



EAST TENNESSEE INTERGROUP UNITY NEWSLETTER

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Sixth Step:

Were entirely ready to have God remove all these defects of character.

Sixth Tradition:

An AA group ought never endorse, finance, or lend the AA name to any related facility or outside enterprise, lest problems of money, property, and prestige divert us from our primary purpose.

Sixth Concept:

The Conference recognizes that the chief initiative and active responsibility in most world service matters should be exercised by the trustee members of the Conference acting as the General Service Board.

Sixth Step Prayer:

Dear God, I am ready for Your help in removing from me the defects of character which I now realize are an obstacle to my recovery. Help me to continue being honest with myself & guide me toward spiritual & mental health.

Practice These Principles....

Tradition Six CHECKLIST:

1. Should my fellow group members and I go out and raise money to endow several AA beds in our local hospital?
2. Is it good for a group to lease a small building?
3. Are all the officers and members of our local club for AAs familiar with "Guidelines on Clubs" (which is available free from GSO)?
4. Should the secretary of our group serve on the mayor's advisory committee on alcoholism?
5. Some alcoholics will stay around AA only if we have a TV and card room. If this is what is required to carry the message to them, should we have these facilities?

DISTRICT MEETINGS

District 1 please make note:
Due to vacation's and scheduling June's meeting has been cancelled. July's meeting will be held the third Saturday, on the 21st at 11am at the Renaissance Center.

District 2 meets the second Thursday of the month at 6:30pm at the Mountain Home VA in Johnson City.

District 3 meets the first Sunday of the month at 12:30pm at the Morristown Group.

District 4 meets the first Sunday of the month at 2:00pm at Happy Destiny.

District 50/51 meets the first Monday of the month at 6:30pm at the Intergroup Office.

District 6 meets the first Saturday of the month at 10:00am at the Serenity Club.

SERVICE COMMITTEES

Intergroup Committee meets the 2nd Sunday of the month at the Intergroup Office at 12:30pm.

District 50/51 Treatment Committee meets the 2nd Thursday at Park 40 at 7pm; includes Bridging the Gap.

UNITY NEWSLETTER

A monthly publication of East Tennessee Intergroup. About, by, and for members of Alcoholics Anonymous (AA). Opinions herein are not to be attributed to AA. Except when indicated, this publication does not imply endorsement by either AA or the Newsletter. Delegates to the General Service Conference on April 24, 1972 agreed that the use of full names and addresses could improve communication within the Fellowship. Consequently, we may use full names for AA service members. To assure anonymity, it is requested that the Newsletter be kept within the Fellowship.

**We're on
Facebook**

◇ **ETIAA has a
private FB group**

◇ **If you would
like to join, call
the Intergroup
Office at:**

865-522-9667

◇ **We'll be happy
to add you to
the group.**

NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS

***Would you like to submit something for the Newsletter?**

***We encourage all appropriate submissions.**

Please NOTE:

***Submissions are now being sent to the Newsletter Coordinator.**

***This is the Newsletter email address:**

Newsletter@etiaa.org

MEETING ANNOUNCEMENTS

Recovery Central Clubhouse at 808 Sevier Avenue has added many new meetings. (See the **updated APRIL 2018** Meeting List)

Down By The River – Tuckaleechee Methodist, 7322 Old Tuckaleechee Meeting time now starts at 7:30 p.m. beginning Monday June 11th

Sober Pride is moving starting Tuesday, 5 June to Church of the Good Samaritan 425 N. Cedar Bluff Road, Knoxville, TN 37923

No Longer Meeting: The Lake City Group at Lake City Methodist in Rocky Top, the Primary Purpose at First Presbyterian in Morristown and the Big Book Study at the Remax Building in Kingsport.

“Having had a spiritual awakening as the result of these steps, we tried to carry this message to alcoholics, and to practice these principles in all our affairs.”

AVAILABLE MEETING SPACE

Recovery Central Clubhouse at 808 Sevier Avenue has open meeting space for any 12 step fellowship or events. \$25 per month.

Call Don at 865-243-6530.

Tillery Ridge Apartments, near Clinton Highway and Merchants, would like to offer free meeting space. If you are interested, call Stacy at 865-688-4673.

Morningside Garden Apartments on Linden Avenue in East Knoxville by the old Intergroup Office has a community room available.

If interested, call Tonda at 865-637-3239

The new location of Ridgepoint Church in Joyner, TN has space available. If interested please contact

Chris at chris@ridgepointchurch.net

MOBILE INTERGROUP

Great Smoky Mountain
Recovery Campout
September 15, 2018
Greenbriar Campground,
Gatlinburg, TN

Is there an AA-related event you would like Intergroup to attend? If so, please contact us: 865-522-9667 or manager@etiaa.org

INTERGROUP SERVICE NEEDS

Want to get involved and do rewarding service work? There are currently many Service Work opportunities at Intergroup.

Office Service Workers: Volunteers run the Intergroup office, answer the phone, sell big books and answer general questions. Currently 3 open shifts available: Monday, Wednesday and Friday 1-5 p.m.

Contact Annie in the office to schedule your orientation.

24/7 Hotline Volunteers: Volunteer Monthly, bi-monthly, or weekly. Current shift opening: Thursday 5 pm—Friday 9 am.

12-Step Volunteers: Respond to calls from alcoholics in need. To serve email us at manager@etiaa.org, visit the website at ETIAA.org, or call us at 865-522-9667.

Mobile Intergroup Coordinator – new position opening. Also need service workers for the Mobile Intergroup events.

Events & Workshop Committee Chairperson – Position is vacant.

Intergroup Committee Co-Chairperson – Position is vacant.

Intergroup Reps:

Attend the monthly Intergroup meetings at 12:30pm on the 2nd Sunday of the month. Take the information back to your groups.



BIRTHDAYS

PRIMARY PURPOSE GROUP OAK RIDGE, TN

Brad B 11 yrs

Carey N 8 yrs

MAY INTERGROUP MINUTES

May 20, 2018 MEETING

Open with serenity prayer

Attendees: Rebekah R, Joni Q, Jacqui H, David C, Mark R, Shellie G, Louise S, Nick T, Fawn L, Dylan P, Charles K,

Prior Meeting Minutes:

Accepted April Minutes

Intergroup Manager Report:

Rebekah R

ICOAA Montreal

Ticket \$511 including trip insurance

Passport \$110

Hotel \$412.11 or \$206.06 if split

Per Diem \$114 per day or \$456

Registration (\$30) and Dinner (\$30)

TBD

Max \$1549.11 Min\$872.02

Newsletter Coordinator

Meeting Guide App update

160 Service Organizations with

71,250 meetings

Nashville is online with

Chattanooga to soon follow.

Mobile IG update

District 3 Picnic

GSMRC

Summer Splash Picnic June 10

Need main volunteer

Serenity in the Smokies?

MI Coordinator

State Convention is September 7-9 in

Murfreesboro

Rebekah out of town for July Meeting

District 50/51, possibly cohost Christmas event

Shellie is the newsletter coordinator

Treasurer Report: Fawn L

Accountant Update See Reports

Financially sound

Hotline: Jacque H

Hotline Need someone for Thursday Night
5 PM to 9 AM

Pam getting 12 step list up to date adding email addresses to send out the newsletter

Office Service Workers: Annie B

Nothing to report

Beth working one Saturday

Openings Monday and Friday afternoons
1-5 PM

Archives: Annie B

Nothing to report

Website: Shelley M

NAATW September 15

Ticket \$489

Hotel \$240

Per Diem \$59 per day or \$177

Registration \$65 until June 10 then
\$85

Max \$991

Min \$814

Accessibilities: Need Chair

Spanish Speaking Liaison: Need Chair

Treatment: Michelle M

Nothing to report

CPCPI: Robert G

Nothing to report

Corrections: Lisa F

Working a booth

Outreach: Nick T

Getting around to all the groups, focusing on groups that haven't been in touch lately

Old Business:

Bylaws Revision Tabled

New Business:

Motion to cover events out of the service area on a case by case basis **Passed**

Need a new co-chair (Jackie will chair next month)

Tech workshop in September, discuss next month

Need Events Chair

Close with Prayer

Next meeting:

10 June 2018

DISTRICT 50/51 MINUTES

District Meeting

May 7, 2018

Attending: Robin G. DCM 51; Jerry H. DCM 50; Trey M. PI Chair Area 64; Krisa B. GSR 4th Dimension; Frankie R. Corrections Chair; Natalie H. GSR Rule 62; Ralph B; District Treasurer; Rick B. GSR Saturday Morning Big Book Study; Nicole C. GSR Serenity Sisters; Falon L.; Scott S. GSR Phoenix Group; Robin G. DCM 51; Jacque H. GSR Tennessee Group; Sandra B. Grapevine Chair; Paul W. CPC/PI Chair, Angela L. GSR Free At Last

Robin G. opened the meeting with a moment of silence and the Serenity Prayer.

Previous Minutes: A motion was made to dispense reading the minutes. Seconded and passed. A motion was made to accept the minutes as written. Seconded and passed.

DCM 51 Report (Robin G.): Contract was signed and deposit paid to Holiday Inn for the assembly. John, Area 64 Delegate, will be available for a post conference report. A Friday night seemed to be the best time for everyone to come. Robin will ask him to come Friday night June 8th. It will probably last about 2 to 3 hours. Emails have been sent out regarding some of the things that John has reported from the conference.

DCM 50 Report (Jerry H.): Jerry has also talked to John, Area 64 Delegate about some of the thing that happened at the conference. The Big Book manuscript has been sold. AA has spent \$452,702 on fighting for the manuscript. We sent our delegate to NY to censure the trustees for the actions that they took regarding the lawsuit and nothing really happened. The Events Chair has resigned and the ball has been dropped on the Founder's Day picnic and we will not be having one.

CPC/PI Report (Paul W.): AA has a You Tube channel. The You Tube channel has PSA's on it. Google is trying to help AA out by it being more accessible in searches when people Google things such as "problem with drinking". We can bid on "add" words but Google is trying to move AA closer to the top in order to "level the playing field". CPC/PI has created positions and elected regional workshop coordinators. All positions have been filled except for West TN. Trey has found someone interested in doing PCP work but he could not be here tonight.

Archives Report (Karen C.): Not present.

Corrections Report (Frankie R.): There are three new people carrying the message into jails! It is National Corrections Officers week. If you know of anyone interested in taking the message into the jails, send them Frankie's way:

(813)486-3085 frankie.ramos@rocketmail.com

He will send someone an application and once it is completed, it will be processed, a background check will be done and they will be good to go!

Grapevine Report (Sandra B.): Sandra is trying to get local groups interested in having a Grapevine chair. She reports that no one seems on fire about it and is trying to figure out ways to get people excited. The suggestion was made to possibly include the Grapevine under the literature representative position.

Treatment Report (Emily L.): Emily was not present so Scott gave a report. Treatment is taking three (sic) *meetings into Bradford, one meeting into Centerpoint, one meeting into Mandala House, one meeting into Kingston Academy and one into Great Starts. In order to chair meetings, you must have six months of sobriety. In order to speak, you have to have one year of sobriety. The treatment committee meets once a month in the blue room at Park 40 on the second Thursday of every month. There is a treatment workshop on June 16th in Kingsport.

Events Report (Leigh C.): Leigh has withdrawn from her position as events chair. The big event right now is the 1st Quarter Assembly in 2019.

Treasurer's Report (Ralph B.): We have a current balance in checking of \$1,088.31. All funds for the assembly will be handled by the Host Committee. A motion was made to accept the treasurer's report. It was seconded and passed.

Bridging The Gap Report (John): John was not present. He can be reached at:(865) 272-9526 BTGK5150@gmail.com

Announcements: Remind everyone to make their reservations for the assembly in Memphis. The room block is all of the available rooms that there are. The cutoff date is June 13th. The number is(901)684-6664 and the code is QA0713.

Old Business:

Big Books have been purchased for the Kingston Academy School.

Contributions coming in for the 1st Quarter Assembly 2019 should be marked for as to what it is for in the memo line. Make sure to announce in your groups to write on the memo line if sending in contributions for the assembly.

New Business:

A motion was made to pay \$30 per meeting to Intergroup for the use of their room for district meetings. The motion was passed and seconded.

Frankie started a discussion about the corrections committee passing cans at meetings to raise money for literature. Discussion was had about the pros and cons and things that might need to be worked out. The district's attitude is that it is a group by group decision regarding cans being passed at meetings. There was a concern about the money being raised for the corrections literature being kept separate from the district monies. A motion was made to table the discussion until next month. It was seconded and passed.

Jerry brought up the topic of the Founder's Day picnic and whether we still wanted to try to put it together. It would be on Saturday June 9th or Sunday June 10th at Adair Park or West Hills Park. Jerry will get information together. The district would provide up to \$400 seed money. This would be a supportive event in order to collect money for the 1st Quarter Assembly. A motion was made for us to have the Founder's Day picnic. It was seconded and passed.

The next Host Committee meeting will be on June 4th at 5:30pm and the next District meeting will be on June 4th at 6:30pm.

A motion was made to adjourn. Seconded and passed.

DISTRICT 6 MINUTES

May 4, 2018—Meeting

In attendance: Sandy W., DCM, Tara H., Kathy M., Robert G., Richard B., Joan S.

Sandy W. opened the meeting with the Serenity Prayer. Tara H. read the Twelve Traditions

Secretary Report was submitted for review. Richard B. made a motion to accept the report as submitted. Tara H. seconded. Motion passed.

Treasurer Report: Richard B. reported that there were \$91 in donations to the District with no expenses for this month. Joan S. made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report as submitted. Tara H. seconded. Motion passed.

Group Reports:

Happy, Joyous & Free- Tara H. reported that Wednesday is good for attendance. On Wednesday, June 6, the meeting will be an Eat and Speak. Also, business meetings will be held monthly on the first Wednesday of every month before the noon meeting. Norris-Clinton group- Tara reports strong and steady in attendance.

Primary Purpose- Robert G. generally meeting are well attended, except for weekend meetings.

Back to Basics continues to have Eat and Speak on the first Saturday of every month. Eat at 6:00 pm. Meeting at 7:00 pm.

Lake City group is no longer meeting.

Intergroup: Robert G. reported that Intergroup is just managing financially and could use financial support from the groups in East TN. Next meeting will be May 13 at 12:30.

Public Information- Robert G. reports doing well and could use more help.

Grapevine – Kathy M. received handbook and would like to give a presentation about Grapevine when visits with PI committee. Encourage small groups to buy 1 subscription to share among group members and get Grapevine catalogue to learn of the books available.

Corrections- Sandy W. offered that 10 requests from inmates at Campbell County Jail were received to work steps by mail. So far 9 women are receiving help with this. It was mentioned that Shepherd's Home in Campbell County helps people in recovery.

DCM- Sandy W. reported that our Delegate sent a list of considerations from the Conference in April. One is that what a committee is to discuss be made available ahead of time. Archives wanted to add that the Archivists don't appraise item for monetary value and don't purchase items, to service piece. Self-Supporting discussion- reviewed suggestions and would like to promote the "virtual basket" (make donations on-line) and update Birthday contributions envelopes. New Grapevine book topics to be considered: Our 12 Steps, Vol 2, Grapevine Reps (members doing service as reps), Prayer & Meditation, AA & Families, Hispanic Members Doing Service. Too Young pamphlet being worked on. There will be no censuring of the Trustees in regard to lawsuit.

New Business: Members from District 6 plan to visit LaFollette Group on May 24 for 7:00 pm meeting. Richard B. made a motion to change District meeting time back to 10:00 am. Joan seconded. Motion passed. Tara H. made a motion to have annual District picnic on August 11 at Serenity Club in Oak Ridge. Richard B. seconded. Motion passed. The picnic will not be a fund raising event this year but donations will be accepted. Richard made a motion to write a check for \$50 as event fee to Serenity Club, as per club policy. Tara H. seconded. Motion passed.

Sandy W. made a motion to adjourn at 12:15.

Seventh Tradition - \$21. Next District meeting will be on June 2 at 10:00 am at the Serenity Club in Oak Ridge.

Respectfully submitted,
Joan S., Secretary

CURRENT EVENTS



Workshop

How to Form an Effective Treatment Committee to Carry the Message into Treatment Centers

- ✦ All are welcome to attend
- ✦ Bring a friend
- ✦ Refreshments provided

Saturday, June 16th
12:00pm to 5:00 pm
Renaissance Center
1200 E Center Street
Kingsport, TN

~ Panel Speakers ~

Area 64 Treatment Chair - Lindsey Y, Nashville

District 51 DCM - Robin G, Knoxville

District 30 Alt. DCM - Chad Y, Nashville

District 1 Treatment Chair - Cindi D, Abingdon

District 50/51 Bridging the Gap Chair - John S, Knoxville

For More Information Contact Cindi D. at (423) 791-8441

How can groups participate?

To help support AA's essential services, the General Service Conference suggests that individual groups, through an informed group conscience, adopt a specific contribution plan tailored to meet the group's financial situation. Once the basic group expenses have been taken care of (for example, rent, refreshments, AA literature, Grapevine literature, local meeting lists, GSR travel expenses to attend service functions) and a "prudent reserve" has been set aside to cover any emergency contingencies that might arise, the group may decide to further carry the message by sending money to the following AA service entities.

- The local district, which communicates directly with the groups, providing the district group conscience for the area assemblies and serving as a link between the area delegates and the GSRs.

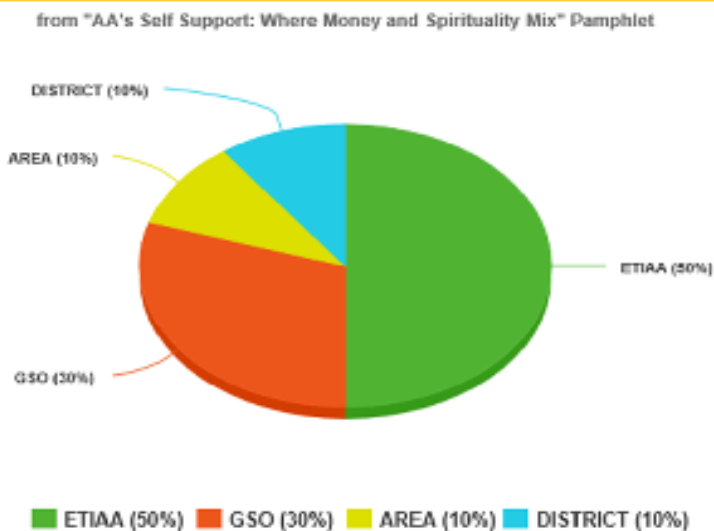
- The area committee, which coordinates vital AA activities over a broad geographic area, sends a delegate to the annual General Service Conference, holds area assemblies to determine the needs of the Fellowship, and provides information at all levels of service.

- The local intergroup or central office, which may provide phone service for Twelfth Step calls and other inquiries, coordination of group activities, AA literature sales, institutions work, public information, and cooperation with the professional community activities.

- AA's General Service Office, which functions as a storehouse of AA information, communicating with members and groups around the world, publishes AA literature, and supplies information and experience to professionals and others interested in AA.

[Self-Support: Where Money and Spirituality Mix. Go to www.aa.org/assets/en_US/f-3_selfsupport.pdf].

7 TH TRADITION SUGGESTED CONTRIBUTIONS



Every AA group ought to be fully self-supporting, declining outside contributions.

Contribution addresses

ETIAA East Tennessee Intergroup of Alcoholics Anonymous
5833 Clinton Highway
Suite #202
Knoxville, TN 37912
865-522-9667
www.etiaa.org

General Service Office
Grand Central Station
P.O. Box 459
New York, NY 10163
www.aa.org

Area 64 Assembly *NEW ADDRESS
2500 Murfreesboro Pike
Suite 105, Box 235
Nashville, TN 37217
www.area64assembly.org

District 1 Treasurer
Stephanie H.
2213 Pendragon Rd
Kingsport, TN 37660

District 2 Treasurer
PO BOX 1872
Johnson City, TN 37605

District 3 Treasurer
John H.
1466 Darbee Dr.
Morristown, TN 37814

District 4 Treasurer
PO Box 264 *NEW ADDRESS
Alcoa, TN 37701

District 6 Treasurer
Richard B.
105 Mariner Point
Clinton, TN 37716

Districts 50/51 Treasurer
PO Box 27264
Knoxville, TN 37917

APRIL GROUP CONTRIBUTIONS

If you belong to one of the groups that is able to contribute to Intergroup through AA's Seventh Tradition, would you check on your group's contribution at the next business meeting? If your group has any concerns that need addressing, let us know. If desired, we would love the chance to address them and possibly attend your business meeting.

	Apr 18	Jul '17 - Apr 18		Apr 18	Jul '17 - Apr 18
4-WAY GROUP	0.00	25.00	LUNCH BUNCH- GREENEVILLE	6.82	358.35
4TH DIMENSION	440.00	2,125.00	MARYVILLE 12 STEP	0.00	154.40
501 Group	0.00	60.00	MEMORIAL RECOVERY	0.00	100.00
AA ASSEMBLY	2.12	2.12	METRO GROUP	0.00	750.00
AMOR Y SERVICIO	0.00	60.00	MONDAY NIGHT MEN'S	0.00	250.22
BACK TO BASICS- OAK RIDGE	0.00	97.22	MONROE COUNTY	0.00	152.12
BACK TO BASICS- SWEETWATER	0.00	180.00	MORRISTOWN GROUP	0.00	2.39
BIG BOOK RECOVERY	0.00	157.88	NEW BEGINNING- LOUDON	0.00	350.00
BLOUNT COUNTY GROUP	50.00	175.00	NEW PATH	200.00	200.00
COLONIAL GROUP	50.00	170.00	NEWPORT GROUP	0.00	20.00
CONCORD GROUP	0.00	69.35	NORRIS CLINTON GROUP	100.00	264.00
CONTRIBUTION JAR	0.00	80.93	NORTH GATLINBURG GR	0.00	806.00
COOKIE GROUP	0.00	480.00	OUR PRIMARY PURPOSE	145.00	145.00
CORRECTIONS DIST 2	0.00	0.25	PHOENIX GROUP	0.00	235.80
COURAGE TO CHANGE	0.00	224.00	PRIMARY PURPOSE- OAK RIDGE	0.00	201.05
COVER TO COVER	0.00	133.00	PRIME TIME	0.00	346.00
DISTRICT 50/51	30.00	330.00	PRINCIPALS BEFORE PERSONALITIES	50.00	50.00
FIRST THINGS FIRST-P40	0.00	833.12	RIVERSIDE GROUP	255.97	722.97
FLATIRON	0.00	0.89	ROANE COUNTY UNITY	0.00	100.00
FOUNTAIN CITY SERENITY	150.00	450.00	ROCKFORD	0.00	90.00
FREE AT LAST	0.00	50.00	RULE 62	0.22	0.22
GROUP WITH NO NAME	245.11	889.11	SATURDAY MORNING SERENITY	0.00	1,100.00
HAPPY DESTINY	0.00	900.00	SERENITY IMPROVEMENT	0.00	300.00
HAPPY HOUR	0.00	500.00	SERENITY SEEKERS	0.00	120.00
HAPPY, JOYOUS AND FREE	30.00	30.00	SERENITY SISTERS	0.00	277.40
HEART TO HEART	0.00	1,000.00	SEYMOUR SHARING	246.26	965.17
HIGH NOONERS-P40	0.00	393.00	SOBER PRIDE	0.00	200.00
ICYPAA	0.00	120.20	SOBRIETY SOCIETY- SO-SO	0.00	42.50
Individual	420.84	1,162.11	STEPS FORWARD	0.00	110.00
JEFFERSON CITY UNITY	0.00	167.32	SUNDAYS AT 7	285.00	285.00
KODAK - BIG BOOK STUDY	0.00	100.00	TELLICO VILLAGE	60.00	240.00
KODAK - STEPS AND TRADITIONS	0.00	100.00	TRI-STATE GROUP	24.63	98.04
KODAK GROUP	0.00	150.00	TRUDGING THE ROAD	0.00	66.81
LAFOLLETTE- THERE IS HOPE	20.00	200.00	TURNIP PATCH	0.00	57.39
LENGUAJE DEL CORAZON	75.00	75.00	WEST KNOXVILLE GROUP	0.00	481.19
LOUDON	0.00	250.00	WORKING WITH OTHERS	0.00	200.00
			TOTAL	2886.97	21,582.52

FUTURE EVENTS



Area 64 3rd Quarter 2018 Assembly

July 13-15-2018

Hilton Memphis

939 Ridge Lake Blvd.

Memphis, TN 38120

\$119.00 + Tax

Cut Off Date: June 13, 2018

For Reservations call 901-684-6664

Group Code: QA0713

OR go To Link Below:

http://www.hilton.com/en/hi/groups/personalized/M/MEMPHHF-QA0713-20180713/index.jhtml?WT.mc_id=POG

Directions- From Nashville: I-40 West: Keep left to stay on I-40 W: Use the middle 2 lanes to take exit 10 A for I-240/Jackson Miss: Merge onto I-240 W: Exit onto US-72 E/Poplar Ave: Continue on US-72 E/Poplar Ave. Turn Left on Ridgeway Center Pkwy: Hilton Memphis 939 Ridge Lake Blvd, Memphis, TN 38120

For More Information Contact Larry K. @ 901-849-8701

2018 SOUTHEAST REGIONAL FORUM

Sterling, VA
November 16 - 18, 2018

A unique opportunity
for A.A. members to
share their experience,
strength and hope.

What to EXPECT

First Timer Orientation

We especially welcome you if this will be your first Regional Forum. Before the Forum starts, there will be an orientation session which will include an informational handout.

Sharing Sessions/Ask-It Basket

What have you been wondering about? Come up to the mike, maybe others have been wondering too. Share your thoughts and ask your questions. If you don't want to come to the mike, you can write out your comment or question and drop it into the "Ask-It" Basket.

Presentations

You will hear presentations covering topics such as, A.A. Around the World, Self-Support and Carrying the Message. Each presentation features hand-outs and time for questions and answers. It's a great way to get to know members of the General Service Board, as well as Staff and Directors from the General Service Office and A.A. Grapevine.

A.A. Grapevine / La Viña

Meet the Staff from A.A. Grapevine and La Viña, "our meetings in print," and learn how the magazines carry experience, strength and hope to A.A. members in a vast number of settings. You can learn how to contribute stories and participate as a Grapevine/ La Viña representative.

Workshops

The workshop topics come from recommendations made by Forum attendees the last time we were in your Region. Workshops may cover practical "how-to" topics as well as themes related to Unity, recovery and service. At the end of the Forum we will ask you for ideas for the next Forum in your Region.

Our primary PURPOSE

First Time Forum Attendees

Those of you attending your first A.A. Regional Forum, are especially welcome! Come and meet other A.A. members and learn about the rich variety of service opportunities that our Fellowship offers.

Whether you are new to service or have been sober and active in A.A. service for years, the Regional Forum experience is a wonderful way to learn and share about our worldwide, life-saving Fellowship.

More than a Presentation

Presentations cover topics such as: A.A. Around the World, Who are Our Trustees and What Do They Do? Your General Service Office: How it Helps My Group Carry the A.A. Message? Self-Support, and much more. Most presentations feature hand-outs and time for questions and answers.

Workshops, we need your voice

Regional Forums provide a great opportunity for members to exchange group, district, area and regional experience. You will find that Area Delegates and committee members also come to listen and share their experience.

Spiritual Principles, Practical Experience

Communication—one alcoholic talking to another—is the vital link for all of us in A.A. Regional Forums create another important link in that chain. Whether it is a one-on-one chat during a coffee break, asking a question at the microphone during a Sharing Session, or just absorbing information, each member's attendance at these Forums helps to further our primary purpose—staying sober and helping other alcoholics to achieve sobriety.

FORUMS OFFER...

A meeting place to ask questions and spark new ideas to help carry the A.A. message of hope to the still-suffering alcoholic. Forums are designed to enhance communication and participation among A.A. members, the General Service Board, and Staff and Directors from the General Service Office and A.A. Grapevine.

HOTEL

RESERVATIONS: Group discount codes for the hotels are online at aa.org, under "Regional and Local Forums" and on each Forum's registration form.

Upcoming Forums 2018

Date	Region	Location
June 8-10	Western Canada	Remede Plaza Regina, Saskatchewan
July 20-22	Eastern Canada	Hotel Le Victoria Victoriaville, Quebec
September 7-9	Pacific	Doubletree by Hilton San Jose, CA
November 16-18	Southeast	Washington Dulles Airport Marriott Sterling, VA
May 31-June 2	Northeast	Westchester Marriott Hotel Tarrytown, NY
July 12-14	East Central	Sheraton Detroit Metro Detroit, MI
August 16-18	West Central	Alerus Center Grand Forks, North Dakota
October 11-13	Southwest	Sheraton North Houston Intercontinental Houston, TX

REGIONAL HOSTS

2018 2019

Western Canada Region	Northeast Region
Eastern Canada Region	East Central Region
Pacific Region	West Central Region
Southeast Region	Southwest Region

Our Twelfth Step—carrying the message—is the basic service that the A.A. fellowship gives; this is our principal aim and the main reason for our existence. Therefore, A.A. is more than a set of principles; it is a society of alcoholics in action. We must carry the message, else we ourselves can wither and those who haven't been given the truth may die.

A.A.'s Legacy of Service by Bill W.
The A.A. Service Manual, p. 51

Since 1975
Forums offer a meeting place to help carry the
A.A. message of hope to the still-suffering alcoholic

An invitation for you!
From the General Service Board of Alcoholics Anonymous

ALL A.A. MEMBERS ARE WELCOME
FIRST-TIME ATTENDEES ENCOURAGED



2018 AREA 64 TN STATE CONVENTION

Sept. 7-9 Clarion Inn

2227 Old Fort Pkwy., Murfreesboro

615-896-2420 • \$109.99/night

Group Code: AREA 64 CONVENTION

Cut-Off Date: Aug. 7

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stateconvention@area64assembly.org

REGISTER ONLINE:

www.tnstateconventionaa.org

Early Bird Rate (thru Aug. 7): \$25

Early Bird w/ T-shirt: \$40 (pick up shirt at the convention)

Registration Aug. 8 - Sept. 7: \$30

On-site Registration: \$35



CONFIRMED AA SPEAKERS & WORKSHOP LEADERS

Billy N. (GA)	Josh E. (NC)
Tatiana G. (NY)	Scott L. (TN)
Kent C. (OH)	Steve L. (TN)

+ marathon AA meetings at night

More AA & Al-Anon Speakers, plus local speakers TBA!

MAIL-IN REGISTRATION FORM: Send to TN State Convention, 1047 Silver Point Drive, Murfreesboro, TN 37130
Make checks payable to Area 64 Assembly

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The Area 64 TN AA State Convention needs your help! They are looking for at least two more groups or districts to host a supportive event for the convention. And would love it to be in West and East TN, one in July and one in August. Please discuss with your groups and/or districts.

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