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AREA 29 ASSEMBLY
BALTIMORE, MARYLAND
MARCH 21, 2019

Don B., Panel 68, Area 29 Delegate



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**Invited by Government of
Cuba to Represent A.A.
at an International
Addictions Conference for
Health Care Professionals
in Guantánamo
(November 2018)**



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69th General Service Conference

Sunday, May 19-Saturday, May 25, 2019

Crowne Plaza Times Square
New York, New York



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Conference Theme:

“Our Big Book – 80 Years, 71 Languages”



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**Our Area 29 Nominee for
Northeast Regional Trustee
(2019-2023) is:**

MORGAN J.



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Today's World – Demonstrating Integrity,
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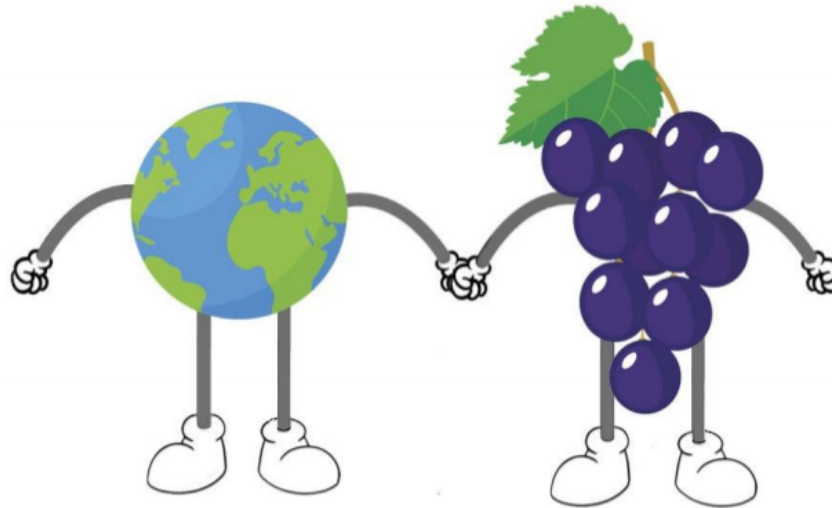
Clarity of Purpose – Addressing the Needs of
Our Meetings



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AA GRAPEVINE

Joint AAWS/AAGB Board Meeting



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CONFERENCE AGENDA REVIEW COMMITTEES

CARC	Eastern Shore CARC 1	Western Shore CARC 2	North East CARC 3	North West CARC 4
<u>Districts</u>	24, 25, 32, 37, 38, 46	1, 6, 22, 23, 27, 31, 35, 36, 42	3, 4, 10, 11, 14, 15, 18, 19, 28, 30, 33, 34, 39	7, 9, 17, 20, 40, 41
Meeting Location	<u>St. Mark's Methodist Church</u> 100 Peach- blossom Rd. Easton, MD 21601	<u>St. James Episcopal Parish</u> 5757 Solomons Island Rd. Lothian, MD 20711	<u>St. John's Lutheran Church</u> 8808 Harford Rd. Parkville, MD 21234	<u>Trinity Methodist Church</u> 703 W. Patrick St. Frederick, MD 21701
Meeting Dates	April 4 6:30–8:30 PM	Mar 30 & Apr 13 10 AM–12 Noon	April 14 2–5 PM	April 7 1–5 PM



General Service Conference



- April 27:** **Area 29 Mini-Conference**
- May 19-25:** **General Service Conference**
- June 15:** **Area 29 Delegate Report Back Assembly**
- Summer:** **Delegate visits to CARCs, Districts, Intergroups & Groups**



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Check out other updates from:

Archives

Corrections

Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) system

Public Information

Publishing

Technology Communications Services (TCS)



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Congratulations, Stephanie!!!

Director
Communications Division
General Service Office
475 Riverside Drive
11th Floor
New York, New York 10115

Starts on April 1, 2019



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**A.A. International Convention
Detroit, Michigan
July 2-5, 2020**



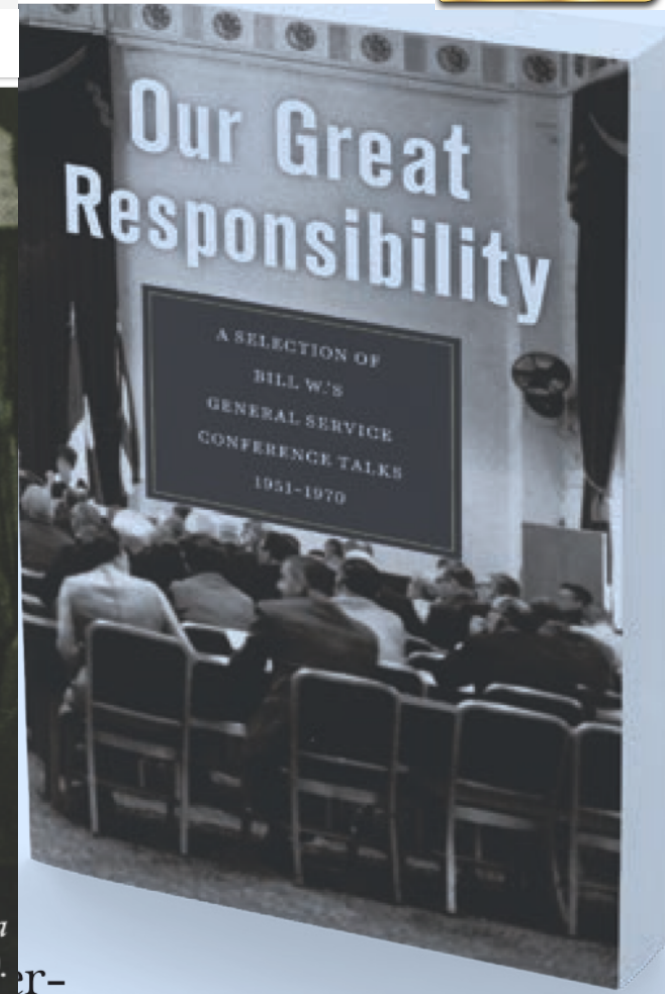
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*Bill W. speaking at a
General Service Conference, circa 1950.*





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2018 Financial Overview

Contributions → flat
Operating expenses → increased 8%

2017

Literature Sales - \$13,898,550

Literature Profits - \$9,361,614

+

Contributions - \$8,409,452

Total Revenue \$17,771,383

Operating Expenses \$16,012,545

\$1,758,838

% contributions covering services → 82%

2018

Literature Sales - \$14,235,594 ↑

Literature Profits - \$9,452,615 ↑

+

Contributions - \$8,384,721

Total Revenue \$17,837,336 ↑

Total Operating Expenses \$17,382,733 ↑

\$454,603

% contributions covering services → 74%





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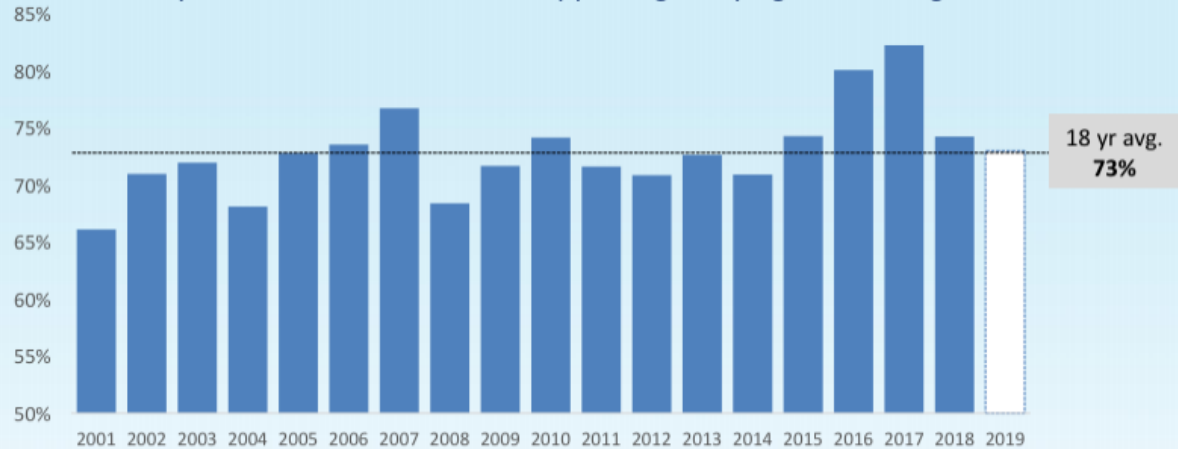
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Tracking The Percentage Over Time

Drivers of the 2018 percentage drop

- ✓ ERP system (Expense vs. pre-payment)
- ✓ World Service Meeting
- ✓ Pension and Health Plans for retired employees
- ✓ Additional Employees (French translation), staff training, Consultants for ERP, Communications, app, website
- ✓ Other...

History of Percent Contributions Supporting Carrying the Message







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Finances: 2019 Budget Outlook


2019


 Literature Sales - \$15,000,000 

 Literature Profits - \$9,775,000 

+

 Contributions - \$8,384,721

Total Revenue **\$18,159,721** 

Total Operating Expenses **\$17,658,500** 

\$501,221

Increased literature sales due primarily to new book:

Our Great Responsibility (1951-1970)

In 2019 we expect to reach 73% of self support



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Update on Contributions

Welcome to
A.A. MEMBER CONTRIBUTIONS ONLINE



- 1. Contribution Type
- 2. Contribution Information
- 3. Confirm Information
- 4. Contribution Complete

Contribution Type [Go Back](#)

An Individual Contribution

This is my individual contribution.

A Group Contribution

Contribution Amount

Individual contributions are limited to \$5000 per year. Your total contributions this year: \$0.00

Amount: \$ (US)

Make this a Recurring Contribution No Yes [?](#)

Payment Type

Pay by Credit Card (Recurring Contributions must be paid by credit card)

Pay by E-check (One-time contribution only, cannot be selected for a recurring contribution)





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Communications Audit

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Results

- Most groups fall outside of the conference structure
- Our services from the office are not as effective as they could be
- Poor transfer of information to and from Delegates
- Barriers limiting ideas from the group to the conference
- AA has a good reputation outside but is not distinguishable from other clinical and “self-help” groups.

Goal #2 G.S.B. Strategic Plan

The General Service Board and the Fellowship have improved relations with professionals.

Goal #3 G.S.B. Strategic Plan

Alcoholics Anonymous: Relevant and connected in today's society.

Goal #5 G.S.B. Strategic Plan

Create new and revise current informational and educational material for professionals and professional associations.

Goal #6 G.S.B. Strategic Plan

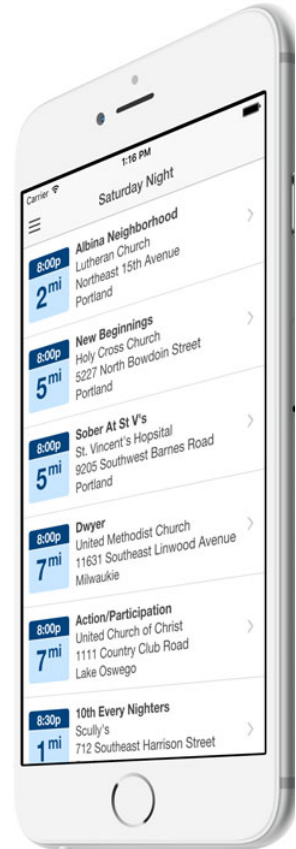
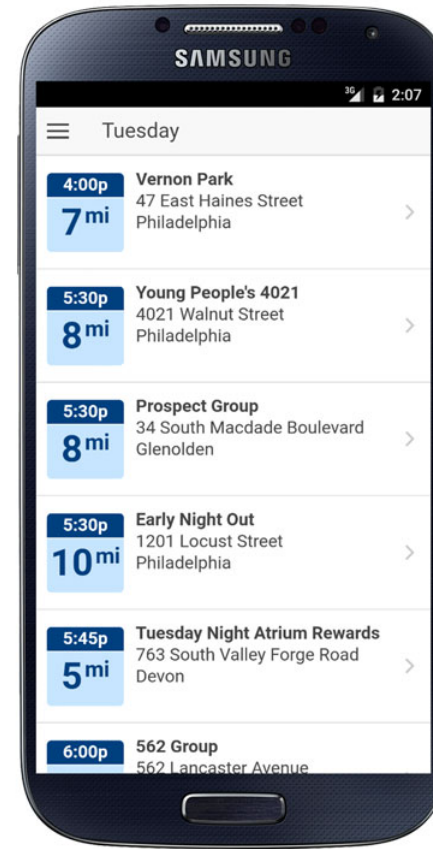
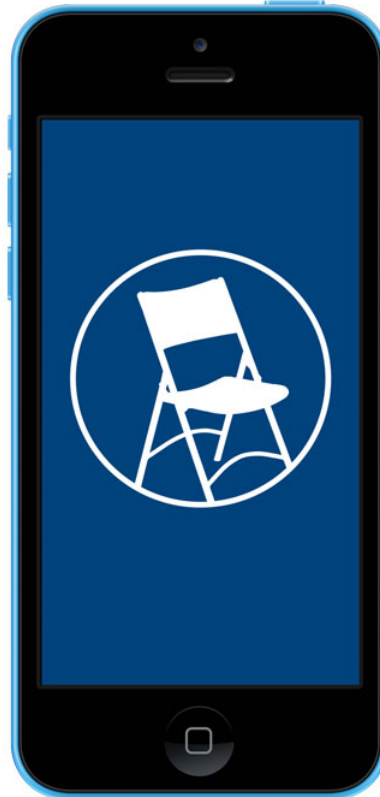
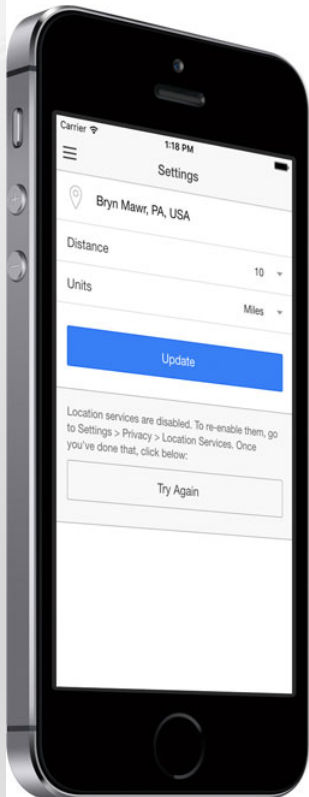
Identify new places and audiences to bring the A.A. message of hope.

Goal #7 G.S.B. Strategic Plan

Increase A.A. visibility on contemporary technologies.



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One Example...

Before



After





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New Strategic Plan





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New Workbook Under Development





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New Report on Fellowship Feedback Survey





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All New Grapevine Cartoon Book





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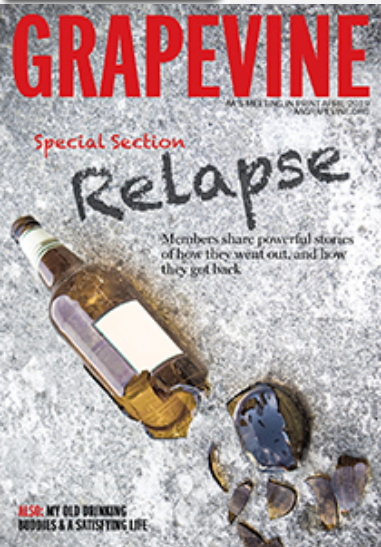
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New Archive for La Viña



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A comprehensive package of recovery tools to connect groups

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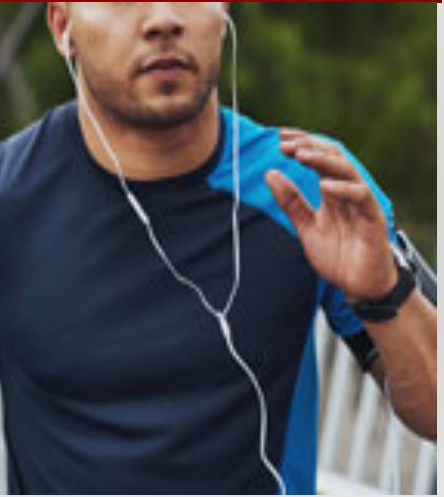
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Stories of experience, strength and hope from Grapevine

2019 **One Day At a Time**
Un día a la vez / Un jour à la fois





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NERAASA 2019!**



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Next Event:

**NORTH EAST REGIONAL FORUM
(NERF)**

May 31-June 2, 2019

Tarrytown, New York



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- 3/17 District 31 St. Patrick's Day Alcathon, Severna Park**
- 3/18 CONTRA study conference calls begin**
- 3/23 MGS Corrections workshop, Severna Park**
- 3/24 District 18 Meditation workshop, Catonsville**
- 3/24 MGS Public Information Committee meeting, Catonsville**
- 3/30 D6 Slogans & Sayings workshop, Edgewater**
- 3/30 CARC 2, Lothian**
- 4/04 CARC 1, Easton**
- 4/06 Baltimore Intergroup Safety workshop, Parkville**
- 4/06 Steps 10-12 workshop, Davidsonville**
- 4/07 West Central Intergroup Gratitude breakfast, Frederick**
- 4/07 NEMD Intergroup Spring appreciation breakfast, Havre de Grace**
- 4/07 CARC 4, Frederick**
- 4/13 District 40 Home Group workshop, Frederick**
- 4/13 CARC 2 (if necessary), Lothian**
- 4/14 CARC 3, Parkville**
- 4/27 Area 29 Mini-Conference**



Always Remember Rule 62:



Don't take yourself too damn seriously!