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Experience has Taught Us By Tracy M. Area 16 Delegate

I recently attended the funeral of one of our Past Delegates. The service for Joycie W. was a great tribute to a woman that was dearly loved by her family, friends, and Alcoholics Anonymous. Her time in AA was described beautifully in her eulogy. "She spent 38 years involved in varying types of passion projects and service work, which led to her meeting people and developing enduring friendships and relationships that meant so much to her."

On the drive home I thought about my early days in AA when old-timers would take me to funerals for people in AA that I didn't know. I learned over time that our membership was about so much more than getting sober. The best examples of our Traditions are evident in how they show up in our

daily lives. I was learning about unity and belonging by paying my respects and being a part of our fellowship.

The first time I encountered the "group conscience" was in what my group called a business meeting. It looked and sounded more like a knock down drag out to me! When the issue had been discussed for quite some time, we voted, and they all acted like best friends again. I saw that AA could be a safe place to disagree and work through a problem. This was a new experience for someone afraid to express any opinion that might separate me from the pack. I was learning about our Ultimate Authority that was bigger than our differences. The group conscience prevailed.

I met my first best friend in AA, who would mentor me and teach me how we are all alike on the inside and everybody that suffers from alcoholism has a place in our rooms. AA was a place where people from all walks of

life were sitting together in rooms and sharing their struggles. At 43 years old, I had never experienced inclusivity and acceptance in any other organization like I saw in ours. Our disease levels the playing field.

When our group had to move to another location, we continued our regular meeting nights and times. There were several groups that met in the same church basement. One of those groups had a meeting at the same time as ours. This became an issue where we were asked to change our meeting night. The other group's attendance had fallen off and some of those mem-

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ALTERNATE DELEGATE / altdelegate@aageorgia.org

Georgia State Prepaid Convention By Tom B. Area 16 Alternate Delegate

Have you ever been to the annual Georgia State Prepaid Convention? Do you know why our state convention is called a Prepaid Convention? Why does it move around the state of Georgia from year to year? What do you do at the convention?

The Georgia State Prepaid Convention is held every year preferably during the third weekend of October. This year, the state convention will be in Augusta from October 20-22, 2023. The host hotel is the Augusta Marriott at the Convention Center in downtown Augusta. The convention committee has booked 5 AA speakers and 1 Al-Anon speaker to tell their stories and more during the weekend of events. There will be workshops and discussion meetings in which to participate.

Some of the other activities include: a fellowship dinner, golf tournament, disc golf tournament, and a motorcycle run. Some of these activities have a fee in order to participate in them. You can go to www.aageorgia.org/georgia-prepaid-convention.html to get all the current information and access to pre-registration. Please consider giving yourself permission to have a good time and attend the Georgia State Prepaid Convention!

Our state convention is called a "prepaid convention" because the AA groups in Area 16 (Georgia) have the choice to contribute to a designated fund that covers the cost of each state convention every year. This fund is separate from our main GSSA account and is maintained by our Area 16 Treasurer. The details of the prepaid convention account are reported during each Assembly to the attendees of the Sunday morning business meeting. Any and all AA mem-

bers in Area 16 can email the Area 16 Treasurer at treasurer@aageorgia.org with any questions about the fund throughout the year. Therefore, due to this fund, there is not a registration fee to attend the convention. Other Areas in the US/Canada structure that hold a state convention charge for registration, anywhere from \$35 to \$60 per person. In Area 16 your registration fee is paid for by the AA groups in our Area. Thank you to all the AA groups in Area 16 that contribute to help make the Georgia State Prepaid Convention possible!

The Georgia State Prepaid Convention is hosted and held in different cities each year. This rotation format allows for more accessibility for members who would not normally be able to travel long distances. With the convention being in a different location each year, more members can experience the event. Our Georgia AA Service Manual outlines the policy and procedure for a district to put in a bid to host our state convention in their city. All the policies and recommenda-

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TREASURER / treasurer@aageorgia.org

Our Mighty Purpose By Todd B. Area 16 Treasurer

As we approach our third Cluster Forum with Purpose as one of the topics, I continue to see purpose as one of AA's greatest strengths. AA has given my life a tremendous sense of purpose, and I get to live in the stream of life that is filled with wonder. What a difference compared to the miserable punk that came to AA in legal trouble, life in a mess and lacking any real purpose, other than to get wasted.

I found AA general service through some AA friends when I was living in Chicago, and it has provided a sense of purpose that keeps Todd out of the way, most of the time, with God and AA centered in my life. Today miracles continue to happen. If you do not have any service commitments, as I once did not, I am curious to see how things are working out in your life. If you still "have to go to meetings," join us in our home group where we are centered in service and purpose. Come with us to the cluster forums, state assemblies, and pre-paid conventions to find a life that is happy, joyous and free.

I am branching out to meetings outside my comfort zone where I am seeing a reflection of the post-pandemic world. Some meetings are still virtual, some are hybrid, and some are in person. As we navigate this era, I want to focus on making sure that when a meeting is listed in the meeting guide app, the lights are on and an AA hand is there to reach out

to the newcomer.

At one of the hybrid meetings I went to there was an in person newcomer. I hope he comes back. I couldn't help but feel that maybe this was a missed opportunity for the newcomer since many of the old timers were online and not in person. The few of us in person reached out but there was still something missing: an energy, or sense of enthusiasm for sobriety.

I believe God is working in every AA meeting to the extent that solid AA's are there reaching out their hands in love and service. Convenience is one of my watch words, like boredom. I need to be careful when those words are in my vocabulary. True growth happens for me when I get out of my comfort zone.

I am not advocating for either type of meeting. It is my hope that whatever AA meeting we have, we do it well. I also hope that every group in Georgia can be its best, and for me, that means involved at every level. Is your group involved at every level?

Please help ensure that in Area 16 the AA meeting guide is correct, the lights are on and someone is there to greet the newcomer. As treasurer, I look at the budget and contributions on a monthly basis. I encourage everyone to support our 7th Tradition by getting your group involved and send even a nominal \$5 contribution to the Area. In that way we see active groups are alive and well. If your group is active, I want to come to your meeting because that is where God will be visibly working. Let's improve our participation rate and see what we can create for our September Service

SECRETARY / secretary@aageorgia.org

Receiving More than I Give By Todd B. Area 16 Interim Secretary

It has been a real blessing to serve as Secretary. I now have a pretty good understanding of all the work that Tamera does. Without her continued service, I would have been in a mess really quick. She does the state of Georgia a wonderful service and is truly the bedrock of institutional knowledge. So thank you, Tamera, for making this a great experience.

Tamera and I have been talking about group updates and how important it is for groups to keep their information up to date. Before this commitment, I was probably a little slack on keeping on top of group updates back when I was group secretary. I believe that a newcomer's life can depend on groups keeping up to date information.

Our new world, post-pandemic world, is taking its toll on me as I try to break out of bad habits that I started in the virtual busi-

ness world—wearing pajamas all day, so I will try not to wear pajamas to the assembly. I must admit, I was able to slack off a bit, and now it is time to get back to hard work.

I encourage all our fellowship to join us in general service; our Three Legacies that we are focused on this year at the Cluster Forums. When I am active in service, my life changes. I look forward to our election for the new Secretary in September as well as the Alternate Delegate and Delegate. I also want to encourage people to consider standing for Treasurer and Secretary next year as that term will rotate in 2025. If a guy with an English degree can be treasurer, anyone can be treasurer.

Please help ensure our groups are active and someone is there to reach out their hand when a newcomer arrives for their first meeting. Group updates can be done at AAGeorgia.org.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve. I truly receive more than I give.

SELF-SUPPORT

GROUP CONTRIBUTION PLANS TO AA SERVICE ENTITIES

"To help support AA's essential services, the General Service Conference suggests that individual groups, *through an informed group conscience*, adopt a specific contribution plan tailored to meet the group's financial situation."

-Self-Support: Where Money & Spirituality Mix

Self-support begins with each of us as part of a group. After group expenses are paid, remaining contributions should be disbursed to cover the expenses of our service entities so others can discover the miracles of AA.

Below are sample distribution plans. The group conscience should be informed on the financial needs of each of the service entities when making their distribution decisions as those needs change over time.

Group Conscience Decision

State Office, Macon:	_____%
District/Zone:	_____%
Central Office:	_____%
Pre-Paid Convention:	_____%
GSO:	_____%
Total:	100%

Sample Distribution

	A	B
State Office, Macon:	50%	30%
Central Office:	-	35%
District/Zone:	10%	5%
Pre-Paid Convention:	10%	10%
GSO:	30%	20%

Mailing Addresses: GSSA (State Office) & Prepaid Convention

P.O. Box 7325
Macon, GA 31209

GSO (General Service Office)

P.O. Box 2407
James A. Farley Station
New York, NY 10116-2407

*If you need additional information,
please call 478-745-2588
or visit aageorgia.org*

GRAPEVINE / grapevine@aageorgia.org

New App and Grapevine Non-Trustee Vacancy Letter

**By Haley W., Co-Chair
Mitch M., Chair**

Amparo M., La Viña Chair

Area 16 Grapevine / La Viña Committee

New AA Grapevine / La Viña App Coming September 2023!

- Read or listen to every issue
- Search our vast GV/LV Archives
- Keep track of your sobriety and spiritual practices
- Share your thoughts on articles
- Share AA stories and area events with friends
- Find meetings and connect to aa.org

Opening for AA Grapevine Non-Trustee Director

AA Grapevine's Corporate Board has started its search to fill the vacancy for one Non-Trustee director, which will open following the 2024 General Service Conference. Interested A.A. members are encouraged to submit a resume.

Basic qualifications for this position are: a minimum of seven years of continuous sobriety with a working knowledge of the A.A. service structure and familiarity with The AA Service Manual; ability to work with others in a group conscience setting; experience serving on boards of directors (nonprofit experience is most helpful); knowledge of organizational strategic planning, problem-solving and implementation of change; experience with organizational management and finances; and familiarity and experience with publications media including new communication technologies and methodologies.

The time commitment required is significant and includes availability to attend four planning meetings of the AA Grapevine Board, as well as attendance at three General Service Board weekends, which include quarterly AA Grapevine Board meetings and meetings of trustees' committees (to which corporate board

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Attraction Rather than Promotion

**By William B., Chair
Karen A., Co-Chair**

**Area 16 Public Information/
Cooperation With the Professional
Community Committee**

Our 11th traditions states that "Our public relations policy is based on attraction rather than promotion: we need always maintain personal anonymity at the level of press, radio and films."

Our founders' intent of this tradition was that our "public persona" would not hinge on one person. That one person's likeness, image, name, reputation and or following should not be the public's impression and interpretation of the AA program.

Why, you may ask, do we have this? What is the difference between attraction and promotion? Should we give a free toaster with every new member? What about chips? Are they promotion? Bumper Stickers, now there's a little controversy. How about putting one of those inflatable men they use at used car lots in front of the club house? What about YouTube, Instagram, Google? Are these promotions? What is it all about?

I'm reminded of going to department stores as a child and the pretty models would spritz my mother with various perfumes as we walked through the cosmetics department. You couldn't turn sideways without some blonde-haired beauty spraying you with the latest fragrance. Alongside the cosmetics counter, there was an attractive display of perfumes. It was well presented, and I remember it caught my mom's eye. There were tester bottles and pamphlets, sample bottles and scratch n sniff cards. There was a lady there handing out information and samples, creating plenty of attraction for the new line of fragrance.

So how does this relate to AA? Think of the perfume counter as an AA display at a workshop or event. In PI (Public Information) work, we tell people the 5 Ws of AA. What AA is, who AA is for, why AA does what it does, where and when AA meetings are held. We also talk a little about the H, how AA works. The promotion would be the "spritzing". We don't shove AA down anyone's throat. We don't go where

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**Treatment /Accessibilities
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Working with Others

**By Don K., Chair
Claire P., Co-Chair
Area 16 Treatment /
Accessibilities Committee**

The Treatment side of our committee works with district and group treatment representatives to carry the A.A. message into hospitals and other facilities where there are people with a desire to stop drinking. But what happens when the newly sober alcoholic leaves the facility? They may have attended a few A.A. meetings near the facility, but what if they live in another city or state? We want to help those who wish to attend local A.A. meetings where they will live when they are released.

The Bridge the Gap program allows treatment facility patients to request an AA contact in their home area who then helps them find and attend a meeting. We accomplish this by educating facilities about Bridge the Gap and providing the contact information for the Area Treatment Committee or District Treatment Representative. If a patient wants a local contact in a specific area, the facility contacts us and we contact a local member in that district to act as the contact. The local member calls and offers to help the patient get to a meeting when they are released. If you are in contact with a facility and want to talk with them about the Bridge the Gap program, let us know.

Can every member or prospective member in your district attend your meeting? Are we considering the unseen barriers to attendance at meetings? The Accessibilities side of our committee helps groups make their meeting accessible to all who want to attend.

We look forward to seeing everyone at the September Assembly! If you are involved or want to become involved in doing service work in the areas of treatment and/or accessibility, please attend one of our workshops on Saturday at the Assembly.



ARCHIVES/ archives@aageorgia.org

Archives Workshop Was A Success, Great Events Ahead

By Mark G., Chair
Drew H., Co-Chair

Area 16 Archives Committee

Summer is here, and there are more great things scheduled for the Archives Committee this fall. We had our first in person archives workshop for Area 16 in our state office with about 20 attendees from across our Area. All of whom brought their own personal treasured archives and each was able to describe the story behind the archive. Some brought their 1st edition collection of big books, a box or two of books that were used in the formation of AA including a detailed 2-inch-thick collection about the earliest Washingtonians that Bill wrote about in a 1945 AA Grapevine. Also, there were rare coins given at various conventions and founders day celebrations. There was even a special private video tour of Dr Bob's house. A special thanks to

everyone who participated! There will be more to come.

The latest Archives Committee presentation "The First Group in Georgia, We Think" has been posted on the Area 16 website: aageorgia.org under Archives Committee presents tab. A special thanks to Damon E. for all his assistance for operating and maintaining all our presentations. Our hope is that these presentations could be used to help newcomers see firsthand about this program of recovery. They can see where we came from and who our founders were, real everyday Alcoholics, and especially what they did to recover.

There are more presentations in the works for fall, including How the General Service Conference came to be and AA Beginnings in Prisons, Behind The Walls. If any district or group would like the Archives team to come to do a talk on archiving, or a presentation, please email us at archives@aageorgia.org. We look forward to seeing everyone at the upcoming assembly in September.

CORRECTIONS corrections@aageorgia.org

Service in Corrections By Dawn U., Chair Brad R., Co-Chair Area 16 Corrections Committee

"Practical experience shows that nothing will so much insure immunity from drinking as intensive work with other alcoholics. It works when other activities fail." (Alcoholics Anonymous, page 89)

It fills my heart to see the spark of hope come into the eyes of a person in custody. Bringing our experience, strength, and hope to those that are incarcerated shows them a glimpse that things could be different for them both while they are on the inside and when they get released. They know how to do prison, so our experience doesn't need to include a prison record ourselves. What they need from us is our experience of how to live sober and happy on the outside. As they grow and change, many learn that this new way of life can start while they are still inside. As they progress through the steps, some start working with newcomers. Sometimes we get to see or hear from a person who has been released and know that we have made a difference.

There are many ways to serve in the area of corrections. Whether it is bringing a meeting to your local county jail or a state prison, corrections correspondence or corrections pre-release, donating to your home group's Pink Cans or donating your past issues of the Grapevine, we need your involvement. If you are interested in becoming a volunteer for a state prison, please complete the volunteer application at gdc.georgia.gov under volunteer services.

Currently, we are collecting your old Grapevines for distribution. Please bring them to our table at the September Service Assembly.

COMMUNICATIONS / communications@aageorgia.org

Communicating Unselfishly and Well

By Janie C., Chair
Amy B., Co-chair
Area 16 Communications Committee

"Nothing can matter more to the future welfare of AA than the manner in which we use this colossus of communication. Used unselfishly and well, the results can surpass our present imagination." (Bill W. AA Grapevine November 1960.)

One of the ways in which we can determine if our group, district, or zone is communicating "unselfishly and well" is to look periodically at the resources that newcomers or new group members or trusted servants would use.

1.) Google your group, and check the Meeting Guide App. Is your street address correct? Are the times and meeting codes correct? If your meeting says it's HA, is it, in fact, handicap accessible? Is there a phone number listed, and is it correct?

2.) Go to the Area 16 website, aageorgia.org, and check out the directory

under the service tab. The password is Gssa@2006. Check on your group, district, or zone information. Are the names of the trusted servants correct? How about their contact information?

If you need to change any of this information, please go to aageorgia.org and do so.

Secondly, are we making sure that our group members know where to find information that will affect them? Do your group members know about the September Assembly and the elections for Delegate, Alternate Delegate, and Secretary? Have they seen the service resumes of those standing either in the print or on-line versions of The Georgia Message? Please make sure that your group knows about the elections and make time at your business meetings or group conscience meetings to discuss the candidates.

By using our tools of communication well, we can, as Bill said, surpass our present imagination, and can ensure that A.A. is there when the next suffering alcoholic, inside or outside the rooms, reaches out for help.

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tions are listed on pages 34 – 37. If your district would like to put a bid in to host the state convention, read and get to know these pages of the Service Manual well. Each bid is made two years in advance during the Assembly business meeting in January and awarded during the Assembly business meeting in May. This gives ample time for the awarded district to organize and elect their own convention committee as well as make commitments to their chosen event site.

I look forward to the Prepaid Convention each year. I have not been able to attend all of the conventions that have been held since I came into the rooms, but the ones I have attended have been a blast! Every convention is a little different depending on the location and the committee responsible for its creation. The number of attendees ranges from 1000 to 1500 members. First of all – Fellowship is everywhere! It is amazing to be with others that love and enjoy Alcoholics Anonymous as I do. There is gratitude all over the place. The speakers are inspiring and moving, workshops are informative and helpful to my recovery, and the activities are fun and well planned. Then there are the unique and interesting things to do in the host city. The whole weekend gives me the opportunity to get to know other members that I would not normally be with in the meetings I attend. If you have not experienced our state convention, please plan to attend one soon. After my first convention, I couldn't wait until the next year for another one.

Please contact me if you have any questions about our Georgia State Prepaid Convention. I would love the opportunity to pique your interest in attending one in the future. Email me at altdelegate@aageorgia.org.

Birthday Contributions

Unknown Group or District

Ed C – October 16, 1963
Ken B – July 11, 1986
Frank W – July 16, 2000
Holly D – May 21, 2011

District 14, Zone D

Cedartown Group
Angie G – May 15, 2020

District 16, Zone C

Easy 123 Group
Derek W – July 5, 2017

District 16, Zone E

Gainesville Classic Group
Ron G – June 14, 1986

ASSEMBLY RESERVATIONS

Need a room at the Hampton Inn & Suites of Dublin for Assembly? Call (478) 246-6055

Please remember to tell them that you are with the (GSSA) Georgia State Service Assembly, to get the Group Rate.

Please remember that the cut off date is up to one week prior to Assembly if rooms are still available.

Room reservation comes with Free Wi-Fi and Free Breakfast.

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bers were attending our meeting. An old-timer from that group pulled me aside one night and told me that we were violating the Traditions and that I should know better (I was the DCM at that time). I was sure that he was wrong. Our group decided at our next business meeting to give up that slot. We knew that it was becoming difficult for all of us and thought that we would make this sacrifice for the other group. Years later it would hit me that the old-timer was right. Our group could certainly meet on any night and time that we chose but it was directly affecting another group.

These are a few examples of the many times I have had the experience of seeing our Traditions at work in the rooms. How our Traditions teach me usually is the same way they came into being in the first place. I do something the wrong way until I learn a better way. Our Traditions are the result of trial and error. They are spiritual protection for our way of life.

The Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions states, "The Twelve Traditions apply to the life of the Fellowship itself. They outline the means by which A. A. maintains its unity and relates itself to the world about it, the way it lives and grows."

I look forward to seeing everyone at the Assembly in September. We will elect our Panel 74 Area 16 Delegate, Alternate Delegate, and Area 16's new Secretary. Please come and bring someone with you so they might have an opportunity to experience our Georgia State Service Assembly.

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directors are appointed). Trustees' committees may also include conference calls between in-person meetings. In addition, directors will be called upon to serve on Trustee's committees and sub-committees, attend the General Service Conference for one week in April and may be called upon to represent AA Grapevine at Regional Forums or other A.A. functions. In seeking applications for all vacancies in Alcoholics Anonymous, the Fellowship is committed to creating a large applicant file of persons that reflects the inclusiveness and diversity of AA itself. All applicants will receive consideration without regard to race, color, religion, gender, gender identity or expression, familial status, sexual orientation, national origin, ability, age, or veteran status. Please use this link to a resume form that should be completed by all applicants for this vacancy aagrapevine.org/Vacancy-NTD-AAGV and return the completed form via email to resumes@aagrapevine.org, or print and mail to the attention of Janet Bryan, Director of Operations, AAGV, Inc., 475 Riverside Drive, Suite 1100, New York, NY 10115 by Friday, September 15, 2023.

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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. Please check with the organizers closer to the date regarding cancellations or changes.

Atlanta Intergroup	Virtual	September 3
26 th National AA Archives Workshop	Sudbury, Ontario	September 7-10
National AA Technology Workshop	Winchester, VA	September 8-10
Georgia AA Service Assembly	Dublin/OFTC	September 15-17
30 th GCYPAA	Macon	September 22-24
Atlanta Intergroup	Virtual	October 1
Workshop of Hispanic Women	Atlanta	October 7
Atlanta Men's Workshop	Rock Eagle	October 12-14
70th Georgia Pre-Paid Convention	Augusta	October 20-22
DCM Planning Meeting	Macon	November 4 1:00pm – 3:00pm

The Message article deadline for November and December publication is October 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

New Groups:

District 2 Zone A

Coolidge Group
Community Center
2090 S Pine St
Coolidge GA 31738
Saturday 7:00 p.m.

District 2 Zone B

Our Primary Purpose Group
Piscotta Paintings Art Studio
215 E 2nd St
Tifton GA 31794
Tuesday 5:30 p.m. Open

District 12 Zone A

Grovetown Sober Sunday Group
Grovetown United Methodist Church
206 E Robinson Ave
Grovetown GA 30813
Sunday 7:00 p.m.

District 13 Zone H

In God's Hands Group
Residence
433 Pine Dr
Pine Lake GA 30072
Sunday 6:00 p.m. BB, W, C

District 16 Zone B

Step By Step Group
Grace Baptist Church
2980 Old Peachtree Rd NE
Dacula GA 30019
Monday Noon Closed SS

Things We Cannot Change:

John Andrew

Emanuel-Jenkins Group
Sobriety Date – March 25, 1973
Passed – May 31, 2023

Joycie Wren

Douglasville Group
Passed Area Delegate Panel 46
Sobriety Date – March 19, 1985
Passed – July 25, 2023

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we are not invited.

Many people ask about social media. In short, social media is the electronic newspaper and the digital magazine. It is the consensus of AA World Services that we must keep up with the times. Twenty years ago, our options were to run an ad in a local newspaper or a PSA on a local tv station. Today, however, social media and YouTube have replaced these mediums to reach a far wider audience. Thus allowing us to carry our message more effectively to the public.

When doing Public Information work, we let our literature speak for us to ensure that there is a uniform message given coast to coast, state to state, county to county, and alcoholic to alcoholic.

***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.***

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GEORGIA STATE (AREA 16) ASSEMBLY WEEKEND

DUBOSE PORTER CENTER / DUBLIN

September 16 & 17, 2023

FRIDAY September 15, 2023

8:00 PM OPEN DISCUSSION MEETING
Room 622 Chairperson - Dwayne W., District 8 – GSR – Baldwin County Group

SATURDAY September 16, 2023

9:00 AM DELEGATE'S MEETING with AREA CHAIRS/CO CHAIRS
Training Room D Tracy M., Delegate / Tom B., Alternate Delegate

9:00 – 10:45 AM DCM 101 (Part 3 of 3)
Training Room C Debi K., Area Chairperson

10:00 AM ASSEMBLY 101: Getting the most out of your Assembly *Translated in Spanish
Training Room G David M., Past Delegate, Area 16 (GA) Panel 58

10:00 AM WEB COMMITTEE
Training Room H Dave L., Chairperson

11:00 AM COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE
Auditorium Set up
Janie C./ Amy B. Chairpersons

11:00 AM ARCHIVE MEETING
Training Room C Mark G. / Drew H., Chairpersons

11:00 AM CONVENTION COMMITTEE MEETING
Room 620 Tom B., Alternate Delegate

11:00 AM CORRECTIONS MEETING
Room 611 Dawn U., Chairperson

11:00 AM GRAPEVINE/ LAVINA MEETING
Training Room G Mitch M. / Haley B. / Amparo M., Chairpersons

11:00 AM PI/CPC MEETING
Training Room D William B. / Karen A., Chairpersons

11:00 AM SECRETARY/TREASURER WORKSHOP *Translated in Spanish
Room 622 Todd B., Area Treasurer/ Secretary

11:00 AM TREATMENT/ ACCESSIBILITIES MEETING
Training Room H Don K. / Claire B., Chairpersons

1:00 PM DCM MEETING
Training Room C Tracy M., Delegate

1:00 PM GSR ORIENTATION (Part 3 of 3) *Translated in Spanish
Auditorium Liz W., Past Secretary, Area 16 (GA)

3:00 – 5:00 PM GSR WORKSHOP *Translated in Spanish
Auditorium "AA's Three Legacies-Our Common Solution."

1. Spreading The Three Legacies thru AA Literature
Frank W. & Nick S. (District 9 Literature Reps)
 2. The Spirit of Rotation – Don P., DCM
 3. General Service- Jimmy D., Past AAWS Chair, Past Southwest Regional Trustee, Past General Service Board Interim Chair
- Ask-it-Basket (Tracy, Tom B, Tod B, Debi K, Frank W, Nick S. Jimmy D)



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SATURDAY September 16, 2023 (Continued)

8:00 PM Auditorium	AREA 16 OPEN SPEAKER MEETING Chairperson – Don P., DCM 11A 12 Steps – Tiffany Q., DCM 10D 12 Traditions – Jason C., DCM 7B Speaker – Jimmy D. Special Guest	*Translated in Spanish
9:30 PM Training Room C Room 611 Training Room 620 Training Room G Room 600 Training Room D Training Room H	AREA WORKSHOPS Archives Corrections Communications Grapevine Intergroup/Central Office PI/CPC Treatment/Accessibilities	

SUNDAY Sept. 17, 2023

9:00 AM Auditorium	<u>AREA16 BUSINESS MEETING</u>	*Translated in Spanish
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CALL TO ORDER/SERENITY PRAYER Debi K., Area 16 Chairperson

1. Delegate's Sharing – Tracy M., Area 16 Delegate.
2. Recognize Past Area Officers
3. Approve Minutes from May 2023 Business Meeting
4. Report: 70th Prepaid Convention 2023-Augusta
5. Guest Remarks - Jimmy D. - Past Interim Chair General Service Board, Past Southwest Regional Trustee
6. Area Officer's reports (Alternate Delegate, Secretary, and Treasurer)

OLD BUSINESS

1. Vote on motion made in Jan 2023 – Clarification of Delegate Qualifications
2. Area 16 use of the 2023 General Service Conference theme and workshop titles for the 2024 Cluster Forums. (Approval)

NEW BUSINESS

1. Report from DCM Outreach Committee-GSR Survey
2. Election for Secretary
3. Election for Delegate and Alternate Delegate
4. General Sharing
5. Adjourn with Lord's Prayer (Spanish & English)

PLEASE NOTE

IN ORDER TO VOTE ON SUNDAY, 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.)

Participation on Zoom is for observation/view only. All participation features (chat, reactions) will be disabled. GSRs will need to be present at the Area Business Meeting in order to vote on the motion and participate in nominations for Delegate/Alternate Delegate. 2nd Year DCMs will also need to be present to accept or decline nominations for Delegate/Alternate Delegate.

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.

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*Si desea que le traduzcan una sesión diferente, consulte los traductores