

This is Your
Invitation to Fellowship
 A Permanent Haven for
 all Alcoholics

Guest
 Speakers:
 Area 56
 Natives
 ECR
 Trustee
 Mark E.
 and
 GSO Staff
 Mary C.

Saturday
 Banquet
 Committee
 Roundtables
 AA & AlAnon
 Meetings
 Panels
 Ice Cream
 Social
 Sobriety
 Countdown

Host General Service Area 56
 Requests the Honor of your
 Presence at the

63rd Ohio State Convention of A.A.
 August 16, 17, & 18, 2019

Please send this registration
 with your payment to:

Ohio State Convention
 Southwest Ohio
 General Service Area 56,
 P.O. Box 684,
 Dayton, Ohio 45401

Holiday Inn Eastgate
 4501 Eastgate Boulevard
 Cincinnati, Ohio 45245
 (513) 752-4400
 Rates: \$112 per night *plus tax*
 Includes 2 breakfast tickets
 Hotel Registration Deadline:
 July 26, 2019

For more information call:
 Jenny C., Delegate
 (513)-289-7657
 Laura G., Past Delegate
 (937) 405-5241

You can also visit us on the
 web at www.aaarea56.org

Registration Information

AA Al-Anon Alateen

Name: _____

Name (as you would like it on badge): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone Number: (____) _____

Please note any special needs: _____

Please send mail in Registration no later than August 2, 2019.

Please Note: Registration is Required for ALL Activities and
 Badges Must Be Worn for ALL Events.

Registration Payment Information

Make checks payable to: Ohio State Convention

Registrations: How many? _____ x \$25.00 = _____ .00

Alateen
 Registrations: How many? _____ x \$10.00 = _____ .00
 (Optional)

Hospitality Donation\$ _____ .00

Scholarship Donation.....\$ _____ .00

Saturday Banquet:
 How many? _____ x \$35.00 = _____ .00
 (Mail in no later than August 2, 2019)

Total.....\$ _____ .00

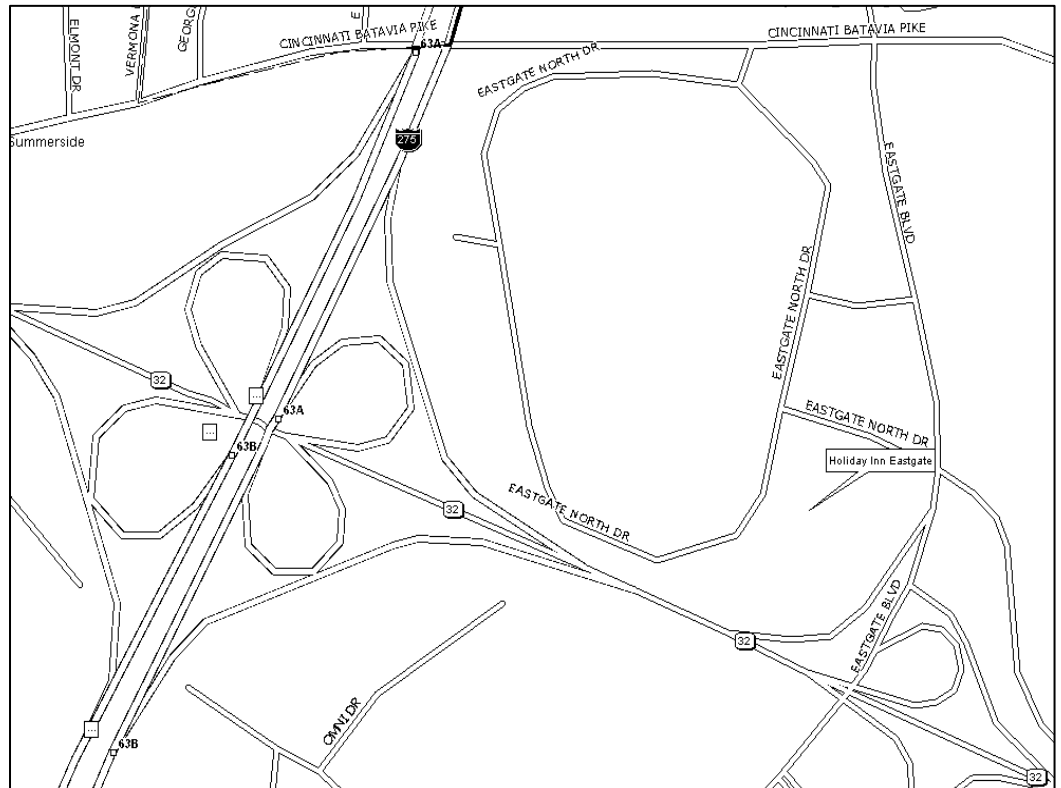
This is a non-smoking facility. Smoking is not
 permitted within 25 feet of hotel entrances.

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Boulevard, Cincinnati,
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\$112.00/night plus tax

**From I-75 or I-71
take I-275 East
to Route 32 (exit
63B)
Exit to Eastgate
Boulevard Right to
Holiday Inn**



Purpose of the Ohio State Convention

The Ohio State Convention of Alcoholics Anonymous is an open, annual service convention hosted on a rotation schedule by one of the four Ohio Service Areas.

The purpose of the convention is to carry the spirit of the General Service Conference to the districts and groups in Ohio and Southeast Michigan. This is accomplished by fostering cooperation among the four groups in Ohio Areas, highlighting and celebrating the General Service Activities of Alcoholics Anonymous in these areas and through sharing experience on A.A.'s legacies of unity, service and recovery.

The goal of the convention is to support and strengthen the General Service Conference structure in Ohio and Southeast Michigan, helping us to stay sober and to help other alcoholics achieve sobriety.

Why do I have to pay?

Most associations like to hold conferences or conventions. But in A.A., a conference or convention is an important opportunity to share the A.A. experience in a broad way.

There are many A.A. conferences held throughout Ohio. One of the most common misconceptions of these gatherings is that they are A.A. meetings, and since, "There are no dues or fees for A.A. membership..." there should be no fees to attend. Conventions and conferences are special events, not regular meetings. They require months of planning, preparation, and money to present. Since most events are held in hotels or convention centers, there is a charge for the use of the facility. Along with the facility's charge, the hotel or convention center will require that the group purchase coffee and food. Other expenses include travel and lodging for conference speakers (they are never paid a fee for speaking), printing of flyers, schedules, badges, plus postage and supplies. A large event requires a substantial amount of money to present.

The Ohio State Convention is self-supporting. No group monies are used to pay for the event. The cost of the event is paid through registration fees, no baskets are passed. The ideal event is to break even; therefore, the registration fee is nominal compared to a weekend's worth of entertainment anywhere else. Attendance is voluntary and as responsible A.A. members we pay our own way.