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“Rules” Dangerous, But Unity On Public Policies Vital To Future Of AA

By Tom H.
Area 16 Delegate

I subscribe to the Grapevine Quote of the Day, and the quote below guided me to read the entire GV article. To me it contained powerful lessons about sponsorship and/or guidance to others, our public relations policies, and the failure of the Washingtonians. I've included some of the quotes below. The entire article can be found in Language of the Heart. It is a GV article from September 1945 entitled “Rules” Dangerous but Unity Vital.

“During his first AA years every AA has had plenty of the urge to revolt against authority. I know I did, and can't claim to be over it yet. I've also served my time as a maker of rules, a regulator of other people's conduct. I, too, have spent sleepless nights nursing my ‘wounded’ ego, wondering how others whose lives I sought to manage could be so unreasonable, so thoughtless of ‘poor me’. I can now look back upon such experiences with much amusement. And gratitude as well.”

“That's the very defect which ruined the Washingtonian alcoholics a hundred years ago. They mushroomed to a hundred thousand members, then collapsed. No effective policy or authority. Quarreled among themselves, so finally got a black eye with the public.”

“Mutual aid plus pledges did do a lot for them, but it wasn't enough; their individual egos still ran riot in every channel save alcohol. Self-serving

forces having no real humility, having little appreciation that the penalty for too much self-will is death to the alcoholic, having no greater power to serve, finally destroyed the Washingtonians.” - AA Co-Founder, Bill W., September 1945

This article covered personal growth and touched on several of our traditions. It is clear the Washingtonians failed because of public controversy and for no other reason. It is also clear to me that as a fellowship our lack of protecting our personal anonymity at the public level has reached such epidemic proportions that we have been asked to look at the effectiveness of the short form of Tradition XI in today's world. This could lead us to asking all groups (in all countries with a GSO) to weigh in on changing the wording of Tradition XI.

ALTERNATE DELEGATE / alt_delegate@aageorgia.org

The Concepts

By Rebecca T.
Area 16 Alternate Delegate

This year in my Home Group we are studying The Concepts. Concept III states that “We endow each element of AA with a traditional Right of Decision.” I had a sponsor once who would often ask me, “What about looking at the problem from this point of view?” I now can relate her question to Concept III because she gave me additional information or another way to look at the problem.

Today when we send our GSRs to Macon, our home groups have provided a vote which we would like for them to carry out. There are times when they get to the Assembly that

I feel so strongly about this that I recently talked with all of my sponsees about breaking personal anonymity in social media such as Facebook. I provided articles and information to them on anonymity. A few of my sponsees debated with me.

The Washingtonians' demise led to the writing of Tradition X. I am sober because of AA and I am certain I would not be sober if AA were not alive. I am equally certain that without our traditions and adherence to them AA will surely die. I chose not to sponsor someone who will knowingly violate our Traditions. There is a huge difference in controlling others' behavior and adherence to our Traditions. It is up to us to consent.

more information is provided and they may change their vote. Hence this is the practice of Concept III – right of decision. Along with this change is a responsibility to report back to the group the additional information and the change in the vote.

Concept IV – “At all responsible levels, we ought to maintain a traditional Right of Participation.” For me this Concept begins in my home group with the participation in my business meeting. This is the place where I have a vote. Then my GSR is the person who has the vote at the Assembly. Then our Area Delegate has a vote at the General Service Conference. At each level of service, if we are not a participant, then our voice is not heard.

I look forward to seeing you at the Cluster Forum in your area.

TREASURER / treasurer@aageorgia.org

A Look Ahead

By Gene T.
Area 16 Treasurer

I hope you all are well and healthy this year. I have been blessed with good health so far and I pray it will continue. As I write this article I remember the Cluster Forums I have attended this year. The last was District 17, and two things I was impressed with were the food and the Q & A after the presentations. I look forward to the journey of our Forums in Columbus on April 6 and in Stapleton on June 8. I hope to see you all there.

May is our month for the Georgia State Service Assembly and nominations for Delegate/Alt Delegate. June is our

anniversary month and we will celebrate 78 years of Unity in Alcoholics Anonymous. June is also my birthday month and I am getting my checks ready for the birthday envelopes to GSSA & GSO. Don't forget this vital contribution that helps so many in AA.

With only three months into my service position as Treasurer, I have had so much pleasure going around and meeting such great people in AA. I have had numerous questions asked and I hope I have answered them to the best of my ability. I have been studying all kinds of information given to me from all who have come before me, and I am beginning to feel more at ease with my knowledge of finances.

Please don't forget to sign up for our Pre-Paid Convention in Atlanta this October. The Committee is working overtime to ensure we all have a good time and hear some speakers who have a great message of AA & Alanon.

When you come to GSSA in May, please go by and see our Office Manager, Tamera. She has served us well for many years, and she would love to hear from you about what she does. You will be amazed at what she does each and every day. She would love it, I'm sure.

Thank you all so much for the opportunity to serve you as your Area Treasurer.

SECRETARY / secretary@aageorgia.org

Language of the Heart

By Shari M.
Area 16 Secretary

I just returned from the District 17 Cluster Forum. District 17 is our Spanish-speaking district which overlays the entirety of Area 16. This is one of my favorite Area events, and I look forward to it every year. The first year that I attended, I wasn't sure what to expect. I was afraid that I would be bored because I wouldn't be able to understand what was being said. They had a translator for English speakers, but after awhile, I stopped even listening to him and just listened to the words that were spoken, even though they were in a language I do not understand.

As our Spanish-speaking members stepped up to the podium to share their experience, strength and hope, I truly began to understand what is meant in AA when we talk about the "language of the heart." My eyes began to well up with tears because even without

knowing what was being said, I could understand what they were talking about. I could hear love and passion for Alcoholics Anonymous in the tone of their voices, and I could see the enthusiasm for the program in their eyes.

We alcoholics share a common bond that transcends words. It is truly the language of the heart, that sense of relief at being rescued from a shared peril that transcends all races, languages, colors and creeds. I feel so blessed to be an alcoholic because I get to practice fluency in this language on a daily basis.

I look forward to seeing everyone in Columbus for the West Central Cluster Forum on April 6, at the East Central Cluster Forum June 8, and of course at the Assembly May 17-19 in Macon. If you don't get a chance to say hello, that's okay, too. We are still speaking the language of the heart.

Web Stats for www.aageorgia.org

Here are a few figures the Area 16 Website Committee looks at to measure the traffic of the website.

Page Views (the number of pages visitors viewed on a given day):

- Feb. 2013 – 44,481 page views with a daily average of 1,589 page views
- March 2013 – 47,207 page views with a daily average of 1,523 page views

Unique Visitors (the number of individual visitors who came to the site. The unique visitors number should always be smaller than the page views number simply because one person can visit multiple pages and thereby generate a number of different page views.):

- Feb. 2013 – 39,171 unique visitors with a daily average of 1,399 unique visitors
- March 2013 – 42,190 unique visitors with a daily average of 1,361 unique visitors

GRAPEVINE / grapevine@aageorgia.org

Grapevine Highlights Georgia Entries

By Joan M., Chair
Area 16 Grapevine Committee

One of the first things I do when I receive my copy of the AA Grapevine is to look for Georgia connections. Not to disappoint, there are several in the April issue.

The special section of this issue is "Bridging the Gap." As you well know, both the Area 16 Corrections and Treatment/Special Needs Committees are strong supporters of this program. To illustrate how effective it can be, check out the article "I Wasn't Just A Number." It was written by a person who was a guest at one of our correctional facilities.

Sitting in meetings thinking you're just a little bit different? Maybe the article "Going Bananas?" is for you. You'll find it in the New-comers section of the magazine.

Are you a jokester? A good storyteller? Like to make people laugh? "At Wit's End" is the place for you. That whole section was taken up by one of our friends from Brunswick. How cool is that?

Have you ever thought about writing an article for the Grapevine but didn't know where to start? Have you ever liked, or disliked, something you read in the magazine and wanted to put your two cents in? Are you a photographer or artist who would like to share your work?

"Sitting in meetings thinking you're just a little bit different? Maybe the article 'Going Bananas?' is for you."

Well, there are guidelines for submitting stories (you can even call them in now) and artwork. If you go to www.aagrapevine.org, click on the "Share" tab and look for the heading "Upload Your Story or Art." At our Assembly, you can stop by our table where we have printed guidelines and the editorial policies.

P.S. Please help us welcome Al Z., Trustee Director for AAGV, to our May Assembly. He will be at the 11am GV Committee Meeting, the afternoon GSR Workshop and the speaker at our 8pm meeting.

PI/CPC / pi/cpc@aageorgia.org

PI/CPC Happenings

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

Greetings from PI/CPC:

The Wellness Fair March 9th in Norcross was a great success. We supplied a display and literature. Tom B. and District 16C – 16D supplied the volunteers and did most of the work. They made quite a few contacts in the Gwinnett area. The Wellness Fair was supported by N.A.M.I., the Gwinnett Department of Public Health, Manna Treatment, Georgia Head Start Association, Norcross Health Center and Gwinnett Public Schools.

We also attended the March 23rd District 17 (Espanol) Cluster Forum. I always feel at home at the Hispanic Cluster Forum.

When the late Laura T. was our District 13 DCM Chair we had a big hand in helping District 17 develop. I was GSR for 13D at the time and worked quite a bit with Laura T. It isn't really so, but that does seem like an eternity ago.

Leanne O. is putting together a program to view and discuss Public Service Announcements at the PI/CPC workshop in Macon. We are looking forward to seeing all of you at GSSA May 17 – 19th.

Thank you for letting us serve.

Volunteers Needed

GSR for Website Committee: GSR experience, strong knowledge of the Traditions and ability to attend Service Assemblies

Spanish Translators: Needed for GA Message and other written materials.
Contact:
communications@aageorgia.org

FROM YOUR EDITOR

I'm particularly looking forward to the May Georgia State Service Assembly this year. My home group just elected a new GSR who is "on fire" for AA and service work. This will be her first Service Assembly and an honor for me to experience it with her. She is beginning to realize, just as I did, how much service work enriches our daily AA lives. If you have not found your service niche, I urge you to keep looking. You help your fellow AA while helping yourself. As they say, "If you want more, do more."

—Amy F., Area 16 Editor

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## ARCHIVES / [archives@aageorgia.org](mailto:archives@aageorgia.org)

### Don't Be Left Out!

By Claudia S., Chair and  
John B., Co-Chair  
Area 16 Archives Committee

Time is ticking! Only five months left before we reach the cut off for group histories to be turned in! "We Share II," the second edition containing AA group histories in the state of Georgia, is coming up on its first big deadline. Cut off for groups to get their histories turned in is September 22, 2013.

A little over a year ago, a motion was made and passed to print "We Share II." Since then we have been contacting groups, collecting group histories and working with printers. The time has come to get your group information turned in. You can email your group's history to the archives webmail or to Tamera at the GSSA office. Please make sure to submit it in electronic format.

A PDF of the first copy of "We Share"

can be found on the Area 16 website ([www.aageorgia.org](http://www.aageorgia.org)). Click on service – service committees – archives. If your group is in the first edition of "We Share", please just update the information already printed. We will be reprinting this original information and adding any "new" history. You can also find the email address to email your group information to the archives committee on the archives web page.

We are pre-selling "We Share II." If you order early you can get the book for \$10.00 (a 20% discount). We are selling the book to groups in **quantities of 5**. You can pay online on the archives web page or send a check to the GSSA office. Please include how many books you're ordering, your group name, and a contact phone number. We will have some group "We Share II" pre-order request forms available at the next area Assembly.

## COMMUNICATIONS / [communications@aageorgia.org](mailto:communications@aageorgia.org)

### Communications Update

By Bill F., Chair and  
Chuck L., Co-Chair  
Area 16 Communications Committee

We just returned from the District 17 Cluster Forum and it was a great experience. We experienced reverse translation (Spanish to English) and found out what it is like to "wear the headsets." It was an enlightening experience, and one that brings gratitude for how far we have come and also how much there is to do. We need volunteers to translate both written and verbal material to allow us to communicate better with our Hispanic members. If you have an interest, please complete the volunteer form on the website or contact us through [communications@aageorgia.org](mailto:communications@aageorgia.org).

We also need a first-term GSR to serve on the Website Committee who has a good knowledge of the Traditions. The

Web Administrators have accomplished so much. Andrew is finishing his work on search engine optimization and Tom is working on several new projects that you will soon see. It is just amazing the progress they have made and how much the Website is being used. Chuck has devised a plan to bring our Service Manual current with the resolutions and motions that have been passed, and we will be working hard to get that project completed. We will keep you informed on the progress. Amy is doing a tremendous job on the Message with the help of our contributing editors and translation volunteers. District 17 is helping proof the Spanish Message, making it much more useful to them.

We are also working to transcribe the translated meetings of the Assembly onto CDs to be used in District 17 for those members that cannot attend the Assembly.

## CORRECTIONS / [corrections@aageorgia.org](mailto:corrections@aageorgia.org)

### Bridging the Gap

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

In September of 2012, the Area 16 Corrections Committee received an email from the Corrections Desk at the General Service Office requesting articles for the Grapevine magazine. In particular, they were interested in local experience with the Bridging The Gap Program, where outside AA members assist inmates in transitioning from AA meetings on the inside to AA on the outside. One of our former inmates, Jodi F., from Forrest Park, wrote a short article about her experience, and we were pleased to see it published in the April 2013 Grapevine. Jodi's article, entitled "I Wasn't Just a Number," can be found on page 23 and we invite you to read it. Although not all of our alcoholic inmates find sobriety in AA after release, Jodi's story is an excellent example of the power and effectiveness of Bridging The Gap.

So far in 2013, we have received 57 Bridging The Gap forms from inmates all over Georgia. This brings the total to well over 500 inmates in the past 27 months, and many of them have found sobriety in AA and become productive members of society as the result of the efforts of our Bridging The Gap volunteers. Pre-Release Contact volunteer forms are available from the state office in Macon and can be found online at [aageorgia.org](http://aageorgia.org) under the Corrections tab. We urge you to sign up for this important form of Twelfth Step work.

We are looking forward to seeing everyone at the May Assembly and want to remind you that our next Corrections Certification Training session with Warden Sanders is scheduled for May 25<sup>th</sup>. Questions? Please contact us by phone or by email at [corrections@aageorgia.org](mailto:corrections@aageorgia.org).

**TREATMENT/ [treatment@aageorgia.org](mailto:treatment@aageorgia.org)**

## **Singleness of Purpose**

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

"Singleness of purpose is essential to the effective treatment of alcoholism. The reason for such exaggerated focus is to overcome denial. The denial associated with alcoholism is cunning, baffling and powerful and affects the patient, resident, helper and the community. Unless alcoholism is kept relentlessly in the foreground, other issues will usurp everybody's attention."

Our membership is open to anyone who wants to do something about his or her drinking problem. We are nonprofessional, self-supporting and available almost everywhere. Continual exposure to AA educates us to the nature of our illness....whether we come voluntarily by inner discomfort, by someone else, Treatment Facilities, or by force. How we got to AA is not what AA is interested in. It is the problem drinker who is our concern. We cannot predict who will recover, nor have we the authority to decide how recovery should be sought by any other alcoholic.

The primary purpose of AA in Treatment Facilities is to carry its message of recovery to the alcoholic seeking help.

Almost every alcoholic treatment program tries to help the alcoholic obtain and maintain sobriety. Regardless of the road we follow, we all head for the same destination—recovery of the alcoholic person. Together, we can do what none of us could accomplish alone. We can serve as a source of personal experience and be an ongoing support system for recovering alcoholics.

It is important in carrying the message into Treatment Facilities and to persons with Special Needs that we have the knowledge of what AA is, what AA does and what AA does not do. This will be discussed at our workshop in May at the Assembly. Also, there is the "Information on Alcoholics Anonymous" pamphlet. We will present a PowerPoint presentation on our purpose in carrying the message into Treatment Facilities and the aims, problems and solutions we face in carrying the message into Treatment Facilities as their guests.

We want to continue to encourage and attract others to get involved in Treatment service throughout Area 16. If your group or district needs more information, please contact John L. or myself through the web-

## **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](http://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](http://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](mailto:webmaster@aageorgia.org) or other trusted servants. Please provide any feedback to:  
[communications@aageorgia.org](mailto:communications@aageorgia.org) or [editor@aageorgia.org](mailto:editor@aageorgia.org).

**The deadline for inclusion in the GA Message for July / August is June 1<sup>st</sup>.**

There are no subscription fees for this newsletter, however all contributions are appreciated. Please mail to: GSSA, P. O. Box 7325, Macon, GA 31209 or email [editor@aageorgia.org](mailto:editor@aageorgia.org).

## **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.*

|                       |                                                                                 |
|-----------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>May 17-19</b>      | <b>Georgia AA Service Assembly</b><br>Macon/Marriott                            |
| <b>May 25</b>         | <b>Corrections Certification Training</b><br>Macon / GSSA 8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. |
| <b>June 8</b>         | <b>East Central Cluster Forum</b><br>Stapleton (8,9,12A,12B)                    |
| <b>June 14-16</b>     | <b>GCYPAA</b><br>Atlanta                                                        |
| <b>June 29-30</b>     | <b>West GA Gratitude</b><br>Douglasville                                        |
| <b>June 30-July 2</b> | <b>9<sup>th</sup> Spanish State Convention</b><br>Atlanta                       |

## **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 is May 3, 2013.**

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### **Birthday Contributions**

#### **District 1, Zone C**

Americus Group  
David S.

#### **District 3, Zone A**

Today Group  
January 31, 1986

#### **District 6**

College Step Study Group  
Spencer G. – February 6, 1986  
Serena A. – February 7, 2009

#### **District 7, Zone B**

Flint River Group  
Elizabeth C. February 23, 2011

#### **District 10, Zone D**

ABC Group  
Bobby R. – March 11, 1971

#### **District 11, Zone B**

No Name Nooners Group  
Bob M. – January 8, 1989  
Ricardo M. – January 16, 2012  
Twelve-Step Sisters Group  
Sandi T. – February 6, 1984

#### **District 16, Zone B**

Alumni Group  
Jane B. – February 5, 1984

#### **District 16, Zone C**

Buford Group  
Dot H. – March 16, 1986  
Kelly P. – January 5, 2010

#### **District 17**

Sobriedad Latina Group  
de Pro Anivesario  
Marvin Ch. – Four Years  
Hector S. – Two Years

### **New Groups**

#### **District 3 Zone D**

Fredrica North Group  
Fredrica Presbyterian  
Church  
6530 Fredrica Rd.  
St. Simons Island, GA  
31522  
Meets Sunday at 4:30 p.m.

#### **District 12 Zone B**

Freedom Group  
230 Central Ave.  
Augusta, GA  
Meets Tuesday and Thurs-  
day at 5:30 p.m. (Closed)

#### **District 13 Zone A**

Roswell 11<sup>th</sup> Step  
Meditation Group  
814 Memosa Blvd.  
Roswell, GA  
Meets on Sunday at 8:00  
p.m. open

#### **District 13 Zone K**

Acworth Big Book Step  
Study Group  
Northstar Church  
3413 Blue Springs Rd.  
Kennesaw, GA 30144  
Meets on Thursday at 7:00  
p.m.

#### **Solution Seekers Group**

3385 Mars Hill Rd.  
Acworth, GA 30101  
Meets on Monday at 7:00  
p.m. Open

#### **District 16 Zone B**

Freedom Group  
Project Adam #2  
112 Lanthier St.  
Winder, GA 30680  
Meets Wednesday at 6:30  
p.m. and Saturday noon

### **Things We Cannot Change**

Ralph F.  
Solutions Group  
Sobriety Date – June 14,  
1986  
Passed – December 21,  
2012

James B.  
Solutions Group  
Sobriety Date – June 2,  
2010  
Passed – January 2, 2013

Bill W.  
Toccoa Fellowship Group  
Sobriety Date – December  
1993  
Passed – February 14,  
2013

We have heard from many of you about Marriott Macon parking and the gate being closed during the January Assembly. While we welcome all comments and suggestions, due to a couple of serious accidents coming into or leaving the facility, the gate that we usually use (Gate 4) has been permanently closed. This is a management decision of the Marriott Convention Center - not GSSA. We look forward to a great Assembly in May.

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

**FRIDAY May 17**

8:00 PM OPEN DISCUSSION MEETING\*  
Chairperson – District 7A  
Room 306

**SATURDAY May 18**

9:00 AM DELEGATE’S MEETING with AREA CHAIRS  
Tom H. Delegate / Rebecca T. Alternate Delegate  
Ballroom A

9:00 AM Assembly 101: Great sharing for everyone at the assembly\*  
Patty L. Area Chair / David M. Office Committee Chair  
Ballroom B

10:00 AM WEB COMMITTEE\*—Room 313  
Bill F. / Shari M. Chairpersons

11:00 AM ARCHIVES MEETING—Room 310  
Claudia S. / John B. Chairpersons

11:00 AM CONVENTION COMMITTEE MEETING—Room 324  
Rebecca T. Alternate Delegate

11:00 AM CORRECTIONS MEETING\*—Ballroom DE  
Jim T. / Tim E. Chairpersons

11:00 AM COMMUNICATIONS MEETING—Room 312  
Bill F. / Chuck L. Chairpersons

11:00 AM GRAPEVINE MEETING—Room 303  
Joan Mc. / Janie C. Chairpersons

11:00 AM PI/CPC MEETING—Room 308  
Ed T. / LeAnne O. Chairpersons

11:00 AM SECRETARY/TREASURER WORKSHOP\*—Ballroom C  
Shari M., Area Secretary / Gene T., Area Treasurer

11:00 AM TREATMENT/SPECIAL NEEDS/ACCESSIBILITES MEETING—  
Room 309  
Willie S. / John L. Chairpersons

1:00 PM DCM MEETING\*—Room 306  
Tom H., Delegate

1:00 PM GSR 101\* - Centreplex Ballroom  
Julia H., Past DCM 13B

3:00 – 5:00 PM Reports from Area Committee Chairs\*  
Patty L., Area Chair  
Centreplex Ballroom

GSR WORKSHOP

1. Your GSSA Office  
Tamera P., GSSA Office Manager
2. Role of the DCM  
Tony P., DCM 5C
3. Opening Lines of Communication  
Albin Z., AAGV Trustee Director

Ask-It-Basket (Tom H., Rebecca T., Patty L., David M., Shari M., Gene T., Tamera P., Tony P., Albin Z.)

**SATURDAY May 18 cont'd**

8:00 PM AREA 16 OPEN SPEAKER MEETING\*  
Chairperson – Joan M., Area Grapevine Chair  
12 Steps – Judy R., ALT DCM 13K  
Traditions – Deb H., DCM 11A  
Speaker – Albin Z., AAGV Trustee Director  
Centreplex Ballroom

9:30 PM AREA WORKSHOPS

|                            |             |
|----------------------------|-------------|
| Archives                   | GSSA Office |
| Corrections*               | Ballroom DE |
| Communications             | Room 312    |
| Grapevine                  | Room 303    |
| Intergroup/Central Office* | Green Room  |
| PI/CPC                     | Room 308    |
| Treatment                  | Room 309    |

**SUNDAY May 19**

9:00 AM Delegate’s Report\* - Centreplex Ballroom  
Tom H., Area 16 Delegate

**BUSINESS MEETING\*** - Centreplex Ballroom

Patty L., Area 16 Chairperson

1. Report from 60th (Atlanta) Pre-Paid Convention
2. Albin Z., AAGV Trustee Director
3. Recognize Past Area Officers
4. Area Officer’s reports

**OLD BUSINESS**

1. Approve minutes from January 2013 Area 16 Business Meeting
2. Report from the “We Share our Georgia Experience” Committee
3. Voting on bids for 2015 Pre-Paid Convention

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. Nominations for Delegate and Alternate Delegate
2. General sharing

**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).

**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 depends our lives and the lives of those to come.

*\* translated in Spanish*

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**We Share II Pre-Order Form (see page 4 for more details)**

5 books \$53.50       10 books \$107.00       15 books \$165.00       \_\_\_\_\_ books (increments of 5)

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing address: \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Check enclosed for \$\_\_\_\_\_.

Make check payable to Georgia State Service Assembly  
Mail to:  
GSSA  
P.O. Box 7325  
Macon, GA 31209



**60th Georgia State Prepaid Annual Convention · Hyatt Regency Atlanta · October 17-20, 2013  
Solution in Action: Georgia Celebrates 60 Years  
Registration Form**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Street) (City) (State) (Zip)

Name on Badge: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Group: \_\_\_\_\_

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: **60th GA State Prepaid Convention**. Mail all forms to: **60th Prepaid Convention,  
4780 Ashford Dunwoody Road, Suite A PMB #161, Atlanta, GA 30338-5004**

Want to Volunteer? Should we contact you by phone \_\_\_\_\_ or email above \_\_\_\_\_

Any special needs? Wheel chair \_\_\_ Sight \_\_\_ Hearing \_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_