District Ten (continued)

honored to have Elaine B. from Roswell share her story with us. We would love to have you come visit us sometime. We meet at St. Michael & All Angels Church at 6740 James B. Rivers Dr., Stone Mountain, GA 30083. We meet every Saturday morning at 10:30.

Thank you, Donna M, District 10 Rep

District Thirteen

District 13 participated in a District Inventory last fall, which led to the use of KBDM, and to ongoing conversation that has ensured it is "principles above personalities" at

every district meeting. District elections were held November 2, 2015. Since then, the new Alternate DR and DR have visited every meeting in the district at least once, not just to identify problems but to connect each group more tightly into the Al-Anon service structure.

Since the last Newsletter, the district has begun sending the minutes of our previous meeting by email several days before each meeting. We can thus read the minutes on our own, providing more meeting time for the work at hand. Our proposed meeting agenda is included in the same email, allowing GRs the opportunity to make any needed additions, changes, etc. Going beyond email, the district has considered and tried new formats and new ways of DR-GR communication, such as wiggio.com. As a result of the above efforts and practices, our one-hour meetings are productive, and as efficient as the KBDM process permits.

Our Treasurer has seen to it that finances have been well-monitored and accurately reported in an understandable yet comprehensive manner. She also sought, through a creative, gentle, yet effective method, to encourage all groups to financially contribute at least their fair share. Start-up funds have been given to new AFG meetings to help support their efforts. Groups facing challenges have been supported by the district.

This year a brand new District 13 group has been created and enrolled with the Area Group Records Coordinator. The district has made much progress in bringing all group records up to date. Inactive groups have been deleted from Area Group Records once the inactive status has been confirmed by Alternate DR or DR.

The district has been heavily involved in outreach, a district priority. For example, it supported the Billboard project. Our Treasurer purchased AFA and AYA pamphlets in bulk, and the district has placed them so that more families and friends of persons with the disease of addiction can discover Al-Anon, and thus find the help and support they need. Our Treasurer has played a key leadership role in this outreach, indeed wearing two hats while we wait for an outreach person to step up.

Yet there are people within our district geography who have never heard of Al-Anon. And so our outreach continues as a priority. We are always seeking new ideas, and considering such things as additional literature placement sites and different outreach methods.

District Thirteen (continued)

Our Alternate DR, in addition to her other duties and in her capacity with MAIS (Metropolitan Area Information Services), has been active in seeing that the services MAIS provides will continue and thrive. These services include provision of Conference Approved Literature; staffing an Al-Anon hotline; and making information available so it is easy to find Atlanta area meetings.

The district GRs have participated whole-heartedly, both within and beyond district meetings. For example, two-thirds of our GRs attended the January, 2016 Area Assembly. While there, they became involved in the workshops and other activities of Assembly; and enjoyed fellowship with old and new friends from across the state at end of day when the work was done.

As with any group of people, there are challenges; and differences of opinion can arise, often on important issues. However, when faced with divergent opinions, GRs have searched for unanimity from a place of mutual respect, following both Roberts Rules as well as KBDM.

The District has positions yet to be filled. We need a District Secretary, Public Outreach person, and Alateen Liaison. But the Treasurer is temporarily undertaking Public Outreach while fulfilling her other service responsibilities superbly; and someone has stepped up at each meeting to take district minutes. The district has sought, and continues to seek ways to make the most positive and significant contributions to the critical work of Al-Anon that it can possibly make.

Ashley C., DR District 13

District Sixteen

Good afternoon all from District 16,

Please find the flyer (in the flyer section of the Newsletter) for our 41st Anniversary meeting featuring speaker Laurie G.

This event will take place on Friday, April 1st, at Christ Our Shepherd Lutheran Church located at 101 Peachtree Parkway in Peachtree City, GA 30269 beginning at 6:30 pm.

We will provide the meat. Attendees are invited to bring a side dish. We will also host our Annual Raffle.

Denise C DR District 16



District Seventeen

First of all, the members of District 17 would like to thank our outgoing DR, Anne M, for her service & dedication to us. Thank you for being well-organized and staying on track at our district meetings. You always kept us informed & unified about our purpose. We were guided by you to stay focused and spiritually minded. Thanks again from the bottom of our hearts.

Secondly, did you know that if no-one stands for your district's DR position; and you agree to be the Alternate DR because you want your district to have representation at the Area level, that you will then receive a personal e-mail from our Area Delegate? Neither did I, until I got one from Renelle M.! So, for your information, when there is no elected DR, the current Alt DR "automatically" becomes the new DR - SURPRISE!! You are then lovingly welcomed aboard Area 11!!

Sometimes that is how service positions get filled-so I encourage you to be willing and say YES!

Thirdly, District 17 has both good and sad news to share. I'll start with the sad to get it over with. Our only Alateen meeting has officially closed. Finding Hope through Alateen began in 2007. The meeting served its teen members for about 9 years. They held their final meeting on Tuesday, March 1, 2016. Our deepest thanks to Anne M. & Carmen L. for their service work as AMIAS to this group. We share your sadness over this difficult decision.

Diane K continues our District 17 Public Outreach to Rome, Floyd, and Polk counties. She is in need of any Al-Anon Faces Alcoholism (outreach to professionals) pamphlets that any groups might have on hand. 2016 printings would be nice; although, any year would be welcome. They are given to juvenile court judges, treatment providers. DFACS employees, school counselors, etc. She can use as many as you have to share.

Fourthly, we held our 4th annual "Mid-Winter Pick-Me-Up" on February 20th. If you missed it (you know who you are!) then you really missed out! Rather than eating at a restaurant as in previous years, we had an afternoon workshop called "Happy, Joyous and Free". We are grateful for the marvelous fellowship, great food and fun. Sharings on the discussion of "Joy Stoppers" and "Joy Givers" really came from everyone's heart. We were excited to have 4 AA members join us. Our workshop was the first exposure to 'anything 'Al-Anon for 2 of them. It was also the first workshop for several of the Al-Anon members. The feedback I've received is everyone was glad they came, had fun, loved the food, AND learned something!! I have never seen so many door prizes! Everyone was a winner- plus a bonus prize as the big finale. Talk about a joy-giver! Thanks to all the GRs and other members of District 17 for their hard work & contributions for making our mid-winter pick-me-up a grand success!

Finally, more good news! District 17 has a new Al-Anon meeting in Canton. Finding Serenity, AFG meets on Tuesday @ 7p pm at Action Church. Please welcome Lisa E. to her new service position as their new GR when you meet her at Assembly in May. Other group news includes the fact that Rome Downtown has moved their meeting time from 8:00 pm to 6:00 pm on Tuesday nights. They are still meeting at the AA Clubhouse. In addition, we have several new GRs who are excited about their new positions.

Please welcome to the District 17 team:

Danny M-Free 2 Be Me AFG Leslie - Monday Noon and Discussion, AFG Greg M - Serenity at 7 AFG

Lisa-New Life, AFGI look forward to meeting everyone at AWSC in April.

In service & blessings,

Diane K DR District 17

District 20

Greetings from Southwest Georgia.

Our District is working on building unity within the District at this time. We have 9 active groups in our District, including one Alateen group. The Alateen group is doing well. The Alateen sponsor says she would be interested in receiving experience in helping the teens "own" the meeting and share more openly. The GR for the Valdosta group reports the following celebration: Valdosta AFG's celebration of 60 years of the presence of Al-Anon in Valdosta on April 30th at Messiah Lutheran Church in Valdosta, GA. There will be food at 6 and a program at 7. The church's address is 500 Bay Tree Rd., Valdosta. We invite others to join in our celebraiton. The Seminole Group in Donalsonville, Ga just celebrated the group's 36th anniversary. New officers were elected at the January District meeting and include a Public Outreach Person (POP) to focus the District's public outreach efforts and also a new District Alateen Coordinator to act as a liasion between Alateen, the District and the Area Alateen Coordinator.

See you guys in May.....

Love in Service,

Alecia, DR District 20

District Twenty-one

District 21 has had 2 meetings with great participation. The Officers, Chairs and GRs are settling in to their new roles. We are beginning to plan our fall anniversary party and will be meeting early for our March meeting to prepare our Love Gifts for our wonderful Delegate.

In Service,

Lucille S.

DR District 21



FRIDAY, APRIL 1, 2016 41st Anniversary Meeting Peachtree City Al-Anon Family Group

You're invited to our Anniversary meeting on Friday, April 1st. We will have a Fellowship hour starting at 6:30 with the meeting starting at 7:30. Our Speaker will be Laurie G

Peachtree City Al-Anon Family Group's 41st Anniversary

Speaker Meeting with Laurie G

Fellowship at 6:30

Meeting at 7:30

We provide the meat, you bring the sides.

PEACHTREE CITY AL ANON **FAMILY GROUP**

Christ Our Shepherd Lutheran Church

101 Peachtree Parkway

Peachtree City, Ga. 30269

SERENITY AT SEVEN SPEAKER MEETING

Date: March 31, 2016 Time: 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM

Food: 6:30 - 7:00 PM Speaker: 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Speaker: Pat C

Place: Hillside United Methodist Church 4474 Towne Lake Parkway, Room 2108 Woodstock, Georgia 30189

Bring finger food!

CANTON AFG SPEAKER MEETING

Please join us for an evening of sharing experience, strength and hope.....

Where: St. Clement's Episcopal Church

2795 Ridge Road

Canton, GA

When: Tuesday, March 29, 2016 @ 8:00 PM

Who: Renelle M. - Area Delegate

Questions or Need Directions? Call Cindy R @ 770-721-7141



Surrender in Savannah

Georgia 2016 Al-Anon/Alateen Convention Registration

WHEN: Friday August 12, 2016 through Sunday August 14, 2016

WHERE: Hyatt Regency Savannah, 2 West Bay Street, Savannah, GA 31401 **RESERVATIONS:** For reservations and directions: www.savannah.hyatt.com

Phone 912-238-1234

Room Rate \$159 per night. Meals, tax and parking fees are not included. When making reservations tell them GA Al-Anon/Alateen Convention for the prearranged group rate.

SPEAKERS: Vannoy S., Beverly B. and other Al-Anon, Alateen, and AA Speakers

Early Registration through September 28th, 2015 - \$25 Regular Registration through July 22, 2016 - \$35 Late Registration after July 22, 2016 for entire weekend - \$50 Walk in day rate Saturday only - \$35 Alateen Registration: FREE

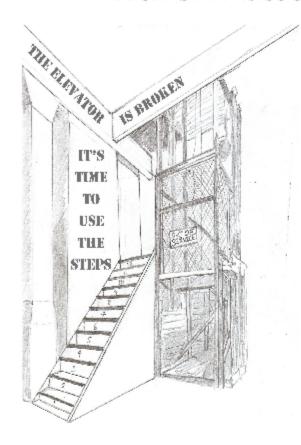
Alateens attending without a parent or legal guardian must be accompanied by a certified Al-Anon Member Involved in Alateen Service(AMIAS). The Georgia Alateen Permission/Medical Form (available at www.ga-al-anon.org) signed by parent or legal guardian must be provided to the AMIAS prior to attending. The AMIAS must present the completed form at the registration desk and sign for Alateen materials.

(Registration Fees are Non-Refundable and Non-Transferrable)

Name:		
Phone:	_Badge Name:	
Address:		City/St/Zip
Email:	_Rooming With:_	
Check One:Al-AnonAlateen	AA	_Other
Make Checks Payable to: AFG of Georgia Mail to: Georgia AFG Convention 2016 P.O. Box 5033 Savannah, GA 31414	a, Inc.	
Inquiries may be made to:		

E-mail: registration2016@ga-al-anon.org
Cell: 912-695-5209

17th GA Alateen Conference



June 3-5, 2016 Rock Eagle 350 Rock Eagle Road Eatonton, GA 31024

Registration Fee:\$15.00

(The registration fee is separate from the Lodging and Meals Fee.)

Lodging and Meal Fees:

(Includes cabin and six meals, and is <u>in</u> addition to registration fee.)

\$50.00-On or before May 22, 2016

\$65.00-After May 22, 2016

IMPORTANT: All adults attending the conference must have completed the Al-Anon Members Involved in Alateen Service certification process and provide a WSO AMIAS ID number. Georgia Alateen Permission/Medical Form will be required for ALL persons age 19 and under. All forms are available online at www.ga-al-anon.org.

Questions? Please contact your Conference Chair: 706-294-4521

Complete, detach, and mail this portion with registration fee to:			
4115 Quinn Dr. Evans, GA 30809. Please DO NOT mail cash. Include	Make checks payable to: GA Alateen Conference. the name of teen in Memo line.		
AlateenAl-Anon	AMIAS ID Number		
Name			
E-mail			
Name on badge			
Age as of June 3, 2016			
Gender			

Al-Anon Family Groups of Georgia

Area Assembly Agenda

Saturday, May 21, 2016 at Noon

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.

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

I. Opening

A. Serenity Prayer

B. Unity through the 12 Traditions

II. Welcome

Cathy O

(Silence phones and beepers)

Our Assembly theme for 2016 is "Happy, Joyous and Free." In January, we focused on "Happy to Serve," in May, it is "Joyous from trusting the God of your understanding." and in September, "Free to choose recovery by building stronger groups." So, this weekend, we are celebrating Joyous from trusting the God of your understanding!

III. Purpose of Assembly

Cathy O

IV. Orientation

Cathy O

V. Reports from Coordinators, Liaisons and Convention Chair

VI. Break (30 minutes)

VII. Workshops---- 1;45-2;45

A. GR Workshop

Char F & Patrick B, Magnolia C & D

B. DR Workshop

Denise C & Angela Mc, Magnolia A & B

C. Alateen

AMIAS Training I, Private Dining Room

D. Alateen

Board Room (Former Hospitality Room)

VIII. Break (30 minutes)

IX. Workshop---- 3;15-4;15

A. Ask It Basket

Magnolia A & B

B. Alateen

AMIAS Alateen AMIAS Training II, Private Dining Room Board Room (Old Hospitality Room)

I. Break (15 minutes)

II. Open Al-Anon Discussion Meeting---- 4;30-5;30 Magnolia A&B
Alateen Meeting Private Dining Room

III. Dinner Break--- 5:45-7:15

IV. Al-Anon 65th Anniversary Celebration--- 7:30

Magnolia A&B

Al-Anon Family Groups of Georgia

Area Assembly Agenda

Sunday, May 22, 2016 at 9 AM

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.

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I. Opening

A. Welcome
(Silence phones & beepers)

Cathy O

- B. Serenity Prayer
- C. Service through the 12 Concepts
- D. Purpose of Assembly

Cathy O

E. Reading Cathy O Orientation and Review and Explanation of Voice and Voting Cathy O II. Kathy W III. Review of and Approval of January, 2016 Assembly Minutes Kathy W

IV. Reports

I.

A. Delegate BREAK

B. Alternate Delegate Barbara T C. Treasurer Katherine N Char G-F D. GA Area Central Services E. GACS Financial Report Levon C

Renelle M

Business Items

Is it accurate? Does it provide clarity? Can you live with it?

World Service Conference in Virginia for the Delegate ---- April 10-17, 2016

Next AWSC meeting ---- April 16, 2016

Next Area Assembly meeting ---- May 21-22, 2016

June 3-4, 2016 Georgia Alateen Conference, Rock Eagle, Eatonton, GA.

August 12-14, 2016 Georgia Al-Anon/Alateen Convention, Savannah, GA.

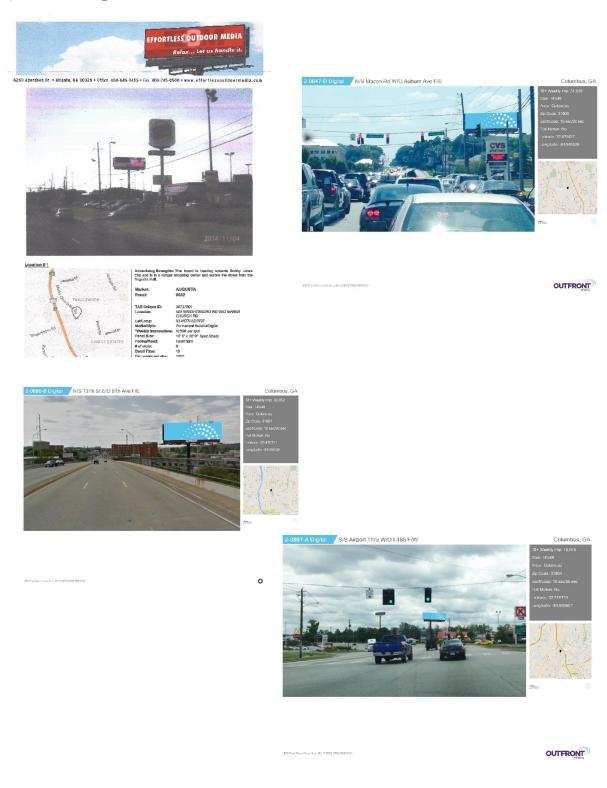
AW5C August 20, 2016

September 17-18, 2016 Area Assembly

October 21-23, 2016 A.A. Prepaid Convention, Augusta, GA.

November 19, 2016 AW5C

Examples and placements for the Public Outreach Billboard Project in Augusta and Columbus





Columbus, Georgia Billboard locations

491 E - Composito - Galaria (1900 968 200





