Directions

From Interstate 5:
Exit Palomar Airport Road and head East for 7 miles. Turn right at the stoplight at Rancho Santa Fe Road Turn left at the first stop light (Lake San Marcos Drive). Turn left at dead-end (San Marino Drive). Turn right at next stop sign (La Bonita Drive). The resort will be on your immediate left; conference registration is farther up, also on your left.

From Interstate 15:
Exit Highway 78; head west for about six miles. Veer left (west) on San Marcos Blvd.; travel about 2 miles. Turn left at the stoplight at Rancho Santa Fe Road, travel about ½ mile. Turn left at the stoplight at Lake San Marcos Drive. Turn left at dead-end (San Marino Drive). Turn right at next stop sign (La Bonita Drive). The resort will be on your immediate left; conference registration is farther up, also on your left.

If you prefer creating your own maps and directions, Lake San Marcos Resort is located at 1025 La Bonita Drive, San Marcos, CA 92069.

It’s almost that time of year…

Here is some of the feedback from previous year’s evaluations:

• “Good speakers, friendly attendees, Comedy showcase was great fun!!”
• “[We appreciated] the efforts made to have attendees meet each other early with the games and other activities to make it feel friendly and inviting.”
• “Liked the fellowship, workshops, speakers, food – everything”
• “Appreciated people willing to be there for my grief.”
• “Seeing my friends, Quails Inn, Fellowship, Men’s meeting, chance to get away & comedy show.”
• “The feeling of unity with my fellow ACA’s.”
• “The schedule, the program, speakers(!), handouts, comedy show, the committee, hospitality room, & raffle.”
• "Liked the speakers...the meetings (12 step), Comedy...Game room."
• “Speakers, seeing old and new friends, lovely setting by the lake and its amenities”
• “Really good convention this year.”

The 19th Annual 2005 convention will feature Dr. John Friel, a widely published author and expert on ACA issues, as our keynote speaker. We will also have hands-on workshops, multiple ACA meetings and a working meeting for the upcoming ACA Handbook.

We have also assembled an ACA “Trust the Process” Panel of individuals with diverse backgrounds and experiences who have achieved significant recovery through ACA. The Panel will share their experience, strength, and hope, then take questions from the audience.

The ACA convention remains affordable for all, at just $45.00 for those who pre-register by October 21st (after Oct 21 is $50.00). This includes all conference sessions, workshops, games, and activities for the weekend, plus snacks on Friday evening. Meals and lodging are not included in the registration.

Visit our website at www.acaconvention.org
Register to attend the 19th Annual ACA Convention!

November 4-6, 2005
Lake San Marcos Resort
Lake San Marcos, CA

Keynote speaker Dr. John Friel, Ph.D. is a psychologist in private practice in St. Paul, Minnesota; Director of the St. Paul / Minneapolis Clearlife / Lifeworks Clinic, an intensive, short-term treatment program for adult children, co-dependency, addiction and compulsivity issues.

Dr. Friel earned his Ph.D. in psychology from West Virginia University in 1976. He is a nationally recognized author, trainer, speaker and consultant in the areas of dysfunctional family systems, co-dependency, adult child issues, stress and addictions.

A native of Marin County, California, Dr. Friel has lived in Minnesota since 1973.

Lake San Marcos (30 miles north of San Diego, California) is right on the lake and bordered by quiet residential and retirement neighborhoods. There are boats available for rent, as well as golf and other activities nearby.

Hotel reservations can be made directly with Lake San Marcos Resort at 1-800-447-6556. Convention attendees qualify for a discounted rate of $99 per night per room (up to four people can stay in a room).

This year’s conference pre-registration fee is only $45.00 for the full weekend, not including meals or resort accommodations. Register by October 21 to get this discounted rate. After October 21 registration will be $50.00.

For meals, Lake San Marcos Resort serves a lunch buffet and catered dinner on Saturday, and a brunch buffet on Sunday for a package price of $60.00. Meals MUST be purchased by October 21st; they are not available at the door. There are also fast food and dine-in restaurants within a short drive.

To register by mail, send the attached registration form with your check payable to “ACA Convention” to 5766 Bolivia Drive, Buena Park, CA 90620, USA. U.S. funds only, please.

NEW!! Save a stamp! Register online at http://www.acaconvention.org. Payment for online registrations can be handled through PayPal.

The Adult Children of Alcoholics (ACA) Convention is one of the largest gatherings of ACA’s in the world. While the Convention is best known for attracting widely-recognized experts in the field of recovery and adult child issues, there is much more to the Convention than just speakers.

This year’s Convention will include great workshops, entertainment & dancing, different types of ACA meetings, games, a 12 Step bookstore, an ACA Panel, and opportunities to interact with ACA’s from all walks of life.

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How did you hear about the Convention?: ____________________________

AACA 2005 Convention Registration form

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Address: ______________________________________________________________________________________________
City:   __________________________________________________________________State/Province: __________________
Zip or Postal Code:  _______________________________________   Country: ______________________________________
E-mail *: ______________________________________________     Phone:  ________________________________________
Check one:  Full weekend registration only ($45) **  Saturday registration only ($30)
Full weekend registration plus meals ($105) ***  Sunday registration only ($25)
Full weekend registration plus vegetarian meals ($105) ***

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