

MARGENSER NEWSLETTER

FOSTERING UNITY AND CARRYING THE A.A. MESSAGE IN AREA 29



4th QUARTER 2001

DELEGATE'S CORNER

VICTOR L.

IT'S TIME TO START THE PREPARATION:

From now thru the Mini-Conference, the members, GSRs, DCMs, Committee members and officers of Maryland General Service (Area 29) are going to be polled for their opinion and feelings on a variety of issues. AAs are charged with coming to an area conscience on the agenda as set forth by the General Service Conference. Are we going to respond to the challenge of becoming the informed area that I know we are? OF COURSE!! Area 29 has shown many times before that its members want their Delegate to be prepared. I want to be as prepared as your voice will make me.

Barb has charged Peggy with finding the location that makes the Mini-Conference accessible to us. Mark your calendar for April 12th thru April 14th to be in Easton. I know some will have to drive further than others, so gang up in carloads and come join us. Calvin has started planning the Cluster Teams. Leaders have been selected and the groupings of agenda items for each Cluster have been set. Wait to see the assignment that your Cluster has drawn. The background material has arrived for each agenda item (Agenda, Cooperation with the Professional

Community, Correctional Facilities, Finance, Grapevine, Literature, Policy and Admissions, Public Information, Report and Charter, Treatment Facilities, Trustees, Archives and International Conventions/Regional Forums) and is being put in books for each Cluster. My postal person is still delivering GSO material each Tuesday. It seems that I live a little further outside of town than Morgan and Peggy.

From the background material that I have received, it looks like each of the committees is going to have a lot to talk about in order to come to an informed conscience. I can't tell which Cluster will be the busiest, but it looks like there is a lot to discuss. I hope your schedule will allow you to attend other Cluster meetings to have your conscience heard. Remember, without your conscience I can't be your voice. I'll be traveling around the area to be at as many of the Clusters as your scheduling will allow me. I'm looking forward to being with each of you, talking and getting your conscience on the agenda items. Hope to see you around the area and at the Mini-Conference in Easton.

Until then, yours in service,
Victor
Area 29 Panel 52

MARGENSER STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The Area 29 MARGENSER newsletter is published to foster unity and to facilitate communication among A.A. members, groups, districts, and intergroups within the Maryland General Service Area.

The MARGENSER aims to be instrumental in carrying the A.A. message. This quarterly newsletter seeks to publish A.A.-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 A.A. policy. Finally, publication shall not constitute endorsement by the newsletter itself, by Area 29, by intergroups, districts, or local groups, or by A.A. as a whole.

CHAIRMAN'S CORNER

BARBARA B.

Let me introduce myself. My name is Barbara and I am an alcoholic. It's morning and I've just returned from walking my dog Max. This is a job I have to do every morning, but this time I've decided to jot down some notes and share with you just how special this time is to me. Max and I are always eager to go for our walk, although adverse weather has been known to dampen our spirits. As Max and I amble through the neighborhood, I look past the line of trees and see the sun breaking on the horizon. It's a beautiful morning and I find myself thanking my Higher Power for all the blessings I have received from him and for the spiritual journey that I recognize that I'm on. I'm reminded that the goal of working the twelve steps is to have a spiritual awakening and seek to improve my conscious contact with God, as I understand Him. My daily walk gives me an opportunity to have time free from the distractions in my life, telephone, television, mail, and chores. I have been taught the basics of spiritual growth and finding my higher power from the experiences of the same people who taught me how to live sober. If I look back to the days when I drank, my attitudes and beliefs at that time supported a system of denial, while my fears triggered the mechanisms of isolation and insecurity. I had to open my mind when I came to understand that these attitudes and beliefs were no longer serving me well. I had to become willing to believe that a power greater than myself could restore

me to sanity. It was in Step 3 that I found a new faith that would guide me through sobriety and where I could find recovery of my body, mind, emotions, and spirit. Step 4 gave me a way of clearing out my long held resentments, biases, and unhealthy attachments. It was in working Step 5 that I found a way of reconnecting to God, to myself, and to other human beings and in Steps 6 and 7, I found the way of maintaining the relationships I spent my whole life trying to build. Steps 8 and 9 provided me with a way to remove the roadblocks and obstacles that kept me from being more successful in my relationships and to see whether the walls and defenses I built were protecting me or serving my weaknesses. Steps 10 and 11 have shown me where I fall short of my goals. Step 12 is where I put them into practice. I know that my new service position as Chairman of Maryland General Service will require the use of all that I have learned since entering the program of Alcohol Anonymous and I hope that I will perform my duties in the same spirit that I live my program. As the work of Maryland General Service goes on, I know that I will constantly be asking God to grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change; courage to change the things I can; and the wisdom to know the difference. To all members of AA I can be reached by Email or telephone.

ANNOUNCEMENT TO ALL COMMITTEE CHAIRS

In order to keep Area 29 alcoholics informed of the service work in our Area, please submit a quarterly report to MARGENSER chair. This could include action items, planned events or "to do" list. Submit anything you feel is important and allow the committee to include your submission in the next issue of MARGENSER. Thank you in advance for helping make the MARGENSER an informative AA publication. The MARGENSER is a "we" project published four times a year.

To submit letters, articles, thoughts, or complaints to the MARGENSER Newsletter, write to: Margenser, P.O. Box 465, Valley Lee, MD 20692; or e-mail

THE VOICE OF ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

CALVIN J., ALTERNATE DELEGATE

For the past few years Area 29 has prepared their Delegate to the General Service Conference of Alcoholics Anonymous by briefing the Delegate, through informed discussion groups or "Cluster Panels". This process not only familiarizes the Delegate with the items being considered by the General Service Conference, it also provides the Delegate with his or her Area's temperature on any given subject matter. We note here that the Delegate represents the voice of his or her Area at the Conference. However, in some situations, the information provided to the Area and the Delegate before the Conference, might not permit a truly informed conscious to be developed. Thus it is only during the General Service Conference that the true voice of Alcoholics Anonymous can be heard. This is why our "trusted servant," the Delegate needs the "right of decision."

In past years we have organized our districts into six Cluster Panels. This year we see no reason to change that grouping. The six created Cluster Panels will be responsible for reviewing the assigned agenda items for the thirteen General Service Conference Committees. (The final Conference Agenda Items can be found elsewhere in the MARGENSER) The Delegate will be briefed during the Area Assembly designated as the "Mini Conference" to be held April 12-14, 2002 at Easton Maryland. However, before we can get to the business of briefing the Delegate, there is much preparation that requires our "loving" attention and care. During the last Area Committee Meeting held on January 19, 2002 in North East, Maryland, one DCM from the Districts comprising each Cluster, volunteered to organize his or her Cluster Panel. Additionally, the organizers of the Cluster

Panels were asked to provide the following information for the March 2, 2002 Area Assembly, to be held at St. James Episcopal Church Lothian, Maryland.

1. Selection of a leader or moderator and a recorder for your panel.
2. Determine schedule and location for additional panel meetings.
3. Determine what additional Area resources are required based on the Preliminary Conference Agenda assignments.

Additionally, we asked that the DCMs begin contacting GSRs to inform the fellowship in their District of scheduled meeting dates for the cluster panel. We're anticipating that shortly after the Area Assembly on March 2, 2002, that all the scheduled Cluster Panel meeting will be available on the Area's Web-site, www.marylandaa.org.

No one individual or group can provide the services of Alcoholics Anonymous. We are but one part of a whole, however an important part. It is during this time that we have an opportunity to permit the voice of Alcoholics Anonymous to be heard. The true voice of Alcoholics Anonymous emerges when our ideas and thoughts are shared with one another without prejudice of any kind. I hope that each and every able member of our fellowship will in some way support our Delegate through this process.

Looking forward to seeing all of you at the "Mini Conference."

2002 GENERAL SERVICE CONFERENCE COMMITTEES FINAL AGENDA ITEMS AGENDA

1. Review suggestions for the theme of the 2003 General Service Conference.
2. Discuss presentation/discussion topic ideas for the 2003 General Service Conference.
3. Discuss workshop topic ideas for the 2003 General Service Conference.
4. Review the General Service Conference Evaluation Form.

Cooperation With The Professional Community

1. Review report from trustees' Cooperation With the Professional Community/Treatment Facilities Committee regarding "singleness of purpose" statement in C.P.C. pamphlets.
2. Review report from trustees' Cooperation With the Professional Community/Treatment Facilities Committee to consider addressing in C.P.C. literature that A.A. is not allied with any religion.
3. Consider request that the soft-cover C.P.C. Workbook be

changed from service material to A.A. General Service Conference-approved literature.

4. Consider request for the development of a Conference-approved pamphlet similar to the flyer "So the Court Sent You to A.A. and You Hate the Idea."
5. Review contents of the C.P.C. Kit and Workbook.

Correctional Facilities

1. Review contents of the Correctional Facilities Kit and Workbook.
2. Consider request that the soft-cover Correctional Facilities Workbook be changed from service material to A.A. General Service Conference-approved literature.
3. Discuss ways to get more A.A.s interested in participating in the Corrections Correspondence Service.
4. Discuss ways that *Sharing From Behind The Walls* is being carried into prisons.

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2002 GENERAL SERVICE CONFERENCE COMMITTEES—AGENDA ITEMS (CONTINUED FROM PAGE 3)

- Discuss ways that A.A. information is presented to staff in Correctional Facilities, and how local service committees, such as Cooperation With the Professional Community and Public Information, cooperate with Correctional Facilities Committees in their efforts to reach Correctional Facilities professionals.

Finance

- Discuss information received as a result of the 2001 Conference Finance Committee's request for sharing from the Fellowship concerning accounting and reporting practices for local Convention activities.
- Discuss information received as a result of the 2001 Conference Finance Committee's request for additional sharing on the philosophy of using literature price reductions as the primary mechanism in adjusting the relationship of the Reserve Fund balance to its upper limit.
- Discuss how Tradition Seven is fundamental to Recovery, Unity and Service.
- Discuss various methods used to communicate self-support issues within the Fellowship.

Grapevine

- Consider the suggestion that the pamphlet "The A.A. Grapevine: Our Meeting in Print" (P-52) be revised to accurately reflect changes in Grapevine operations and to clarify the text.
- Consider suggestions for new Grapevine related items for production in the year 2004 or later.
- Consider the suggestion that the Conference Committee on the Grapevine annually review a list of proposed related items at least one year in advance of possible production, so that the Conference might provide guidance.

Literature

- Consider the trustees' Literature Committee's request that, "In keeping with the 1999 Conference Action pertaining to the development of the Fourth Edition of the Big Book, the Publications Department of the General Service Office maintain the following specific editorial responsibilities regarding the Big Book Dropped Stories Anthology Project:
 - Editorial 'fine tuning' such as footnotes, punctuation, capitalization, spelling, updating, jacket materials, page numbers, etc.
 - Coordinating the flow of work between the book designer, typesetters, proofreaders and the production people, who order the paper and schedule the printing with the book manufacturer.
 - The G.S.O. editors would prepare or coordinate new material and changes such as:

Cover and jacket design
Jacket copy

Contents page
Factual material that

Preface/Foreword
Title Page

appears in footnotes
Introductions to personal
stories.

- Review 55 stories for, and approve publication of Anthology of Stories dropped from First, Second and Third Editions of the Big Book.
- Consider two suggested changes to the "A.A. Group Inventory" section, pages 35 and 36 of "The A.A. Group" pamphlet:
 - Revise second question to read—"Are we seeing a good cross-section of our community, including those with special needs?"
 - Add "accessible" so question reads "Are we doing all we can to provide an attractive and accessible meeting place?"
- Consider the trustees' Literature Committee's request that the text in the book, Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions, written by Bill Wilson remain as is recognizing the Fellowship's feeling that Bill's writings be retained as originally published.
- Review service material "Concepts Checklist" revised January 2002.
- Review the trustees' Literature Committee's subcommittee's report on adding to or clarifying spirituality/religion references in existing pamphlets and consider the following two pamphlet change requests from that report:
 - "This is A.A." – In the second sentence, second paragraph, page 8, change sentence "There are even a few self-proclaimed atheists and agnostics among us." to "There are also atheists and agnostics among us."
 - "A.A. for the Woman" – Change first sentence, first paragraph, page 36 from "Yes, A.A. is a spiritual program, providing no material aid, but it is not a religious program in any sectarian sense." to "Yes, A.A. is a spiritual program not a religious program."
- Consider request for a new edition of the Spanish Big Book.
- Consider request to add text to the "Your D.C.M." flyer.
- Consider updated text for "Your A.A. General Service Office" pamphlet.
- Consider request for updating pamphlet "A.A. and the Armed Services."
- Consider request to add paragraph to "Questions and Answers on Sponsorship" pamphlet.
- Consider the request to delete the sentence "Fundamentally, though, the difference between an electronic meeting and the home group around the corner is only one of format." in the last paragraph of the Foreword to the Fourth Edition in future printings of the Big Book.
- Consider request to restore "The Doctor's Opinion" to page 1 as published in the First Edition of the Big Book from 1939 to 1955 in future printings of the Big Book.
- Review the January 15, 2002 summary of responses received by the General Service Office to the Fourth Edition of the Big Book.

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Area 29 – 2002 Mini Conference

April 12 – 14, 2002

Days Inn
Easton, Maryland

"Sharing Our Steps, Traditions and Concepts"
(2002 General Service Conference Theme)

Purpose:

The purpose of the Area 29 Mini Conference is to provide the opportunity for Area 29 GSR's, DCM's, Area Officers and Committee Leaders to discuss General Service Conference agenda items and related issues and concerns affecting AA as a whole in order to give the Area 29 Delegate to the General Service Conference an informed Area conscience to assist the Delegate at the Conference and to provide the means by which every Group in Area 29 can fulfill its responsibility to the future of AA by exercising its "Right of Participation".

Conference Committee Agendas to be discussed:

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| Agenda | Archives | Cooperation with the Professional Community |
| Correctional Facilities | Finance | Grapevine |
| International Conventions/Regional Forums | Literature | Policy/Admissions |
| Public Information | Report and Charter | Treatment Facilities |
| | | Trustees |

Hosted By:
Maryland General Service

ALL AA MEMBERS ARE WELCOME

"Sharing Our Steps, Traditions and Concepts" Area 29 – 2002 Mini Conference Registration

Name: _____ Phone: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Service Responsibility:

- GSR/ Alt GSR Home Group: _____
 DCM/ Alt DCM District Number: _____
 Area Officer
 Area Committee Leader

There is NO Registration Fee

_____ \$20.00 per person – Saturday Night Banquet with Speaker from our General Service Office in New York

Make checks payable to Area 29 Mini Conference

Hotel Registration Form

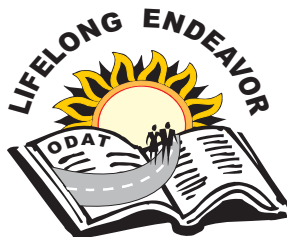
Days Inn
7018 Ocean Gateway
Easton, Maryland 21601
410-822-4600

Mini Conference Rate - \$75.00 per night plus sales and occupancy tax

Arrive: Day and Date _____ All reservations must be guaranteed with first night's deposit or credit card number (with signature and date)
Depart: Day and Date _____ Make checks payable to the Days Inn and return to hotel or
Name: _____ To save the 5% sales tax only, make check payable to Area 29 Mini Conference and return to 1660 Theford Rd Towson, Md, 21286.
Address: _____
City: _____ State/Zip: _____ All reservations must be received by March 22, 2002 to guarantee rate and availability. Cancellations must be received by 4:00pm the day of arrival or a cancellation fee of one night's stay will be assessed.

32ND MARYLAND STATE CONVENTION OF ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

June 13, 14, 15, 16, 2002
Hagerstown, MD



The Clarion Hotel & Conference Center
Anietlam Creek
(Formerly Ramada Inn)

32ND ANNUAL AREA 29 CONVENTION HOSTED BY MARYLAND GENERAL SERVICE WITH AL-ANON PARTICIPATION

SCHEDULE		
THURSDAY JUNE 13	Noon	Registration Opens
	4:00 p.m.	Early Bird Meeting Open A A Speaker Meeting
	8:00 p.m.	Open A A Speaker Meeting
	9:30 p.m.	Coffee House
FRIDAY JUNE 14	8:30 a.m.	Registration
	9:30 a.m.	Open A A Speaker Meeting
	11:00 a.m.	Open Al Anon Speaker Meeting
	1:30 p.m.	A A Workshop
	1:30 p.m.	Al Anon Workshop
SATURDAY JUNE 15	2:45 p.m.	A A Workshop
	2:45 p.m.	Al Anon Workshop
	4:00 p.m.	A A Workshop
	5:30 p.m.	Italian Feast
	8:00 p.m.	Open A A Speaker Meeting
	10:00 p.m.	Dance to DJ Ballroom
	7:30 a.m.	Breakfast Buffet
8:30 a.m.	Registration	
SUNDAY JUNE 16	9:30 a.m.	Open A A Speaker Meeting
	11:00 a.m.	Open Al Anon Speaker Meeting
	1:30 p.m.	Combined A A / Al Anon Workshop
	2:45 p.m.	A A Workshop
	2:45 p.m.	Al Anon Workshop
	4:00 p.m.	A A Workshop
	6:00 p.m.	Banquet Dinner
8:00 p.m.	Open A A Speaker Meeting	
10:00 p.m.	Dance to DJ Ballroom	

Speakers
A. A.
Rick N. Baltimore, MD
Kathy Ph. Owings Mills, MD
Cynthia R. Locust Valley, NY
Lorna K. New York, NY
Scott L. Nashville, TN
Richard S. Ft. Myers, FL
Jay P. Myrtle Beach, SC
Al-Anon
Linda L. Nashville, TN
Babs B. Dallas, TX

ADVANCE CONVENTION REGISTRATION (Please print)

NAME _____ Persons Attending A A _____ Al Anon _____
STREET _____ Registration _____ X \$18.00 = _____
CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____ Friday Dinner _____ X \$14.50 = _____
PHONE (____) _____ Sat Breakfast _____ X \$11.00 = _____
 YES, I want to help on future committees Saturday BANQUET _____ X \$27.50 = _____
*All Meals include tax & tip TOTAL DUE _____

Make Checks Payable to: MGS Convention Committee

Mail to: MGS Convention Committee • P.O. Box 1039 • Hagerstown, MD 21740

ADVANCE REGISTRATION MUST BE RECEIVED BY JUNE 1, 2002

ADMITTANCE TO ALL FUNCTIONS WILL REQUIRE A NAME BADGE

For questions and information: mdstateconvention@hotmail.com

ITALIAN FEAST
Friday 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
\$14.50
Caesar Salad, Baked Ziti, Hearty Beef Lasagna, Fresh Seasoned Vegetables, Rolls & Butter, Chef's Choice Dessert
Regular & Decaf Coffee, Iced Tea

THE BANQUET
Saturday 6:00 p.m. • Grand Ball Room
\$27.50
Tossed Salad, Fresh Fruit Bowl, Chef Carved Prime Rib, Baked Crab Imperial, Cheese Stuffed Potatoes, California Vegetables, Dinner Rolls & Butter, Cheesecake, Coffee, Tea, Iced Tea

SATURDAY MORNING BREAKFAST BUFFET
7:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.
\$11.00
Ass'd Chilled Juices, Seasonal Fresh Fruit, Basket of Homemade Breakfast Breads, Scrambled Eggs with Fresh Herbs, Home Fried Potatoes, Ham, Bacon, Coffee, Tea

THURSDAY NIGHT
Circle & Triangle
Coffee House
9:30 p.m.

ICE CREAM BAR
Thursday, Friday and Saturday
Nights
Pay as you go

LUNCH COOK-OUTS
Friday and Saturday
12 p.m. to 1 p.m.
Pay as you go
Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, Chicken Breast Sandwiches

SATURDAY NIGHT
Dance to Music
by DJ
10:00 p.m.

FRIDAY NIGHT
Dance to the music of
Sounds of the Nite
Ballroom

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Hotel Reservation Method

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Our Host Facility is the **Clarion Hotel and Convention Center**
Minimum of **TWO Nights Stay** at this Hotel Required, \$71 Per Room Per Night
Clarion Hotel Reservations ONLY - Call: 888-528-6738 - Be sure to mention **MD State Convention**

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 6100
Sleep Inn & Suites	301 766 9449
Quality Inn	301 733 2700
Venice Inn	800 283 6423

Important: In order to receive our Special Convention Rates at the **Other Hotels In the Area**, you must:

1. Call the respective hotel directly at the phone number listed to the left.
2. Mention MD State Convention when you call.

Hotels Require 72 Hours Notice to Cancel a Reservation.



Alcathons starting Thursday Night at 6:00 p.m.
Continuous Fellowship ++ Sobriety Countdown Saturday Night
Advance Registration \$18.00 \$20.00 at the Door



2002 GENERAL SERVICE CONFERENCE COMMITTEES—AGENDA ITEMS (CONTINUED FROM PAGE 4)

Policy/Admissions

1. Review dates for the 2005 General Service Conference.
2. Consider approving admission to the 2002 General Service Conference of Wanda Halverson, alternate delegate, Area 82, Nova Scotia/Newfoundland/Labrador, in place of Walter Henwood, the Panel 51 delegate for Area 82, who is unable to attend.
3. Consider possible revisions to the "Application for Additional Delegate Area" to ensure that adequate information is provided for evaluating future applications.
4. Consider request that when an area submits an "Application for Additional Delegate Area," a special meeting of the Policy / Admissions Committee be held before the beginning of the Conference so that any delegate submitting an application can discuss the application and answer questions from the committee.
5. Review report from the trustees' Committee on the General Service Conference regarding the use of an electronic voting system during the General Service Conference.
6. Consider request that all literature being considered as "General Service Conference-approved literature," be reviewed by all Conference members prior to debate on the Conference floor.
7. Discuss report of the General Service Board's Ad Hoc Committee on the General Service Structure.
8. Consider proposal that Final Agenda items and background material be distributed to Conference members requesting them in time to be received by February 15th.

Public Information

1. Review and approve final draft of the "2001 A.A. Membership Survey" pamphlet.
2. Public Service Announcements
 - a. Consider approving the television public service announcement (P.S.A.), developed by the trustees' Public Information Committee.
 - b. Review long-range development plan for future television public service announcements.
 - c. Consider a proposal for centralized distribution, tracking and evaluation of public service announcements, in addition to the work of local P.I. committees.
 - d. Review trustees' Public Information Committee report on the need for producing a radio or print public service announcement specific to the holiday season.
3. Public Information Kit and Workbook
 - a. Review contents of Public Information Kit and Workbook.
 - b. Discuss a suggestion for change to the first Sample Newspaper Announcement on page 40 of the Public Information Workbook.
 - c. Consider request that the soft-cover Public Information Workbook be changed from service material to A.A. General Service Conference-approved literature.
4. Consider suggestion to genderize "A.A.'s Movement-

Wide Public Information Policy," approved by the 1956 General Service Conference and included in several A.A. publications.

5. Review report of the trustees' Public Information Committee on religion and spirituality in P.I. Literature.
6. Review 2001 report on G.S.O.'s Web site activity and discuss web sites as a Public Information tool.

Report and Charter

1. Review *The A.A. Service Manual*, 2001-2002 Edition
 - a. Consider suggestion to reinstate the diagram "Service Structure Inside the A.A. Group" as it appeared in the 1998-1999 edition of *The A.A. Service Manual*, p. S49, Chapter II, "The General Service Representative and The Group."
 - b. Consider adding the proposed maps of U.S. areas, and map of Canada areas to *The A.A. Service Manual*.
 - c. Review updated "Regional Map of U.S. & Canada" to replace existing map on page S62.
 - d. Review revisions to update existing text in the following sections to reflect current services:
 - Chapter Eleven "The General Service Office."
 - Chapter Twelve "The A.A. Grapevine."
2. Discuss A.A. Directories and consider adding the "List of General Service Conference Area Web Sites" to the Canadian, Eastern and Western United States A.A. Directories.
3. Discuss the *General Service Conference Final Report*.

Treatment Facilities

1. Review contents of the Treatment Facilities Kit and Workbook.
 - a. Consider request that soft-cover Treatment Facilities Workbook be changed from service material to A.A. General Service Conference-approved literature.
 - b. Consider request to return Treatment Facilities Workbook to 3-ring binder format.

Trustees

1. Review resumes of candidates for regional trustee:
 - a. Pacific
 - b. Eastern Canada
2. Review slates of trustees and officers of the General Service Board.
3. Review slates of directors of the A. A. World Services and Grapevine Corporate Boards.

Archives

1. Archives Workbook.
 - a. Review contents of workbook.
 - b. Discuss request for changes in workbook.
2. Review Archives service piece.
3. Review rough cut of video "Markings on the Journey."

International Conventions/Regional Forums

1. Discuss and review 2015 International Convention Site-selection Procedures.
2. Discuss ways to encourage interest in Regional and Special Forums.

AREA 29 PANEL 52 OFFICERS

Please welcome our new officers as they have nearly completed their first quarter of service to the alcoholics of Maryland.

Delegate:	Victor L.
Alternate Delegate:	Calvin J.
Chairman:	Barbara B.
Secretary:	Tom R.
Treasurer:	Nancy K.

If you can be of assistance on any of the committees, please contact the appropriate chairperson. Better yet, come to an Area 29 meeting.

2002 State Convention Chairman:	Ralph O.
2002 State Convention Co-Chair:	Debbie O.
2002 Fall Conference Chairman:	Dave W.
2002 Fall Conference Co-Chair:	Don H. (Skeeter)
2002 Mini Conference Chairman:	Peggy T.
2002 Mini Conference Co-Chair:	Patricia R.

All Districts are encouraged to submit details of AA activities. Congratulations to District 31 for organizing and arranging the following opportunities for the alcoholics in Area 29.

AA History Forum

March 9, 2002

375 Benfield Road, Severna Park, MD

St. Martin's in the Field

9:00 - 12:00 (Refreshments 8:30)

Spring Dance \$5.00 per person donation

April 27, 2002

375 Benfield Road, Severna Park, MD

St. Martin's in the Field

8:00 - 12:00 Refreshments, D.J. and Fun!!!

SEND YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS TO . . .

To support AA's essential services, the General Service Conference suggests individual groups adopt a specific contribution plan that is suitable to their particular situation.

Any such plan might work like this:

First, take care of basic group expenses (rent, refreshments, AA literature and a prudent reserve fund).

Divide the remaining funds according to whatever formula suits your local needs. For example:

50% to your intergroup or central office

30% to General Service Office

Box 459, Grand Cent. Station

New York, NY 10163

10% to District

10% to

Maryland General Service

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MARGENSER NEWSLETTER

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