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DISTRICT 35 NEWS

WHAT IS DISTRICT 35?

District 35 is a geographical territory within Area 29 of Alcoholics Anonymous. The District boundaries were created by the ad hoc Districting Committee of Area 29 and approved at the Area 29 Assembly. District 35 encompasses all of Charles County, Maryland. Area 29 encompasses all of Maryland except for Prince George's County and parts of Montgomery County.

WHAT DOES DISTRICT 35 DO?

The District 35 Committee of Alcoholics Anonymous is a service body established pursuant to the guidelines of the Maryland General Service (MGS) manual, which shall protect and respect the autonomy and right of dissent of the individual A.A. groups within District 35. The officers and members of District 35 shall be ever mindful of the ideals expressed in the Twelve Steps, the Twelve Traditions, the Twelve Concepts for World Service, the A. A. Service Manual and the MGS Area 29 Service Manual and shall strive to provide the voice of the group conscience of District 35 unity. The primary purpose of the District 35 Committee is service to A.A. as a whole. The District 35 Committee shall encourage each members' A.A. Home Group to participate in the business of District 35 and to support the efforts of District 35 Committee to cooperate with the General Service Office (GSO), A.A. World Services, Inc. (AAWS), and the A.A. Grapevine, Inc. toward fulfilling the primary purpose of Alcoholics Anonymous.

DISTRICT 35 MEETS THE FIRST THURSDAY OF EVERY MONTH AT 7:00 PM AT PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH, 401 SMALLWOOD DRIVE, WALDORF

ALL ARE INVITED TO ATTEND

DISTRICT 35 SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE

Public Information/Cooperation with the Professional Community, Hospitality, and Communications Chair positions available. Membership for ALL committees is also available, , including Grapevine Committee and Corrections/Treatment Committee.

"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."

YOUR NEW DISTRICT 35 TRUSTED SERVANTS

District Committee Member (DCM): Dan W. Alternate District Committee Member (Alt. DCM): Adonica E. Treasurer: Mike E. Secretary: Susan A. District Intergroup Rep: Todd M.

YOUR AREA 29 TRUSTED SERVANTS

Delegate: Kurt W. Alt. Delegate: Terry P. Area Chair: Brigitte F. Treasurer: Jean B. Secretary: Kathleen W.

HOW TO CONTRIBUTE

The group conscience decides how much to contribute. These are the suggested percentages.



10% to district

10% to area committee

30% to G.S.O.

50% to intergroup or central office

WHERE TO CONTRIBUTE

District 35

PO Box 1981

La Plata, MD 20646

SMIA (Southern Maryland Intergroup Association)

PO Box 767

Charlotte Hall, MD 20622

Or online at: <u>http://somdintergroup.org/donate.php</u>

Maryland General Service (MGS Area 29 Area Committee)

Maryland General Service P.O. Box 207

Benson, MD. 21018

Or online at: https://www.marylandaa.org/contributions

General Service Office (GSO)

General Service Office Post Office Box 2407 James A Farley Station

New York, NY 10116-2407

Or online at: <u>https://contribution.aa.org/sca-dev-2020-</u> 1/checkout.ssp?is=checkout&lang=en_US&#login-register

DOES YOUR HOME GROUP HAVE A GSR?

The GSR (General Service Representative): YOUR LINK between your Home Group and AA as a whole.

Your District is a collection of groups whose group representatives share their group's conscience and experiences with each other and carry that collective message to Area 29 (Maryland General Service).

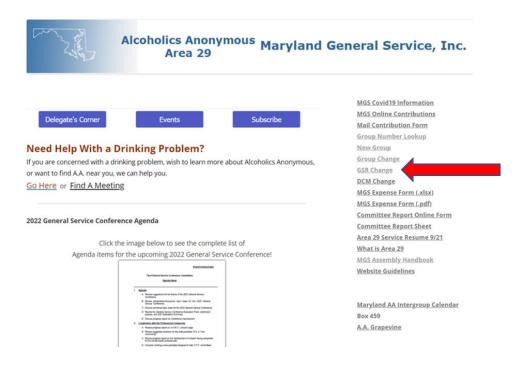
Without a group representative (GSR), a group's voice is not heard, and you are not connected to AA as a whole. There is but a small handful of groups that are represented. Be active! Be involved! It is such an awesome way to give back! The collective message of our District and Area meetings are in turn brought back to our Home Groups.

Do we know what that collective message is without a group representative? Do we know if our group conscience is in good health? Is our hand really reaching out to the person in need of help? We need to ask ourselves these questions.

The General Service Representative is elected by their Home Group. Elect and register yours at your next Group Conscience! Your elected GSR will receive a GSR Kit from the General Services Office with additional information.

How to register your GSR (General Service Representative):

Go to: <u>https://www.marylandaa.org/</u> Select GSR Change on the right. Fill out form.



••• SAVE THE DATE ••• August 4-6, 2023

51st Annual Area 29 Maryland State Convention

Hosted by Maryland General Service, Inc. with Al-Anon Participation

Held at the Delta Hotel by Marriott—Hunt Valley • 245 Shawan Road, Hunt Valley, MD 21031

Area 29 Maryland State Convention

> Without Unity, the Heart of AA would cease to beat...

Sin Unidad, el Corazón de AA dejaría de latir... SPEAKERS • WORKSHOPS HOSPITALITY SUITE • ALCATHONS SAT BANQUET • DELEGATE REPORT SOBRIETY COUNTDOWN OLDTIMERS PANEL AA HISTORY PRESENTATION

Ice Cream Social & Live Music Friday & Saturday Evenings

Registration \$36 (cash or check) \$38 (credit card or PayPal) Convention Pin free for the first 600 Pre Registrations

Convention Hotel Room Rate: \$124/per night + tax Hotel reservations must be made by Sunday, July 9, 2023

For hotel reservations, call 844-781-7404 (Code: MGS 2023 State Convention) or online hotel registration click on—

Book your group rate for MGS 2023 State Convention

https://www.marriott.com/event-reservations/reservation-link.mi?id=1666295673654&key=GRP&app=resvlink

or scan





Spanish & ASL Interpretation will be provided with additional accommodations for the hard of hearing



ALL AA Members Welcome CARC II / DISTRICTS 1. 6. 22. 23. 27. 31. 35.



The Conference Agenda Review Committee (CARC)

Review, Discuss, & Present items to the AREA 29 Delegate in preparation for the

2023 General Conference

HAVE A VOICE

AND GET INVOLVED

Topics Covered: Social Media Service Manuals Changes to Literature &

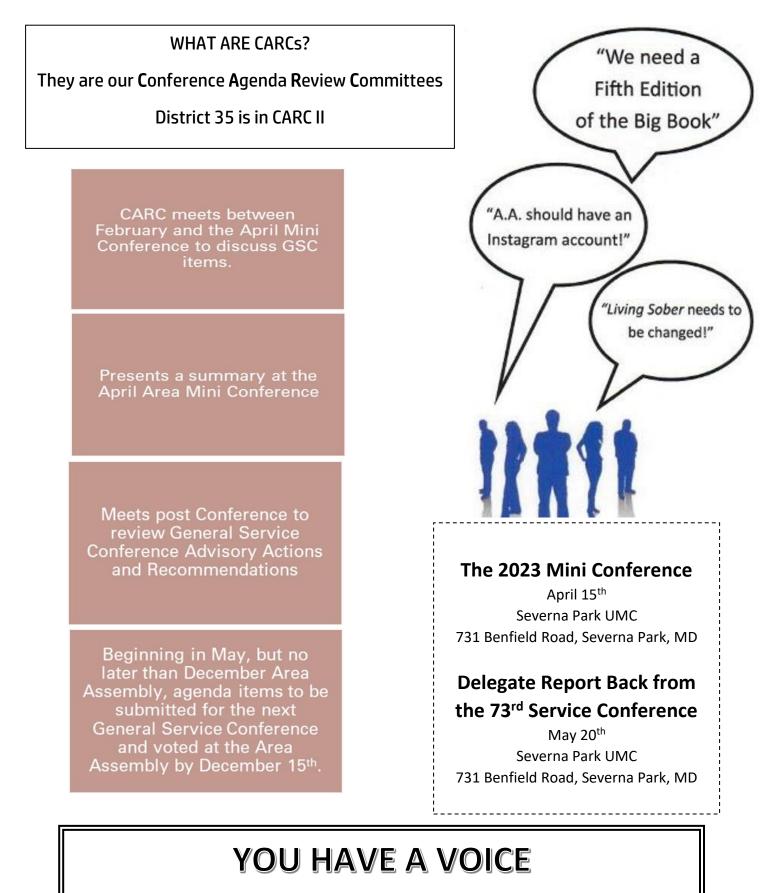
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Join the Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86506486809?pwd=QVV4QUxaR1BLRTZQdDVHZFFKNFRiUT09

Meeting ID: 865 0648 6809

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IN ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS!