
Delegate Report – Area Committee, September 22, 2018



Panel 68, Area 29

Maryland General Service, Inc.

The anonymity-protected digital version of the 68th General Service Conference *Final Report* has been released! Each Area Committee member should have received the PDF file by email on September 14. This document may be shared with GSRs and any other A.A. members. Printed *Final Reports* will be distributed at the October 20 Area Assembly in Easton. Thank you for your patience and understanding in this matter.

General Service Board News

Recommendations from the Communications Audit of our GSB were transmitted to Area 29 Committee members by email on September 3.

Please remind all GSRs that we will be electing our Area 29 candidate for Northeast Regional Trustee during the October 20 Area Assembly.

Application deadline for Appointed Committee Member on the Trustees' Literature Committee is 11/02/18. Contact: literature@aa.org.

General Service Conference

The 69th General Service Conference, "Our Big Book - 80 Years, 71 Languages," will be held from May 19-25, 2019 in NYC. I will serve as Alternate Chair of the Conference Committee on Grapevine & chair for the daily Serenity Meeting.

A.A. World Service, Inc. News

New GSO Staff Assignments (as of 9.17.18):

Accessibilities/Remote Communities – Rick W.
Communication Services – Clement C.
Conference Coordinator – Patrick C.
CPC/Treatment – Diana L.
Corrections – *To be filled.* (Interim – Susan U.)
Group Services – Jeff W.
International – Eva S.
2020 International Convention – Julio E.
Literature – Steve S.
Public Information – Racy J.
Regional Forums/Nominating – Sandra W.
Staff Coordinator – Mary C.

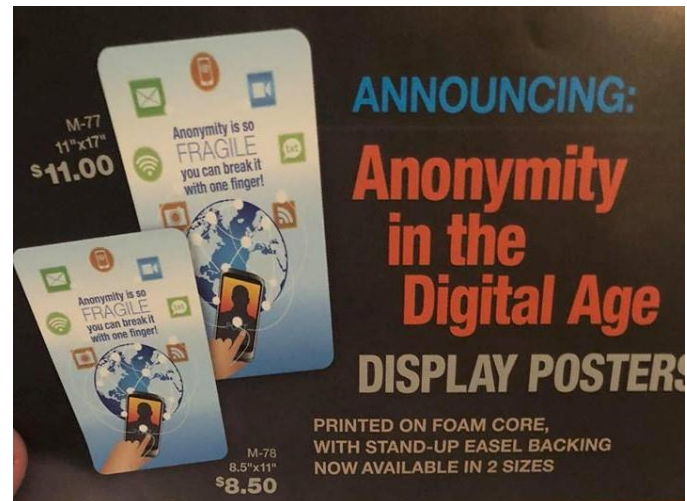
Eva S. & Mary C. will rotate following the end of the World Service Meeting in mid-October.

The deadline to apply for two staff vacancies at GSO is October 19, 2018. Applications may be requested from: staffapplications@aa.org.

Archives: 22nd National Archives Workshop will be held September 28-30 in Chicago, IL. For info, contact: chicagoarchives1939@gmail.com.

Box 459: The GSO quarterly newsletter was mailed this week to all Area Assembly members. Anyone who has not received their copy should update their postal address with our Area 29 Registrar Ray T. at registrar@marylandaa.org.

Corrections: Discounted room rate for the 2nd annual National Corrections Conference from November 2-4 in Portland, ME, closes on 10/02. Go to: 2018NationalCorrectionsConference.org.



Digital Anonymity Poster: This display poster highlighting the importance of online and social media anonymity is finally available! 8.5"x11" placard is \$8.50. 11"x17" version is \$11.00.

Literature: *Our Great Responsibility: A Selection of Bill W.'s General Service Conference Talks, 1951-1970* should be available for purchase in early 2019. New or revised books & pamphlets now available include *2018-2020 A.A. Service Manual*; *Women in A.A.*; *A.A. for Alcoholics with Mental Health Issues—and Their Sponsors*; *The "God" Word: Atheist and Agnostic Members in A.A.*; *LGBTQ Alcoholics in A.A.*; and *Inside A.A.: Understanding the Fellowship and Its Services*.

Online Contributions: Any A.A. member can demonstrate his or her gratitude for the gift of sobriety with a one-time or recurring contribution to the General Service Board of A.A. Many members make a contribution on their annual sobriety date. It takes less than 5 minutes! Go to: aa.org and choose *Make a Contribution*.

Treatment: GSO sends a complimentary *Treatment Committee Kit* to all area-level chairs and a complimentary *Treatment Committee Workbook* to all district-level chairs for Treatment, Bridging the Gap, and Hospitals & Institutions committees. Please make sure GSO has your current district and intergroup contact information. Send an email to: tf@aa.org.



A.A. Grapevine, Inc. News

The Grapevine and La Vina do not accept financial contributions.

Their only source of revenue is subscriptions and product sales. Growing these tools for carrying the A.A. message is an important aspect of our 7th Tradition of self-support!

Brand new Grapevine publication! *One Big Tent* is the new collection of articles expressing the experience, strength and hope of atheist and agnostic members of A.A. Price is \$11.50 or \$10.99 for five or more copies.

Help Area 29 win the 2018 Subscription Challenge! Buy a one year Grapevine gift subscription for \$28.97, and a second gift subscription will cost you only \$13.00! We have had 184 new Grapevine & 52 new La Viña subscribers from Area 29 in the first eight months of 2018. *Why not give the gift of Grapevine to the next two members who celebrate anniversaries at your home group?*

You can help improve our meetings in print and other media by taking 10 minutes to complete the *2018 Grapevine and La Viña Fellowship Feedback Project*. For anything that involves Grapevine, go to: aagrapevine.org.

Regional & International News

2020 International Convention ~ Registration forms go out in Aug 2019 & room reservations through the Convention Housing Bureau begin in Sept 2019. All fees and special airline fares TBA.

NERAASA 2019 ~ The Host Committee for the 2019 Northeast Regional A.A. Service Assembly meets from 2-4 pm on the third Sunday of each month at the Serenity Center in Columbia, MD. Help welcome over a thousand service-oriented members from throughout the Northeast Region to Hunt Valley, MD, on February 22-24, 2019!

NERF 2019 ~ Mark your calendars now for the Northeast Regional Forum in Tarrytown, NY, from May 31-June 2, 2019. Meet our trusted servants!

SERF 2018 ~ The Southeast Regional Forum will be held from November 16-18, 2018, at the Dulles Marriott in nearby Sterling, VA. Free registration. For lodging, call: 703-471-9500.

ICYPAA ~ More than 3,000 members attended the 60th International Conference of Young People in Alcoholics Anonymous in Baltimore on Labor Day weekend. Next year's ICYPAA will be held in Boston, MA. For info, go to: icypaa.org.

Around Area 29

There are dozens of awesome workshops going on throughout Area 29 during the fall season. One that you will not want to miss is the West Central Intergroup/District 40 event on Saturday 10/06 in Frederick from 9 am-12 noon, "*The A.A. Member's Bill of Rights*." For all the latest news and updates, go to: marylandaa.org/events.

Yours in love and service,

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Delegate Travels...

- 09/04 - D32/OC Intergroup, Ocean City
- 09/13 - District 4, Towson
- 09/16 - District 19 Picnic, Baltimore
- 09/22 - Area Committee, Catonsville
- 09/26 - District 6, Davidsonville
- 09/29 - District 41 Picnic, New Market
- 10/06 - WCI/D40 Workshop, Frederick
- 10/20 - Area Assembly, Easton