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Service Makes AA Tick

By Ernie M.
Area 16 Delegate

As we all begin 2016, let's look back at what Area 16 has accomplished. Being the host Area for the 80th Anniversary of AA in Atlanta, followed by a fantastic State Convention in Columbus (what a set of speakers). We ended the year with the District 17 Spanish Cluster Forum (both in Spanish and English) and SSAASA III in Huntington, WV. (223 registered attendees). All these events called for "service volunteers" in every aspect of accomplishment.

Meetings that began in kitchens, spilled over into parlors and then moved into halls. They passed the hat to be able to afford rent as they became self-supporting. The process of paying rent produced our first "official" service position, the Treasurer. "We

grudgingly learned that rent was necessary to ensure sobriety – our spiritual dividend, life itself." (*The Language of the Heart*, pg. 131.)

As we move into 2016, let me ask all of you to remember your "first assembly". I remember mine. Walking into the hotel, looking down, wondering what I had gotten myself into. Hearing people say "hello and welcome" calmed my nerves. I was able to see people's eyes and realized that I was not alone. I attended my first workshop on Treatment. Later that afternoon I was amazed with the GSR Orientation, followed by the GSR Workshop. I had been elected as the Alternate GSR. I remember my group's GSR asking for people interested in attending the Assembly so we could all share the expenses since our group didn't cover expenses. The first speaker meeting on Saturday night was awesome with over

900 in attendance. The light bulb had finally turned on.

Where are our newcomers today? Attendance had dropped; individuals come to assembly and leave early Sunday mornings. Let us not turn that light off. Bring a newcomer with you. Share rooms and expenses. Remember, we must keep this fellowship available for the next generation. This is your Area and your "service" is absolutely necessary.

Rebecca T. now moves to Assembly Chair, and Tom H. will become our Office Committee Chair. I hope everyone had a happy holiday season. Rick (your Alternate Delegate) and I are looking forward to seeing all the new faces (trusted servants and all other attendees) at the January Assembly. If either of us can be of service, please ask.

ALTERNATE DELEGATE / alt

First Actions

By Rick M.
Area 16 Alternate Delegate

My first action is to thank Area 16 for bestowing me with the privilege to serve as your trusted servant. All of those who stood in September were willing to commit the time, energy, and enthusiasm for our Area. Having served in many other "trusted" capacities, I know this part of my spiritual journey with you will be very rewarding as we all contribute towards the good of our Area and, AA as a whole.

Ernie M., our Area 16 Officers, Tamera, and Committee Chairs continue to share their experience, strength and hope with me to assist with the transition. I am truly grateful for this, a true show of what "We" can do together! These actions of support have been there throughout my sobriety and have taught me to act-in-kind.

As Alternate Delegate of Area 16, some of my responsibilities will include standing in as Delegate if need

ed, working with our convention committees, and helping with the cluster forums. My first official duty, announcing the events happening in our Area in 2016, was conducted at the DCM planning session in November. We have some terrific activities and events planned for us this year:

* Our Area Service Assembly will be held Jan. 15-17 at the Macon Marriott City Center. Please bring a friend to share in our enthusiasm. I hope to see you there.

Cluster forums exploring the theme " * Our **Spiritual** way of life: Steps, Traditions, and Concepts" will begin with the Southwest Cluster Forum at Liberty Baptist Church, Albany on Saturday, March 26th. A preview of a few the topics include; "Connecting with the newcomer – All Inclusive – Never Exclusive", "Are we doing enough to help the newcomer – are we going to any length?", and "Home Group – Where it Begins". Not only will we discuss these great topics in our ar-

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ea this year, Ernie will hear presentations and, be a part of discussions on them at the General Service Conference in April.

* This year the 63rd Pre-paid Convention will be in Augusta Oct. 20-23, at the Marriott Convention Center. The committee has a great agenda including a line-up of excellent speakers and many planned activities. Mark it on your calendar and register early. Registration forms will be available at the Assembly and on our web site.

I look forward to meeting many of you at our January Assembly and working together at every level in our "Spiritual Way of Life: Steps, Traditions, & Concepts".

TREASURER / treasurer@aageorgia.org

Looking Back to Move Forward

By Diane M.
Area 16 Treasurer

I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday season!

As a professional “bean counter” I tend to look at how our program is, or can be, applied in business. One clear application is with Step 4, where the Big Book states “a business which takes no regular inventory usually goes broke.” How simple, and cross applicable, is that? If I don’t take regular stock of myself then I will go broke spiritually and emotionally. For me this means “looking back to move forward.”

In Area 16 we take stock each year during the budget process to determine what needs to be added, changed, or removed to help ensure AA will be there for the next suffering Alcoholic. The 2016 proposed budget

was created by the Budget & Finance Committee by reviewing each line item of the financial results for the past five years and taking into account the requests made by the Service Committees. As the Big Book also states, “nothing counted but thoroughness.” This budget was distributed to the DCM’s and GSR’s at the September Assembly for review. The DCM’s brought your voice back at the November DCM meeting and after one modification the 2016 budget was approved.

The approved 2016 budget will be available at the January Assembly and it includes decreases in some items and increases in others. I hope all of you will attend the January Assembly to learn more about how every AA member’s input at the Group Conscience **impacts** how your contributions will be spent by the GSSA in 2016.

FROM YOUR EDITOR

Do you have a Service Sponsor? I do.

The first time someone asked me that question I was a few years sober and thought they were fooling with me. I was a new GSR attending my first Service Assembly, and had never heard of such a thing. I was handed the AA pamphlet “Questions & Answers About Sponsorship”. There it was in that familiar piece of literature on page 25. So I found a Service Sponsor right away and have had one ever since.

“A service sponsor is usually someone who is knowledgeable in AA history and has a strong background in the service structure. The AA member is introduced to a new language: GSR, DCM, area assembly, minority opinion. They will become familiar with the Traditions, Concepts and Warranties, as well as The AA Service Manual/Twelve Concepts for World Service, Alcoholics Anonymous Comes of Age and other AA literature.”

As for myself, this year I am starting my first tour as a DCM. My District/Zone will be hosting the Atlanta Cluster Forum in November. If I am to be an effective DCM, I need the help of others with more experience. We all need a 12 Step Sponsor to guide us in through the path of sobriety, but that sponsor may not have General Service experience. My Service Sponsor has taken me through an in-depth study of the 12 Traditions & 12 **Concepts** utilizing the Service Manual and much about the history of their origin. My Service Sponsor is available to answer my questions and provide guidance as I learn my role through my journey in General Service.

My AA experience increased immensely as I learned the intricacies of our amazing fellowship and the careful thought & wisdom put into the development of our organization. Although complicated, it’s a beautiful thing.

— Jenine M., Area 16 Editor

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Facts

By Deborah K.
Area 16 Secretary

As I enter the holiday season and anticipate a new year, I have thought about the many promises offered in our book, Alcoholics Anonymous and how they have manifested themselves in my own life. Lately, one particular phrase has resonated with me, “See to it that your relationship with Him is right, and great events will come to pass for you and countless others. This is the Great Fact for us.”

I always pay attention when the Big Book uses the word “fact” as a fact is something that has been proven to be true in our experiences. But what are these “great events”? Do they include landing the perfect job or finding the perfect partner? In my **experience**, these great events have been the little things that demonstrate the psychic change occurring within. The “fact” that I can be honest or tolerant or willing to help someone (simply for the sake of helping; not for my own personal gain) are “great events”. The “fact” that I am willing to honor my commitments, pay my bills,

and take responsibility for my actions are great events. These are not habits I established during my active alcoholism.

One of these “great events” has been serving as your Area 16 Secretary. I am grateful to each of you for the opportunity to include this on my list of “great events”. Today I can continue to develop a closer relationship to my Higher Power as I practice the principles of Alcoholics Anonymous. I am so very grateful for that I am able to see his grace in my life as these “great events” continue to come to pass.

Please submit your district minutes to: districtminutes@aageorgia.org

Any group changes? Go to aageorgia.org and complete a Group Change Form.

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Grapevine Rep Checklist

By Dorman P. Chair and
Robert M., Co-Chair
Area 16 Grapevine Committee

With the New Year approaching it means that rotation is in play with a lot of new Grapevine Representatives. **Great News!**

Here's a short list of things you can start doing right away:

- Register as a Grapevine Rep at www.aagrapevine.org
- Request all free materials available to Reps at the website above.
- Prepare a simple display or bulletin board for your home group to post information about the Grapevine.
- Stock up on the subscription applications and have them available at your home group.
- Sign up for the daily Grapevine quote online on the website.

- Suggest to your group conscience to consider purchasing one or more GV subscriptions for the group to be shared, returned & passed along to Corrections or Treatment facilities.
- Subscribe to the Grapevine, if you already have, consider giving a subscription to someone.
- Read the latest issue of the Grapevine and those to follow.
- Select a few things to briefly share about the current GV issue at each meeting you attend, one short item per meeting.

Of course this isn't all you can do. I'm sure you will think of more as you go along. Have fun! We look forward to seeing you in Macon at the January assembly. Thank you for the opportunity to serve Area 16.

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Young Peoples Video Project

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

One of my first introductions to PI/CPC work was when I attended my first ICYPAA (International Conference of Young People in AA) in 2007. At that convention, I attended a panel about a new idea called "The Young People's Video Project". On the panel was the AA General Manger, chairman of the board, non-trustee director, and an appointed committee member. They talked about how the idea for the project came about. They realized after spending lots of time and money for young people's PSA videos, they became outdated very quickly. Someone who had attended an ICYPAA in the past had the

idea to turn to our fellowship for help because they had seen the talent and creativity of our young members.

Since that idea in 2007, many videos have been made by **members** of our fellowship and currently five videos are available to view on AA's website. I encourage everyone to watch the videos and pass the word along to others. As someone who got sober young, I am very passionate about this video project and I believe it can help many young still suffering alcoholics. All videos and the guidelines for submission can be found at www.aa.org, under the "videos and audio" link.

If you ever have any questions or need assistance with any PI/CPC related topics, you are always welcome to reach out.

Treatment

treatment@aageorgia.org

A New Year of Service

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

The New Year is already lurking around the corner, and we're looking forward to a great year of carrying the message!

We are currently looking for a District or Zone(s) that is interested in hosting our annual Treatment/Special Needs/Accessibilities workshop. The workshop is generally held in June, and we were leaning toward a possible June 11th date. If your District or Zone is interested or has questions, please don't hesitate to email Don and me at treatment@aageorgia.org, or pick up the phone and give us a call!

During the January Assembly, we are looking forward to having Closed-Captioning become a part of the Assembly presentations. As we expand our **Special Needs/Accessibilities** reach, we hope this will be of aid to those who are in need of the service.

We would also like to thank all those who take the time to fill out the Assembly evaluation forms. The forms are available at the Assembly at the registration table, usually at the Communications display table. They are also available online. The Communications Committee compiles the information and sends the results to all of the committees and your Office Committee. Your feedback really helps us know what is working and what is not. Please make sure in January to fill out an Assembly evaluation form!

As always, we ask groups to please make sure to check meeting schedules to make sure the designations are correct for those meetings that are handicapped accessible.

We're looking forward to great workshops at the January Assembly! As always, we hope to see you there, and look forward to kicking off another great year of service!

ARCHIVES / archives@aageorgia.org

“An Utter Simplicity which Encases a Complete Mystery”

By Gary N., Chair and Ed I., Co-Chair
Area 16 Archives Committee

First I'd like to thank my predecessor John B., who did so much in his many efforts to be a good servant to our fellowship. I hope Ed I. will be welcomed as the new Co-Chair. I also wish to extend a special thanks to Damon E., who volunteered a great deal of time and provided much invaluable technical expertise.

The quote above was written by our co-founder Bill W. in 1943 to describe AA. Some may confuse the role of Archives, as if we're attempting to clutter our simple program with meaningless trivia. On the contrary, shedding bright light on AA History is meant to bring forth a greater appreciation of the people that gave so freely to blaze the way for us. Our fellowship is rich with many stories that deserve to be preserved before they are lost to

us forever.

Over five dozen Atlanta newspaper articles have been collected recently that describe a **variety** of AA historical events, including Bill W.'s little known visits to Atlanta in 1942 and 1944. These two visits by "Uncle Bill" to Atlanta has him being about as anonymous as Clark Gable. These articles also augment our understanding of how AA arrived and took hold in Atlanta. The *Atlanta Constitution* printed the headline "Alcoholics Anonymous Moves to Atlanta with Unique Plan" on June 8, 1941, which was four days before AA officially began in Georgia.

No, we of Archives do not wish to complicate anything. Rather than to share "boring history," we wish to share events that read very similarly to an intriguing mystery novel. As the saying goes, "More shall be revealed."

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Search Engine Optimization

By Ron G., Chair and Gary J., Co-Chair
Area 16 Communications Committee

A new year has begun and finds many of us with new roles and responsibilities. Welcome Gary J. to his new role as Co-Chair. Also, please welcome the new lead for English-Spanish oral translations, Lynne S.

Since the September Assembly, your team of editors completed the "We **Share** II" manuscript for all Districts and Zones – District 1 through District 17. "We Share II" is the updated history of the groups in Area 16. A commercial printer is developing the details of a schedule for bringing the manuscript to a printed volume. With luck, these details will be available at the January Assembly or in the March – April edition of "The GA Message". Hopefully, the print version will be available before the May Assembly.

Our Area Web Committee identified a need for a volunteer with SEO optimization skills and experience. If you know what this is, you may well be the person to volunteer. If interested, you can reach me atcommunications@aageorgia.org or the web administrator atwebmaster@aageorgia.org.

The Communications Committee, like all the Area Committees helps carry the message of AA to alcoholics inside and outside Area 16. Many vehicles provide the means for completing this mission from "The GA Message" to the Area 16 web site with its "find a meeting" tool to the Area 16 directory. All these and other communication tools help us inform current and potential members.

When attending the January Assembly, please take time to fill out the Assembly evaluation form either in hard copy or on the aageorgia.org web site.

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 _____ 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.

As always, Gary, all the members of the communication team, and I thank you for the opportunity to serve Area 16.

CORRECTIONS / corrections@aageorgia.org

Carrying The Message by Mail

By Tim E., Chair
Cathy B., Co-Chair
Area 16 Corrections Committee

"New groups started up and it was found, to the astonishment of everyone, that AA's message could be transmitted in the mail as well as by word of mouth." Forward to Second Edition" *Alcoholics Anonymous*. Prison inmates love mail and look forward to mail call every day. What we often take for granted is a high point of the inmate's day.

AA Corrections in Georgia has two service commitments that involve an AA member sharing his or her experience, strength and hope with another inmate through the mail. The first is "Bridge the Gap" in which a member corresponds with an inmate by mail for about six months and then meets the inmate after release to attend a few meetings together. The member basically helps the inmate understand

Alcoholics Anonymous and shows the inmate where the spiritual tools can be found. The second Corrections service by mail is through the Correspondence Program in which the member writes an inmate in a prison facility on a long term basis sharing recovery.

We can only keep what we have by giving it away freely. The stories are legion in which inmates found the program through the mail. Please join us this year in becoming a volunteer and doing service work in Corrections. Our next training to become certified as a volunteer to **carry** a meeting into the Georgia Prisons will be January 23, 2016 at the Georgia State Service Assembly Office in Macon. We normally start at around 8:00 a.m. If you are interested in doing service work in Corrections and have questions, please send an email to: corrections@aageorgia.org.

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 GEORGIA STATE SERVICE ASSEMBLY, TO GET THE GROUP RATE.

THE CUT OFF DATE IS December 16th, 2015.

CALENDAR of EVENTS

Events listed here are presented solely as a service to the readers, not as an endorsement by the State Assembly. For any additional information, please use the addresses provided.

January 15-17	Georgia AA Service Assembly Macon/Marriott
January 22-24	Hilton Head Mid-Winter Conference SC
January 23	Corrections Certification Training Macon / GSSA 8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
February 5-7	Southeast Delegate Get Together Atlanta
February 12-13	Unity Weekend Snellville
March 11-13	Flint River Round Up Albany
March 11-13	G.A.L.S. Toccoa

The deadline for the articles for the message for March and April is Feb 1st. There is no subscription fee for this newsletter, however all contributions are appreciated.

Please Mail to: G.S.S.A., P. O. Box 7325, Macon, Ga. 31209

Birthday Contributions

District 3, Zone A

Golden Isles Group
Rita V. – November 5, 1977

District 3, Zone D

12 & 12 Group
Julie C. – September 1, 1981

District 6

College Step Study Group
Bill B. – October 15

District 7, Zone B

Flint River Group
Erica G. – March 5, 2005

District 8

Wrightsville Serenity Group
Theresa C
Chris M.

District 9

Emanuel-Jenkins Group
Group Anniversary

District 11, Zone B

Conyers GA 20 Group
Mike S. – December 11, 1994

Salem New Life Group
Ned – September 17

Barbara – September 20

District 13, Zone A

The Chapter 3 Group
Rick McN. – November 1, 1994

District 13, Zone D

Three Legacies Group
Frank M. – March 7, 2003

District 13, Zone E

Easy Does It Group
Chuck H. – July 30, 1990

District 14, Zone A

Young Winners In Action Group
David J. – October 6, 1985

District 15, Zone A

Sharing Hope Group
Tom S.

District 16, Zone E

Chestatee Group
Robert K - November 10, 1986
Mike S. – September 19, 2008
Mike J. – October 10, 2010

New Groups

District 5 Zone C

Deaf AA Savannah Group
Ga Council for the Hearing Impaired
6815 Forrest Park Dr.
Savannah, GA 31406
Tues, Thurs., Saturday at 1:00 p.m.

District 7 Zone A

Macon Young Peoples Group
Centenary Methodist Church
1235 Ash St.
Macon, GA 31201
Saturday 8:00 p.m.

District 10 Zone D

Keep It Simple Group
1250 Lora Smith Rd.
Newnan, GA
Thursday and Saturday 7:00 p.m.

District 16 Zone B

First Things First Group
122 Hall St.
Hoschton, GA
Wednesday Closed Men's Big Book Study

Things We Cannot Change

Charlie O.

Sobriety Date – March 5, 1986
Passed – October 31, 2015
Home Group – Steps to Progress
Bowdon, GA

Greg M.

Sobriety Date – 4 Years
Passed – October 17, 2015
Home Group – Alamo
Moultrie, GA

Ben A.

Sobriety Date - March 2, 1995
Passed - December 2, 2015
Home Group - Baldwin County
Milledgeville, GA

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.

WORD SEARCH

The words that are within the Word Search below can be found highlighted in each of the Area Officer articles in this newsletter.

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SOUTHWEST CLUSTER, FORUM

LOCATION Liberty Baptist Church
1109 Liberty Expressway S.E.
Albany, GA 31705
Contact Number: (229) 220-6851

HOSTED BY AREA 16 DISTRICT 1 ZONE A
SATURDAY - MARCH 26, 2016

'Our Spiritual Way of Life: Steps, Traditions. & Concepts'

Connecting With the Newcomer

1. All Inclusive — Never Exclusive
2. Are We Doing Enough to Help the Newcomer— Are We Going to Any Length?
3. Home Group — Where it Begins

Connecting With Each Other

1. Singleness of Purpose — Staying Pertinent in a Changing World
2. Informed Group Conscious — The Key to Unity
3. Be Involved, Be Inspired, Be of Service

Connecting With I.A. as a Whole

1. Participating in All of A.A.
2. Understanding Self-Support
3. Reaching Out to the Next Generation of A.A.'s

REGISTRATION BEGINS AT 8:30 A.M.

PROGRAM: 9:30 A.M. TO 1:30 P.M.

Coffee and Snacks will be provided.

LUNCH WILL BE PROVIDED

What are the reasons? For the privilege to share the experience, ask questions and get help.
Halo: Why? The 13th step is to help the newcomer. *e...r...l...pew...e...tr...i...repr...E...s...l...ath...r...Esur...the...Gr...eups...Dis...bri...uts...am...Me...rs...zea...
*e...r...l...pew...e...tr...i...repr...E...s...l...ath...r...Esur...the...Gr...eups...Dis...bri...uts...am...Me...rs...zea...

63rd Georgia State Prepaid Convention October 20-23, 2016 Augusta, GA

"Our Spiritual Way of Life:
the Steps, the Traditions,
and the Concepts"

Marriott Augusta at the Convention Center
Two Tenth Street Augusta, GA
706-722-8900

Great Speakers
Mison W. Jacksonville IL
Peter AL Boca Raton, FL
Linda R. Ladson, SC (Al-Anon)
Mat I. Santa Fe, NAL
Paul Mc. Oceanside, NY
Roger H. Seminole. FL

63rd Pre-paid Convention Dinner
Saturday, 5 p.m. Cost 520 per person
Make checks payable to 63rd Prepaid Convention tr. 1-10c L.C.16

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Address _____ City _____ State _____ ZIP _____
_____ Home Group _____

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Interested in: Go if Tournament E3 Disc Golf E3 Kayalng E3/fklotord Poker Rua

Special Needs: 133 Hearing (Signer Available) **133** Sight **E:3**

MI Other _____

Mail Registration Form to:
63rd Prepaid Convention District 11 P.O. Box 204414, Martinez, GA 30917
or Register Online at:

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Cash or Checks only. **Make** checks payable to 63rd Prepaid Convention.

Out-of-state Registration Fee: AA & Al-Anon 525; Alateen \$10

For additional information, email us at 63rdPrepaid4aageorgia.org

**GEORGIA STATE (AREA 16) ASSEMBLY
WEEKEND MACON CENTREPLEX CONVENTION
CENTER January 2016**

FRIDAY Jan 15

8:00 PM OPEN DISCUSSION MEETING *
Chairperson Dist. 7A Macon
Young Peoples Group, Charlene C
GSR Room 306

SATURDAY Jan 16

9:00 AM DELEGATE'S MEETING with AREA
CHAIRS Ballroom A
Ernie M. Delegate / Rick McN. Alt Delegate

9:00 AM Assembly 101: Getting the most out of your
Assembly *
Ballroom B
Rebecca T. Area Chair /
Tom H. Office Committee Chair

10:00 AM WEB COMMITTEE

Room 313
Brandon S. Chairperson

11:00 AM ARCHIVES MEETING

Room 310
Gary N. / Fred I. Chairpersons

11:00 AM CONVENTION COMMITTEE MEETING

Room 324
Rick McN. Alternate Delegate

11:00 AM CORRECTIONS MEETING *

Tim E. / Cathy B. Chairpersons
Ballroom DE

11:00 AM COMMUNICATIONS MEETING

Ron G. / Gary J. Chairpersons
Room 312

11:00 AM GRAPEVINE MEETING

Dorman P. / Robert McC. Chairpersons
Room 306

11:00 AM PI/CPC MEETING

Room 308
Chase S. / Maxwell S. Chairpersons

11:00 AM SECRETARY/TREASURER WORKSHOP*

Debi K., Area Secretary /
Diane M., Area Treasurer
Ballroom C

11:00 AM TREATMENT/SPECIAL NEEDS/
ACCESSIBILITIES MEETING

John L. / Don O. Chairpersons
Room 309

1:00 PM DCM MEETING *

Ernie M., Delegate
Room 306

1:00 PM GSR ORIENTATION (Part 1 of 3) *

Deborah C., Past DCM 3D
Centreplex Ballroom

SATURDAY Jan 16

3 – 5 PM GSR WORKSHOP *

(Including reports from area chairs)
Centreplex Ballroom

Connecting with the Newcomer:

1. All inclusive – Never Exclusive –Cindy A., DCM 13
2. Are We Doing Enough to help the Newcomer – Are We Going to Any Length – Bob R., DCM 15A
3. Home Group–Where it All Begins–Joe W. DCM 16D

Ask-It-Basket (Tom H., Rebecca T., Ernie M.,
Rick McN. Diane M., Debi K., Cindy A., Bob R., Joe W.)

SATURDAY Jan 16 (continued)

8:00 PM AREA 16 OPEN SPEAKER MEETING
* Chairperson – Don B., DCM 12A
Centreplex Ballroom 12 Steps –
Kathleen H., DCM 3D Traditions –
Ken J., DCM 5B
Speaker – Richard S.

9:30 PM AREA WORKSHOPS

Archives	GSSA Office
Corrections *	Ballroom DE
Communications	Room 312
Grapevine	Room 306
Intergroup/Central Office*	Green Room
PI/CPC	Room 308
Treatment/Special Needs/Accessibilities	Room 309

SUNDAY Jan 17

9:00 AM AREA 16 BUSINESS MEETING *

Centreplex Ballroom

- Call to Order / Serenity Prayer
Rebecca T., Area 16 Chairperson
- Delegate's Report – Ernie M.
- Recognize Past Area Officers
- Approve Minutes from Sept 2015 Business Meeting
- We Share II report
- Final report from 2015 Pre-Paid – Columbus
- Report from 2016 Pre-Paid – Augusta
- Area Officer's reports
Alt. Delegate, Secretary, and Treasurer

OLD BUSINESS

Motion: Move that the Area 16 State Convention be transformed from prepaid to paid. (vote)

Motion: To allow DCM's the right to vote and introduce motions at Assembly. (vote)

NEW BUSINESS

1. Approval of new Area Committee Chairs / Co-Chairs
 2. Bids for 2018 Pre-Paid
 3. Co-host SSAASA (vote)
 4. General Sharing
- Adjourn/Lord's Prayer (Spanish/English)

PLEASE NOTE

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 registration desk during the weekend, at the specified times.)

A Declaration of Unity

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



*translated in Spanish