

Higherlights

Area 14 North Florida Area Conference Panel 67

January 2018

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Hotel Reservations

Make your hotel reservations now!
After Dec. 10th, our block of rooms
can be gone.

Wyndham Garden Gainesville
2900 SW 13 St.
Gainesville, FL 32608
Phone: (352) 377-4000

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To book a room you need to call
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Important Addresses

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From Our Delegate Manuscript Update

Excerpt from Affidavit of Greg T. in
Support of Motion to Discontinue:

"A.A.W.S. has determined that it
is no longer in the organization's best
interest to continue to engage in
protracted litigation."

"A.A.'s principles call for paci-
fism and the avoidance of
controatversy and conflict where
possible, and given that the protracted
nature of this dispute has become
clear these principles are at play."



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Message from the Chair

Hello everyone,

October seemed like a really busy assembly to me. We had a great visit with our guest, the South Florida Area 15 Delegate, and now our AD Hoc Committee is busy processing all the information from our Area Inventory. I hope you are looking forward to hearing their feedback as much as I am. I know they have been busy at work, and I'm confident there will be some new ideas to make our Assembly better.

I hope you were at that amazing service sharing session on Friday night, hosted by District 24. I heard so many good things that remind me of the joy in being of service. District 30 will be our host in January - so I hope you can come in early enough to attend.

Did you get a chance to visit the informative displays by our Literature and Grapevine Service Coordinators? And the fun take-aways! Thanks Marcela and Deb. Anthony and Maria are at work creating Archives and Correction tables for us in January.

I attended the Southern States Alcoholics Anonymous Service Assembly (SSAASA) with 14 other members of Area 14 in November in Atlanta. There was great fellowship – and it's so helpful to hear what other Areas and Districts are doing. You may see a couple of new ideas happening around here. The next SSAASA in 2019 will be in a beautiful spot in North Carolina. More to be revealed. Mark your calendar now for the South East Regional Forum in 2018 in Sterling, Virginia.

It is hard to believe we are half-way through our term. Time has flown by. It is almost the January Assembly, and time for our visit with GSO Staff member – Julio E.

*-See you in January,
Annette*

Coming in January

As we have traditionally done, in January we will have, as our guest, a member of the staff from the General Service Office. Our guest this time will be Julio E.

Julio's sobriety date is 2/1/93 and his home group is the Morningside Heights Beginners in Manhattan. He started working at G.S.O. in July of 2001 and started on the corrections desk. Since then he has served on several desks; Group Services, Public Information, International, Literature, Regional Forums, staff coordinator and currently, Nominating.

At 4:30 on Saturday, Julio will update us on interesting happenings at the General Service Office and at 8:00 Saturday night, he will share his story with us.

Also, as is traditional, after wrapping up the Traditions last year, we will begin our study of the concepts. At 1:30 on Saturday, we will have kick-off presentation especially planned for us by the members of District 4. I expect it will be an informative and entertaining event.

Got a Question?


Q. Why don't we discuss motions when they are read at 4:30 on Saturday?

While we encourage floor actions, it is recommended that motions are provided to the Chair to read at 4:30 – this gives the members an opportunity to hear them, discuss them, and reach out to the motion maker with questions.

A. We do not discuss them at this time because it could be perceived as doing business outside of the business meeting, where not all are present.

What you can find on aanorthflorida.org...


- ◆ You can always find updates from our Delegate on the Delegate's Corner..
- ◆ Our Activities page is sure looking bare. I hope you will share happenings in your District so your neighbors can attend.
- ◆ Don't forget there are links to the emails of all our trusted servants in case you have a question or information to share with one of them.
- ◆ There are all kinds of helpful documents – group change form, group contribution form, and Bridging the Gap forms under the "Documents" link.
- ◆ And if you are looking for past minutes and other protected documents – Your DCM or webchair@aanorthflorida.org can provide the password to the password protected area.



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■ Intergroup/Central Office: Then and Now
One of our Area 14 members, Vicki E., shares her experience with on-line Intergroup and meetings.

NOTE: *There is a hint that another North Florida Area member will have an article in the next issue of Box 459.*



We Celebrate Our *Gratitude*

Our districts and groups seemed to explode with gratitude during November, Gratitude Month, which was started early in our history. We had breakfasts, picnics, dinner and even a chili cook-off. Many of these events have been held annually for years, and many of them make a contribution to the General Service Office from the proceeds. Exciting stuff!

Did you know?

We study the Traditions the first year of each panel and the Concepts the second year. That's why we are starting the Concepts in January. 1:30 PM Saturday

What's Coming in 2018

- January 12-14** Guest – Julio E.,
General Service Office
Staff Member We start
studying the Concepts.
- April 13-15** Pre-Conference Agenda
Items
- July 13-15** General Service
Conference Results
Ask the Officer,
Sharpen your resume to
stand for office, Or be
ready for October
Elections.
- Sept. 28-30** Business Meeting on
Saturday night at 8pm
Last assembly for
agenda items for 2019
Conference.
Elections Sunday
– Plan for longer
meeting (and for
lunch). No lunch break!

PLUS - some hints for 2019 - (Tentative):

- January 4-5** Guest – Kathy B.,
South East Regional
Trustee
- April 4-5** Pre-Conference
Agenda Items
- July 7-12** General Service
Conference Results
- Sept. 27-28** Area Inventory

GSO Update
Julio E, Staff Member
4:30 PM Saturday

How Has Service Helped Your Recovery?

Coming in Early Friday?

Don't forget the Friday Night
Meeting. Bring your ESH - Hint:
Service Manuals will be provided.

Host District 30 will bring a fun
and educational sharing session.