

AREA 11 NEWSLETTER

GEORGIA ON TRACK

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AREA OFFICER REPORTS



Hello Georgia Al-Anon Friends and Family,

It is with deep gratitude that I want to thank you for allowing me to serve as Georgia's Alternate Delegate for Panel 53 these past 3 years. It has increased my understanding of the saying "Service is gratitude in action". As I was able to serve Georgia Al-Anon this term I came to learn much about what it means to serve by giving of oneself and time, to work together, encourage one another, give help and comfort to family members who are still suffering, cooperate with A.A., and to celebrate our recovery.

It is the joy of giving back that which I so freely received. As I have heard it said so many times; "To those who have been blessed it is their responsibility to be a blessing to others". My Higher Power has truly blessed me with this program of recovery by increasing my faith, teaching me about honesty, purity, unselfishness, love and service. It is from those spiritual views that I am able to give of myself for free and for

views that I am able to give of myself for free and for have taught me these things and have allowed me to them through serving as your Alternate Delegate. I thank you from the bottom of my heart for this life changing experience. I look forward to continue growth as we serve together side by side in the coming term for Panel 56.

Love in Service, Renelle M Alternate Delegate Panel 53 (Delegate Panel 56) INTHIS ISSUE:

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Chairperson's Report

Dear GA Al-Anon members,

It is with a deep sense of gratitude that you elected me to be the next Area Chairman. I am grateful because I know that God is working in Georgia, but He is working in my personal life, too. It is humbling....

I look forward to seeing how God leads in the future and I look forward to working with a new panel of Officers, Coordinators, and District Representatives!

Our Assembly theme for 2016 is "Happy, Joyous and Free." You will hear more about that theme at our January Assembly. Please make every effort to join us! Go ahead and call one of the two hotels where "we stay" and make your reservation. We need most of you to stay at the Marriott simply because we have a contract with them. (That's also where we hold the Assembly meeting.)

Marriott Macon City Center: 866-882-4465 or 478-621-5300 Candlewood Suites: 478-254-3530

You will not want to miss our January Assembly. We will have an Al-Anon history presentation with Lois W sharing with us, as well a GA history presentation with 2-3 past leaders/servants. I am really excited about this!

I look forward to serving with you in Panel 56!

Cathy O Area Chairperson Panel 56



Area Treasurer's Report

Hello to all my Al-Anon Family,

WOW...Three years has gone by since I was elected as your Area Treasurer for Panel 53. Where did the time go, it seems just like yesterday. J I have gotten to know and love many new family members during my term and I wouldn't trade it for anything in the world. I love each and every one of you! Thank you for your support and love for the past three years and I hope you will give Katherine N., our new Area Treasurer for Panel 56, the same love, understanding and support that you have graciously given to me. Thank you again for this amazing opportunity to grow my program and continue to serve Al-Anon.

I will close my last newsletter article with something I read recently in a 2012 Forum. "I had always thought that when I did service it was to help others. Only, when I came to Al-Anon did I realize how mistaken I was: the person I helped the most by doing service was me. Now, I really understand the meaning of "it is in giving that we receive". And how much I received! By reaching out to others in a healthy way, I was able to move beyond my problems, and learn to give and to accept unconditionally." How very true this statement is and these last three years I have learned and lived!

I will not say farewell. I will still be seeing many of you at Assembly> You can't get rid of me that easy! J

With Much Love and Gratitude, Signing Off Levon C

Area Treasurer Panel 53

Area Secretary's Report

As I sit and contemplate on what I can contribute to our Georgia Area Newsletter, gratitude is the first thing that comes to my mind. I am grateful for so many things in my life. Since finding Al-Anon I have made it a point to think about what brings me joy on a daily basis. I can remember being a new member of Al-Anon when another member of my home group made gratitude calendars for each of us and we were to write in it daily all the things we were grateful for.

For me, it was the beginning of learning how to reflect on all the positives rather than the negatives that were going on in my life at the time. One of the many joys in my life is the opportunity to be of service. I have met so many beautiful people through this fellowship who have become close friends.

I am grateful for learning how to love and be loved again.

As I reflect on the past, I feel I am a better person and a better friend today. I have found a deeper calm within. I have learned to work as a team rather than alone. I am grateful for each hurdle I came upon, because it's those hurdles that brought a better understanding of the program. As I continue on my journey in recovery and apply the steps, traditions and concepts, I have happiness again in my life. Before finding the rooms of Al-Anon, I heard the saying "Life is a Beautiful Journey" which was so foreign to me. I wasn't in tune with the beauty in my life before this program. What I didn't realize and have come to understand is that when I apply the Al-Anon principles daily, life is beautiful for me too.

I am grateful to you, my Al-Anon Family and to my Higher Power for guidance, for showing me the way, every single day, to a life of peace and serenity. It is and continues to be an honor and a privilege to serve Georgia Al-Anon.

Exciting New feature: **Assembly minutes** are now available in the newsletter, **Georgia On Track**. The link and instructions are below:

Please click here: http://ga-al-anon.org/members/newsletters/

LIS, Kathy White Secretary Panel 53

Area Office Chair's Report

Greetings To My Al-Anon Family,

The holidays will be here before we know it and this is just a reminder that the Office will closed on Dec. 21st for inventory and then the holidays and will reopen on Jan. 4th, 2016. The last day to receive orders for mailing is Dec. 21st. Any orders received after this date won't be shipped until January.

We are very grateful for your continued support as well as your patience and understanding when there has been what I call an "oops" as we aren't perfect and do make mistakes. I can't tell you how much it means when we get a card or a little note that just says thank you or we appreciate what you do.

We're also grateful for your support during the time when we first moved and when we moved again. We have worked very hard to provide good service and also making public outreach literature available to those groups and districts with limited funds to help get the message of Al-Anon to those still in need.

As the time draws near for the new Area Office Chair to take the reins I have mixed feelings. The Office has always been very special to me and moving on fills me with sadness yet at the same time I'm excited knowing that many good things are yet to come.

I love Al-Anon and service is an important part of my recovery. I'm excited to see what my Higher Power has planned for me down the road. In our literature it talks about knowing we can never give as much as we receive and in order to keep it we have to give it away. Page157 in Paths to Recovery says it all, "In service the principle of giving back that which you have been given comes to life".

My cup is full and my heart is filled with so much gratitude for the opportunity to serve Georgia Al-Anon and I thank all of you for allowing me such a wonderful opportunity for growth on my continuing journey in recovery.

With love and gratitude, Debbie F Outgoing Area Office Chair

Let Go and Let God

This slogan gives us permission to replace stress, worry, and suffering with serenity and faith. It's okay to relax and let life happen. We can rest assured that the answers, choices, actions, and thoughts we need will come to us when the time is right because we have placed them in the hands of our Higher Power.

(pg. 75 How Al-Anon Works)

AREA COORDINATORS REPORTS

AAPP Report

My reports typically do not change from year to year. AAPP is a continuous cycle of paper work that peaks during recertification time. The unusual occurrences are typically few and far between, confidential, and resolved within the safety committee. That being said this has been the year for new groups. We currently have 22 active groups, which is four more than this time last year. I am so excited to see Alateen grow in our Area.

Serving as AAPP has been a wonderful experience. This position comes with a great deal of autonomy. You work closely with Bosma investigative agency and WSO. It is a paperwork and record keeping position. You must have an internet connection and a basic data entry skills. I did not realize how much improvement I needed with the excel program until I inherited the spreadsheet from Moni in October 2012 but I have made it work.

The position comes with a scanner, a crate of paper files, and an antiquated excel spreadsheet. What you do with these supplies is completely up to you! I will also spend the next few weeks scanning documents and uploading to Google drive so that they can be shared with you quickly and easily.

If you have any questions please come ask. I will be glad to help!

Jennifer T AAPP Coordinator Panel 53

Alateen Coordinator's Report

Hello Area 11,

I am grateful to be your Area Alateen Coordinator. We still have exciting things happening in GA Alateen. We have had 3 new groups register since last Assembly. There are at least 2 more in the works. GA Alateen is growing! We still need members willing to become certified AMIAS and willing to become committed Group Sponsors. Alateen is an incredible area of service for members. The gifts such as fun, honesty in sharing, connections, healing, and love are so much greater than I can ever put into words.

Our Area is committed to helping Alateen grow and encouraging members to bring their teenage relatives and friends who have been bothered by someone else's drinking. We are carrying the message of family recovery. A Thought Force has just been launched to look at the service and support structure of Alateen and what we can do to support the efforts of the Alateen Coordinator in the future. I will be working closely with the next Alateen Coordinator to offer support and help carry out these efforts.

I cannot believe that it has been 3 years since I stood, willing to be the next Area Alateen Coordinator. I have been challenged, stretched, loved, supported, frustrated, and excited. I have laughed, cried, and ranted at God in the backyard over Task Forces. The whole time, I was constantly reaching out to the God of my understanding and other members. It has been an opportunity for these relationships to grow and these connections to become stronger.

I had no idea what twists and turns my life had in store. During my time in this position, I lost my mother. I was lifted up and loved on through it in a way that I never could have imagined. YOU ARE MY FAMILY. Thank you for loving, supporting, and/or tolerating me through this term.

I love you all in a very special way, the way that loved me the night that I walked in these doors, the way that you have taught me how to love.

With infinite gratitude for allowing me to serve GA as your Alateen Coordinator Jenny L Alateen Coordinator

Archivist Coordinator's Report

From your archivist

Serving as your archivist has been a blessing in my life. I am entering the "grind" part of this service position, as I update the Area Information and Archives Booklet to include all the motions over our term together. Compared to some other work I do, though, everything for Georgia Al-Anon has been a joy. It has been pleasure to see everyone at AWSC and Assembly, to talk with people in between meetings, and to find out about our history. Thank you so very much for allowing me to serve.

With deep gratitude, Sulata Panel 53

Group Records Coordinator's Report

Some exciting changes have happened with Group Records in the last month in tandem with our new website database. Thanks to the diligent work of our webmaster, Patrick, we will be able to use one database, the WSO group records database, to fulfill all our area needs. Prior to the new website release this summer, we had three separate databases: the WSO database, the database that published the Area Directory, and the database that ran the website. Now we can export WSO data into the website database, and from the website database then create the Area Directory. Many thanks to our tekkies Patrick and Matt! This will save the next panel's Group Record's Coordinator many additional hours of work. It should also eliminate differences between WSO data and what was published in our directory.

Our next directory will be issued in mid-December using this new procedure. Please don't wait until early December to send in your Group Representative (GR) or Current Mailing Address (CMA) changes. Please send them in now to your District Representative.

It has been my honor to serve as Georgia's Group Records Coordinator for the last year and a half. I have met and worked with so many fabulous people that I would not have met otherwise. I have also learned a lot about myself. I learned that when I become willing and open to stepping into service in spite of my fears, amazing growth opportunities happen. Thank you so much for sharing this experience with me!

Barbara T Group Records Panel 53

Newsletter Coordinator's Report

Greetings:

A special thank you for all the support, assistance, and encouragement from Area 11, Panel 53 and all Georgia Al-Anon members. My service as Newsletter Editor is coming to an end and I am preparing to turn over the reins. Join me in welcoming Anne M as our Panel 56 Newsletter Editor. Welcome Anne!

My service has truly helped me in my Al-Anon recovery. I have met new friends and expanded my boundaries. Going forward I can only learn more and grow more.

It has truly been wonderful to serve and to get to know many more Al-Anons; if not personally, by your willing spirits.

Yours in service, Essie N Newsletter Coordinator

Public Information Coordinator's Report

This will be my final Newsletter submission as the Public Outreach Chair for Area 11, Panel 53. I am pleased to remind you that the Area Billboard Project has been up and running since July. We have exceeded our financial participation goal for the Area Billboard Project with the Area, Districts, Groups and individuals pitching in, raising over \$6000.00. Two English, 1 Spanish and 1 Alateen billboard have running since July in the Metro Atlanta area. We had hoped to begin in other areas of the state last month; we are still negotiating for a plan that will allow us to have the greatest impact. Billboards will run till the end of the year and perhaps a bit more.

We are pleased and very excited to announce that a member of our Committee, Barbara M., has been selected to serve as an At-Large Public Outreach Committee member for the World Service Conference. In addition to re considerable professional expertise, Barbara will bring a much needed awareness and perspective on outreach to diverse communities.

Finally, thank you for allowing me to be of Service to you and the Area. I am humbled by my experiences on this spiritual journey, and grateful to have shared it with you.

With Love and Gratitude in Service, Marie N Public Outreach Chair, Panel 53

Webmaster Coordinator's Report

Panel 53 Webmaster Report

NEW Feature Announcement! There is now a link on the http://ga-al-anon.org web site for members.

The last menu item on the top menu now says "Members." This will take you to the members login page.

To view the members web pages, just put in the generic password of "afg" . The menus will now change to include more Alateen information, group records change info, and events now include Area Assembly and AWSC.

This term saw a radical re-design of the GA Al-Anon web site. To see the difference look at the Internet Archive Wayback Machine https://web.archive.org/web/*/http://www.ga-al-anon.org.

The main change is that it is now mobile-device friendly. This month over half (57%) of our site's visitors viewed it on a mobile device.

The other big change is the way meeting information is stored. The web site meeting info and the Area Group Records database have been merged into one database. Now changes to meetings can be made by one person - the Area Group Records Coordinator. The AGRC update the web site from the GR-1 form changes directly. This will streamline the update process greatly.

Patrick B. Panel 53

Keep An Open Mind

When we turn our will and our lives over to the care of a Higher Power, we affirm that we need guidance. Our job now is to keep our minds open, knowing that life-changing help can take any avenue, any form, any voice. Our teachers are all around. Let's make room for every single one.

(pg. 73 How Al-Anon Works)

DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS

District One

District 1 continues to carry the message within our community and within our Fellowship. Since the last newsletter I want to bring you up to date on our activities.

In the summer we had our much-loved (and attended) picnic. Our speakers were fantastic, the food was great, and our raffle baskets were "over the top." We had decided that the proceeds from the raffle would be given to the Area Public Outreach Billboard project. We were able to donate \$325! Next on our agenda was the election of our District officers. Romi R. is our newly elected DR, which means our District will be in capable hands. I look forward to seeing what Romi has planned for our District, along with our newly elected Alternate DR, Angie D.

If you were at our fall workshop, I don't have to tell you what a superb job Mickey and Sharon N. did with the topic "Problem Solving" using the 12 Steps and Slogans as a springboard. Our speaker was wonderful, as was our food. (It appears that all our functions have food attached to them – h-m -m-m).

We have been participating in a public information meeting at one of our local halfway houses each 6 months and now have been invited to bring a panel of Al-Anon members every 3 months so we don't miss any family members. I am so thankful that the treatment facility sees the importance of family recovery.

Each 2 months we are invited to share our experience, strength and hope at a facility in Atlanta for their family night. What an opportunity for growth this is for our district.

I have had the pleasure of visiting every group in our District regularly and this has given me new friends who have become like family to me. I am so blessed.

I have enjoyed being your District Representative. It has been a privilege and a joy working together, participating in our special events and growing together in our recovery. Thank you District 1. I love all of you.

Kathy W District 1 DR

District Two

Two's News:

District 2 held elections in September, and we were very excited to have all but one service position filled. We are still looking for a district treasurer, but are hopeful to have this filled soon. We feel that the district service position descriptions we voted on back in May were helpful in getting information out and that members understood better what each position involved. It has been a pleasure and honor to serve as District 2's representative the last 3 years. I am so thrilled about the excitement and enthusiasm that is growing about Al-Anon service. At September's election assembly, District 2 had 9 of 13 Group Representatives present! We have an excited, active workshop committee that is planning an all-day workshop January 30, 2016, to take place in Watkinsville just south of Athens. Attendance and participation on this committee is great, with lots of ideas and sharing of responsibilities. I think one of the reasons for this is because after suggesting we have one and asking for volunteers, I let go of the results. I haven't been to a single committee meeting and they are flourishing without me. (continued)

District Two (cont.)

I am available for questions and share my experiences with them, but turn decisions on what to do over to the committee's group conscience. I have learned so much as District Representative and am grateful for the opportunity to practice personal recovery with so many loving people. One of my greatest lessons was that things turn out much better than I can imagine if I let go of trying to control, and just make suggestions and encourage participation. Allow for fun to happen and it does! Food helps also!

Barbara T District 2 DR

District Seven

My heart is filled with gratitude for the opportunity to have served District 7 as their District Representative. The personal growth I have experienced by serving in this position has put me so much further along on my spiritual journey than I would have ever thought possible, and I thank everyone I have encountered over the last three years for this gift.

Please welcome the following members from District 7 as they join with you to serve on Panel 56: Joy C. from the Cordele New Life, AFG will be the new District Representative, Cathy F. will be the Group Representative from Cordele New Life, AFG, Allen C. will be the new Group Representative from the Fitzgerald, AFG. Sheila and Tom S. will remain Group Representatives from our two Albany groups. Love and best wishes to them and all the newly elected members who will come together to serve Panel 56 and Area 11 Al-Anon.

Cindy J Outgoing DR District 7

The Al-Anon Concepts of service record the "why" of our service structure in such a way that the valuable experience of the past and the lessons drawn from that experience can never be forgotten or lost.

(Al-Anon/Alateen Service Manual-Twelve Concepts of Service Table of Contents page)

District Twelve

What a wonderful experience in the last three years. I have grown Mentally, Spiritually, Emotional, and Physically. I have learned in Al-anon you still make plans, just don't plan the outcome. Let me take you on my journey. **First year** started out great, a valley Ruthe L. passed a long time member and a good friend, but life goes on. Mountain, I was able to get a new group representative, and come to Macon. Mountain my district along with 13&14 did hospitality. VALLEY, ON THE WAY HOME POLICE called my mother was in accident, she was okay, but not the car. Mountain later that year was chairperson for AA prepaid convention 4:00 Saturday evening meeting.

Second year Mountain, still excited about new group representative coming to Macon, clearing none attending groups from district, making plans to have a workshop, valley Father in law had heart attack and passed (out of town) same time husband get sick, had brain surgery, becomes mother caretaker, mother's baby sister died. Mountain daughter have second grandchild.

Third year still sad from aunt's death, Godmother died, best friend from work, husband have heart attack and passed on my birthday. Mountain my district along with 13&19 was able to do hospitality again. We still had district meeting and elected new officers for the next three years. I said that to say this, because of my Higher Power who I chose to call God) Al-anon, my faith, my home group (Airport -Hapeville), and keeping busy in service work, Life Went on, I kept going to meetings, Assembly in Macon, and only missed one AWSC meeting. Also attend AA International convention. Unplanned events will grow you in every aspect of your life trust me! I am still planning, just not the outcome. Who knows what God has for me.I have enjoyed serving my district, thanks for opportunity.

Love in Service Martha C Outgoing DR 12

District Fourteen

District 14 held their elections for 2016-2018 on August 13, 2015. Angela M is the new DR. Lawrence with Christi W as backup hold the joint position of Secretary/Treasurer. MAIS will be voted on by District GRs in January. The District Public Outreach representative is Mary W. Michelle H will serve as Public Outreach for Clayton County, Christi W for Spalding County, and Lawrene K for Henry County.

After much to do at assembly Zone 2 will host the 2017 Convention with Joyce T as Chairman and Co Chairman of the 2016 Convention. Site has already been selected!!!! To be announced in August 2016...

Can't tell you how much fun this is to organize this convention. If you want to help please contact Joyce T. District 14 Annual Holiday Party will be at the Clayton House 112 Broad St, Jonesboro, GA 30236. Bring a dish and share dinner with us at 7:00pm and the Speaker will be our new Alateen Coordinator Lauren M and an Alateen speaker to be announced. Big Wonderful gift baskets to be raffled.

Just watch District 14 GROW!!!!
Joyce T
DR District 14

District Fifteen

It was an honor and privilege to serve panel 53 as District Representative for Georgia District 15. I am certain that any member attracted to service will expand their spiritual walk in this program by serving in panel 56.

During my term new meetings were started and a few meetings closed. We experimented with workshops and speaker meetings with success. Please help me welcome Karen M from New Douglasville AFG as our new District Representative.

Dan M DR District 15

District Sixteen

Greetings Area 11! Where do words even begin....? I am soooo honored, blessed, grateful and definitely humbled, to have served District 16 as their representative to GA Al-Anon these past 3 years. What a phenomenal group of people I have been blessed to work with! During the last 3 years, District 16 welcomed 2 brand new Al-Anon groups, 1 Alateen group and the restart of another Alateen group.

As I finish up my term and glance towards the future, I have the utmost confidence in our new incoming DR, Denise C., to continue District 16's momentum of growth, service and outreach. From what I've seen thus far, she will be blessed with a great group of GRs, as was I. The majority of the groups in our District have their new GRs in place and several were even able to attend September's Assembly.

I know it is just a matter of time (HP's time, not mine) before others feel the nudge to serve and the remainder of the positions are filled.

As for myself, I will continue to serve my Group, my District, GA Al-Anon and Al-Anon AFG as my HP chooses. It is in service that I have found my greatest growth. It's been a great ride! Remember: Together We Can Make It.

Growth, Love, and Gratitude in Service, Lauren M DR District 16 (outgoing)

District Seventeen

Greetings from District 17!

Our district has been making plans for a mid-winter workshop in February. We are calling it a Mid-Winter Pick-Me-Up and the topic is Happy, Joyous, and Free. It will take place in Cartersville at the Episcopal Church of the Ascension on Saturday, February 20, 2016. We will have a potluck lunch and workshop activities to represent the topics of Happiness, Joy, and Freedom. It should be a fun program. We will have flyers at January's assembly.

As this 3-year rotation of service winds down, many of our groups are electing new officers. New GRs are stepping up and this is exciting. It has been wonderful to have several of the new GRs visit the current district panel to get ready for their service on the new panel.

Diane K from District 17 continues to represent Georgia Al-anon in her outreach efforts to the court system and the community's system of care. She has carried literature to regional meetings that involve the courts, DFACS, faith communities, and service providers.

District 17 once again enjoyed working alongside District 18 at the Registration table for the September assembly. It has been a real pleasure to have had several opportunities during the past 3 years to work together with this District. Sharing service together has fostered genuine friendships and deepened our support systems. As I reflect on the past 3 years, I am grateful for the opportunity to have served as DR for District 17.

Respectfully submitted, Anne M DR District 17

District Eighteen

Greetings from District 18 in Northeast Georgia,

1) There is good news that at our last "Panel 53" District meeting in September, several outgoing- and new Group Representatives were willing to serve for all of our "Panel 56" District service positions:

Our new District Representative is Illa M from Toccoa

Our Alternate District Rep: Cat S from Clarkesville

Our new Treasurer is Mary Jane S from Dawsonville,

Our new Secretary is Lauren R from Gainesville

Finally, LouAnn A and Debbie S from Cumming will serve as our district Public Outreach Coordinators.

They have both been involved with Public Outreach through the Forsyth

County Drug Summit for the past few years.

We thank all of our new Trusted Servants for their willingness and the special skills and love each of them brings to share.

2) Our 2016 Mountain Miracles District Program, Eating, and Raffle Event is already confirmed for Saturday, May 7th at the Nacoochee United Methodist Church where we have been meeting the past two years.

I am so grateful for the opportunity to serve as District Rep and a member of AWSC the past three years. I have learned so much from the love and challenges encountered along the way. It will be nice to have a break from early -morning drives to Macon for a while, but I certainly will miss everyone.

My special heartfelt thanks to Judy N who has served as both Treasurer and Alternate District Representative and Margie Go our Secretary, and Denise R, our Public Outreach coordinator They have truly been HP's angels for me. The Group Reps from this district will be in my heart forever.

Love and prayers to you all, Pat P Out-Going DR

District Twenty

During District 20's September meeting, we all participated in an open discussion of Concept 9 and the importance of good leadership qualities. We also used Al-Anon's CAL P-78, <u>When I Got Busy</u>, <u>I Got Better</u> to discuss the importance of using all three sides of Al-Anon's triangle: Recovery through the Steps, Unity through the Traditions, and Service through the Concepts.

After great sharings from Al-Anon members in attendance, we held general elections. Alecia C. from the Seminole Group graciously stood as our new District 20 DR. Our District is hoping to fill the service positions of Alt DR and treasurer soon, but our past officers are committed to helping Alecia transition into the new term.

Our District followed the Area's lead and wrote descriptions of current offices, eligibility requirements and dates of commitment. We feel that this will help members choose a position that is a right fit for them. It has been a great term for Martha and me and we look forward to an exciting new year with the growth of the Al-Anon program in our communities!

Cindy P (Alt DR)
Martha B DR District 20

District Twenty One

District 21 is winding up a year with a bang. Our recent Anniversary Party was a great success. I want to thank everyone who participated. You outdid yourselves with setting up and all the food was delicious. I especially want to thank our speaker, Marie N. - your story was wonderful. We have doubled our Al-Anon Faces Alcoholism order this year and were able to contribute a goodly sum to the billboard project. I feel our outreach projects went well.

We have had our elections and the new officers are ready to get started in the New Year. A special thanks to all my GR's for your service these past three years. Many of you are not just members but friends that I will have for my lifetime. I will miss you as you step down from service, but I hope to continue seeing many of you in the rooms of our recovery.

Love in Service, Katherine N DR District 21

Al-Anon is a unique fellowship that unites members of different backgrounds, races, and walks of life in an inspiring endeavor; helping themselves and others to lead purposeful, useful lives by overcoming the frustration and helplessness caused by close association with an alcoholic.

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Alateen Corner

Our Alateen group in District 3 – Savannah Alateen-Together We Can Make It had a meeting on the Serenity Prayer one night and we broke each section down on a blackboard. They said it was a night of discovery and realization to be able to visualize all these things together and their commonality.

Submitted by Levon C. (Treasurer Panel 53) Co-Sponsor with Abby P of Alateen group-*Together We Can Make It*



Al-Anon Family Groups of Georgia

Area Assembly Agenda

Saturday, January 16, 2016 at Noon

Purpose of Assembly:

- 1) Elect a Delegate, Alternate, and other Assembly Officers.
- 2) Receive and distribute reports on Area and world service affairs.
- 3) Review and approve interim reports of Area World Service Committee (AWSC)

Goal: The spiritual tone of Assembly will prevail by the demonstration of mutual respect and acceptable conduct as its members presume goodwill.

Goal: Assembly members will understand the purpose of the Assembly and the relationships within the structure.

Goal: Knowing that our Higher Power is present in the expression of our group conscience, Assembly members will be able to support and communicate Assembly decisions.

NOTE: At 11 AM, there will be a Coordinators meeting with the Delegate in the Board Room, the old hospitality room.

I. Opening

- A. Silence phones, beepers, etc
- B. Serenity Prayer
- C. Unity through the 12 Traditions
- D. Reading Cathy O
- II. Welcome Cathy O
- III. Purpose of Assembly
- IV. Orientation Cathy O

V. Reports

A. Area Alateen Process Person	Alecia C
B. Alateen	Lauren M
C. Archivist	Marie N
D. Group Records	Patrick B
E. Literature	Philip A
F. Newsletter	Anne M
G. Public Outreach	Lys H

Η.	Webmaster

I. 2015 Al-Anon/Alateen Convention Philip W Becky C J. 2016 AA Prepaid Convention K. 2016 Alateen Conference/Alateen Representative Thomas E L. 2016 Al-Anon/Alateen Convention Kristin L

M. MAIS

VI. **Break**

VII. Workshop---- 1:30-3:00

- A. The Birth of World-Wide Al-Anon
 - 1. Video with Lois W and comments by Lyn D
- B. The Birth of Georgia Al-Anon
 - 1. Comments by Sharon B and Bettina H

VIII. Break (15 minutes)

IX. More Workshops---- 3:15-4:15

> A. GR Orientation w/ Cynthia S and Kathy W w/ Jeanie M and Linda B B. DR Orientation

C. Alateen

AMIAS Training I **Private Dining Room** Alateen Fun

Board Room-Old Hospitality room

X. Break

XI. Open Al-Anon Discussion Meeting---- 4:30-5:30 AMIAS Training II **Private Dining Room** Alateen meeting Board Room-Old Hospitality room

XII. **Dinner Break---** 5:45-7:45

Speaker Meeting---- 8:00 XIII. JP M. Speaker

Sunday Schedule TBD

(Look for this at a later date.)