

2016 Adult Children of Alcoholics Convention



“Opening the Door to Emotional Sobriety”

Dr. Charles Whitfield, Keynote Speaker

February 26 — February 28, 2016
Crowne Plaza Hotel and Marina
Redondo Beach, California

**Register
Now and
Save**

**“The mission of the Adult Children of Alcoholics (ACA) Convention is to carry
the message of ACA recovery to adult children everywhere.”**

Welcome to the 26th Annual ACA Convention



In the United States today, one in every four children grows up in an alcoholic or otherwise dysfunctional home. The long term effects created by being raised in that type of environment can **negatively impact a person's self-esteem** and socialization skills for a lifetime if left untreated. The more we know, the more we grow! This year the convention theme is **"Opening the Door to Emotional Sobriety"**; a concept first introduced by Bill Wilson in 1958, the co-founder of Alcoholics Anonymous.

Understanding Emotional Sobriety and being able to apply it practically in our daily lives is an important key to lasting recovery. The ACA Convention provides a safe environment where Adult Children can meet like-minded Fellow Travelers, gain greater insight into their recoveries, and help spread the ACA message to those who still suffer. **There will be hourly ACA meetings, a series of helpful workshops, a keynote speaker's address and other social activities.** We look forward to seeing you at this exciting event!

Dr. Charles Whitfield, M.D., Keynote Speaker



Dr. Charles Whitfield, M.D. is our keynote speaker for 2016. He is a licensed psychotherapist in private practice with his wife Barbara in Atlanta, Georgia. **Together they specialize in working with ACA's and other trauma survivors in their recoveries.** Dr. Whitfield wrote the "Doctor's Opinion" in the **Big Red Book (BRB), ACA's fellowship text.** He is a nationally known speaker and an internationally recognized author, having written more than ten books and sixty articles in the fields of recovery and trauma psychology. Dr. Whitfield is a founding member of the National Association for the Children of Alcoholics. NACOA is an organization whose mission is to eliminate the adverse impact of alcohol and drug use on children and families. Friday night Dr. Whitfield will **share his personal experience, strength and hope at the "Dinner with Charles W".** Be a part of ACA history! You may never have this opportunity again.

Live from Redondo Beach, It's Saturday Night.



Join Tom Ogden for an evening filled with incredible magic and hilarious humor. **Tom is one of America's top comedy magic entertainers. He was voted "Parlor Magician of the Year" twice, at the world-famous Magic Castle in Hollywood.** Tom has opened for major comedy headliners and entertained President Ronald Reagan and a wide variety of celebrities. He has appeared in numerous television shows in addition to his stage performances in Las Vegas, Atlantic City, and Lake Tahoe. In addition to his comedy and magic, Tom is a guest speaker, Fellow Traveler and the author of more than a dozen books.

Convention Packages and Hotel Accommodations

Convention Packages

There are three convention packages and four registration periods. **Register early for bigger savings!**

3 day Registration with Meals: Includes admission to all speakers, workshops, meals, including "Dinner with Charles W.", the 10 year anniversary celebration of the BRB, Friday's Ice Breaker and the comedy/magic show/buffet dinner.

3 days Registration with no Meals - Includes admission to all speakers and workshops, Friday's Ice Breaker and the special anniversary celebration of the BRB.

Saturday only – includes all Saturday's activities except for meals and the magic show.

Registration Types:	Early Bird	Regular	Late	Walk-Up
	Postmarked By: 12/1/15	12/2/15-2/15/16	12/16/15-2/23/16	Same Day
3 days, including meals	\$199	\$260	\$290	\$295
3 days, no meals	\$99	\$150	\$180	\$185
Saturday only, no meals	\$60	\$90	\$105	\$110

Deadline: All ACA Convention packages must be postmarked on or before February 21st. Those who miss this deadline may register on-site at the convention. However, meals at catered events are available only at the hotel's discretion.

Hotel Accommodations

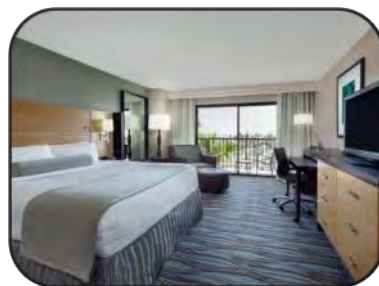


The Crowne Plaza Redondo Beach is offering a discounted room rate of \$135 per night. The hotel has also agreed to extend the same rate for three days before and three days after the convention, subject to availability. 85% of all rooms have an ocean view. For \$159 a night, guests can upgrade to the Executive Level which includes complimentary buffet breakfast for two and two beverage vouchers in the new Harbor Bar and Bistro during each day of your stay.

For hotel reservations please contact the Crowne Plaza reservation line at 888-233-9527 or the hotel directly at 310-318-8888. Be sure to reference the **"ACA Convention"** to receive the discounted room rate.

IMPORTANT: You must make your reservations on or before January 25th to guarantee your discount!

The Crowne Plaza is located at 300 N. Harbor Drive, Redondo Beach, California 90277. Check in time on Friday 4:00p.m., check out time on Sunday is 12:00 noon.



2016 ACA Convention Registration Form

Please use one form per person – copy as required.
 You may also register on line at www.acaconvention.org

Name			
Address			
City, State, Zip			
Phone (10-digits)		Email	

Convention Package

Package Name _____ Amount _____
 (see reverse)

Vegetarian Entrée Check this box if you desire a vegetarian entrée at your meals.

T-shirt: *T-shirts are available for \$10 each and are ordered separately from convention packages.* If you want a t-shirt(s) please indicate the quantity by putting the desired number next to the appropriate size. **BE SURE AND ADD \$10 FOR EACH T-SHIRT ORDERED.**

Yes, I want to order _____ (total amount) t-shirts in the following sizes:

_____ S _____ M _____ L _____ XL _____ XXL _____ XXXL


Scholarship Fund: Help spread the message of ACA Recovery to those who still suffer by making a donation to the ACA Scholarship Fund. Funds in this account are used to provide assistance to those who are experiencing a financial hardship and who could not otherwise attend the convention without such support. In return, recipients are asked to volunteer their time to assist with various activities.

Yes, I would like to donate. I am enclosing \$ _____

DO THE MATH!

Convention Package \$ _____ + Individual fees \$ _____ = GRAND TOTAL \$ _____

Enclosed is my check in the amount of \$ _____ payable to "ACA Convention."

Select credit Card _____  _____  _____  _____ 

Charge \$ _____ to card # _____ exp date _____

3 digit sec. code _____ 4 digit Amex _____

ARE YOU WILLING TO BE OF SERVICE DURING THE CONVENTION?

I am willing to be of service by being: Meal Monitor _____ Special Events Prep _____
 Hospitality Room _____ Host/Greeter _____ Room/Speaker Assistant _____

QUESTIONS:

**EMAIL TO: REGISTRATION@ACACONVENTION.ORG
 OR CALL: (310) 220-1165**

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