

National A.A. Technology Workshop 2022

Moving Forward
Together



WHAT IS NAATW?

NAATW is the National AA Technology Workshop.

The Workshop is an annual event where those interested in using technology in service to Alcoholics Anonymous gather to share experience.

The Workshop is a place to share ideas, connect with other AAs interested in technology, and bring these ideas back to our respective homes.

We are an Organization.

As an organization we ensure the continuity of the Workshop; produce, preserve, and share the Workshop content (where possible); and act as a clearinghouse for connecting people interested in our mission of using Technology to serve AA's mission.

naatw.org/about-us

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WORKSHOP TOPICS

- Concepts and Technology
- Hybrid Meetings – Hands On
- Communication Channels in A.A.
- Digital Payment Platforms
- Innovation In AA
- Report and Discussion with AAWS Staff Regarding Technology
- AA Grapevine Technology
- Key Elements and Spiritual Ingredients of an A.A. Website
- \$13.66 a Year Website
- How We All Make Meeting Listings Better
- Translation and Meeting Interpretation
- Glide Apps
- Google Workspace and Microsoft 365

WORKSHOP TOPICS - AAWS (virtual)

- Clorinda V- Overview
Communications Service
Department
- Tracey M - Digital Products
Manager. Focus today on
AA.ORG and MEETING GUIDE
APP
- Patrick C - Public information
Desk
- Lorna B. - Director of GSO
Technology Services - The Hub
of the Wheel
- 2019 Audit: Need to be more
aggressive in how we
communicate the message
- 2020 the redesign. “I am” theme
as in I am looking for... Can
make quick changes to content
and be more responsive.
- Using Technology to assist
Corrections Correspondence.
- ERP - Enterprise Resource
Planning

ATTENDEES

- **75 In Person including**
- Niurka M - AA Grapevine and La Viña Director
- Josh from San Jose, CA – Creator of the Meeting Guide App
- Don M of Boulder, CO - past non-Trustee director. Past Grapevine Staff
- Delegates, Alt-Delegates, Web and Technology Chairs, Coders, Equipment Geeks, and more.
- **> 230 Online including**
- AAWS Staff
- NAATW Steering Committee Members
- Infirmed who could not travel
- Members from:
 - Sweden
 - Dubai
 - India
 - and more
- Area 16 Communications Committee Members

MEETING OWL 3

- 360° Camera
- Auto select Speaker
- Multiple Microphones
- Mobile App for Settings
- Highly Recommended at NAATW
- Around \$1,100



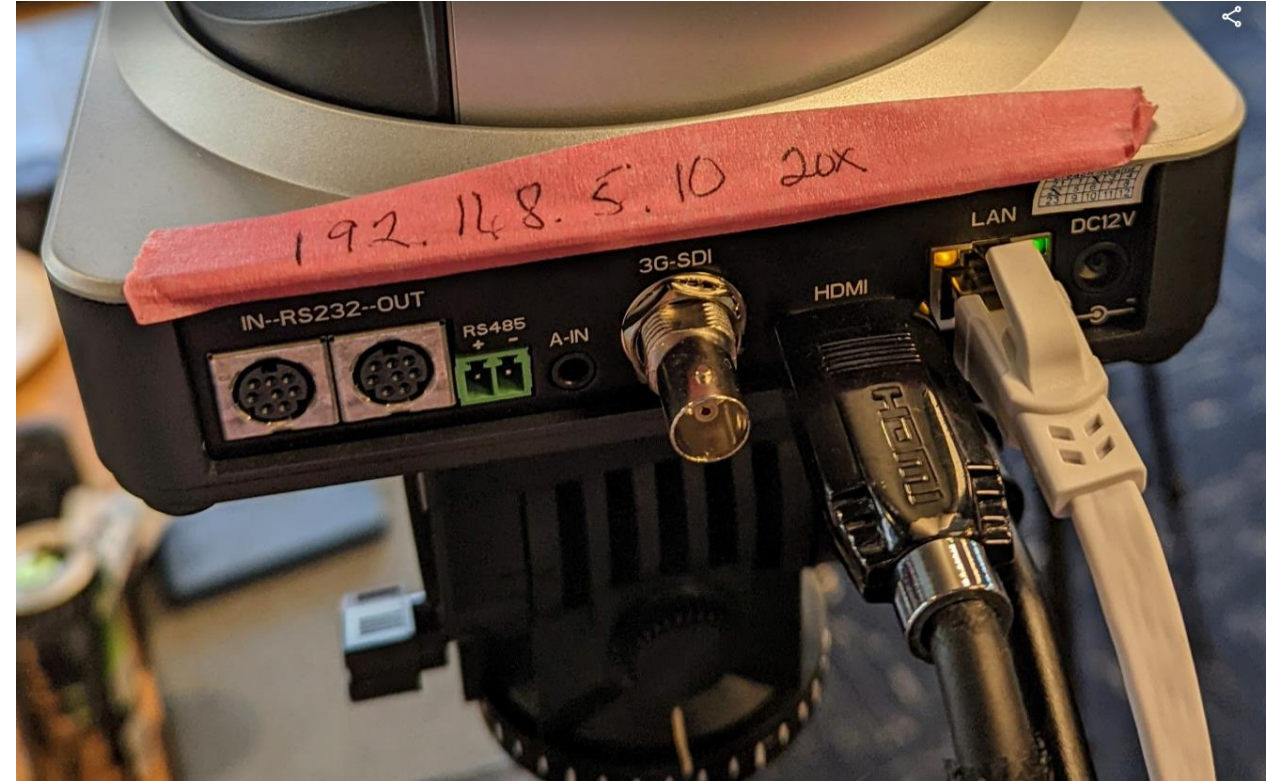
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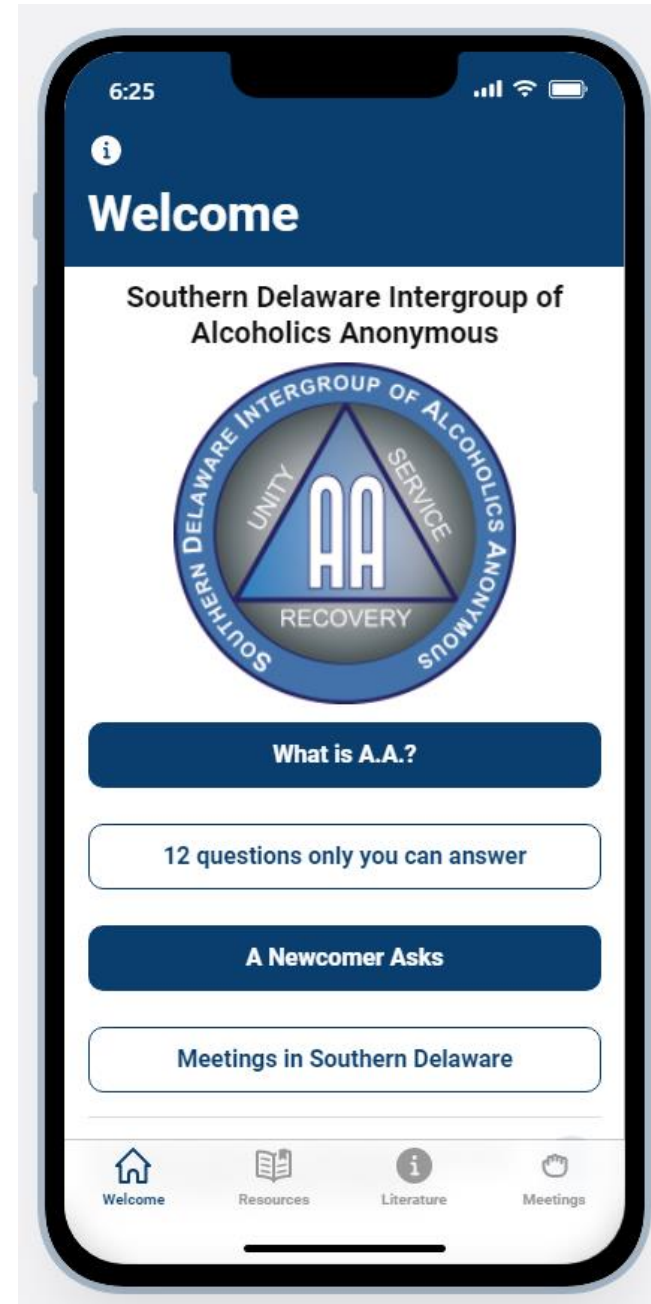
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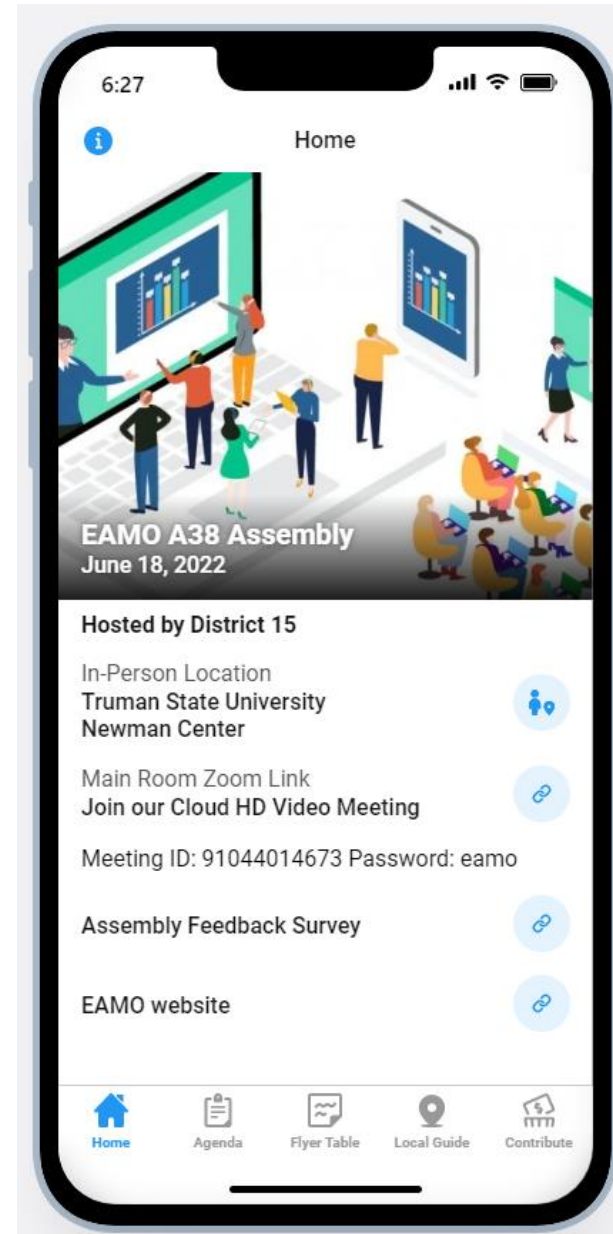
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- Use Google Sheets as the data source
- Free for the basic services
- SDIAA - Newcomer Packet
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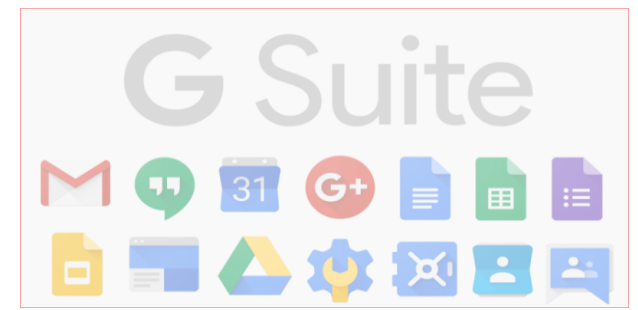
Sharing experience using Office 365 & Google Suite

Office 365

- **Outlook:** emails and calendar events
 - Role Based ID's of personal email accounts to maintain anonymity
 - Emails maintained after rotation
 - Distribution List
- **Sharepoint:** Document Storage & sharing
 - Documents stored on Sharepoint server vs personal devices
 - Files & Info maintained after rotation
- **Online Forms** (ex. Assembly Registration)
- **Teams:** Video conferencing and Collaboration
- **Office Apps:** Word, OneDrive, Ect



Sharing experience using Office 365 & Google Suite



Google Drive

- Set of productivity tools: Gmail, Google Drive, docs, sheets, calendar
- **Gmail and Google Calendar:** Email and Calendar events
- **Google Drive:**
 - Storage (Folder Structure)
 - Files, Achieving, Committee Reports
 - **Rotation:** transition easy when rotating, give the new person access to current email/role and change password
- **Forms:** used for information gathering



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Challenges

- Adoption
- Microsoft requires 85% usage for 90 days
- Users
 - Want to use their own personal accounts
 - Not familiar with shared document system and training is offered
 - Users cannot remember personal IDs & passwords
- Training and support takes resources and time

TAKE AWAYS

- Hybrid Area Assemblies tend to have higher participation and are more Accessible.
- Right Conflict breeds innovation.
- What is the proper level of Technology Role Rotation?
- Most Areas may be using WordPress as a Web Platform.
- Technology attracts young and old members into service.
- Many Areas have a Technology Chair.
- Quantity of Equipment has a point of diminishing return.
- Smaller websites can be VERY inexpensive.
- Adoption tends to follow innovation:
Build it and they will come - Or they won't.
- Meeting Owl 3 may be a great option for GSSA Committee Rooms.

Q & A

Thanks for the opportunity to be of service.