hotel is absolutely beautiful, built around a tropical resort style pool and just 3 miles from the beach. There is a free shuttle service to and from the beach.

You can register for the convention, book a room and purchase meals from the [Convention Website](#). The prices for meals and registration will increase as we get closer to the convention. Registering early will not only save you money, but will also help WSO and the Local Host Committee out tremendously with the planning process. We can't wait to see you in Boca Raton!

## **2020 AWC Workshops**

Are you interested in leading a workshop at the 2020 AWC? More information, as well as the application can be found on the [ACA World Convention Website](#).

## **ABC Call for Ballot Proposals**

The Call for Proposals for the 2020 ABC was sent to all groups on August 1st. If your group did not receive this information, please send an email

to [bpc@adultchildren.org](mailto:bpc@adultchildren.org) - and it's also available on the service website for the [Ballot Prep Committee](#).

## WSO News

### Young Adults/Teens Subcommittee

Want to help ACA Teens and Young Adults have their own meetings? Do you have an ACA group willing to help facilitate a teen/young adults meeting? Please join us for the next Young Adults & Teen (YA&T) Subcommittee teleconference call. It will be held on Wednesday, October 16 at UTC 8 pm (20:00). **We would like to hear from you, we welcome your support.** To join this meeting: <https://zoom.us/j/192934184>; Meeting ID: 192 934 184; find your local number: <https://zoom.us/u/ac3j5Blsoa>

For more information about the Young Adults & Teens Subcommittee please go to: <https://acawso.org/category/young-adults> Email: [youngadults.teens@adultchildren.org](mailto:youngadults.teens@adultchildren.org)

### Literature Committee

#### Volunteer Request: Team to Review Spirituality in Literature

A new Literature Committee study group, focusing on how ACA discusses God and spirituality in its fellowship texts, is holding its first meeting on Saturday, Oct. 12, from 11 am to 12:30 pm Eastern US time. Online information for the first call is: <https://zoom.us/j/419900047>, or dial in at 1-929-205-6099, or 1-669-900-6833. Meeting ID: 419 900 047. To find your local number, go to <https://zoom.us/u/abCdNscMZK>.

If you would like to help shape how ACA discusses spirituality, please join us. The purpose of the group is to review existing ACA literature and consider alternative ways to discuss ACA's spiritual dimension that are inclusive of all religious traditions, including those who are agnostic or atheists. Based on the group's study, recommendations will be made to the Literature Committee for possible changes to ACA literature. For information, please send an email to [litchair@acawso.org](mailto:litchair@acawso.org), or contact the meeting facilitator, Lou B., via Slack.

### Service Network Committee

#### Concepts of Service Study Town Hall

The next town hall is scheduled for Sunday, October 20th, at 10:30 am EDT, via ZOOM. Lead share on Concept 2, followed by sharing in round robin format. The objective of this concept study is to study the 12 Concepts of ACA Service and share Experience, Strength, and Hope about their application at all levels of ACA Service. To join this

meeting: <https://zoom.us/j/283490458>; Meeting ID: 283 490 458; To find your local number: <https://zoom.us/u/ac3j5Blsoa>

## **Drafting an ACA Preamble - Call for Input**

The Service Network Committee is hosting Town Hall meetings to draft an ACA Preamble. An ACA preamble will provide a clear consistent statement about ACA that states who we are, while being open and inviting. We have similar statements at the opening of the "ACA Is" trifold and the home page of [adultchildren.org](http://adultchildren.org). The goal is to update these statements into a single statement and submit it as a proposal for the 2020 ABC. Join us via Zoom <https://zoom.us/j/368722526> on October 21st at 8PM Eastern Time and/or October 22nd at 2PM Eastern.

## **ACA Regions**

Meeting information for the Greater Western USA Region (Region #2) has changed since the last issue of the ComLINE: [661-269-3937](tel:661-269-3937), Regions' Website [gwuregion@gmail.com](mailto:gwuregion@gmail.com) Teleconference Board Meeting, 3rd Saturday of every month, 11:00 am – 12:30 pm Pacific Time. <https://zoom.us/j/323951362> Volunteers needed; call or send email.

## **Nominating Committee News**

### **Service Positions on the Committee**

The ACA Nominating Committee offers a unique new opportunity for ACA service. Become part of the team that is defining, implementing and sustaining a new process for selecting WSO trusted servants. We are accepting applications for two additional committee members: one from outside the USA and Canada; one with 2-3 years of ACA recovery. See the [Nominating Committee page](#) for more information and how to apply. If you're not ready yet, this information will give you the path to follow for future service in this committee.

### **Now Accepting Applications for New ACA WSO Trustee Positions**

The Nominating Committee is now starting the selection process to fill Trustee positions in 2020. Applications are due by November 22, 2019. The Committee will present nominations to the WSO Board in February 2020.

Do you have what it takes to serve as an ACA WSO Trustee? Do you have a compelling desire to make a difference in our fellowship at the global level? Do you think you can represent a segment of our fellowship that is underrepresented in the WSO? If you answered, "maybe" or "yes" to any of these questions, check out the ["Trustee Guidelines and Application"](#) and apply! If you are not yet eligible, these guidelines will give you a clear

path to get there. More information can be found on the [Nominating Committee page](#).

## Resource Spotlight

### Call for Shares Loving Parent Guidebook

*The Loving Parent Guidebook (LPG) Committee **needs YOUR help** to make the forthcoming LPG more personal and accessible!*



*We believe this guidebook, which is chock full of exercises and tools, will be an important new reparenting resource for newcomers and seasoned members alike.*

To reflect the rich range of reparenting styles and personal experiences, **we need fellowship voices**. Whether you're new to reparenting or have been practicing for years, your share can make a major impact on adult children learning to reparent themselves.

[For more info and to submit an anonymous share click here](#)

## Featured Meetings & Events

**Ready Set Go!! 6-Week Telephone Meeting TEL0387**

Beginning Wednesday, October 2nd

[Download Materials Here](#)

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**Inner Child Co-Ed Fall Weekend**

October 11 - 13th -- Chester, VT

[Event Flyer](#)

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**20-Week Online Step Study - Meeting # WEB0078**

Beginning Tuesday, October 15th

[More Information Here](#)

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**ACA Spiritual Reboot Retreat**

October 11 - 13th -- Dickson, TN

[Event Flyer](#)

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**GEBACA - Quarterly Speaker Meeting**

October 12th -- 6 - 7:30pm -- Concord, CA

[Event Flyer](#)

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**Northern CA Fall Retreat**

October 18 - 20th -- Occidental, CA

[Event Flyer](#)

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**From Shame to Strength - National Capital Area Recovery Day**

October 19th -- 8am - 3pm -- Rockville, MD

[Event Flyer](#)

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**Healing Our Traumatic Past - West Great Lakes ACA IG**

October 19th -- 8am - 4:30pm -- Deerfield, IL

[Event Flyer](#)

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**2nd Annual "Actions Coming from Love" Retreat**

October 25 - 27th -- Paoli, PA

[Event Flyer](#)

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## 2020 Annual Business Conference (ABC) & ACA World Convention (AWC)

April 23 - 26, 2020 -- Boca Raton, FL

[Event Website](#)

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**Meetings** - ACA WSO maintains a World Meeting List of registered ACA meetings that take place in person, over the phone or online, which is updated monthly. Visit the [Find a Meeting](#) page on [adultchildren.org](http://adultchildren.org) to search for a meeting, or for more detail on specific meeting types, visit the [Meeting](#), [Phone](#), [Skype](#) and [Internet](#) meeting information pages.

### **WSO Board of Trustees Teleconference**

The ACA WSO Board holds its monthly teleconference meeting on the second Saturday, of each month, using Zoom, at 2pm Eastern Time. For more information, including agendas, previous minutes, the Zoom meeting ID, and telephone access numbers, please visit the [ACAWSO.ORG website](http://ACAWSO.ORG).

## 7th Tradition

ACA WSO is grateful for your contributions that help us do that vital work. Check out our flyer titled "[Where the Money Goes](#)" to see how we utilize your contributions to carry the ACA message around the world. Please consider making a monetary contribution to help the next ACA receive the gift of recovery. Contributions can be made [online](#), by calling at 562-595-7831, or by mail payable to ACA WSO, 1458 E 33rd Street, Signal Hill, CA 90755.

## Twelve Concepts of Service - Concept #10

"Every service responsibility should be matched by an equal service authority..." You can find the [12 Concepts of Service here](#).

## ComLINE

### *Adult Children Sharing Experience, Strength, and Hope*

The ComLINE is a quarterly publication from ACA WSO where members from throughout the fellowship share their experience, strength, and hope on the 12 Steps, Traditions and Promises. [View current and back issues here](#).

## Daily Meditation Emails

ACA WSO also publishes a daily email with the Meditation of the Day from the book "Strengthening My Recovery". You can sign up to receive the [meditation email here](#). You will need to sign up for this separately from The Traveler Newsletter email.

## Traveler Submissions

The Traveler Newsletter is an email publication, scheduled to be released at the beginning of each month, which highlights ACA service news and events. If your service committee, intergroup, region, or group would like to submit news to The Traveler, please visit [The Traveler](#) page for more details.

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## About Adult Children of Alcoholics (ACA)

ACA is a worldwide 12 Step / 12 Tradition program of recovery dedicated to people who were raised in dysfunctional families.

ACA does not seek to assign blame to parents or caretakers, but we seek to understand the reality of how family dysfunctions affected us as children and still affects our adult behavior today.

Family dysfunction can include alcoholism, abandonment, neglect, or any type of addiction or abuse. ACA is synonymous with ACoA & Adult Children of Alcoholics and Dysfunctional Families.

For more information visit:

[www.adultchildren.org](http://www.adultchildren.org)



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