

reetings! Are you excited yet? We know we are. Labor Day weekend is rapidly approaching, and that means the start of WCNA 34 is almost here. The most common rumor we have heard lately about the convention is that we are "sold out". We are very pleased to report that we have a record number of pre-registrants for WCNA 34 but we have plenty of room and provisions to accommodate onsite registrants. Please tell your friends who are not yet registered to join us. We also still have hotel rooms available. You can find them at the following link: https://resweb.passkey.com/go/WCNA34 or on the world convention page at na.org.

We are pleased to provide you with the following information about how to prepare for the 34th Annual World Convention of Narcotics Anonymous. The world convention is always a special opportunity for the fellowship to come together and celebrate recovery in Narcotics Anonymous, and we hope this information will help you plan for the best convention yet. Additional information about San Diego and its attractions, including discount tickets, can be found at http://meetmeinsandiego.com/wcna.

Registration

The World Convention of Narcotics Anonymous is a unique celebration of recovery for us in that it is one that truly belongs to our entire worldwide fellowship. Members from more than 42 countries from all around the globe have pre-registered. We strive to do our best to make this event one that is both welcoming to all and responsible with fellowship funds. One common question we hear about WCNA is why it costs more than most area and regional conventions. This information should help answer that question.

The simplest explanation is that there is a tremendous difference between a world convention and the vast majority of local conventions. WCNA requires the use of a major convention center and an assortment of hotels, while most area and regional events are held in a single hotel. Looking at the price of a world convention next to the price of a local convention is simply not an equal comparison.



The core expenses (in other words the overall cost for this world convention) will exceed 1.5 million dollars. With 13,100

registered those expenses are \$111 each, a difference from the actual registration costs of \$99 onsite and \$89 or \$79 for pre-registration. Of that \$111, the core expenses for the convention break down as follows. We spend \$42, the largest proportion (38%), on registration and activities—all of the information distributed about the convention in advance, the registration packets, dances each night, and the entertainment for the two coffee houses and the festival, all of which are included with your registration. Over a third of the expenses (37% or \$40) go to facilities—the rental of the convention center, set-up, tear-down,

clean-up, security, and audio-visual support. The next largest expense is administration—credit card fees, travel, equipment—which accounts for 13% of the core expenses (\$14). Program is 11% (\$12) and includes speakers travel, translations, unity day, and convention center staffing. Finally, only 2% of the registration monies (\$2) cover expenses related to the help of a fantastic WCNA workgroup. The gap between the actual cost of the convention and what is covered by the price of registration is made up by revenue from sales of merchandise and event tickets.

We've always done our best to project potential attendance at each event by carefully considering past attendance numbers. Because so many other factors are involved in whether members decide to travel to a particular city in a particular year, we continue to emphasize the importance of pre-registration. We have made it our goal to put our constant focus on convention registrants. And why are we telling you all of this? Because we want you to understand that the cost of registration is priced as it is because the cost of putting on the convention is indeed high. It seems irresponsible to spend the fellowship's funds on costs for those who choose not to register. We try to accommodate those who are new by providing thousands of newcomer registrations for those with 30 days clean or less, with the help of members who register and those who make newcomer contributions.

Registration badges are required in order to gain entry to or be inside of any of the special events, as well as to access the convention center itself beyond the registration lobby. You can help us enforce this.

And the most important question . . . What's in it for me?

The cost of registration is what helps make the world convention possible. The space for all of the main meetings and workshops costs a great deal of money, and while it would be nice if the convention could be paid for entirely by registration fees, we still have not reached that point. The difference is made up through revenue from merchandise sales and ticketed events. Your convention registration badge gives you admission to the coffee house events, the Friday Night

Festival, and dances. All other events require a ticket to attend. And as we mentioned earlier, you must wear your badge both to enter any of these events and to participate in them. Anyone not wearing a badge will not be able to go beyond certain points in the San Diego Convention Center (SDCC), which is where these special events covered by registration and most of the convention workshops and main meetings will be held.

At this convention we are offering access to the merchandise room in Ballroom 6 of the convention center for **pre-registrants only** on Thursday, the first day of merchandise sales. Only those with pre-registration badges will be allowed entrance to the store during these hours. The merchandise room will be open for all on Friday and Saturday.

Additional Needs and Shuttles

There will be no regular shuttles provided by WCNA 34 for transportation to the convention center. All of our hotels are in close proximity to the center and the cost of providing this for our long days and hours is prohibitive. We will be providing ADA shuttles for those who are physically challenged. Our shuttle company, Seat Planners, will have a table in Lobby D of the center and you can also call from your hotel for a pick up. Seat Planners number is 619-921-0173. The hotels in our room block will also have this number in order to help you.

As previously reported, WCNA is not providing scooters or wheelchairs. Local rental companies are available for that equipment (see link below). Volunteers are available throughout the convention to assist those with additional needs in a variety of ways. While all convention facilities are wheelchair-accessible, special seating areas identified for those with additional needs may vary from facility to facility. Please ask volunteers posted at the doors for direction and assistance to the designated areas. Line monitors may be helping disabled persons to the front of all lines. Please be patient with volunteers as they attempt to assist those who

require special assistance.

Reserved seating will be available at all main meetings and events for those with additional needs. However, we are required to provide those with additional needs with *equal access* to meetings and events within the physical constraints of the venue. In order to make this possible, designated seating may **not** be located in the front rows of main meetings and ticketed events. When designated seating in the front is full, ushers or volunteers will direct you to the next available designated area. In most cases, space will be based on availability and on a first-come, first-served basis.

GETTING FROM THE AIRPORT TO YOUR HOTEL

SuperShuttle is offering a discount on shuttle transportation to your hotel of \$1 for a one-way trip and \$2 for round trip purchases. Click on

http://www.supershuttle.com/default.aspx?GC=CFHX3 or call 1.800.blue.van and use code CFHX3.

Members who want to rent a car during WCNA 34 can get a 10% discount from Enterprise Rent-A-Car by following calling the VIP number: 888 484 4683 or by following the link below. Mention account number L32F156 to make the reservation.

http://www.enterprise.com/car_rental/deeplinkmap.do?bid=002&cust=L32F156

For members who wish to rent a scooter or wheelchair, please use the following link: http://www.scootaround.com/rentals/n/na

NAWS does not endorse or affiliate with any of the businesses listed above.

WCNA 34 HOTELS

Group discounted rates are available by booking online! PLEASE DO NOT CALL THE HOTEL DIRECTLY IF MAKING RESERVATIONS OR CHANGES PRIOR TO 25 AUGUST. Make all changes https://resweb.passkey.com/go/WCNA34 through 25 August 2011. After 25 August, please contact the hotel directly.

1.	Embassy Suites Hotel San Diego Bay–Downtown	(619) 239-2400
2.	Hard Rock Hotel San Diego	(619) 702-3000
3.	Hilton San Diego Bayfront Hotel	(619) 564-3333
4.	Hilton San Diego Gaslamp Quarter	(619) 231-4040
5.	Holiday Inn on the Bay	(619) 232-3861
6.	Horton Grand Hotel	(619) 544-1886
7.	Hotel Indigo	(619) 727-4000
8.	Manchester Grand Hyatt San Diego	(619) 232-1234
9.	Omni San Diego Hotel	(619) 231-6664
10.	San Diego Marriott Marquis & Marina	(619) 234-1500



Fax reservations

If you choose to make your reservation on the printed housing form via fax, please allow two business days to process the form. Your reservation will be confirmed via email. If there is a problem with your reservation, we will contact you via the phone number provided.

Want to extend your stay?

If you want to extend your stay over dates not available, you may choose to waitlist the additional nights online. ConferenceDirect, the official housing bureau, will work to clear your additional nights and send an updated acknowledgment once confirmed.

Support WCNA

To make WCNA cost effective, we have negotiated special room rates and have committed to a block of rooms at our official hotels. In return, they are providing meeting space and other considerations based on using a specific number of sleeping rooms. We ask you to support WCNA by reserving your sleeping accommodations within the room block. Your support allows us to keep our registration fees reasonable.

Housing Bureau

The housing bureau will have a desk in Room 16B on the mezzanine level of the convention center. Those people who have not reserved a room for the convention and wish to do so, or who need help resolving problems with confirmed reservations, can stop by the desk for assistance. Hotel rooms are based on availability and may not be located within walking distance of the convention center.

Hotel Credit Card Charges

If you made your original reservation using a credit card, please know that the hotels have not charged your credit card yet and may not do so until you arrive. You will need to present the card at check-in, regardless.

A note about credit cards and ATM/check cards: Some of us have grown accustomed to using an ATM/debit card instead of a regular credit card. Please note that the hotel will charge your ATM or check card for the FULL amount of your stay upon check-in and hold an additional amount to cover anticipated incidental charges (phone, movies, etc.) for all the nights you are staying at the hotel, potentially tying up funds you might have been relying on for food, shopping, or recreation.

For those of you using regular credit cards, be sure you have enough credit to pay for your room and cover any additional deposits the hotel may require to cover your incidental charges. If you do not have a credit card, the hotels require you to pay the full cost of the room upon arrival, and to put down a refundable security deposit for incidentals (phone, movie charges, etc.).

Cancellation Policy

A \$200 cash/check deposit or credit card guarantee is required for each room and is charged at 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 after 15 July 2011 will be assessed a \$200 cancellation fee.

A kind note about calling the hotel "just to be sure": Please do not call your hotel "to be sure" until after 25 August 2011. Processing reservations from the housing bureau into the hotel system will take a few days. Rest assured that if you received an acknowledgement number already from the housing bureau, the hotel will honor your booking. Thank you for your consideration.

After 25 August 2011, all reservation changes can be made by contacting the hotel directly.

CLIMATE, WEATHER, AND DRESS

Predicting the weather is a losing proposition but we can tell you that the average high temperature in San Diego in late August and early September is 74 degrees Fahrenheit. In spite of the mild temperatures, the direct sunshine in San Diego is still strong, so take heed of these suggestions from physicians and the local Red Cross to help you avoid heat exhaustion, dehydration, heatstroke, and sunburn:

Drink water: At least six to eight 8-ounce glasses of water or fruit juice (with a 50 percent water-juice concentration) during the day.

Wear cool fabrics: Natural fibers in light colors work best. Wear a wide-brimmed hat or cap. Avoid dark clothing that can absorb heat. Wear layers since temperatures vary widely on the ocean and in the SDCC.

Use sunscreen: A minimum SPF of 15.

Shade your eyes: UVA sunglasses.

Be cautious: If you take antihistamines or diuretics, remember that they can rapidly deplete your body of fluids.

WCNA 34 GENERAL INFORMATION

This section of the newsletter outlines information about some of what you can expect during the actual convention. Please note that the primary location for the convention is the San Diego Convention Center (SDCC).

Registration

You will be able to pick up pre-registration packages and pre-registration merchandise or register onsite in Hall D, located on the lobby level of the SDCC.

Registration will be open during the following hours:

Wednesday 11:00 am to 6:00 pm Thursday and Friday 9:30 am to 6:30 pm

8:30 pm to 10:00 pm

Saturday 9:30 am to 6:30 pm

We are not responsible for the replacement of lost convention registration badges; we will not give you another badge if yours is lost or stolen. There are no refunds on registrations or special events.

Newcomer Packages

We would like to thank all of you who made a donation for the newcomer, as the number of packages we can offer is contingent upon the donations received. In the belief that we can only keep what we have by giving it away, we offer this opportunity for members to make this special donation to pay for the convention registration of newcomers with 30 days cleantime or less. We have reached out to treatment centers in the San Diego area to try to ensure that as many newcomers as possible have an opportunity to attend the convention.

Newcomer registration packages are available on a first-come, first-served basis. The money collected for newcomer donations determines the number of newcomer packages we can distribute. Hours for newcomer badge pickup will be posted in Hall D located on the ground level of the convention center.

Payment by Checks and Credit Cards

WCNA 34 accepts the following credit cards: VISA, MasterCard, Diners Club, Discover, and American Express. All payments by check must be preapproved at desks outside the merchandise and registration areas. WCNA reserves the right to refuse a check from anyone.

Speaker Check-in

Upon arrival at the convention, all main and workshop speakers should check in *as soon as possible* with program. On Wednesday, speaker sign in will be located at the CI booth in Lobby D. From Thursday on, the program office will be in Room 11A/B on the upper level of the convention center. In addition, all speakers and chairpersons should report to their respective meeting rooms 15 minutes before the start of their scheduled meeting or workshop.

WCNA Merchandise

In addition to preregistration merchandise, we have a huge diversity of WCNA 34 Merchandise available for sale onsite. Quantities are by necessity limited, so please shop as soon as you are able. The Merchandise Room is located on the upper level of the SDCC in Ballroom 6. The merchandise room will be open during the following hours (or until we sell out):

Thursday 10:00 am to 6:00 pm (for pre-registrants only)

Friday and Saturday 10:00 am to 6:00 pm

NAWS Onsite and Historical & Fellowship Displays

We have a large are on the mezzanine of the SDCC, in room 15A/B and 16A for a display of our history, literature, and memorabilia from our fellowship around the world. We will also have a new soft cover (and less expensive) version of Miracles Happen as well as many of our specialty items for sale. We will have a video playing in the lobby outside of these rooms as well as a coffee and sweets concession with tables and chairs. So come and check it out and hang out for awhile.

Thursday thru Saturday 10:00 am to 6:00 pm

Convention Information

If you get lost, dazed or confused, or just don't know where to go, WCNA volunteers are here to help answer questions, arrange handicapped-accessible transportation, provide directions to an event, help you get around town to hotels or restaurants, and more. Please visit the convention information booth located in Lobby Hall C on the ground level of the convention center. The booth will be open during the following hours:

Wednesday 11:00 am to 9:00 pm Thursday and Friday 9:00 am to 7:00 pm 9:30 pm to 12:30 am

Saturday 9:00 am to 6:00 pm

The convention information phone number is 619.525.6217.

Meetings and Entertainment

WCNA 34 features a stacked lineup of top-notch events and entertainers. This can change quickly but right now our only two sold out events are the two boat cruises.

Wednesday

Dinner Boat Harbor Cruise

This cruise around the breathtaking San Diego Harbor includes dinner and two simultaneous recovery meetings. The boat departs from Marriot Marina Gate 3 Dock F which is directly behind the Marriott Hotel. Members can get in line as early as **6:00 pm**, and boarding will start at **6:30 pm**. The boat will embark at **7:00 pm** and will disembark at **9:15 pm**.

Dance

For early arrivals, there is a 70s-80s DJ dance at the Manchester Grand Hyatt Elizabeth **Ballroom** starting at **10:00 pm**.

Marathon Meetings will also be held at the Hyatt, in the Gallery (located behind the hotel near the water), from 7pm on Wednesday non-stop until 10am Sunday.

For those of you who arrive after registration is closed and have not received a program, there will also be two pre convention speaker meetings at the Marriott Hotel on Wednesday. You will find these meetings in the Marriott Hall from 7-8:30pm and 9-10:30pm. The printed program has the first meeting listed as starting at 6pm in error. There will be no activities other than registration in the SDCC on Wednesday but we open WCNA 34 officially with meetings beginning at 10am on Thursday. We have over seventy workshops, eleven main meetings, nine World Board Forums, and four PR Forums planned over the days of the convention.

Thursday

In addition to the marathon meetings already mentioned, we will have oh so many meetings running from 10am through 1am. Our kickoff speaker meeting begins at noon and the evening meeting at 7pm with a special welcome to San Diego.

The SDCC is providing us with a variety of concessions throughout the center for food, coffee, etc. There will be maps available showing where these are located.

Rock Coffee House

Open to all registered attendees, the Thursday Night Rock Coffee House will provide everyone with plenty of reason to get up and get their feet moving. Starting off the night is **Blackout Blues Band**, a group of NA members who get the audience moving with just the right mix of old blues, sixties R&B, and seventies blues-rock. They will be followed by VIII **Days Clean,** a heavy rock band whose members have grown from homeless, self-indulgent junkies to a group with a message for the world. Finally, **Led Zepagain** will bring the night to a rocking conclusion with the heart and soul of classic Led Zeppelin tunes. The Rock Coffee House will begin at **9:30 pm** in **SDCC Sails Pavilion**.

Comedy Show

For our ticketed comedy event, we are delighted to feature the unique comedic stylings of **Sinbad**. The comedy show will take place in **SDCC Hall B** starting at **10:00 pm**.

Dance

A DJ dance at the Manchester Grand Hyatt Manchester Ballroom starts at 10:00 pm.

Midnight Boat Cruise

Come party on the San Diego Bay with the midnight boat cruise, departing from the 5th Avenue Landing, behind the Bayfront San Diego Hilton. Participants can line up at 10:30 pm and board beginning at 11:00 pm. Embarking at 11:30 pm, this cruise features two DJs on separate decks to provide plenty of music to get everyone dancing. One DJ will blaze through an eclectic assortment of rock and R&B, and another will offer a mix of hip hop beats and house music. The boat will return and disembark at 2:15 am.

Friday

We are keeping a similar schedule to Thursday, with a great variety of meetings running from 10am through 1am. We start the day with an Oldtimers Panel, have an afternoon speaker at 2pm, and the main evening meeting at 7.

We will be conducting our membership survey at the evening main meeting. Survey forms will be distributed before the main meeting Friday night, and we encourage all members to complete the anonymous questionnaire (one per person, please) and give it to an usher or drop it in one of the boxes on the way out of the meeting. After that meeting, survey forms will also be available in the NAWS onsite office and online at www.na.org/survey. This process helps our fellowship provide important information to those who make decisions that affect the lives of addicts who have not yet found NA.

Blues Luncheon

At this Friday ticketed event beginning at **12 Noon** in the **SDCC Sails Pavilion**, we will once again be treated to one of the brightest stars on the blues scene - **Kenny Wayne Shepherd**, boasting numerous accolades for his incredible music career. Doors open for lunch at 11:45 am, lunch is served until 1 pm, the music begins at 1pm, and our speaker begins at 2pm.

Friday Night Festival

Entertainment will be provided for all registrants on Friday night at **9:45 pm** in **SDCC Sails Pavilion**, including food, fellowship, fun, and high-energy music to help us celebrate *In the Spirit of Unity*. **Trombone Shorty and Orleans Avenue** will kick things off with some "supafunkrock," followed by the electrifying fusion sounds of **Ozomatli**.

Dance

A DJ dance at the **Manchester Grand Hyatt Manchester Ballroom** starts at **10:00 pm**.

Saturday

Again a great variety of meetings with participants from around the world running from 10am through 1am. We have an afternoon speaker meeting at 2 and our main meeting starts at 7. We will open the meeting with a special surprise from some our Japanese members and have a clean time countdown.

Jazz Brunch

The Saturday morning ticketed event, starting at **10:00** am in the **SDCC Sails Pavilion**, features food, a meeting, and the legendary music of smooth jazz musician **Brian Culbertson**, bringing his very best from an impressive collection of twelve albums and counting. Doors open at 9:45 am, brunch is served until 11 am, music begins at 11, and our speaker begins at Noon.

R&B Coffee House

The Saturday Night Coffee House, open to all registrants, starts at **10:00 pm** in **SDCC Sails Pavilion**. The evening begins with the work of **The Pledger Principle Band**, composed of NA members and featuring the sultry vocals of Peggy P. After that, it's the romantic ballads and dance-party hits of legendary soul artists **Con Funk Shun**.

Main Concert

Our Saturday night ticketed concert begins at 10:30 pm in SDCC Hall B. The night begins with classic American performers Vanilla Fudge and their signature "psychedelic symphonic rock," and Blue Öyster Cult will take the stage to rock stone cold classics and vibrant sound.

Dance

A DJ dance at the **Manchester Grand Hyatt Manchester Ballroom** starts at **10:00 pm**. In addition, a Euro-themed techno dance begins at the same time in the **Marina Ballroom at the Marriott Hotel**.

Sunday

We will close out WCNA 34 on the high note of **World Unity Day** at 10:30am. The geographic countdown will be at this meeting as we are joined by members from around the globe.

San Diego Padres Game

Join more than 600 WCNA attendees to watch the Padres play the Colorado Rockies at the stadium directly across from the SDCC. Game begins at **1:05 pm.**

Children

Please note that there is no childcare for children. Children aged 13 and under are eligible for specially marked child badges at no charge, but they must also be accompanied by an adult at all times during the convention. Children over the age of 13 must have a registration badge to gain access to the convention center and any of our activities. In addition, they must have a ticket to enter all ticketed events. We ask for your support and cooperation with the volunteers who are working the doors of events.

World Board and PR Forums

The World Board will also be hosting an assortment of discussion forums, and we encourage you to attend. Subjects to be covered include the issue discussion topics (IDTs): self-support, *In Times of Illness*, and A Vision for NA Service; plus there will be a series of forums on our service system, a session on the new resource, *Planning Basics*, and a session on the topic of social media/social networking.

In addition to the assortment of World Board Forums, there will be a variety of Public Relations Forums at WCNA 34. Two of these will address some of the newest service resources produced to help in local service efforts, *PR Basics* and *H&I Basics*. Two other forums will include panels to discuss what NA is doing to build and maintain cooperative relationships outside of NA with professionals whose work routinely brings them into contact with drug addicts.

Marathon Meetings

Manchester Grand Hyatt Gallery

Twenty-four-hour marathon meetings will be held at the Manchester Grand Hyatt beginning at 7:00 pm on Wednesday and ending at 10:00 am on Sunday. The marathon meetings will be located in the Gallery, an indoor/outdoor meeting room on the harbor with coffee stations right next to it.

Marathon meetings are closed meetings, open only to addicts or those who think they may be addicts. If you want to volunteer to chair a meeting, please go to the program office located in Room 11A/B on the upper level of the convention center.

First Aid

A first aid office is available in Room 7A at the SDCC for basic first aid services. There are also courtesy phones in the convention center for use in case of a serious emergency. There is a small sign at the courtesy phones that gives the security phone number for emergencies.

Jewelry Sales

The official WCNA vendor selling NA and convention jewelry is Parable Designs. They are located in Room 5A/B on the upper level of the SDCC. The jewelry vendor is not limited to preregistrants at any time, but will be open to all registrants for the duration of the convention.

Wednesday thru Friday 10:00 am to 12:00 midnight Saturday 9:00 am to 2:00 pm

Alternative Merchandise

San Diego Convention Center Ballroom 6

Sunday 12:30 pm to 2:30 pm

Groups, areas, and regions from around the world will be selling merchandise left over from their own events. This is the time for you to see many different items that represent a truly worldwide fellowship. The alternative merchandise store will be held at Ballroom 6 on Sunday. Only approved regions and areas may sell their merchandise in this room. No private vendors are permitted. In order to be approved to sell in the store, the vendor must be selling on behalf of a registered NA service body and must have a WCNA approval certificate.

To obtain a certificate you must have submitted an application in advance. Please pick up your approval certificate at the operations office located in Room 16B on the mezzanine level of the convention center by noon on Friday, 2 September. Everyone must also follow all established regulations regarding loading merchandise into Ballroom 6, as required in our facility agreements. These regulations are described in the alternative merchandise registration packet. WCNA is not permitted to make exceptions to these procedures. No applications will be accepted onsite.

It is not uncommon to see people selling merchandise with our logos on it outside the facilities or even sometimes inside the hotels. The sale of merchandise by anyone in any convention facility or hotel is strictly prohibited. Violators will be subject to immediate removal. Please help us enforce this by buying merchandise only at official WCNA sales areas.

Nar-Anon

In the spirit of cooperation, not affiliation, WCNA 34 has provided space for Nar-Anon to hold meetings throughout the weekend in Room 1A/B on the upper level of the convention center. The Nar-Anon registration table will be located in the Hall D Lobby. Nar-Anon members will need a WCNA badge to attend the Coffee House events, Friday Night Festival, and Dances.

Speaker CDs and MP3s

The official vendor for selling speaker CDs and MP3s is Sound Images. They are selling recordings of individual meetings as well as a package of the entire event. Sound Images will be located in Lobby Hall C on the ground level of the convention center from 9:00 am to 1:00 am Thursday through Saturday and from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm Sunday.

Volunteer Information

If you would like to volunteer to be of service, or if you have already volunteered and want to be directed to your assigned area, please go to the convention information booth in Lobby Hall D on the ground level of the convention center. If you have yet to volunteer, please consider how much help is needed to keep everything running smoothly. Volunteering to serve is a wonderful way to meet people and enhance your convention experience.

World conventions always rely on the efforts of the local fellowship and volunteers before and during the convention. The NA communities of San Diego and surrounding regions, and especially the WCNA Support Workgroup, have continued this tradition of service to make WCNA 34 a success. We take this opportunity to thank them.

WCNA 35—Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Flyers and information about the Thirty-Fifth World Convention of NA, celebrating the 60th anniversary of Narcotics Anonymous, will be available in 2012. For more information about the city, the Philadelphia Convention and Visitors Bureau will have an information desk available in Lobby Hall C on the ground level of the San Diego Convention Center.

TRANSPORTATION IN AND AROUND SAN DIEGO

Hotel shuttle transportation

Shuttle services will not be provided by WCNA 34.

Parking at the Convention Center

Onsite private vehicle parking is available at the San Diego Convention Center's 1,950-vehicle underground garage located below the building. Enter the parking garage on Harbor Drive between First Avenue and Fifth Avenue. The daily parking rate at the San Diego Convention Center is \$10. Payment is due upon entry, and there are no in-and-out privileges. No overnight or RV parking is permitted.

San Diego Trolley

Trolleys run approximately every 8-15 minutes **during normal operating hours** (posted at the trolley stops). The Blue Line and the Orange Line run from early morning to late evening, depending on the destination. All trolleys are wheelchair accessible, with lifts and positions for wheelchairs available nearest the doors. Trolley fares are \$2.50 each way. Day Tripper passes are available for up to four consecutive days with unlimited rides. The cost ranges from \$5 to \$15.

All tickets and day passes (except five-day passes) can be obtained at each trolley station ticket kiosk. These tickets are also good for the Metropolitan Transit System (MTS) public buses that run throughout San Diego and go to such attractions as Sea World, San Diego Zoo, Old Town, and much more.

For additional information, call the MTS office at 619.233.3004 during their operating hours:

Monday – Friday 5:30 am to 8:30 pm Saturday and Sunday 7:00 am to 7:00 pm

San Diego Convention and Visitors Bureau Tourist Information Booth

The San Diego CVB will have staff available during all hours of the convention at a tourist information booth located in Lobby Hall C on the ground level of the SDCC. The SDCVB staff can answer any questions you may have about the city of San Diego, restaurants, attractions, etc. We would like to extend our warmest thanks to the staff of the SDCVB for all their support and assistance in the planning of this convention.

As you can see by this brief overview, there is a lot going on at WCNA 34. Please pass this on to someone who is not registered (yet!). We look forward to seeing you *In the Spirit of Unity.*

