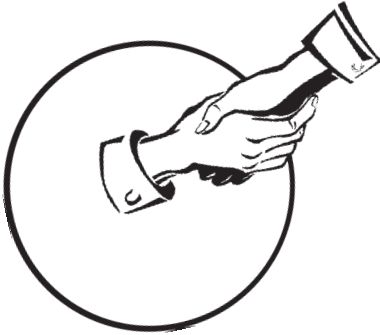
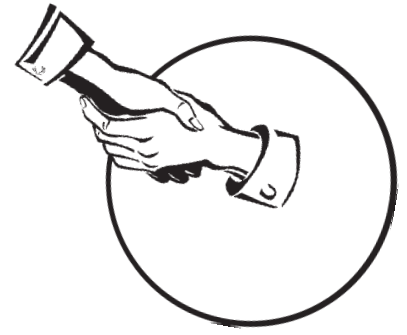


# 2012 Southeast Regional Forum

With our **U.S./Canada General Service Board Of Alcoholics Anonymous**



**November 9-11, 2012**  
**7pm to 10pm Friday**  
**9am to 9:45pm Saturday**  
**9am to noon on Sunday**



**Boca Raton Marriott**  
**5150 Town Center Circle**  
**Boca Raton, FL 33486**

**FIRST TIME FORUM**  
**ATTENDEES-WELCOME!**

**There is no Registration Fee**

**We Are Coming Together To Share Experience On Several Topics:**

- ❖ Why should I care about A.A. beyond my home group?
- ❖ A.A. History-Boring or incredible spiritual journey?
- ❖ How does support of G.S.O. help A.A.s worldwide?
- ❖ Does your home group use the A.A. Grapevine or La Viña as a Twelfth Step tool?
- ❖ The upside down triangle-how are the General Service Board, the A.A.W.S. and Grapevine Boards accountable to the Fellowship?
- ❖ How do I have a voice in A.A.?
- ❖ What do the Traditions and Concepts have to do with my home group?

## **Purpose of this Forum**

This Forum is put on by the A.A. General Service Board and is "open" to A.A. members or to anyone interested in A.A. Forums originated in 1975 at the suggestion of the late Chairman of the General Service Board of Trustees, Dr. Jack Norris.

Forums are designed to enhance communication and participation among A.A. members, the General Service Board, and staff and directors from the General Service Office Staff and the A.A. Grapevine. Forums offer a meeting place to ask questions and spark new ideas to help carry the A.A. message of hope to the still-suffering alcoholic.

This Forum provides unique opportunities for A.A. members throughout the Southeast Region to share their experience, strength and hope.

### Registration Information:

- ❖ Registration is free.
- ❖ You can register online at [www.aa.org](http://www.aa.org). Go to "Services for Members" and click on "Regional Forums" link.
- ❖ You do not have to register to attend.
- ❖ But, please register early to help us plan for setup and food requirements. (Meals will not be free. There are a few restaurants nearby and we may have food on-site.)
- ❖ All who register will receive a final report of all discussions at the Forum.
- ❖ All registration information is confidential and will not be used for anything except sending the final report!

### Hotel Information:

Boca Raton Marriott  
5150 Town Center Circle  
Boca Raton, FL 33486  
(561) 392-4600  
Standard King/Double Beds: \$109.00 plus tax  
For special room rates please mention  
**Group Code: SERSERA**  
"2012 Southeast Regional Forum"  
**Group Rate Deadline: October 27, 2012**

## Hosted by the 13 areas of the Southeast Region

Alabama/Northwest Florida  
North Florida  
South Florida/Bahamas/VI./Antigua  
Cayman Islands/St. Maarten  
Georgia

Kentucky  
Louisiana  
Mississippi  
North Carolina  
Puerto Rico

South Carolina  
Tennessee  
Virginia  
West Virginia

## Schedule of Events

### Friday

2:00–till closing	Registration
6:45–7:00 p.m.	Forum First Timer Orientation
7:00–8:30 p.m.	Welcoming and introductory remarks by Board and Staff
8:30–8:45 p.m.	Break
8:45–9:15 p.m.	Video
9:15–10:00 p.m.	General Sharing/Questions for Board and Staff

### Saturday

9:00 a.m.–till closing	Registration
9:00–10:00 a.m.	A.A. Grapevine/LaViña Presentations
10:00–10:15 a.m.	Break
10:15–10:45 a.m.	General Sharing/Ask-It Basket
10:45–12:00 p.m.	Delegates' Presentations
12:00–1:30 p.m.	Lunch

### Saturday (continued)

1:30–2:30 p.m.	A.A.W.S. and Finance Presentations
2:30–3:30 p.m.	General Sharing Session
3:30–3:45 p.m.	Break
3:45–4:00 p.m.	Presentation
4:00–5:00 p.m.	General Sharing Session/Ask-It Basket
5:00–7:00 p.m.	Dinner
7:00–8:15 p.m.	Workshops
8:15–8:30 p.m.	Break
8:30–9:45 p.m.	Workshops

### Sunday

9:00–10:30 a.m.	General Sharing Session/Ask-It Basket
10:30–10:45 a.m.	Break
10:45–11:30 a.m.	Past Trustees' Talks
11:30–12:00 p.m.	Closing Remarks

Please cut here and send registration form to  
Regional Forums, General Service Office, P.O. Box 459, New York, NY 10163.



## 2012 SOUTHEAST REGIONAL FORUM REGISTRATION FORM\*

Pre-Registration Encouraged!

Please, PRINT Clearly.

Register online at [www.aa.org](http://www.aa.org)!

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone number \_\_\_\_\_

- Do you need an American Sign Language Interpreter? Yes\_\_\_ No\_\_\_
- Do you need a Spanish Language Interpreter? Yes\_\_\_ No\_\_\_
- Have you ever attended a Regional Forum previously? Yes\_\_\_ No\_\_\_
- Do you want to receive the Final Forum Report electronically? Yes\_\_\_ No\_\_\_

If yes, please provide your e-mail address:

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Mail to G.S.O. to arrive  
by November 5, 2012:

Regional Forums  
General Service Office  
P.O. Box 459  
New York, N.Y. 10163

\*Information collected is confidential and will only be used for communication about this Regional Forum.

### Reservation Information – Southeast Regional Forum

November 9-11, 2012

Boca Raton Marriott

**Your group online booking code is: SERSERA**

To book using your online code, go to [www.marriott.com/pbibr](http://www.marriott.com/pbibr)

1. Fill in your arrival and departure dates & number of rooms
2. Click: Special Rates & Awards
3. Click Group Code and type in your booking code: SERSERA
4. Click: Check Availability

Also, you can make your reservations by calling Boca Raton Marriott's central reservations office at 888-888-3780 to make your room reservations asking for the Southeast Regional Forum's rate.

As a reminder, the Group Rate Deadline to make your reservation is October 27, 2012.

# Regional Forums

Regional Forums originated in 1975 at the suggestion of Dr. Jack Norris, then Chair of the General Service Board of Alcoholics Anonymous. They were to be weekend sharing and informational sessions designed to help the General Service Board, A.A. World Services, Inc., the Grapevine Corporate Board, the Grapevine Staff, and the General Service Office Staff stay in touch with A.A. members, trusted servants and newcomers to service throughout the A.A. service structure.

**REGIONAL FORUMS** Originally, at the invitation of a region, four Regional Forums were held each year. Since the U.S./Canada service structure is composed of eight regions, a Regional Forum was held in alternate years in each region on a rotating basis. In October 2006, the General Service Board approved the concept of an Additional Regional Forum to be held upon request in each region every eight years also on a rotating basis, bringing the possible number of Regional Forums held each year to five.

The location and agenda for Regional Forums are decided jointly by the Regional Trustee, Area Delegates and G.S.O. The responsibility for initiating contact with the hotel is assumed by a local A.A. Host Contact working with the Forums Coordinator and Regional Trustee. The Forums Coordinator at G.S.O. distributes registration forms to groups and service workers throughout the region and, working with the Host Contact and Regional Trustee, coordinates the details of the Forum.

There is no registration fee for Regional Forums or Additional Regional Forums. The General Service Board covers the expenses of meeting rooms. In many places, area committees, districts and groups cover or defray the transportation and lodging expenses of the trusted servants representing them at a Forum.

As all Forums are intended to be sharing sessions, no formal actions result. Sharing at Forums is captured in Forum Final Reports which are distributed to all attendees. Regional Forums Final Reports are available on G.S.O.'s A.A. Web site. Forums provide unique opportunities to share and exchange valuable experience, ask questions and spark new ideas. Regional Forums and Local Forums carry A.A.'s message of love and service by improving communication at all levels of our Fellowship.

## STRUCTURE OF THE CONFERENCE (U.S. and Canada)

