

DELEGATE / delegate@ageorgia.org

It's Still About Service

By Rebecca T.
Area 16 Delegate

In preparing for this article I scrolled through past Grapevine quotes of the day. The July 14th quote of the day said, "By our Twelve Steps we have recovered, by our Twelve Traditions we have unified, and through our Third Legacy – Service – we shall carry the AA message down through all the corridors of time to come. Of this, I am happily confident." This quote is from an article which Bill W. wrote in November 1951, "Services Make AA Tick." You can find the complete article in Language of the Heart. The article goes through all types of service, from opening up the meeting hall, making coffee and other daily services. Bill goes on to say, "So it is that every AA service daily proves that so-called 'material activities' can lead to magnificent spiritual results."

The quote started me thinking about the service I do in my Home Group and for the Area. In group conscience

meetings, either in my home group or within the office committee, am I a bleeding deacon or an elder statesman? If I am honest, I am both depending on the topic of the meeting. I would hope through time in the program, experience and trusting a loving God in our group conscience, I have more times of being an elder statesman. I am grateful my Home Group is a Big Book and a Twelve and Twelve study. The years of studying our literature with others has broadened my knowledge, so when I am in the group conscience meeting I can ask myself, "Are you truly listening to others? Is the good the enemy of the best? How will the topic affect the new comer? How will the change affect my group, my district, the Area or AA as a whole?"

Through serving as your Delegate, I have broadened my awareness of topics which come up with other groups and other Areas. Delegates will send out a request for a polling to get experience from other Areas. I am thankful our Fellowship is about

sharing our experience and what we have learned from our literature. When someone shares their experience, strength and hope on how they dealt with a situation, I trust it better. The more I trust God, the more He reveals himself to me, and for this I am grateful.

Currently we have 10 groups which are participating in the membership survey from our Area. The groups were selected randomly by GSO. I have enjoyed reaching out and going to some of the groups to pass along the surveys. The results of the survey will be available next year. Once we have the information, we will let you know.

At our September Assembly our guest will be Phyllis H, General Manager of GSO. I hope you will make plans to attend and bring a friend. Phyllis will do a presentation at the GSR workshop and a report at our Sunday morning business meeting.

Look forward to seeing you all at September Assembly.

ALTERNATE DELEGATE / alt_delegate@ageorgia.org

Service in AA

By Ernie M.
Area 16 Alternate Delegate

"The circle stands for the whole world of AA, and the triangle stands for Recovery, Unity, and Service. Within our wonderful new world, we have found freedom from our fatal obsession". -AA Comes of Age, p. 139. Recently at the East Central Cluster Forum in Statesboro, with nearly 100 persons in attendance, well over ½ raised hands when asked who was attending their first Cluster Forum. It sent chills down my back and all presenters immediately geared their presentations to these individuals. Where can we as trusted

servants, find a better opportunity to encourage the new comers to our Fellowship to find their "niche" in recovery and participate in carrying the message to the still suffering alcoholic. Their enthusiasm was energetic for all of us.

In September the Assembly will not only be electing a new Area Secretary and Treasurer, but voting on changes to our Service Manual. Review resumes and pertinent information from the Ad Hoc Committee material to be voted on with your respective group consciences. Our Convention at Jekyll Island this year is nearing its climax and all has been

well planned out for an enjoyable experience. Over 1,000 have already registered. Be sure to send money for any prepaid events early so they can have an accurate headcount. There is also going to be a tennis tournament (see Website for Flyer).

If there is anything the Delegate or I can do for you, feel free to contact us.

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TREASURER / treasurer@aageorgia.org

God is in Charge

By Gene T.
Area 16 Treasurer

I want to congratulate you all for sending in your contributions since we last talked in May. Now I'd like to dispel a rumor going around that Area 16 is broke! We are not broke – we don't have a surplus and we are currently in a deficit but we are in much better shape than we were. Thank you for your special efforts in making contributions to GSSA.

The Budget and Finance Committee met in July and we have cut expenses to the bone, and we will have a budget that will be in much better shape than

what we have had in the past. I want to give kudos to all the members of the Budget & Finance Committee for their valiant efforts in working without lunch, and next year I'll spring for pizza.

Come September we will have a new Treasurer Elect, and I can't wait to work with her. I know it will be her because we have both Cathy and Diane standing. Either will make a great replacement, and I love them both. So I know that the treasury will be in good hands after I'm gone.

We will have several recommendations and voting in September, and we will make adjustments to the

budget according to the outcome of the votes. Many times during my tenure I have said, "What will happen to the money?" Then I remember that God is in charge. Things work out the way they are supposed to if I just get out of the way and "Let Go and Let God."

Thank you all for allowing me the opportunity to serve the best Area in AA. May God be with you all throughout the days that come.

GSRs: cast your vote at the September Assembly for our new Secretary and Treasurer.

SECRETARY / secretary@aageorgia.org

Saying Yes

By Shari M.
Area 16 Secretary

We alcoholics are highly sensitive people. It says so in the Big Book, and I can certainly vouch for that fact! When I was little my dad used to always say "Shari, you're too sensitive!" But little did I know it was part of a character defect that most of us alcoholics share. Because of our self-centeredness, we are so hyper-aware of ourselves, what we're thinking and what we're doing, that we feel like everyone is watching us (at least I do!). I realized early on that this defect isn't limited just to our dealings outside of AA, it happens in the rooms too. And I also realized that a big part of doing service in Alcoholics Anonymous is being willing to stand up, make a mistake, and accept criticism. If I hide in the rooms, if I don't raise my hand to share, if I don't tell my story, if I don't sponsor and if I don't volunteer for service positions, from coffee-making (I was the wife of a professional coffee roaster and I *still* worry about whether or not I've made the coffee too weak!)

to chairing meetings to service below the group level, at the District and Area, then I stay "safe" in AA. There are no opportunities to make a mistake, no one will challenge me, and my sensitive ego is protected. So, in order to be of maximum service to those about me, I have to be willing to stand up, to say yes, to take risks and put myself out there. It has paid off enormously! So, I wanted to recognize everyone who is standing for Area Secretary and Treasurer this year, and all of us who are willing to raise our hands and say yes when the hand of AA asks us to help.

I look forward to seeing everyone at our Assembly September 19-21 in Macon, and then at our next Cluster Forum November 8 in Marietta. Please be sure to keep your group information and driving directions updated on our website, aageorgia.org, and please continue to send your district minutes to districtminutes@aageorgia.org.

See you all soon!

HOW TO CONTACT TRUSTED SERVANTS

To preserve anonymity, the Georgia Message of AA does not contain personal phone numbers, personal email addresses or the password to access protected information on www.aageorgia.org. Here are some tips on how to reach trusted servants:

1. Use the official email addresses for Area 16 trusted servants located above articles, in our service directory or on aageorgia.org.
2. To get a phone number, use the service directory given to each group at the January Assembly or call our Macon office at 478.745.2588.
3. The password to access protected web content can be obtained from the service directory, your GSR, your DCM, the Area office in Macon, webmaster@aageorgia.org or other trusted servants. Please provide any feedback to: communications@aageorgia.org or editor@aageorgia.org.

GRAPEVINE / grapevine@aageorgia.org

The Grapevine Wants Your Stories

By Janie C., Chair and Dorman P., Co-Chair
Area 16 Grapevine Committee

I just got home from yet another wonderful recovery event in Atlanta this past weekend where the Area Grapevine Committee is invited to set up shop and talk to folks during the 4-day conference. During the course of the conference Dorman and I had the privilege of meeting several AAs who have been published in the Grapevine! Among them was Atlanta's own Paola, whose story is featured in the August 2014 issue – and made the COVER! Check out this and other stories of experience, strength and hope in this month's issue featuring the stories of experience, strength and hope by Spanish-speaking AA members.

In every workshop and Grapevine/La Vina event that we conduct or attend,

we encourage Georgia AAs to write and submit your work to the Grapevine. You do NOT have to be a polished and professional writer – that's what editors are for! These magazines are our "meetings in print," and meetings consist of AA folks who "share."

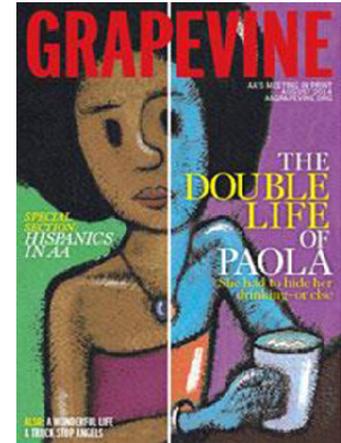
So, here are some upcoming Grapevine "meeting in print" topics for 2015:

- Double-Digit Sobriety
- AA Around the World
- Cooperation with Professionals
- Technology and Anonymity
- Sober Travel!
- Letting Go of Resentments
- Prison Issue
- Finding Your Higher Power
- Young & Sober
- Sponsorship

Which one of these got you thinking? Jot down those thoughts. Consult

www.aageorgia.org/contribute for a few guidelines on length, format, etc, and send it on in. You never know when your article, short column, joke, or art may show up on the cover.

And if you don't believe me, ask Paola.



FROM YOUR EDITOR

Along with our Secretary and Treasurer, it is time for me to move on to new areas of service work and allow another Fellow to experience the true joy of being the Area 16 GA Message Editor. These two years have been so fulfilling, and I especially want to thank Bill F., Chuck L. and the amazing Tamera P. for making it all so darn fun. To all the translators that give their time to help create the Spanish version, bless you. And to the incoming Editor, whoever you may be, your world will forever be changed for the better. Thank you for allowing me to serve.

—Amy F., Area 16 Editor

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AA in the Schools

By LeAnne O., Chair and Chase S., Co-Chair
Area 16 Public Information/Cooperation
With the Professional Community Committee

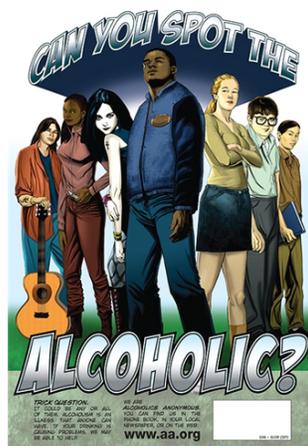
Being of service is one of the fringe benefits of my sobriety. I know that sounds weird unless you have experienced it. If you are looking for a way to be of service, Public Information / Cooperation with Professional Community always has room for you, and there are many different ways to help. Since I am writing this at the beginning of yet another school year, let's focus on how we can help in our schools.

Some suggestions:

- 1.) Take meeting schedules to the school counselors
- 2.) Place a Big Book in the school library
- 3.) Give schools the Young People Poster to hang in the schools (you can order from the State Office item ID M-7, they are \$1 a piece)

- 4.) Place a literature rack in the counselor's office
- 5.) Make yourself available to speak to a health education class (see pamphlet "Speaking at Non-AA Meetings".

We are also looking forward to seeing you at the PI/CPC workshops at the September Assembly as always we will have plenty of fun and information.



ARCHIVES / archives@aageorgia.org

Archives Activity Report

By John B., Chair and
Gary N., Co-Chair
Area 16 Archives Committee

The following is an update to the progress of our goal of digital preservation and accessibility of your Area 16 Archives. We hope you find this content informative.

First, let's return to the fall of 2013 when Damon E. became involved, donating his professional and technical expertise to getting the project up and running. A base plan was developed and documented (*Project Plan Worksheet*), a step by step roadmap pointing to each determined objective. Another document produced is a policy manual for the Area 16 Archives, based on the GSO Archives policy. These documents will be available for review at the Assembly Archive workshops and at the Archive display.

While the above was being developed, other activities included: repair and upgrading the Archive computer, installing database and audio capturing software, installation of a mixing board, cassette and reel-to-reel tape units along with other support hardware.

Currently the digitizing and cataloging is focused on these areas:

Area 16 documents – These are being scanned into a database. The documents include minutes, financial and correspondence relating to what would evolve into our present GSSA. These date from 1965.

Audio Tapes – The criteria considered to determine which tapes to capture are uniqueness and relevance to Georgia AA. Many of these speakers, especially on the national level, can be found at other sources.

Cassettes – These have been sorted by year and are being entered into the database. When this is completed, they will be sorted by the above criteria to determine which ones to capture.

Reel-to-Reel - Interesting to say the least, reaching back to the technology of the 1950s and the methods of the tapers. For example, the introduction of a speaker recorded at one speed, the speech at another. These "opportunities" are being resolved and we are ready to continue with the reel-to-reel capture. The priority will be Assembly recordings dating from the 1960s.

TREATMENT / treatment@aageorgia.org

Carrying the Message

By Willie S., Chair and John L., Co-Chair
Area 16 Treatment/Special Needs/
Accessibilities Committee

In all we do in AA, it is important for me to remember that the main focus of what we do is to stay sober and carry the AA message to the still suffering alcoholic. This purpose may carry us into a variety of places in practicing our 12th Step, from detox centers and treatment centers, to hospital bedsides, or into people's homes.

In this, I am reminded of those AAs who came to the treatment facility where the seed was planted for me. These were people who attended aftercare meetings, who brought in Big Book meetings, or those who came to share their experience, strength, and hope with those of us who were seeking a new way of life. These people embraced the tenets of the 12th Step, freely giving of themselves and what had been freely given to them. Over the years I have had an opportunity to share this same message with other alcoholics, and the joy of doing so never diminishes. There are many ways in which we may carry the AA message of hope. In doing so, I want to remember that the hand of AA should always be there; and for that, I am responsible- whether that person is in a facility or whether they are homebound, the AA message should always be available.

Our annual Treatment/Special Needs/Accessibilities workshop this year in June in Albany was absolutely wonderful! Thank you to the districts and zones who pitched in to make everything come together, and for the great food, fellowship, and sharing!

We also hope to see everyone at our workshops at the September Assembly as we continue to seek new ways to carry the message of hope.

COMMUNICATIONS / communications@aageorgia.org

New Editor Open Position

By Chuck L., Chair and
Ron G., Co-Chair
Area 16 Communications Committee

Election, selection and rotation of trusted servants - it is the process in which we trust to ensure the future leadership of our fellowship. Each year during the September Area 16 Assembly our fellowship elects either the Delegate and Alternate Delegate or Secretary and Treasurer. This year we elect a new Secretary and Treasurer. To make an informed decision for the election, the service resumes of all persons standing for these positions are printed in the last Georgia Message of AA (found in this newsletter). In my home group, the resumes are the basis upon which our group conscience is determined.

But not all service positions are filled through the election process. One such position is that of Area 16 Editor of the Georgia Message of AA, which is filled

by canvassing our fellowship for people with specific skills and a willingness to serve.

Amy F., our current Editor, will be rotating out at the end of this year, so consider this a "Call to Service" for those interested in making sure the message gets out to all AA members in Georgia.

Those who wish to serve should have experience with editing, designing and producing newsletters, informational pamphlets, brochures and such using Microsoft Publisher or other software. It is also important that the Editor be well grounded in the 12 Traditions of AA. Having served in this position I can tell you that it is a rewarding experience guaranteed to enhance one's sobriety!

If you would be interested in serving, shoot an email to:
communications@aageorgia.org.

CORRECTIONS / corrections@aageorgia.org

Volunteers Needed

By Jim T., Chair
Tim E., Co-Chair
Area 16 Corrections Committee

It seems that more and more prisons are contacting Alcoholics Anonymous and need volunteers to bring the message of AA in "behind the walls." Many inmates are dying from the disease of alcoholism while AA meetings are taking place all around these facilities. We would like to think that someone is willing to carry the message into the prisons. Sometimes, we think that "the other guy" will do this important service work.

We have to remember the responsibility statement: "I am responsible. When anyone, anywhere, reaches out for help, I want the hand of AA always to be there. And for that, I am responsible." I am responsible for helping the alcoholic that still suffers. I am responsible for carrying the message. I am the member that should be doing this very important 12th Step Work of carrying a

meeting into a prison facility. In short, I have to be the responsible one.

I have to give away freely what I have been given. I cannot keep this treasure of recovery to myself. "For a time he may try to hug the new treasure to himself. He may not see at once that he has barely scratched a limitless lode which will pay dividends only if he mines it for the rest of his life and insists on giving away the entire product." **Alcoholics Anonymous, page 129.**

Our next training session for corrections volunteers desiring to take a meeting into a prison will be at the Georgia State Service Assembly Office in Macon, on September 27, 2014 beginning at 8:00 a.m. We welcome you to join us on this spiritual journey of carrying the message into the prisons. Please feel free to contact us at corrections@aageorgia.org.

SUGGESTED SELF-SUPPORT PLAN

Our fellowship must be self-supporting. We offer a suggested support plan for the GSRs to share with their groups. By being self-supporting, we can fully discharge our responsibilities to our beautiful fellowship in Georgia.

In those Districts and Zones where there is no central office, we suggest that the income, after all group expenses have been paid, be allocated as follows:

State Office, Macon – 50%, GSO – 30%, Pre-Paid Convention – 10%, District/Zone – 10%

In Atlanta, Augusta and any other District/Zone which supports a central office, we suggest that the income, after all group expenses have been paid, be allocated as follows:

Central Office – 35% State Office, Macon – 30%, GSO – 20%, Pre-Paid Convention – 10%, District/Zone – 5% or whatever percentages are in accordance with your group conscience.

Mailing addresses:

GSSA (State office) P.O. Box 7325, Macon, GA 31209.

GSO (General Service Office) P.O. Box 459, Grand Central Station, New York, NY 10163.

If you need additional information, please call 478.745.2588.

Jekyll Island 2014

Experience the Pre-Paid Convention October 16-19

CALENDAR of EVENTS

*Events listed here are presented solely as a service to readers, not as an endorsement by the State Assembly. For any additional information, please use the addresses provided. **The deadline for inclusion in the November/December GA Message is October 1, 2014.***

August 30	McRae 46th Anniversary Birthday McRae
September 19-21	Georgia State Service Assembly Macon / Marriott
September 14	Combined Zone Picnic Pine Mountain (10A-10E)
September 27	Corrections Certification Training Macon / GSSA 8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
September 26 - 28	South East Regional Forum Isla Verde Carolina, Puerto Rico
October 16 - 19	61st Georgia Pre-Paid Convention Jekyll Island
November 8	Metro Cluster Forum (13A, 13B, 13D, 13E, 13F, 13G, 13H, 13I, 13J, 13K)

MACON MARRIOTT CITY CENTER RESERVATIONS

**Need A Room at the Marriott for Assembly?
CALL (478) 621-5300**

Please remember to tell them that you are with the GA State Service Assembly to get the Group Rate.

Note that the cut-off date was August 20, 2014.

Birthday Contributions

District 3, Zone B

Nahunta Group
Terry P. – July 4, 2002

District 3, Zone D

Happy Hour Group
Jack C. – July 21, 1996
Joyce Y. – 13 Years

District 10, Zone E

Striving for Serenity Group
Jennifer W. – August 5, 2009

District 11, Zone B

Covington Group
Danny D. – June 20, 2011

No Name Nooners Group
Bob M. – January 8, 1989

Salem New Life Group
Lesa H. – July 27, 2009

Twelve-Step Sisters Group
Sandi T. – February 6, 1984

District 12, Zone B

Hill Group
Gene T. – June 27, 1986

District 15, Zone A

Lafayette Fellowship Group
Tony R. – January 1, 2002

District 16, Zone E

Gainesville Classic Group
Ron G. – June 14, 1986

New Groups

District 1 Zone A

Open Doors Group
National Guard Armory
499 Roundtree Dr. S.W.
Dawson, GA 39842
Meets Tuesday 6:00 p.m.

District 6

Just AA Group
St. Thomas Episcopal Church
2100 Hilton Ave.
Columbus, GA 31906
Meets Thursday at 7:00 p.m.

District 11 Zone B

AA Solutions Group
4140 Clark St.
Covington, GA 30014
Meets Friday at 7:00 p.m.

District 13 Zone A

Sandy Springs Women's Big Book
Study Group
Mt. Vernon Presbyterian Church
471 Mt. Vernon Hwy.
Atlanta, GA 30328
Meets Tuesday 8:00 p.m.

Things We Cannot Change

Barbara C.
Home Group – Rowland Group
Clarkston, GA
Sobriety Date – September 12,
1976
Passed – June 20, 2014

Noel C.
Home Group – Vidalia Lyons
Group
Vidalia, GA
Sobriety Date – June 1976
Passed – June 2014

Charlie B.
Home Group—Oak Road Group
Sobriety Date—July 6, 1985
Passed—June 27, 2014

Pete B.
Home Group—Primary Purpose
Sobriety Date—October 28, 1983
Passed—August 10, 2014

**International Convention
Update**

We are seeking a French speaking member of Alcoholics Anonymous to serve in a leadership capacity for our International Convention Host Committee Foreign Language Committee.

The International Convention of Alcoholics Anonymous will be held in Atlanta July 2-5, 2015. We are expecting members from many countries around the world speaking many different languages. French and Spanish are the most common other than English. We have a Spanish speaking member to serve in a leadership role and are seeking a French speaking member. The qualifications are flexible but to provide a guide, I have included some of the attributes we are seeking.

- Pleasant & welcoming personality
- French as first language or VERY fluent in conversational French
- Solid foundation of sobriety
- Available for committee meetings on a regular basis from January through July 2015
- Must be able to register for the International Convention and be present for the entire Convention
- Able to work in a culturally diverse environment
- Good organizational skills

Please send name and contact information or refer possible candidates to atlanta2015aa@gmail.com.

Area 16, Georgia, and our International Convention Host Committee look forward to welcoming AA members from around the world to Atlanta, Georgia, July 2-5, 2015.

If you are interested in volunteering, our volunteer kick-off will be held in mid-January 2015, and volunteer training will occur on May 17, 2015, 2:00pm at the World Congress Center in Atlanta. Please watch for details at www.aageorgia.org. You may also email atlanta2015aa@gmail.com.

Registration for the convention opens September 3, 2014. Please check www.aa.org for more information about registration. Volunteers will register on a separate registration website. This will allow you to select a committee and day/time that you are available. We will ask you to provide a cell phone number and email address so that we can communicate with you.



SERVICE RESUMES: SECRETARY

Deborah A. Keane

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Sobriety date: 7/11/03
Home group: Senoia 2nd Chance Zone 10 D

AA Service Positions:

November 2012 to present -DCM Zone 10 D
Jan 2014 to present- Serves on the Budget and Finance Committee
March 2014- Co-Sponsored Workshop- The 12 Traditions in Relationships
August 2011- Sponsored- A Night at the Movies with Bill W
January 2011 to November 2012- Alt DCM Zone 10 D Combined Zone Picnic September 2012
March 2012- Service Workshop- Sponsorship and AA Service
October 2012- Chair 59th Prepaid Convention- Callaway Gardens
January 2008-January 2012- GSR, Senoia 2nd Chance Group
July 2010- Volunteer Registration Committee- Atlanta Round-up
January 2006- January 2008- Intergroup Rep- Senoia 2nd Chance Group

Personal Experience:

Currently employed as Executive Director for a large school system in Metropolitan Atlanta supervising a staff of over 100 professionals serving 51 schools and 5300 students with disabilities. Proficient with Microsoft Office programs.

Robert McCarley

3520 Rolling Creek Dr Buford, GA 30519
District 16, Zone C
Home Group: Buford Group
Sobriety Date: March 10, 1990

AA Service Positions:

May 2014 GSSA GSR 101 Workshop Presenter
2012-2013 DCM District 16C
July 2013 Cluster Forum Chair
May 2012 GSSA GSR Workshop Presenter
October 2011 GA Prepaid Committee Co-Chair for Golf and Host
Feb 2011 Unity Weekend Chair
2010-2011 Alt DCM District 16C 2010 Speaker on Relationship Panel GCYPAA XIX
2008-2009 GSR Buford Group
2007 Alt GSR Buford Group
2007-2009 Committee member for Buford Area Picnic
2005-2006 PICPC Rep Buford Group/Serenity House
2000-2001 Treasurer Living Life ODAT Group
1998-1999 Secretary Living Life ODAT Group
1996-1997 Secretary/Treasurer Mequon, WI group
1994-1995 GSR Oakland Group
1992-1993 Alt GSR Oakland Group
1991 Grapevine Rep
1991-1995 Host Committee and Volunteer for Atlanta Round up
1990 Coffee Chair Oakland Group

Personal Experience Relevant to this position:

Proficient in MS Word, Office and Excel. Excellent typist and communications skills

Tom Payne

P.O. Box 655
Carnesville, GA 30521
(706) 567-8012
Sobriety Date 4/23/2009
Home Group: Round Table Group
District 16 Zone F.

AA Service Positions:

2014 - present G.S.R. Round Table Group
2014 - present PI/CPC Committee Member Area 16
2014 - present District PI/CPC Representative 16-F
2013 - Present Program chair Athens GCYPAA 2014
2012 - 2013 D.C.M. 16-F
2010 - 2012 Archives Committee Member Area 16
2012 GCYPAA Advisory Webmaster
2012 Registration/Outreach Chair SCCYPAA
2011 - 2012 District Secretary 16-F
2011 - 2012 Group Secretary Pass it on Group
2011 - 2012 GCYPAA Advisory Council Member-at-Large
2011 Alternate DCM 16-F
2010 - 2011 Chair Cumming GCYPAA Bid Committee
2010 District Archives Representative 16-E
2009 - 2010 Co-Chair Outreach Buford GCYPAA
2009 - 2010 G.S.R. Lawrenceville Freedom Group
2009 Alternate G.S.R. Lawrenceville Freedom Group
2009 Greeter, Lawrenceville Freedom Group
2009 Coffeemaker / Ashtray Scrubber ,Lawrenceville Freedom Group

Personal Experience:

I am proficient in MS Office, and I was a former administrative clerk in the Corps.

Call to Service: GA Message Editor Needed

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SERVICE RESUMES: TREASURER

Cathy Bolton

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Cumming GA 30040
District 16E, Lakeland Group
Sobriety Date: June 13, 1990

AA Service Positions:

Jan 2014 GSSA – GSR 101 Presentation
2014 – current Corrections Rep, Lakeland Group
2013 Chaired Ad-hoc Committee for Pre-Paid Convention
2012 – 2013 DCM, District 16E
2010 – 2011 GSR, Cumming Group
Oct 2011 Presenter, Spirituality Workshop, 58th GA Pre-paid Convention, Gainesville, GA
2009 – 2011 Treasurer, 58th GA Pre-paid Convention, Gainesville, GA 2009 – 2010 Alternate GSR, Cumming Group
2007 – 2008 Treasurer, Cumming Group
2005 – 2006 Chairperson, Cumming Group
2000 – 2004 Treasurer, For the Fun of It Group, Buford GA

Personal Experience Relevant to this Position:

Degree in Business Management, concentration in Accounting. More than 30 years of Accounting/Finance/Management at various levels. Balance Sheet/Financial Statements/Budget preparation and analysis, account and bank reconciliations. Proficient in QuickBooks, Excel, and Word.

Diane Martin

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E-mail: diane.m.martin2011@gmail.com
District and zone: 13 I
Home Groups: Vinings Group (1988 – 2006) and Happy Wanderers (2007 – Present)
Sobriety Date: March 28, 1988

AA Service Positions:

2014 Interim Treasurer Zone 13I
2013 – 2014 Alt. GSR
2010 – 2011 Group Treasurer
2008 – 2010 GSR
2008 – 2009 Marietta Round-up Committee
2004 - 2006 Group Treasurer
2001 – 2003 Group Secretary

Personal experience relevant to the Treasurer position:

Certified Public Accountant (inactive) with over 25 years of experience in financial accounting, including the annual budgeting process and development of internal controls.

METRO ATLANTA CLUSTER FORUM

Hosted by District 13 Zone I

**Join us Saturday, November 8, 2014
To Learn More about AA's 2014
Theme**

“Living in the Heart of AA”

- a. Recovery, Unity and Service – our responsibility*
- b. Passing it on Through Sponsorship*
- c. Participating in our Common Welfare through Contributions*
- d. Inventory – A Guiding Tool to our Future*

**Coffee and breakfast snacks will be available.
A light lunch will be available immediately after the program.**

Saturday, November 8, 2014
Registration begins at 8:30 AM
Program 9:00 AM to 1:30 PM

St. Andrew United Methodist Church
Keheley Building
3455 Canton Rd
Marietta, Ga. 30066

I am responsible...

When anyone, anywhere, reaches out for help, I want the hand of AA always to be there.

And for that I am responsible.

A Declaration of unity

This we owe to AA's future
To place our common welfare first;
To keep our fellowship united.
For on A.A. unity depend our lives,
And the lives of those to come



GA STATE (AREA 16) SERVICE ASSEMBLY AGENDA—MACON CENTREPLEX – CONVENTION CENTER**FRIDAY September 19**

8:00 PM OPEN DISCUSSION MEETING*
Chairperson – District 7A
Magnolia A&B

SATURDAY September 20

9:00 AM DELEGATE'S MEETING with AREA CHAIRS
Rebecca T. Delegate / Ernie M. Alternate Delegate
Grand Salon

9:00 AM Assembly 101: Getting the Most out of Your Assembly*
Tom H. Area t / Patty L. Office Committee Chair
Magnolia A&B

10:00 AM WEB COMMITTEE—*Room 313*
Brandon S. Chairperson

11:00 AM ARCHIVES MEETING—*Exhibition Hall B*
John B. / Gary N. Chairpersons

11:00 AM CONVENTION COMMITTEE MEETING—*Room 324*
Ernie M. Alternate Delegate

11:00 AM CORRECTIONS MEETING*—*Magnolia C*
Jim T. / Tim E. Chairpersons

11:00 AM COMMUNICATIONS MEETING—*Room 313*
Chuck L. / Ron G. Chairpersons

11:00 AM GRAPEVINE MEETING—*Grand Salon*
Janie C. / Dorman P. Chairpersons

11:00 AM PI/CPC MEETING—*Room 308*
LeAnne O. / Chase S. Chairpersons

11:00 AM SECRETARY/TREASURER WORKSHOP*—*Magnolia A&B*
Shari M., Area Secretary / Gene T., Area Treasurer

11:00 AM TREATMENT/SPECIAL NEEDS/ACCESSIBILITES MEETING—
Magnolia D
Willie S. / John L. Chairpersons

1:00 PM DCM MEETING*—*Magnolia A&B*
Rebecca T., Delegate

1:00 PM GSR Orientation (Part 3 of 3)* - *Exhibition Hall B*
Katy Mc., Past DCM 13A

3:00 – 5:00 PM Reports from Area Committee Chairs*
Tom H., Area Chair
Exhibition Hall B

GSR WORKSHOP*

1. Living in the Heart of AA
Rita B., DCM 16C
2. Our Responsibility—Communicating our Legacy of Service
Nicolas S., DCM 17 (*translated in English*)
3. Our General Service Office
Phyllis H., GSO General Manager

Ask-It-Basket (Tom H., Rebecca T., Patty L., Ernie M., Shari M., Gene T., Rita B., Nicolas S., Phyllis H.)

8:00 PM AREA 16 OPEN SPEAKER MEETING*
Chairperson – Judy R., DCM 13K
12 Steps – Judy R., DCM 13K
Traditions – Bob S., DCM 16A
Speaker – Phyllis H., GSO General Manager
Exhibition Hall B

9:30 PM AREA WORKSHOPS

Archives	<i>GSSA Office</i>
Corrections*	<i>Magnolia C</i>
Communications	<i>Room 313</i>
Grapevine	<i>Grand Salon</i>
Intergroup/Central Office*	<i>Board Room</i>
PI/CPC	<i>Room 308</i>
Treatment	<i>Magnolia D</i>

SUNDAY September 21

9:00 AM **BUSINESS MEETING*** - *Exhibition Hall B*
Call to Order/Serenity Prayer
Tom H., Area 16 Chairperson

1. Delegate's Report – Rebecca T.
2. Recognize Past Area Officers
3. Approve Minutes from May 2014 Business Meeting
4. 6^{1st} (Jekyll Island) Pre-Paid Convention report
5. 2015 International Convention report
6. We Share II report
7. Area Officer's reports (Alt. Delegate, Secretary, Treasurer)
8. Report from Phyllis H., General Manager of GSO

OLD BUSINESS

1. Re-address motion: That the aageorgia.org website be permitted to provide web links to the following outside vendors, provided that a disclaimer page is shown as user exits our website. 1. The Area Assembly Host Hotel. 2. The Georgia Pre-Paid Convention Host Hotel. (Procedure error during voting)
2. Motion: The Election Procedure and Voting as outlined on pages 27, 28, and 29 in the Georgia Service Manual be changed to reflect the Third Legacy Procedure in the AA Service Manual on pages S21 and S22. (vote)
3. Motion: To adopt the report of the Pre-Paid Inventory Committee. (vote)
4. Tabled request for Area approval: That Area 16 endorse an agenda item to move pagination of The Doctor's Opinion to page one thus removing Roman numerals from this section. (review related background material provided by GSO Archivist).

NEW BUSINESS

1. Elections for Area Secretary and Treasurer. Secretary nominees are Deborah K., Robert M., and Tom P. Treasurer nominees are Cathy B. and Diane M.
2. General Sharing
3. Adjourn/Lord's Prayer (Spanish/English)

IMPORTANT:

IN ORDER TO VOTE, A GSR MUST BE SIGNED IN FOR THE BUSINESS MEETING BEFORE 9:00 AM SUNDAY MORNING. (You may sign in at the registration desk during the weekend at the specified times).

61st Georgia State Prepaid Convention

October 16th-19th, 2014

Jekyll Island Convention Center

Living in the



of A.A.

AA Speakers

Kickoff Tom H., Marietta, GA
Adrienne B. New York, NY
Dick A. Atlanta, GA
Georgia B. LaCresenta, CA
Bob D. Las Vegas, NV
Joy H. Kansas City, KS

Al-Anon Speaker

Corrie L., Montgomery, AL

Activities

Dances - Golf - Low Country Boil - Poker
Run - Dolphin Tour - Turtle Center - His-
toric District - Kayaking - Beach Walks -
Bike Riding - Horseback Riding

Our Host Hotel is to be the

Hampton Inn and Suites

Beachview Drive
Jekyll Island, GA 31527
(912) 635-3733

Please watch our website:

www.aageorgia.org

for updates on additional
accommodations and room rates.

61st GA State Prepaid Convention October 16-19, 2014 Registration

Name: _____ Email: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

Street

City

State

Zip

Name on Badge: _____ Home Group/City: _____

Please Check affiliation AA ___ AL-Anon ___ Alateen ___

NOTE: Out of state registration fee AA & Al-Anon \$25.00 Alateen \$10.00 (Due at Registration) Payable to:

61st GA State Prepaid Convention . . . Mail all forms to:

61st Prepaid Convention, P.O. Box 20347, St. Simons Island, GA 31522

Check if you plan to participate: Poker Run Low Country Boil Golf Tournament

Want to Volunteer? Should we contact you by phone _____ or email _____

Any special needs? Wheel chair _____ Sight _____ Hearing _____ Other _____

For more information and to register for activities go to www.aageorgia.org or email 61stprepaid@aageorgia.org