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August 2019

2020 ABC/AWC News

The **2020 ABC/AWC** will be held at the Renaissance Hotel in Boca Raton, Florida. More information, including registration, will be coming soon to the [Convention Website](#).

Dates:

Annual Business Conference - April 23 & 24, 2020

ACA World Convention - April 24 (evening), 25 & 26, 2020

2020 ABC Call for Proposals

Each year the ACA World Service Organization (WSO) holds an ACA Annual Business Conference (ABC) in April. In anticipation of this event, all registered groups within the fellowship have the opportunity to create proposals of global interest that may then be considered for inclusion on the ABC Agenda.

We are pleased to announce the official Call for Proposals for the 2020 ABC. All pertinent information is being mailed to group contacts, as well as being posted on the [Ballot Prep Committee](#) page.

If your group does not receive this information directly through your WSO meeting contact, please [update your meeting](#) on the WSO website. Questions about the Proposal process can be directed to bpc@adultchildren.org.

WSO News

Addressing Predatory Behavior Working Group

In late August/early September, the APB working group will be scheduling a third fellowship wide Town Hall Call to present final draft of the ACA Commitment to Meeting Safety (safety card). Please check the [APB page](#) for details in coming weeks.

Archives Committee

Interested in ACA history? The Archives Committee is looking for members. We have concrete projects available. If interested, please contact the committee chair at archives@adultchildren.org.

Member Services - Members Subcommittee

We are currently working with the Website/Database Committee on adding updated and relevant content to the Adultchildren.org website for meetings and members. If you're interested in assisting with this project, please contact us at mpseditor@adultchildren.org. No web programming experience needed!

Service Network Committee

A first Concept Study Town Hall is scheduled for Sunday, August 18, at 11:30 am EDT, via ZOOM. The goal of this concept study will be 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; find your local number: <https://zoom.us/u/ac3j5Blsoa>. Contact svc@acawso.org for more details.

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 two 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](#).

Website/Database Committee News

Previous ABC-AWCs

The [ACA World Convention](#) site now has links to speakers and workshops, as well as pictures from previous ABC/AWCs.

Intergroup Search

New feature: Visitors to the [Intergroup Listing](#) now have the capability of searching for Intergroups by nearest City, State, or Zip Code.

Annual Intergroup Updates

WSO asks that Intergroups review/verify their records at least once a year by submitting an updated registration form. There is a step-by-step [Intergroup Update](#) page to help.

New Pages on Adultchildren.org

[Newcomer pages](#) were added to the Adultchildren.org website to help those new to ACA identify with the problem of growing up in an alcoholic or dysfunctional family, recognize how they may have been affected, find hope that emotional sobriety does exist, and beginning their journey.

Resource Spotlight

New Intergroup Discount Codes - Discounts Without Case Quantities

The Intergroup Discount Program has undergone an overhaul and there is a new procedure for placing orders to receive the IG discount starting August 1st.



We will no longer be selling items as bulk lots (cases) and have eliminated the Intergroup category from our website. All items will be sold as individual units.

This is good news! This means that Intergroups will no longer have to purchase an entire lot of items in order to receive the IG discount. Instead of purchasing pre-discounted bulk lots, you will now be able to purchase items in whatever quantities you wish and still receive the IG discount as long as your cart meets the order minimum of \$100.

To receive the IG discount, you will now have to apply a Discount Code to your order during checkout. This code is specific to your Intergroup Purchasing account email and cannot be used by any other account. Simply enter your assigned discount code in the Discount Code box during checkout to receive the discount on any IG order over \$100.

Your registered Intergroup Literature purchaser will get an email message with their specific IG discount code.

If your intergroup does not have a designated Literature purchaser, [sign up now!](#)

For more information on forming an Intergroup, please contact intergroups@adultchildren.org.

Featured Meetings & Events

Red Flags, Yellow Flags, and Green Flags in Relationships

Saturday, Aug 31 -- 10am to 11:30am -- Thousand Oaks, CA

[Event Flyer](#)

Fall Recovery Weekend - Intimacy: Love, Lust or Pity

September 6 - 8th -- Bloomingdale, NJ

[Event Flyer](#)

2nd Annual ACA Montana Retreat

September 13 - 15th -- Lakeside, MT

[Event Flyer](#)

34th Annual Fall Beach Retreat

September 20 - 22nd -- Ft Caswell, NC

[Event Flyer](#)

31st Annual Fall Mountain Retreat

September 20 - 22nd -- San Bernardino Mountains, CA

[Event Flyer](#)

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

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

[Event Website](#)

[See More Events](#)

[Submit Your Event](#)

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 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](#).

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 #8

"The Trustees of the World Service Organization ... are the principal planners and administrators. They and their primary committees directly manage these affairs." You can find the [12 Concepts of Service here](#).

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.



Forward the Traveler to a Friend

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.

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 Anonymous; & Adult Children of Alcoholics and Dysfunctional Families.

For more information visit:

www.adultchildren.org



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