



October 2026

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Forward the Traveler to a Friend

A warm hello from ACA WSO. Here are a few important updates, opportunities, and resources for the month ahead.

Fellowship Highlights

Celebrate the 20th Anniversary of the Big Red Book

ACA WSO is inviting you to celebrate.

20th Anniversary
of the Fellowship Text
The Big Red Book

SPECIAL SPEAKER
Claudia B.*
One of the ACA Co-Founders
and Contributor to the BRB

TOPIC
The Big Red Book at 20:
**A Legacy of Hope, Healing
and Recovery**

Sunday, November 15, 2026
11:00 am - 1:00 pm ET

Zoom Meeting ID:
925 9626 1449
Passcode: 213455

* This presentation will be recorded.

Visit adultchildren.org
for more information

Please join ACA WSO to celebrate the 20th Anniversary of the BRB with special speaker, Claudia B, as a co-founder and contributor to the BRB. Hear “A Legacy of Hope, Healing and Recovery” on Nov 15th 11am-1pm EST.

[More information here](#)

FELLOWSHIP GROUP VOTE ON CONCEPT II (Two)
STARTING ON AUGUST 3 to DECEMBER 3, 2026

Group Voices Help Shape ACA - Vote on Proposed Concept II

Groups help shape ACA's future, including recovery literature and services supporting meetings worldwide. The proposed Concept II defines how groups give direction through the World Service Conference.

Every vote matters.

[Read More](#)

[Open Forum Town Hall Schedule - Next session October 17](#)

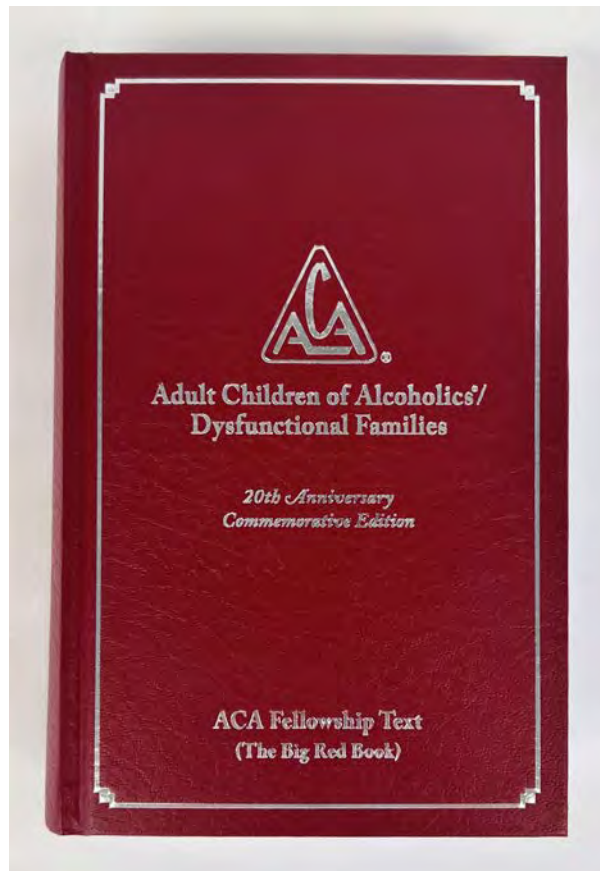
Details and resources:

<https://adultchildren.org/fellowship-group-voting-concept-2/>

<https://acawso.org/concepts-study-ad-hoc-committee/concept-2-fgv/>

In Fellowship,
ACA WSO Board of Trustees
FGV Advisory Team
Concepts Ad Hoc Committee

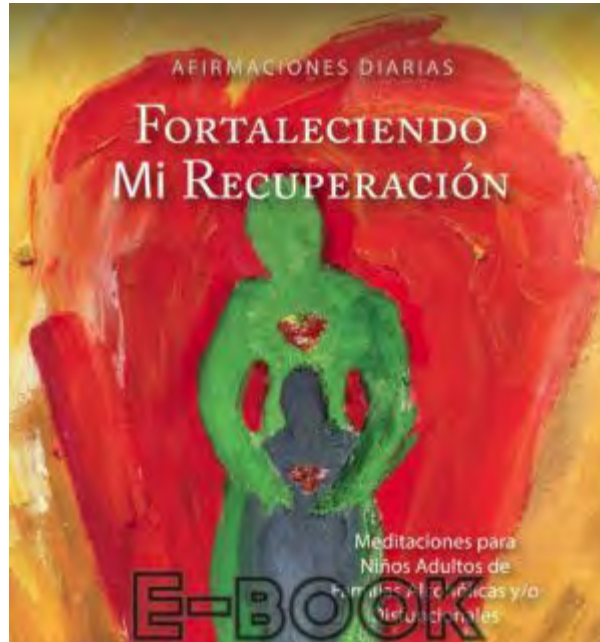
Now Shipping!
20th Anniversary of the Big Red Book



Celebrate 20 years of recovery with this special 20th Anniversary Edition of the ACA Big Red Book. Only 3,000 copies of this commemorative edition will be printed. Once they're gone, they're gone. Proceeds support ACA World Service

Organization programs, including translation, printing, and global outreach.

[Find out more.](#)



Spanish SMR E-Book Now Available!

Fortaleciendo mi recuperación fue escrito de forma anónima por miembros de ACA y es un libro de meditaciones diarias elaborado por y para la comunidad de Niños Adultos de Alcohólicos y/o Familias Disfuncionales (ACA/ACoA). Las semillas de este libro se plantaron durante la fase final de elaboración del Texto de la comunidad, también conocido como el Gran Libro Rojo (BRB).

USA Shopify [Link](#)

Canada Shopify [Link](#)

The book is also available on Amazon, Apple and Kobo

Literature Discount Changes October 5

ACA WSO is reminding Intergroups, Regions, and other eligible organizations that the literature discount will change from **30% to 15% effective October 5, 2026.**

The change is part of WSO's broader effort to bring expenses and revenue into sustainable balance while continuing to support the literature, services, and infrastructure relied upon throughout the ACA fellowship.

Orders placed and paid before October 5 will receive the current 30% discount.

Orders placed on or after October 5 will receive the new 15% rate.

Existing eligibility requirements remain unchanged.

Additional information about the change, who is affected, and the implementation timeline can be found [here](#).

¡En español! Annual World Convention (AWC) Encore Series

ACA Cancun Intergroup and AWC Planning Team proudly present a live encore presentation of Yrun C.'s "The Soul's Wound: A path from emptiness to light through introspective art" in Spanish (English subtitles available). October 24, 5-6:30 pm (EST)

Intergrupo ACA Cancún y la Convención Mundial Anual presentan "La Herida del Alma: Un camino del vacío a la luz a través del arte introspectivo" por Yrun C. en Español. (subtitulos en Inglés). 24 de Octubre, 5-6:30pm hora EST.

[Información del evento aquí](#)

[Más información aquí](#)

SAVE THE DATE!!

The next Annual World Convention will take place on Zoom from Friday, April 9, to Saturday, April 10, 2027. The theme is 'Reparenting Our Inner Family: From Isolation to Connection'.

[More information here](#)

Submit Applications to Present at the ACA AWC

ACA members are warmly invited to submit applications to present at the next ACA Annual World Convention, taking place on Zoom from April 9 to 10, 2027. Applications are open until **October 31, 2026**.

[More information here](#)

We Need Tech Help!

Share your skills and support ACA's global fellowship meetings and events. Your tech skills can help connect members around the world.

[For more information](#)

2026 AWC Presentations

The wait is over! The audio recordings from the 2026 Annual World Convention presentations are now available [online](#).

ACA Conference Dates through May 2027

The ABC Committee has confirmed that Board approval has been received for conference dates through May 2027, allowing for longer-range planning.

- CBM: January 30, 2027
 - ABC: May 15–16, 2027
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Discover How Intergroups Grow and Succeed

Meet others, ask questions, share ideas, brainstorm, and collaborate with others to carry the message to those who still suffer!

Check new meeting times for Intergroups Roundtable [here](#).



October is National Archives Month



October is National Archives Month! Please help ACA do its part in conserving our history by sending the office any old ACA related items you may have.

Contact info@acawso.org.



New from the ComLine Blog

Catch up on four recent ComLine stories exploring recovery, service, emotional sobriety, and the ways ACA can reshape how we understand ourselves and our relationships.

[Stepping into Service: A Wonderful Gift](#)

One Fellow Traveler reflects on how stepping into service deepened her recovery, strengthened connection, and opened the door to new growth.

[The ACA Promises Really Do Come True](#)

A personal reflection on Promises 10, 11, and 12 - and the gradual movement

from fear, judgement, and control toward healthier choices, trust, and loving service.

[A Better Way to Live](#)

After of decades of believing his father's alcoholism had not affected him, one member discovers how childhood emotional abandonment was still shaping his adult reactions - and how ACA helped him make the connection.

[ACA: My Journey to Emotional Sobriety](#)

Margaret L. shares how finding ACA, working the Steps, and connecting with a sponsor helped her move toward greater kindness, contentment, and emotional sobriety.

[Visit the blog](#)

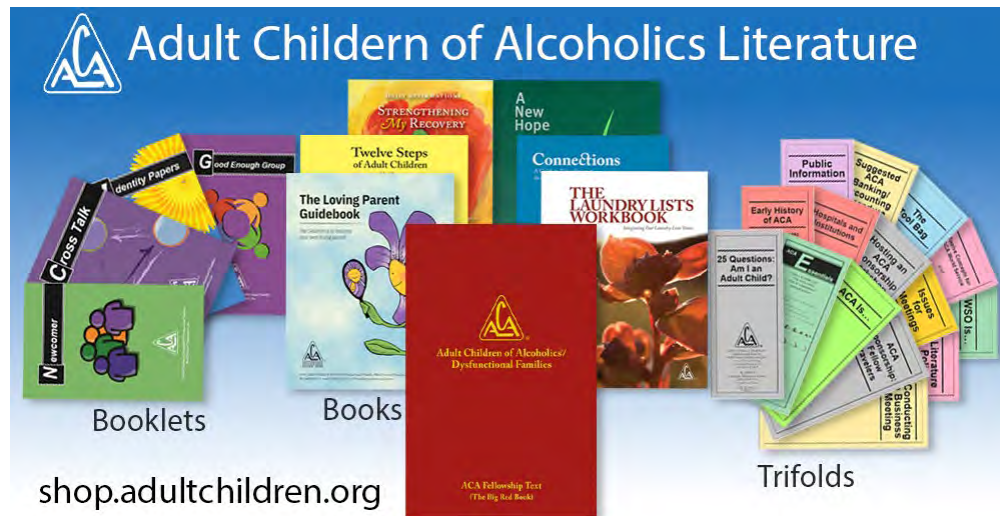
What is WSO - and Why Does It Matter?



If you've ever wondered what WSO does behind the scenes, this article offers a clear look at how world-level service supports the ACA fellowship.

[Learn about WSO](#)

Visit the Shop for ACA Approved Literature!



In the US order [here](#)
In Canada order [here](#)

**Is Your Group Outside of the US and
Canada?**

Order it here:

<https://adultchildren.org/international-literature-order-request-form/>

Ways to Participate

Opportunities for Service

The Nominating Committee is currently accepting applications for the Board of Trustees and the Nominating Committee. If you're interested, please contact us for more information. Please encourage your fellow travelers to consider applying.

[Read more](#)

The Teen Booklet Editing Team is Seeking Members

The Teen Booklet Editing Team is seeking members willing to help us with the final stages of typesetting and proofreading our edited version of Chapter 18 of the BRB.

Please contact William G-B (Slack or email at 163wgb@gmail.com)

The Loving Parent Daily Reader Team Seeks Volunteers

The Loving Parent Daily Reader Team seeks volunteers with writing, editing, or project management experience to organize and edit submissions for its meditation book project.

Mondays, 3:30 – 5:00 PM EDT

Contact lpdgr@acawso.org for details.

Help Lead Our ACA Fellowship into the Future

Recovery is a journey we take together—and that includes giving service that keeps our ACA Fellowship running. We are currently looking for new Trustees and Nominating Committee members...

[Learn more](#)

Submit an Article to the ComLine Blog and Share Your Experience, Strength, and Hope



Step Into Service

Service with WSO can be a meaningful path to healing, growth, and connection. Current opportunities include

- **Publishing Committee** -- roles for editors, writers, and organizers
- **Member Services, Regions & Intergroup, and Young Adult & Teens** -- team member, chair, and coordinator roles
- **On-site support at the ACA Service Office in California** -- help bundle literature, assemble meeting packets, and answer ACA-related calls

[Explore service opportunities](#)

Is Your Group's Listing Information Current?

If you are a public or private contact for a meeting, Intergroup, or Region, please take a moment to review your group's information

- For meetings: find your meeting and click [Update This Meeting](#)
- For Intergroups: find your Intergroup and click [Update Now](#)
- For Regions or general updates: email meetings@acawso.org

If your group contact(s) no longer attends your meeting please let us know.

Contact meetings@acawso.org to update your meeting's information.

Treasurer's Corner

Monthly Treasurer's Report now available. (Typically reflects data from the two previous months.)

[View Treasurer's Report](#)

A Simple "Ask" During 7th Tradition and ACA Announcements at Meetings

ACA WSO is currently encountering a budget shortfall for the great work it does to strengthen and grow ACA locally and worldwide. We need more groups giving something, regularly. Many meetings already do this, suggesting \$2 to \$3 per person at the basket, with \$5 recommended for those who are able.

We're asking every meeting to consider formally adopting a version of this same idea:

- Build a simple \$5-per-meeting (or \$5-per-member) suggestion into your Seventh Tradition ask at each meeting, alongside whatever your group already gives toward rent and literature. (Suggested Meeting language for your standard meeting script is attached below).
 - Apply the 50/25/25 guideline to that contribution once your prudent reserve is met, so your Intergroup, Region, and WSO each receive their suggested share.
 - Intergroups and Regions: please pass along your portion promptly so the funds keep moving through the structure as intended.
 - If your meeting doesn't have an Intergroup or Region, your full contribution is welcome to go directly to WSO.
 - Distribute the Attached flyer about WSO's work along with it's QR code for contributions
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Featured Meetings & Events

Concept II (Two) Town Hall

Oct 17 | [11:00 AM – 12:30 PM EDT](#) AND [9:00 PM - 10:30 PM EDT](#)

Learn more about the change to Concept II (Two) and how the Fellowship Voting Process works.

Meeting ID: 914 7666 4800

Passcode: 789982

ACA Fall Mountain Retreat 2026

Oct 16 - 18 | 6:00 PM - 6:00 PM EDT

A weekend of recovery, workshops, fellowship, and healing.

Camp de Benneville Pines, 41750 Jenks Lake Rd W.

Angelus Oaks, CA 92305

Sponsored by WSO IG625

[Find out more](#)

Literature, Publishing, and Translations Quarterly Open House

Oct 17 | 2:00 PM – 3:30 PM EDT

Meeting ID: 939 4120 8352

Passcode: LitCom3

Join Zoom Meeting: <https://zoom.us/j/93941208352>

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[See more events](#) | [Submit your event](#)

Ongoing Resources

Meetings - ACA WSO maintains a worldwide list of registered ACA meetings that take place in person, over the phone or online.

[Find a Meeting](#)

WSO Board of Trustees Meeting with the Fellowship

The ACA WSO Board holds its open meeting with the fellowship quarterly on the second Saturday using Zoom, at 2:00 PM EDT.

Note: The next Board Meeting is September 12th.

Zoom Meeting ID: 228 809 511 **Passcode:** 90755

For agendas, previous minutes, the Zoom access, and telephone information:

[Visit ACAWSO.ORG](#)

Daily Meditation and Traveler in Your Inbox

Receive ACA's *Meditation of the Day* by email, drawn from the **Strengthening My Recovery** book.

[Sign up for Daily Meditation Emails](#)

(Sign up to receive this [Traveler Newsletter](#) and other News from WSO)

Tradition Ten

Adult Children of Alcoholics has no opinion on outside issues; hence the ACA name ought never be drawn into public controversy.

[Read the 12 Traditions](#)

Concept X

Every service responsibility should be matched by an equal service authority—the scope of such authority to be always well defined whether by tradition, by resolution, by specific job description, or by the Operating Policy and Procedures Manual and bylaws.

[Read the 12 Concepts of Service](#)

About Adult Children of Alcoholics and Dysfunctional Families (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.

[Learn more at adultchildren.org](http://adultchildren.org)



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