



# CENTRAL MARYLAND AREA NA TODAY NEWSLETTER



January 2024

## Living Miracles STEP 1

Toni C—1yr—01/05

Friday Nite Live-6905 Greenbelt Rd, Greenbelt



James A—1yr—1/22

It Works How & Why-6905 Greenbelt Rd, Greenbelt



Walston B—32yr—2/5

It Works How & Why-6905 Greenbelt Rd, Greenbelt



Sharon—18yrs—02/13

Firm Believers-8600 Glenarden Pky, Glenarden



Deborah Ann—16yrs—2/13

Firm Believers-8600 Glenarden Pky, Glenarden



Dominique S—2yr—3/25

It Works How & Why-6905 Greenbelt Rd, Greenbelt

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Many of us recall the moment of clarity when we came face to face with our disease. All the lies, all the pretenses, all the rationalizations we had used to justify where we stood as a result of our drug use stopped working. Who and what we were became more clear. We could no longer avoid the truth. We have found that we cannot recover without the ability to be honest. Many of us came to NA after spending years practicing dishonesty. However, we can learn to be honest, and we must begin to try. Learning to be honest is an ongoing process; we are able to become progressively more honest as we work the steps and continue to stay clean. In the First Step, we begin to practice the spiritual principle of honesty by admitting the truth about our drug use. Then we go on to admit the truth about our lives. We face what is, not the way things could be or should be. It doesn't matter where we come from or how good or bad we think we've had it; when we finally turn to Narcotics Anonymous and the Twelve Steps, we begin to find relief. As we begin working the First Step, it is important to ask ourselves some basic personal questions: Can I control my use of drugs? Am I willing to stop using? Am I willing to do whatever it takes to recover? Given a choice between finding a new way of life in NA and continuing in our addiction, recovery begins to appeal to us.

### First TRADITION

"Our common welfare should come first; personal recovery depends on N.A. unity."

### First Concept

To fulfill our fellowship's primary purpose, the NA groups have joined together to create a structure which develops, coordinates, and maintains services on behalf of NA as a whole.

Our fellowship's primary purpose is to carry the message "that an addict, any addict, can stop using drugs, lose the desire to use, and find a new way to live." One of the primary means by which that message is carried, addict to addict, is in our meetings. These recovery meetings, conducted thousands of times each day by NA groups around the world, are the most important service offered by our fellowship.

## Service Works!

GSRS & Chairs:

### Central Area Service

ASC Meets 1st Wednesdays 7-8pm

Church, 6905 Greenbelt Rd, Greenbelt

NOTE: On-line ASC meetings were originally a pandemic response. For those that can't attend in person:



## MID-ATLANTIC REGIONAL LEARNING CONVENFERENCE XXXIX

**CPRCNA 38 2025**  
**Limitless Strength**

Hosted by Rock Creek Area

**Host Committee  
Elections**

**Nominations: Thursday,  
Jan. 18th, 7 PM**

**Elections: Thursday,  
Jan. 25th, 7 PM**

**Zoom Meeting ID: 987 3916 8163**  
**Passcode: 658480**



# Empowering Women

Thursdays 6:00 pm



**The Serenity Center**  
9650 Basket Ring Rd  
Columbia, MD 21045



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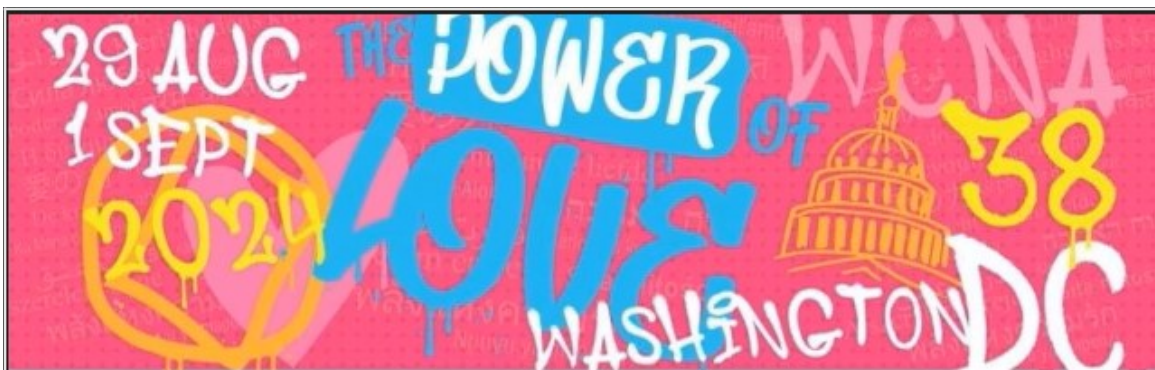
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Coming soon!

# NEWS FLASH! NEWS FLASH! NEWS FLASH!



**WCNA 38 is a registration-required event. Registration badge is required to enter the convention center.** All seats to the main meetings and events will be determined by the date of your registration. Your WCNA registration badge gives you admission to the main meetings, coffeehouse events, and dances. All other events require an additional ticket to attend.

**WCNA 38 BEGINS THURSDAY MORNING, 29 AUGUST, AND ENDS BY APPROXIMATELY 2:00 PM ON SUNDAY, 1 SEPTEMBER.**

## REGISTRATION

<b>Pre-registration</b> ENDS 31 JULY 2024	<b>\$175</b>
<b>Onsite limited registration</b>	<b>\$185</b>

## MERCHANDISE

*Limited quantities and sizes will be available, so please order early!* All pre-registration merchandise will be for the current theme, *The Power of Love*, with the exception of the retro T and the pin set illustrating WCNA 15, *Unified and Staying Alive*, held in DC in 1985.

<b>Special Coffee Mug</b>	<b>\$20</b>
<small>Limited edition, uniquely designed mug celebrating <i>Power of Love</i></small>	
<b>Embroidered T-Shirt</b>	<b>\$25</b>
<b>Screen Printed T-Shirt</b>	<b>\$20</b>
<b>Unisex Long Sleeved Retro T</b>	<b>\$30</b>
<b>Reversible Bucket Hat</b>	<b>\$20</b>
<b>Unisex Zip Up Hoodie</b>	<b>\$40</b>
<b>Boxed Retro Lapel Pin Set</b>	<b>\$15</b>

## CONVENTION EVENTS (limited quantities available)

We are pre-assigning seats for all paid events in the convention center. All seats will be assigned by the date of pre-registration (rather than the date you purchase the tickets). **If you want to sit with friends, you will need to either purchase a table for the food events or purchase tickets on one registration. Otherwise, you will be seated with friends you just haven't met yet!**

<b>WEDNESDAY NIGHT</b>	
<b>Baseball Game</b>	<b>\$50</b>
<b>THURSDAY</b>	
<b>Blues Brunch</b> <small>Vegetarian option is available</small>	<b>\$90</b>
Assigned table for 10 at Blues Brunch	<b>\$900</b>

## FRIDAY

**Comedy Show** (potentially offensive material) **\$55**

## FRIDAY

**Jazz Brunch** Vegetarian option is available **\$90**  
Assigned table for 10 at Jazz Brunch **\$900**

## SATURDAY NIGHT

**Concert (TBD)**

**Absolutely no cancellations, exchanges, or refunds after 30 April for merchandise, or 1 June for registration and events.**

## WCNA HOTELS

While we realize many people book rooms on their own, you really help the convention when you book rooms in our room block. Rates may not be available after 25 July 2024. Online reservations generate an immediate confirmation

**Please help us plan the best WCNA 38 possible by booking your room in our room block! Rooms are assigned when form is received. If first choice is not available, next choice is assigned.** Rooms will be added as space is needed.

## HOTEL DEPOSIT

\$200 cash/check deposit or credit card guarantee is required for each room and is charged at the time of cancellation or 30 days before the event. **Any reservation cancelled at any time after the reservation is made will incur a cancellation fee** (deducted from cash/check deposits or charged to the credit card used to hold the reservation), based on the following schedule:

- 🕒 **Hotel reservation cancellations made on or before 1 August 2024 will be assessed a \$50 cancellation fee.**
- 🕒 **Hotel reservation cancellations made after 1 August 2024 will be assessed a \$200 cancellation fee.**

Go to [WWW.NA.ORG/WCNA](http://WWW.NA.ORG/WCNA) to make your reservations & for most current information.

