

MARGENSER

Fostering Unity and Carrying the A.A. Message in Area 29 MARYLAND GENERAL SERVICE

The Message of Hope Renewed

Patricia R
Chairperson, Area 29 Maryland General Service

It is amazing to me that Alcoholics Anonymous is as functional and organized as it is. Think about who we have to keep our organization together...a bunch of sober drunks. Many are like me. I was unemployable when I arrived in the rooms of AA. I couldn't think of anything but where I was going to get my next drink. Thankfully, things are much different today for me and countless others. Not only do I function in society the way I should have been doing all my life, but I am contributing and doing my part to keep the message of recovery available to the alcoholic who has not yet been born.

The number of people in AA who work for that same purpose is incredible. In late February and March, sober alcoholics across our nation joined together in panel discussions to prepare our Area Delegates for the General Service Conference which takes place annually. The panels poured

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Delegate's Corner: An Opportunity to Grow and Serve

Barbara B
Area 29 Panel 56 Delegate

My name is Barbara, and I am an alcoholic currently serving you as your Panel 56 Delegate. I have just returned from the Mini-Conference at the Ramada in Salisbury, and it was an awesome experience. I want to thank Victor, Tammie, Bill, and the rest of their committee for arranging the event and Tom, our Alt Delegate, for guiding us through the weekend. If you did not stay for the meeting Saturday night, when Greg M from our General Service Office shared his experience, strength, and hope, you missed his wonderful message.

I am so grateful to the presenters for their hard work and dedication and for all of our members who attended the regional panels over the past month and contributed to the success of the panel discussions. We had many lively discussions among the members who attended the Mini-Conference, creating an involved and informed Area. Based on my conversations with Greg M, who has attended many of these events, he was quite

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Happy, Joyous and Free

Lynn A, Saturday Night Alive Group, Ocean City

Standing in the sunlight,
laughing at the rain.

No longer in the shadows,
no longer in the pain.

Just give the dark away,
and make room for His light.

Be peaceful in the moment,
like soaring birds in flight.

What a joy it is to know you,
who have loved me for so long.

What a pleasure now to hear you,
as you sing to me your song.

I will listen most intently,
and I will do my part.

Knowing that the song you sing
comes really from my heart.

So, let me sing our song of hope
to all who come my way.

And share with them the message
of the beauty in today. 

MARGENSER STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The Area 29 MARGENSER newsletter is published to foster unity and facilitate communication among AA members, groups, districts, and intergroups within the Maryland General Service Area. The MARGENSER aims to be instrumental in carrying the AA message. This quarterly newsletter seeks to publish AA-related material, including personal stories of experience, strength, and hope. Material will be reviewed by the MARGENSER committee chairperson or by a member of the committee. Nothing published in the MARGENSER should be thought of as a statement of Area 29 or AA policy. Finally, publication shall not constitute endorsement by the newsletter itself, Area 29, intergroups, districts, local groups, or AA as a whole.

Of Maximum Service

Cindy McK, But for the Grace of God Group

When I came into the rooms of Alcoholics Anonymous in September 1994, the last thing I wanted was to be bothered. After all, I didn't belong here...I was different. I sat in the back of meetings across Baltimore, ate your cookies and drank your coffee, and dared you to speak to me. You've seen me...I sit in the back row with my arms folded across my chest, my legs crossed, one moving to a beat all it's own. I had a look on my face that said, "Just TRY and talk to me!" You had learned well...you left me alone for a time. From the beginning, I was full of selfishness, fear, bitterness, and contempt. If someone had told me I'd be unrecognizable to myself in a little over eleven years, I would have tried to sell him or her a bridge in New York.

My journey toward a breaking point began when I started to realize I would not stay sober unless I found a God of my understanding. That meant working the steps and finding a Higher Power – CRAP! You watched as I had my meltdown in a meeting, cursing God and crying for my unfortunate life. You sat and watched me, and when I stood to leave, never to return to the rooms of Alcoholics Anonymous, you rescued me. "She's prime for picking," I heard you all say. I had surrendered and you knew it before I did!

On that day in 1994, I surrendered to the fact that I was going to have to humble myself to a God who loved and cared for me. I didn't like it, and at first, I didn't believe He did, but you convinced me otherwise. Day after day I talked to this God of my understanding and my life got better. I took your advice: I got a home group and I got a sponsor – and my life changed.

I began step work, and I met wonderful people who taught me lessons along the way. My first job was to bring cookies to home group. I was important! If I didn't bring them, I heard about it, and when I did bring them, people smiled. The smiles touched me where that dead cold heart of mine was just thawing. It wasn't much, but I was told it was service work. I became coffeemaker, then secretary. I tried my hand at all the jobs in home group, and I felt a part of Alcoholics Anonymous.

After a year, a woman in AA came up to me and asked if I would go with her and a few others to take a meeting to a man who was homebound, dying of cancer. Now, it was one thing to bring cookies and make coffee, but quite another to go to a dying stranger's house and have a meeting. I was scared. I had never been around a dying person. How would I react? How would I cope? That selfishness and self-centeredness was still a part of my life – it didn't magically go away. Wasn't it about me?

Full of fear and self-pity, I went. I perspired down the sides of my shirt; I shook from nervousness; and if you would have touched me, I would have jumped out of my skin. But I went, and I carried the word of hope and love to a dying AA member. I went back again and again until that gentle man passed away. I learned so much from that first venture into a new world. I knew nothing about death, about dying with dignity, about loneliness, about faith in the hereafter. I learned the lesson that, with God, fear was not an option. I learned it wasn't all about me – it was about my fellow man.

With a new strength, I started to go to prisons and institutions, carrying the word of Alcoholics Anonymous. I was touching people's lives I did not even know, and they were touching mine. But most important, I was out of self. I carried the message to anyone and anybody, not only to members of AA, but to those whom I worked with at my 9 to 5 job. I received phone calls from them wanting to discuss family members who were slowly dying from alcoholism. "What can I do?" they would ask. I had friends call me to talk about their mothers or their children who were suffering. I learned that if God were part of my life, and if I were doing the next right thing, I had no reason to fear going anywhere to carry the message of Alcoholics Anonymous.

I became Institution Rep and sponsored a prison for a time. I was fortunate enough to have women ask me to sponsor them, and their journeys began as I walked beside them. But it still wasn't enough. I was of service to the people in the rooms of Alcoholics Anonymous and to prisoners, be it in institutions or jail, but what about my fellow man? I could be Miss AA for an hour or two while sitting in a room full of the friends of Bill W, but what about others? The hardest work was yet to come; I looked

at the people around I had hurt and still carried resentments against. Surely I had worked the steps and had made amends, but I was still not the person I wanted to be. At times I still did not like who I was. The answer was simple, "More action."

For my first six years in the rooms of Alcoholics Anonymous, I had no relationship with my family. Bitterness on both sides tore us apart. If I were to truly be at peace and be of service, didn't I have to try and change this situation? My sponsor would say, "If something were to happen to one of your family members tomorrow, would you have any stuff?" I knew what "stuff" meant...I had PLENTY of stuff!

With God in my heart driving away the fear that rose from within me, I tried to repair the "wreckage" of my past. It didn't happen overnight, but little by little the trust was repaired and love for each other grew. I was called upon to help my parents who were getting older and needed my help. And I put forth the effort, sometimes not at all gladly ("We are not saints."), but I knew this was what my God wanted of me – this was His plan for me. I suited up and showed up. And my heart overflowed with love for my AA family, as well as for my immediate family.

My fiancé and I started to share our home with others. We sit on the sofas and watch football or movies. When new sponsors fall asleep after a meal, I know they have found peace and solace. The phone never stops ringing. It only takes a minute for a kind or encouraging word. Yet, it still wasn't enough...I started going to college to change my career, to make talking to those suffering from alcoholism and addiction my life's work, because I know that is God's will for me, to be of maximum service to all humankind, not just in a room for an hour. It's to carry the message to starving men and women; the message of hope, love, recovery, and peace that was so freely passed on to me.

I know how far I have come and what I have to lose. As time goes by, recovery becomes more precious. I have a home group, a sponsor, and a job. I never want to forget where I came from and how far I still have to go. God has truly blessed me and I thank Him every day for the people who came before me, the ones that are in my life this day and the ones that will come after to help carry the message of love and service. 

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over volumes of material scheduled to be discussed in New York City at the Conference. Sober drunks, many of whom couldn't pour p*** out of a boot when they arrived in AA, were working together to help determine how our society will function and carry our message of hope into the future. It is fascinating to see how folks who used to be worthless and hopeless now work together in a productive manner to help determine the future of Alcoholics Anonymous.

During early April, alcoholics from all over Maryland met together in Salisbury for our Mini-Conference to share the work of the various panels. During the weekend event we learned from each other what new services may be offered to alcoholics, we learned of new service material that is proposed, we reviewed literature that may be revised and videos that may become available to institutions and professionals and much, much more. If you haven't had the opportunity or inclination to assist on these panels, you may be missing out on some of the best part of a recovering life. It is very fulfilling to know that the voice of sober alcoholics from each home group will be heard at the Conference. (Assuming your group participated)

Area 29 will be represented by a dedicated and wonderfully knowledgeable alcoholic named Barbara B, Area 29 Delegate, at the General Service Conference. She has the responsibility to take our voice, the voice of the panel discussions, to New York where she will vote our conscience in the various agenda items proposed. Barbara has been involved in service at Maryland General Service for seventeen years. I trust her implicitly to carry the conscience of our Area to New York. Our Alternate Delegate, Tom R, has been serving selflessly for years and was instrumental in facilitating our Mini-Conference in Salisbury. These two alcoholics have my utmost respect and support. I will remain eternally grateful to the AA who works to serve our fellowship. Without these generous drunks, our society would not exist into the future. Thank you to everyone who participated in any way to serve Alcoholics Anonymous. ♾

Service Work and the Concepts

Nancy K, Elkridge Monday Night Group

Webster defines the word "concept" as "1) something conceived in the mind and 2) an abstract or generic idea generalized from particular instances." Just as the Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions grew out of learned experience, the same holds true for our Twelve Concepts.

Bill, in his infinite wisdom, knew that just as we had the Twelve Steps for personal recovery and the Twelve Traditions to hold AA together, the need was just as great to have guiding principals for our service work. Hence, the Twelve Concepts for World Service were adopted in 1962.

Mention the Concepts in a meeting and some people will respond "Huh?" while others will comment that they are 'non-essential' to their recovery. You will see still others use them as weapons at assemblies and committee meetings and a select few who try to incorporate them into their daily lives as additional recovery tools. So just what do the Concepts for World Service Mean? Let's look at the first few (remember this is only one drunk's interpretation).

Concept I: *The final responsibility and ultimate authority for AA world services should always reside in the collective conscience of our whole Fellowship.*

This concept has a direct link to our Second Tradition: "There is but one ultimate authority, a loving God as He may express Himself in our group conscience. Our leaders are but trusted servants; they do not govern." This concept clearly ensures that decisions regarding world services shall reside within the groups of AA as a whole, thus the importance of an informed group conscience. There is a tremendous amount of comfort for this alcoholic to know that my voice does really count, that those long hours at assembly and committee meetings aren't for naught. As a result of this Concept, the appointed and elected servants of AA rely on our voices to help guide the process. I'm not left awake nights wondering "What are those people doing? Where on earth did that goofy idea come from? Who in the world thought of that?"

Concept II: *When, in 1955, the AA groups confirmed the permanent charter for their General Service Conference, they thereby delegated to the Conference complete authority for the active maintenance of our world services and thereby made the Conference – excepting for any change in the Twelve Traditions or in Article 12 of the Conference Charter – the actual voice and effective conscience for our whole Society.*

For this alcoholic, I had to visualize this Concept so it made sense. I think of it in terms of my own group conscious. If your group is even remotely related to mine, you too can run into difficulty deciding as a group what kind of donuts should be bought for the meeting. Should we buy six chocolates and six plains, or do we mix them up and have potluck? Could you imagine asking each and every group in the US and Canada to help make the donut decision? Seems a little too much for this alcoholic to even imagine.

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impressed with our proceedings. He admired the job we did in the panels in preparation for the Mini-Conference and in becoming an informed Area.

All of you who participated have helped me immensely to absorb the information I need in the short time allotted, so I may do a good job for you and AA as a whole when I attend the General Service Conference in New York. I am confident that I have heard the Area's conscience and I will take that with me, along with my own, to the Conference. I am grateful for your trust in my ability to represent you.

I have worked hard to develop some expertise on Cooperation with the Professional Community, so I can contribute as a member of that committee to which I have been assigned. I am told, by those who have gone to the Conference before me, that I will experience a profound change. I look forward to this opportunity to grow as a leader and to serve the whole of Alcoholics Anonymous. ♾

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To me, that's exactly what this Concept is trying to say. Although the ultimate decision of what type of donuts to serve is up to my group as a whole, the responsibility of having donuts at the meeting is delegated to the donut person. I like to think of our trusted servants as the donut people. We, the members of AA, are provided with the information necessary to make decisions that affect AA as a whole. We have, however, delegated the authority to carry out those decisions to the General Service Conference members.

Concept III: *As a traditional means of creating and maintaining a clearly defined working relation between the groups, the Conference, the AA General Service Board and its several service corporations, staffs, committees and executives, and of thus insuring their effective leadership, it is here suggested that we endow each of these elements of world service with a traditional "Right of Decision."*

Again, Tradition Two comes to mind with this Concept. We have "trusted servants," so let's trust them to serve, not instruct them how to serve. Webster defines "trust" as 1) *total confidence in the integrity, ability and good character of another* and 2) *one in whom confidence is placed.* One caveat to this would be that our trusted servants understand the framework of their duties. Worse than an uninformed group is an uninformed trusted servant. It is our responsibility to ensure that the individuals we elect to serve our fellowship understand the job they are to do.

Communication between our trusted servants and us, as the AA members they serve, is imperative. Without this communication, the most vital link in our service structure is broken. Our job is to listen to the information our trusted servants offer us, discuss the information, come to a group conscience, and allow our trusted servants to do the rest. Their job isn't to simply carry a message we give them; their job is to take our group conscience with them as they gather with other trusted servants. They in turn gather more information, discuss the matters further and, based on all the information laid before them, make decisions that are in the best interest of AA as a whole.

My understanding of the Concepts has grown slowly. The first time I read them, I thought "Yeah.... So...." But the more I got involved in service work, the more I came to realize that they are as important in my life and sobriety as the Twelve Steps are. ▲

SEND YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS TO...

In accordance with the 7th Tradition and abiding by the group conscience of your home group, you may send contributions in support of Area 29 to:

Maryland General Service, Inc.
P.O. Box 22561
Baltimore, MD 21203

THE MARGENSER IS YOUR NEWSLETTER

The Margenser Committee welcomes submissions. We are here to serve you. Submissions should be no more than 750 words and about service or recovery. Please include your first name, last initial and home group. Send all correspondence to Margenser Parkville, MD 21234 or via email to margenser@marylandaa.org. The submission deadline for the next issue is July 28, 2006.

REACHING OUT TO THE "DARK DISTRICTS"

Many of our neighbors do not actively participate in Area 29, nor are their voices heard within AA as a whole. We encourage you to reach out to those districts without active GSRs or DCMs, sharing your experience of service beyond the home group and carrying the message one-on-one. Area 29 welcomes your ideas on how we can best do this and offers our support.

AREA 29 MARYLAND GENERAL SERVICE 2006 CALENDAR

May 13	Area Assembly (Report Back)	Lexington Park – District 36
June 15-18	MD State Convention	Clariion Hotel, Hagerstown
August 12	Area Assembly	Northeast, MD – District 11
September 16	Area Committee	Abingdon – District 29
October 28	Area Assembly (Inventory)	Fall Conference – Hagerstown
October 26-29	MD Fall Conference	Clarion Hotel – Hagerstown
November 18	Area Committee (Budget)	Westminster – District 9
December 9	Area Assembly (Budget)	TBA

AREA 29 COMMITTEES NEED PEOPLE

Have an interest in a new service direction? Join us. Area 29 Maryland General Service has service positions to meet you at the level of your needs. No prior experience necessary. No resume needed. Just a willingness to offer Love and Service. Contact the Area Chairperson at chairperson@marylandaa.org.

36th Annual Area 29 Maryland State Convention

Hosted by
Maryland General Service
with Al-Anon participation



June 15th to 18th, 2006 • Clarion Hotel and Conference Center • Hagerstown, MD

AA SPEAKERS*

Sue A. **Tim B.**
Accident, MD Sykesville, MD

Ed M. **Sandy B.**
Davenport, IA Tampa, FL

Dave C. **Larry V.**
Raleigh, NC Stringsville, OH

AL-ANON SPEAKERS*

Mary C. **Cheryl H.**
Pittsburgh, PA Pittsburgh, PA

* An Interpreter for those who are hearing impaired will be available at each Speaker Meeting.

SCHEDULE

THURSDAY, JUNE 15th

NOON Registration Opens
2:00 p.m. AA Workshop
4:00 p.m. Open AA Speaker Meeting
5:00 p.m. Alcohons Begin
8:00 p.m. Open AA Speaker Meeting
9:30 p.m. Fellowship & Fun
12:00 a.m. Last Daily Alcotion

FRIDAY, JUNE 16th

6:00 a.m. Alcohons Begin
8:00 a.m. Registration Opens
8:15 a.m. Prayer & Meditation
9:30 a.m. Open AA Speaker Meeting
11:00 a.m. Open Al-Anon Speaker Meeting
1:30 p.m. Al-Anon Workshop
1:30 p.m. AA Play
2:45 p.m. AA Workshop (2 to choose from)
2:45 p.m. Al-Anon Workshop
4:00 p.m. AA Workshop (2 to choose from)
5:00 p.m. Dinner
8:00 p.m. Open AA Speaker Meeting
9:30 p.m. Dance
12:00 a.m. Last Daily Alcotion

SATURDAY, JUNE 17th

6:00 a.m. Alcohons Begin
8:00 a.m. Registration Opens
8:15 a.m. Prayer & Meditation
9:00 a.m. Open AA Old-Timers Meeting
11:00 a.m. Open Al-Anon Speaker Meeting
1:30 p.m. Combined AA/Al-Anon Workshop
2:45 p.m. AA Workshop (2 to choose from)
2:45 p.m. Al-Anon Workshop
4:00 p.m. AA Workshop (2 to choose from)
6:00 p.m. Banquet Dinner
8:00 p.m. Open AA Speaker Meeting
10:00 p.m. Dance
12:00 a.m. Last Daily Alcotion

SUNDAY, JUNE 18th

6:00 a.m. Alcohons Begin
8:15 a.m. Prayer & Meditation
9:00 a.m. Last Daily Alcotion
10:00 a.m. Open AA Speaker Meeting



Register in advance today! Walk-in registration will be \$25

All Children Require Parental/Guardian Supervision

Advance Convention Registration

Advance Registration Must Be Post-Marked By June 1, 2006

Mail your registration to: MGS State Convention Committee, P.O. Box 1653, Sykesville, MD 21784

First Name _____ Last Name _____

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City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

A.A. Registration _____ X \$22 _____

Al-Anon Registration _____ X \$22 _____

Friday Dinner* _____ X \$20 _____

Saturday Banquet* _____ X \$22 _____

*Meals must be purchased in advance

Total Due: \$ _____

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Lodging Information

Hotel Reservation Method

Our Host Facility is the Clarion Hotel and Convention Center.

Minimum two night stay at this hotel required to get convention room rate.
\$75 per room, per night.

Clarion Hotel Reservations Only: 888.528.8738.

May 15 is the cut off date for room rate.

Mention MD State Convention to get convention room rate.

Other Hotels in the Area:

Comfort Suites	301.791.8100
Days Inn	800.422.2754
Four Points Sheraton	301.790.3010
Hampton Inn	301.739.8100
Sleep Inn & Suites	301.766.9449
Quality Inn	301.733.2700

NOTE: Most hotels require 72 hours notice to cancel a reservation.

Friday Night Pasta Dinner

Tossed Garden Salad w/Ranch & Italian Dressings,
Cheese Tortellini, Beef Ravioli, Spaghetti,
Marinara Sauce, Alfredo Sauce, Marshmallows, Italian Sausage,
Breadsticks, Chef's Choice Dessert
Coffee, Tea, Iced Tea & Decaf

Saturday Night Banquet

Tossed Garden Salad w/Ranch & Italian Dressings,
Roast Sirloin of Beef, Roast Chicken, Chef's Choice of Potato,
Chef's Choice of Vegetable, Rolls and Butter, Assorted Cakes & Pie
Coffee, Tea, Iced Tea & Decaf



Ice Cream Social Friday & Saturday Night

Vanilla Ice Cream topped with your choice of
strawberries, chocolate sauce, pineapples,
walnuts, peanuts & whipped cream. **\$5.50**

Friday
Dances
2006

ADMITTANCE TO ALL FUNCTIONS WILL REQUIRE A NAME BADGE

For questions and information, Email us at: stateconvention@marylandaa.org

Register in advance today! Walk-in registration will be \$25



1ST ANNUAL SPIRITUAL BREAKFAST

SATURDAY, JUNE 3, 2006
WESTMINSTER, MD
A Fellowship Event
Hosted by: District 9

GUEST SPEAKER:
BILLY N.
SPRING LAKE, NJ

INCLUDING A SOBRIETY COUNTDOWN AFTER THE MEETING

Date: Saturday, June 3rd 2006
Breakfast Served: 8:30 AM—10:00 AM
AA Speaker Meeting: 10:00 AM

BEST WESTERN CONFERENCE CENTER
451 WMC DRIVE
WESTMINSTER, MD 21158
(near intersection of RT 140 & RT 31)

BUFFET MENU
Coffee ☉ Tea, Orange Juice ☉ Apple Juice,
Pastries, Bagels and Cream Cheese,
Scrambled Eggs, Breakfast Potatoes,
"Texas Style" French Toast,
Fresh Fruit Selections

TABLES OR INDIVIDUAL TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE FROM THE FOLLOWING VOLUNTEERS:

<p>Sylvia F.</p> <p>\$15.00</p>	<p>Mike G.</p> <p>\$15.00</p>	<p>Jeff H.</p> <p>\$15.00</p>
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NERAASA 2007

February 22 – 25 2007



North East Regional
Alcoholics Anonymous Service Assembly

Planning Committee Meetings

When: 2nd Friday of the Month
Beginning January 13, 2006

What Time: 7:00pm

Where: Christian Temple
5820 Edmondson Ave
(Edmondson Ave. & Academy Rd)
Catonsville MD 21228

Directions:

From the North: 95 South to I-695 N / BALTIMORE BELTWAY INNER LOOP via EXIT 49B toward I-70 / TOWSON. Take the Edmondson Ave Exit 14, Right at end of Exit Ramp, ¼ mile on Left at the "Big Curve"

From the West: I-70 East to I-695 S / BALTIMORE BELTWAY OUTER LOOP via EXIT 91A toward I-95 S / GLEN BURNIE. Take the EDMONDSON AVE exit- EXIT 14. Turn Left at end of Exit Ramp onto Edmondson Ave, ¼ mile on Left at the "Big Curve"

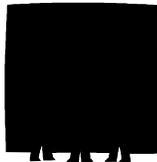
From the Eastern Shore: US-50 West to I-97 N via EXIT 21 toward BALTIMORE. Merge onto I-695 W / BALTIMORE BELTWAY INNER LOOP via EXIT 17A toward BALTIMORE / TOWSON. Take the Edmondson Ave Exit 14, Turn Right at end of Exit Ramp, ¼ mile on Left at the "Big Curve"

From the South: MD-5 North to US-301 N / BLUE STAR MEMORIAL HWY / S CRAIN HWY. Continue to follow S CRAIN HWY to I-97 N. Merge onto I-695 W / BALTIMORE BELTWAY INNER LOOP via EXIT 17A toward BALTIMORE / TOWSON. Take the Edmondson Ave Exit 14, Turn Right at end of Exit Ramp, ¼ mile on Left at the "Big Curve"

Want to get involved - Contact Nancy K.

DISTRICT 36 SPIRITUALITY RETREAT

Workshops on the 3rd, 7th and 11th Steps



Forgiveness Workshop

"...step out into the sun." *

JUNE 30, JULY 1, 2, 2006

At Placid Harbor in Hollywood, Md.
Also known as Henry Winpisinger Technology Center

Workshops, Speakers, Fellowship and Food!

Price includes all!!

See Registration Form for details
* pg 98 of 12 Steps and 12 Traditions

Package Available:
\$150.00 includes 2 nights lodging, breakfast, lunch and dinner on Saturday and breakfast on Sunday. Couples add \$30.00 for additional meal package

All meals served buffet style

Breakfast	Traditional foods-eggs, meats, hash browns, pastries, juice, coffee/tea
Lunch	Hamburgers, hot dogs, bar-b-que, soup/salad bar, beverages
Dinner	Roast beef, fish/seafood, salad bar, hot veggie, potato, dessert, beverages

Early Registration: \$15.00 Prior to June 1st After June 1st - \$20.00
Walk-In meal package \$30.00 (flat rate) meals not sold individually

Check in time Friday afternoon at 3:30pm. Open discussion meeting Friday night @ 8:30.

Mail Registrations to: C/O Patricia Rivenbark

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The District 9 Website
is up and running!



District 9, Area 29 of Alcoholics Anonymous
Carroll County, Maryland

Meets Tuesday at 7:30pm on the 3rd Full Week
Every Odd Month - See Our Calendar of Events

- Home
- About Us
- What's New & Dues & Dues Pay
- The 12th Step
- The Twelve Traditions
- History & Lineage
- Service Information
- Meetings, Where & When
- Calendar of Events
- Literature
- Resources
- Helpful Contacts
- District Contact

Official Home Page of District 9

I Am Responsible...
When anyone, anywhere, reaches out for help,
I want the hand of A.A. always to be there.
And for that: I am responsible.

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Hello and welcome to the Official Home Page of District 9, Area 29 of Alcoholics Anonymous, located in beautiful North - Central Carroll County Maryland.

If you or a loved one need immediate assistance with an alcohol-related problem, click anywhere on this sentence to find the telephone number for your nearest 24 - hour Inter-group Answering Service. These listings are located on our Resources page.

The Official District 9 Website is now up and running!
We hope you find it to be a useful tool to find information about meetings, events, District information, and general information about Alcoholics Anonymous. Our Committee would like to thank you, the Groups, for your support in this endeavor to "Carry the Message".
The web address is D9mdaa.org.

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