

SOBER TIMES

Williamsburg, VA Intergroup Information

District 38

Summer 2015

Report on the VAC Spring Assembly, March 27-29, 2015

This was my first Virginia Assembly, and thanks to District 38's New GSR Orientation held a few weeks prior, the Assembly was less overwhelming than I anticipated. What was most striking—and humbling—was watching 424 drunks, in recovery, from all 43 Area 71 districts across the Commonwealth come together to seriously consider motions and actions that could ultimately impact AA across the globe.

A few fun facts from the Assembly, held in Chesapeake: Our District 38 sent nine GSRs who attended 11 VAC Standing Committee meetings the first night (Friday). There were 434 AAs registered for the Assembly; as a group we had 3872 years of sobriety and 2945 years of service. No wonder we drank 144 gallons of coffee during the weekend! Our coffee contributions covered almost 60% of the actual cost of the coffee—a better adherence to AA's 7th Tradition than is typical at most Assemblies! Five out of seven motions brought forward were passed.

New GSRs attended a very helpful “GSR Duties and Responsibilities” workshop that coached us on Conference Language and Structure, and the VA Area Service Vocabulary. This was a great overview of AA's overarching organizational structure—something every AA member should know.

Other highlights from the Assembly:

- The VAC Treasurer's address for VAC contributions has changed to: Treasurer, VAC, Box 458, Winchester, VA 22604
- 2015 International AA Convention will be July 2-5 in Atlanta, with the theme “80 Years-Happy, Joyous, and Free.”
- The 65th VAC Convention will be August 14-16, 2015 in Fredericksburg. The theme is “Spiritual Experience.” There have been no bids for the 2016 convention, so there will be none.
- The 2015 Fall Assembly will be October 16-18 in Roanoke, VA. All interested AAs are welcome to attend, along with GSRs and DCMs and ADCMs.
- Grapevine Challenge is in place to encourage more Grapevine and La Vina subscriptions. Virginia ranks 22 in the world for new Grapevine subscriptions and #3 for new La Vina subscriptions.

Upcoming Events

- ◆ **July 4th Picnic**– Flyers to come and information will be available at aawilliamsburg.org
- ◆ **July 2-5 in Atlanta, 2015 International Convention of Alcoholics Anonymous**
- ◆ **August 14-16, 2015- 65th Virginia Area Convention – Fredericksburg, VA**

Newsletter Committee is preparing to expand! If you have ideas on how we can improve or article ideas we would love to hear them. Please email

newsletter@aawilliamsburg.org

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5:30-6:30pm

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