

Suggested Area Workshop Formats for Host Committees

Area Workshops - Two Area Workshops will be held each year which are rotated among Districts selected to host the event one year in advance. The purpose of Area Workshops is to provide a forum to discuss the General Service Conference theme and workshop/presentation topics for the current year. The format includes panel presentations, roundtable discussions, Speaker meetings, ask-it-basket panels, and open mike discussions. The Area Committee may also hold a brief Area Committee Meeting in conjunction with the Workshops in order to better serve the need for communication within the Area. Workshops will begin at noon on Saturday and end at noon on Sunday.

There are 7 to 8.5 hours on Saturday (1:30 p.m. to 10ish)
3 hours on Sunday (9 a.m. to noon)

Pre-Assembly Workshop held the 3rd weekend in August to discuss the General Service Conference theme and workshop/presentation topics for the current year. The Delegate will provide the current year=s theme and topics at the Post-Conference.

Saturday	- 9 a.m. to noon Area Business Meeting (Agenda by Area 69 Committee)
Saturday	- 1:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. Panel Presentations, Roundtables, etc. 3.5 hours
Saturday night	- Dinner and Speaker, and/or Open A.A. Meeting
Sunday morning	- Report Backs from Roundtables and/or Standing Chairs 30-45 Minutes
	- Ask-it Basket (Chair by Area 69 Chairperson) 1 Hour
	- A.A. Speaker 1-1.25 Hours

Fall Workshop held the 1st weekend in November to discuss the General Service Conference theme and workshop/presentation topics for the current year. The Delegate will provide the current year=s theme and topics at the Post-Conference.

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Saturday	- 1:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. Panel Presentations, Roundtables, etc. 3.5 hours
Saturday night	- Dinner and Speaker, and/or Open A.A. Meeting
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	- Ask-it Basket (Chair by Area 69 Chairperson) 1 hour
	- A.A. Speaker 1-1.25 hours

Bridging the Gap Workshop will be held each year on the third Saturday in June. This will be rotated among districts selected to host the event one year in advance. The purpose of the Bridging the Gap Workshop is to provide a joint forum for the Correction Standing Committee and the Treatment Facilities Standing Committee to share experiences with the Bridging the Gap program and to discuss ways it can be better utilized by the area. The Area Standing Chairs of these two committees will have joint responsibility for setting the agenda for the workshop. The purpose of the Bridging the Gap program is to help newcomers stay sober by introducing them to temporary sponsors and the AA lifestyle. This workshop is to be a one-day event, beginning at 9:00 a.m.

Host Committee Provides:

A. Meeting Room

1. Theater Style Seating for 50-60 People.
2. Hospitality- Coffee, Ice Water, etc.

B. Flyer Announcing the Meeting to Be Distributed to All Area Committee Members