

AREA 14 NEWSLETTER

July 2013

Message From Your Area Chair:

Welcome to July! You know what that means, yes you are correct! It is the first day of Hurricane Season. So how does this relate to what we do? We need to check our preparations, because if this coming Assembly is July well then ...October is coming!!! What is important in July – let us count what we know.

1. That lonely number is asking if you have made your room reservation for October, Plan now and to make this happen as soon as possible.
2. Do you have suggestions for the Area Inventory? Send them to me at chairperson@aanorthflorida.org, as soon as possible, so we can put the Inventory out at the July Assembly.
3. Time for a vote on the 2015-2016 Hotel. You know our Site and Agenda Committee has been working diligently on this.
4. Big Time in Finance with the Budget.
5. ALL THE THOSE THINGS WE DON'T KNOW YET.

This is a great deal of work we need to prepare so in October we can make healthy decisions to move into 2014.

In Fellowship & Service,
Vivian F.
Area 14 Chair, Panel 63

A Note From Our Archivist

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the North Florida Area for allowing me to serve as their Archivist for the last 4 years.

In October of this year we will be voting for the Archivist position once again. At the July assembly our chair will ask if anyone is intending to stand for the position.

I am writing this article now to inform the Area that I will not be seeking a third term as Archivist. It is time for me to move on and serve in other capacities. I will always be active in Archives as it's a labor of love, or so I have come to know it as.

I want to encourage anyone with the time, ability, knowledge or interest to consider standing for this awesome service position.

You can find the requirements for the position as stated in our structure and guidelines.

In closing, to anyone interested or elected to this service position, I will do anything I can to assist in your transition as my predecessor has done for me. I won't be far or hard to find if needed or asked.

Sincerely, In Love & Service
Stephen R.
Area 14 Archivist

Check out Saturday night, July 13th, our Delegate, Marilyn B. will be taking us on the Delegate's tour at the 2013 General Service Conference. Get there early, so you can make sure you get a seat!

"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."

Declaration of the 30th Anniversary International Convention, 1965, Toronto, Canada

GSO

Announcement From Doug R. Director of Staff Services

Applications are once again being sought for a G.S.O. staff member. G.S.O. staff are members of Alcoholics Anonymous who rotate through the various assignments such as Corrections, Public Information, Treatment Facilities/Special Needs, Literature, Conference, etc. They also correspond with A.A.s on all aspects of recovery and service. Additionally, they represent the General Service Office at A.A. functions throughout the U.S. and Canada and provide the primary staff support for the General Service Board and the annual General Service Conference.

For additional information regarding the General Service Office staff member position, please see the Feb/March 2005 *Box 4-5-9* article, "G.S.O. Staff Member – A Job Like No Other" at www.aa.org/lang/en/en_pdfs/en_box459_febmar05.pdf.

We will welcome applications up to *August 1*. Interested members may apply via email at staffcoord@aa.org, postal mail or fax, (212) 870-3003.



Staff Rotations at GSO begin July 15th and new information will be sent out soon. Mary C. will be the new Conference Coordinator and Eva S. will move to the International Desk.

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SATURDAY ASSEMBLY EVENTS

Intergroup: The Intergroup workshop in July will be "Funding Your Intergroup Office". The areas of focus will be: 7th Tradition donations, Retail sales and Fund Raising

Cooperation with the Professional Community: CPC Workbook, Guidelines, Q and A

Corrections: Annual Florida Corrections Workshop

Finance: Budget, Budget, Budget

Growth: Structures and Guidelines

Grapevine/La Vina: Review why a Grapevine / La Vina representatives is important and some of the things they do in carrying the message and other items that are too help in carrying the message

Public Information: Reviewing the Report from the Conference Agenda Items for Public Information

Website: Review guidelines and other websites

Check out the website, especially note the Activities of the Area where there are so many workshops to visit Support our Area Districts!

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