



5 O'clock Literature Hour Group

Campout a "Smashing Success"!

If numbers tell a story, then this one tells of 100% MORE participation in the recent recovery campout hosted by the **5 O'clock Literature Hour Group** of Brunswick. More than doubling last spring's numbers, 25 tents were pitched 'round a slew of happy campers this past weekend at Jekyll Island Campground.

Christine M., one of 5LHG's major planners, described the event as a "smashing success!" Once again, members of both our esteemed fellowship and other 12-Step groups shared the spirit of recovery together under the stars, along with food and sober gratitude.

Campers came from all over the region, including Gainesville, Florida. And two special visitors were a couple from Los Angeles, California, who were lucky enough to find the group while avoiding drinking colleagues at a nearby hotel. Talk about finding gratitude in unlikely places!

The next spring campout is being planned for April, Christine reported, and group members also will support NA (Narcotics Anonymous) group members who are putting together their own campout. If you want to know the particulars, stop by the 5 O'clock Lit Hour Group meetings at Cate Road.

WHAT'S NEXT? 5LHG WILL HOLD AN EATIN' MEETIN' ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2008, FROM 4:30 PM (eating) & 5:30 (speaker meeting) @ the 1212 Club on Cate Road, Brunswick. The speaker will be our DCM, Vivian K! Keep up the great work, 5LHG!



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A Letter from your DCM*

Good Morning Everyone;
I got back last night from the Assembly and let me tell you that a lot is happening in our area.

We have a new State: Treasurer: Clint Y. & Secretary: Katy McN.

Yes, this means Bill F and Tom are completing their service positions at the end of the year **WHAT GREAT SERVICE WORK THEY HAVE BOTH PROVIDED TO THE STATE!!!!**

The Nominee for SE Regional Trustee is Brookens B.

The Nominee for At Large Trustee for US is Dick A.

The State budget was approved with nominal discussion (I've given copies of the budget to GSR's at the Assembly and will provide the remaining GSRs with the financial report when I see them).

The Hotel for the PrePaid Convention is now full, but the GSSA Web page has a link to obtain other recom-

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GROUPS PAGE

Where our local groups share what matters

One Day at a Time

Happy Birthday "Anniversaries"!

Happy Hour Group

AUGUST

THOMAS H.	8/13/04
RICHARD C.	8/17/86
RANDY D.	8/19/06

SEPTEMBER

KIP M.	9/01/81
THOMAS Z.	9/06/06
LORI D.	9/09/99
SAHM M.	9/15/86
RON P.	9/15/87
DEBORAH C.	9/16/96
JULIE M.	9/21/80
PAT R.	9/28/82



Saint Simons Island Goodwill Group

AUGUST

George McM.	8-1-03
Neal Y.	8-19-78
Raymond B.	8-28-64

SEPTEMBER

Marge P.	9-15-77
Betty C.	9-17-79
Frank B.	9-18-81
Thomas C.	9-25-97
Pat R.	9-28-82
Jay W.	9-28-03
Claudia B.	9-29-91

Out to Lunch Group

August

Neal Y	08-19-78
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September

Don R.	09-03-80
Adrienne P.	09-14-07
Ron P.	09-15-87
Frank B.	09-18-71
Jane S.	09-20-05
Nancy B.	09-27-04
Luck B.	09-28-99

GSRs:

We need YOU to submit your group lists to the Sober Times for inclusion in this feature! If there are any group members who do NOT wish to be listed, simply cross them out or omit their names. Seems a shame to publish only 3 out of some 25 area groups!

Are YOU missing?
Send your group's list today!
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Visit our website:
glynncountyaa.org

The Out to Lunch group offers its Gratitude List.

I am grateful for those leaves that, when they fall off trees, look like helicopters.

I am grateful for internet shopping!

Ali C.

I am grateful for everything – the good and the bad. With God & AA, I'll be all right.

TBR

I am grateful for the lessons I have learned in the past, no matter how horrific, for because of these lessons, I am who I am, and I am happy. Finally.

Jaki A.

I am grateful for sobriety, my kids and freedom. I am also thankful for all the American soldiers including my brother.

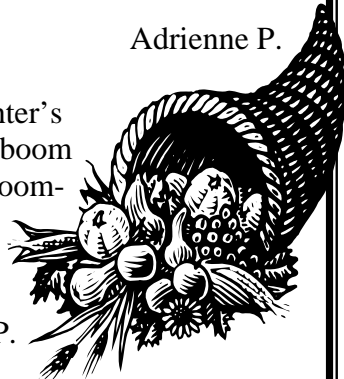
Tami W.

I am grateful for the gift of finding the beauty in the imperfect.

Adrienne P.

I'm grateful for my daughter's song and dance "I said like a boom-chicka-boom. I said like a boom-like-a -chicka-boom, like chicka-rocka-chicka-boom!" (Mya P)

Adrienne P.



I am thankful for matching earrings & tops thanks to my granddaughter!

PB

I am thankful for my Higher Power! ☺
And that God accepts me!

I am grateful most of all for my sobriety and the steps! ☺

LB

...we will know a new freedom
and a new happiness...



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DCM Letter (Part 2 of 3)

mended Motels in the area.

Macon will be hosting the 2009 PrePaid Convention and Athens will be the host in 2010.

Bill F reported that Georgia is in the top percentages of contributors in the US. Yeah Georgia!!!!

The Archives Committee has really outdone themselves. Charlie reported that Georgia will be hosting the 2010 World Archives Workshop!!!! Archives also wants each district to identify the person in their district who has the longest length of sobriety and who is also still active in AA. The purpose is that they are creating a yearbook and want the persons to consider answering questions they have compiled for a yearbook, there's probably a photo op is in there somewhere. Please let me know if you know of such a person in district 3a, I am to forward the information on to Charlie.

Roy from PI CPC suggests everyone update the meetings in our district on the GSSA Web Page. Additionally, Tom current state Secretary gave each DCM a printout of what is currently listed for meetings for that district. I have seen several mistakes on our listings and utilized our district members at the Assembly to make some changes, but I'll need help getting all of them updated. Please contact me if your aware that your group has made changes this past year they may not be reflected on the state and national levels.

Brock shared that he has attended trainings with Drug Court and is providing them with suggestions for 12-Step recovery.

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GSR meeting rescheduled

Due to the Prepaid convention date, the **October GSR Meeting** is being moved to **October 19th**. We considered moving it to the weekend following the convention, but that would put us into November, hence the date of the 19th. I'm sorry for any inconvenience and hope to see all of you who can make it. **Remember we're working on the January Workshop and all volunteers are needed.**

Thanks Vivian K, DCM 3a

This newsletter is published for your information and enjoyment. Any mistakes you find are there for a purpose. We try to print something for everyone, and some folks are always looking for mistakes.

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DCM Letter (Part 3 of 3)

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Amy with communications shared that they are looking for an EDITOR.

At the last Assembly there had been discussions on updating the literature for the Armed Forces, well they have since discovered that it was last updated in 2003, so this discussion was closed as not needed at this time. The topic of the Reflections book and a new daily meditation book were revisited. David M will present a proposal for updating the Reflections since some of it's references are inaccurate when utilizing the 4th edition Big Book. He will also propose creating a new meditation book.

Nationally, we are looking for a Professional Editor & Illustrator for the Grapevine

Grapevine subscriptions are down from previous year.

A New Publication: Beginners Handbook will soon be available.

District 5a have 100% group contributions. Way to go district 5a!!!!

2009 topics for Cluster Forums & Workshops are going to continue to be based on the 2008 Final Report. The General Service Conference 2009 will be "Our Commitment to Carry A.A.'s Message-Enthusiasm and Gratitude in Action." This state will utilize the following throughout 2009: a) Humility & Sacrifice: 1) Setting an example 2) Changing Our Perceptions 3) Anonymity- Sacrificing Our Egos b) Enthusiasm & Gratitude 1) Hope and Purpose from Defeat and Despair 2) Happy, Joyous, and Free 3) Enthusiasm-A Gift of Inventory. c) Spiritual Program in Action 1) Maximum Service-Our Spiritual Benefit 2) Persistence-The Key to Progress 3) Living the Traditions.

I'm sure I didn't address everything that went on, but I came pretty close.

Don't forget District 3a is putting on a Work Shop on January 31st 2009 on Participation and Service. We have two speakers lined up Dick A and Charlie Y, but we need help creating and presenting appropriate skits and so forth. We will be discussing this workshop at the next GSR Meeting on September 28th 2:30pm 12 & 12 Club on Cate Road.

Thank you for letting me be a part of your recovering community and to provide a little service in the interim!!!

Sincerely

Vivian K,
DCM 3a

*What IS a DCM?

"The district committee member (D.C.M.) is an essential link between the group G.S.R. and the area delegate to the General Service Conference. As leader of the district committee, made up of all G.S.R.s in the district, the D.C.M. is exposed to the group conscience of that district. As a member of the area committee, he or she is able to pass on the district's thinking to the delegate and the committee."

- [The A.A. Service Manual](#), p. S29

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Announcement....

Due to recent budget cuts and the rising cost of electricity, gas, and oil; the light at the end of the tunnel has been turned off. We apologize for the inconvenience.

(submitted by Deborah C.)



...at a meeting:

"...some people work the Promises hoping the Steps will come true for them...."

~ Anonymous

**Progress
not Perfection**