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Monthly Feature

 **ADULT CHILDREN OF ALCOHOLICS®**
WORLD SERVICE ORGANIZATION

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WELCOME TO ADULT CHILDREN OF ALCOHOLICS® / DYSFUNCTIONAL FAMILIES

Never before in the history of Twelve Step programs has a fellowship brought together such a diverse group of recovering people that includes adult children of alcoholics, codependents, and addicts of various sorts. The program is Adult Children of Alcoholics. The term "adult child" is used to describe adults who grew up in alcoholic or dysfunctional homes and who exhibit identifiable traits that reveal past abuse or neglect. The group includes adults raised in homes without the presence of alcohol or drugs. These ACA members have the trademark presence of abuse, shame, and abandonment found in alcoholic homes.

Our 30 years of experience has shown that adult children who attend our meetings, work the Twelve Steps, and find a Higher Power experience astonishing improvement in body, mind, and spirit. Ours is one of the few Twelve Step fellowships that embraces the difficult task of trauma work, which can often lead to an exciting journey to the Inner Child or True Self. Along with sponsorship, we encourage informed counseling to help the adult child accomplish the greatest level of emotional healing from an abusive upbringing.

Excerpted from Fellowship Text pp. xii-xiii (2006).

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The New Adultchildren.org Website is Live!

WSO News

WSO Meeting Teleconferences

On the second Saturday, of each month, the ACA WSO holds its monthly teleconference

meeting. The meeting begins at 2pm Eastern Time; the telephone number is 712-432-0075, access code 427266#. Minutes of past meetings can be found [here](#).

Check out ACAWSO.org

We also have a website dedicated to service in ACA, <https://acawso.org>. Find out more about the WSO service committees today.

Where will the AWC/ABC be in 2020?

We know it will be somewhere in North America. Groups and intergroups are being asked to apply to host in 2020. For more information or questions, please send an email to abc@adultchildren.org.

7th Tradition

Your World Service Organization relies on the support of ACA groups for meeting the Fellowship's service needs as much as meetings rely on the basket to pay their expenses. We are currently not fully self supporting in this area and ask groups and Intergroups that are able to make a contribution. The amount is not as important as is the spiritual act of the 7th Tradition in helping support your World Service Office. 7th Tradition Contributions can be made [online](#) or by mailing a check or money order payable to ACA WSO to 1458 E33rd St., Signal Hill, CA, 90755.

Public Service Announcements

ACA has two audio Public Service Announcements (PSAs) available for distribution to any outlet where mp3 files can be played for the public to hear (radio stations, internet, etc). They can be downloaded [here](#).

Resource Spotlight



3rd Quarter ComLINE Released

The latest edition of the ComLINE was released at the beginning of July. It is published quarterly with an emphasis on the Steps and Traditions. ACA members, throughout the world, share their experience, strength, and hope with articles, stories, drawings, and photos. The new edition, as well as past editions can be found on the ACA website's [ComLINE page](#).

Ready-Set-Go!

1 Day Program - Ferndale, Michigan

Saturday, August 11, 2018 [Event Flyer](#)

Recovery Weekend in Bloomingdale, New Jersey

"Overcoming the Anger of the Inner Child" - For all 12-Step Programs

September 7 - 9, 2018 [Event Flyer](#)

Retreat - First Ever Montana ACA Event

September 21 - 23, 2018 - Spruce Lodge/Glacier Camp, Lakeside, MT

[Event Flyer](#)

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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 to search for a meeting or for more detail on specific meeting types, visit the [Meeting](#), [Phone](#), [Skype](#) and [Internet](#) meeting information pages.

Events - For the latest list of ACA Events in North America sponsored by registered ACA Groups or Intergroups see the [ACA Events](#) page on adultchildren.org

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.

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