

Area Committee Meeting Minutes
Sunday May 17, 2015 ~ 8 AM to 10 AM
Radisson Hotel & Conference Center – Green Bay, WI

Housekeeping

8:00 AM Open Meeting Serenity Prayer

The Traditions were read by Kathy L.

The time keeper was Dean

The Counters were Dean and Keith

Roll Call

Area Officers:

Area Chair, Delegate, Secretary/Registrar, Treasurer

Committee Chairs:

Archives, Archivist, Corrections MI, Corrections WI, CPC, Finance, Grapevine Chair, Now & Then, Literature, Public Information, Structures & Guidelines, Treatment,

DCM's:

01, 02, 04, 05, 07, 08, 09, 10, 13, 14, 16, 18, 20, 22, 23

Approve minutes – March 28 2015 Area Committee Minutes

There is a correction to Page 1 change Agenda to Minutes. There is a correction to Page 1 remove (Report following DCM reports) Minutes approved with corrections .A final version of the March 28, 2015 ACM Minutes will be distributed to the Area Committee to become part of the permanent archive.

Delegates report

Mary Jo – Talked about the pamphlets for the Regional Forum that were handed out to the DCMs and will have more to hand out in August. There is another stapled packet for volunteering at the International Convention. There is a deadline to register to volunteer...end of May or early June. Talk with the groups in our District to try and come up with some within 2-3 weeks and email the information. It would be nice to have an Area 74 presence.

DCM report's (see Reports section on page 6)

Unfinished Business

No unfinished business

New Business

Ad Hoc Committee Update

Area 74 Ad Hoc Committee • Conducting Area Business

Report to Area 74 Area Committee

05.17.15

The C.A.B. Ad Hoc Committee was appointed by the Area Chair/Alternate Delegate at the December 13, 2014 Area Committee Meeting with approval (by vote) of the Area Committee. The membership of the committee includes:

Marty L., Grapevine Chair; Area 74 Past Delegate

Bob M., Now and Then Co-Editor; Area 74 Past Delegate

Sara P., DCM District 9
Kim R., Area 74 Chair/Alternate Delegate
Pete W., Area 74 Archivist
Derek T., Area 74 Treasurer
Gail Z., DCM District 4

The scope of the Committee was approved at the March 28, 2015 Area Committee Meeting:

1 During 2015, this Ad Hoc Committee will complete a review of the Area 74 practices in the following areas:

- Handling and documentation of Area information
- Accountability of Area officers, chairs and committees as to the tasks the Assembly asked them to perform
- Efficiency, effectiveness and facilitation of four Assemblies/Area Committee Meetings per year format since January 2012 (approved April 2010)

2. The ad hoc committee will report the findings of the review to the Area Committee.

3. Based on Area Committee feedback, the Ad Hoc Committee will:

- Prioritize committee findings
- Develop and submit to the Area Committee, a plan to distribute findings to appropriate committees for resolution
- Recommend a means to evaluate the resolutions

The Ad Hoc Committee will update the Area Committee throughout this process.

Since the Area Committee Meeting in March, the CAB committee has met three times in full committee via conference call on April 8, April 22 and May 6, 2015. Rotating subcommittees of two members each were created with the chair serving as ex-officio member of each subcommittee. Each rotating subcommittee has met several times each outside of the full committee. Each subcommittee has the opportunity to work on each topic in Item 1 of the scope, insuring all members of the committee have a chance to work on all parts of the review.

The Ad Hoc Committee anticipates presenting a report of the findings (Item 2 of the scope) at the August Area Committee Meeting. All minutes of our meetings are available to any member of the Area Committee upon request.

Respectfully submitted,
Derek Tait
Chair, Ad Hoc Committee, Conducting Area Business

Derek – Progress report of where we're at. The first half is a recap. Read over the Ad hoc Committee Report. Some of us are really learning a lot about the Area.

Q: GSR – When will the plan be created?

A: Bring the report back if the committee wants it.

Q: When does the committee end?

A: The committee did not discuss an end date. The Ad Hoc Committee will end at the end of the year.

Tentative September Assembly Agenda (August 15, Three Lakes)

1. Approval of minutes
2. Area officer reports, Treasurer Report
3. Finance Chair – preliminary budget for distribution and voted on in October at Assembly
4. Dates to Remember
5. Conference Bids
6. Elections

The Area Chair

At the last three assemblies we've had chairs who were unable to present Committee reports. The body needs to be aware of address at some point. It's hard not to let my personal opinion get in the way of what happens at this meeting.

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The people who did the planning process worked hard to create a bid. Now he has to go back and explain what happened, along with going back to the facility and say we don't have a commitment. I don't think that's a position we want our trusted servants in or want that reflection of us. I take full responsibility for putting the conference bid on the agenda. I ask that the body pays attention to what you approve for the agenda. I make mistakes and need help with that.

We need to do a better job in supporting each other. I don't know if the guidelines are sketched in granite. We need your opinion on the guidelines. If you don't say anything at the Assembly, we cannot do anything about it. What do we do to go forward from here?

The floor was opened for discussion.

DCM – Made his personal perception this was not her mistake. As a body we were not ready respect the agenda and go forward with it. Don't consider it a precedent. We discussed this at Eau Claire. There was no movement at that time. We as a body put it on the agenda.

DCM – the same thing happened last time because it was too early. We need to pay more attention next time. There was too much made out yesterday.

DCM – Two things. I see that on the agenda are referring to as a mistake. I don't see it as a mistake. This body needs to decide what's on the agenda. They are guidelines and we have a right not to follow those. He referred to and read Section 2.0.1. Locations of conferences are selected from bids for districts at business meetings two years prior to events. What does that mean?

Area Officer – I agree. There was discussion that last night. What do we do to move forward.

DCM – 2017 is 2 1/2 years out? Two years only exactly?

Committee Chair – Move forward. What's the solution? Let's get over it and move on.

DCM – I think that this just more indicative of conversions I've heard over the last 6 years at ur business meetings. Referred those (committee members, etc.) with experience, strength and hope from working the 12 Steps and years of sobriety didn't share. One or two voices dictate. More need to share more at the meetings because of fear. What's the spiritual thing to do? Our guidelines are traditions. They are not begin all, be all.

Committee Chair – We need some flexibility. When we don't have a bid, go onto our next. I have the experience. We have autonomy here to be a little more flexible in what we do. As a group we should make a decision to bend the rule and serve. We can't undo what we did. What is the voice of conscience and the right thing to do in this situation. Together we have to find the right solution. The guidelines are not guidelines. If we set a precedent so be it. We are still growing and learning. How do we fix what we did? What is the solution recovery we can provide here. Guidelines are great for direction. As a group we need to support what comes together. Let's not take sides.

Committee Chair – Have seen take the guidelines as letter of the law and then seen some who have thrown them out. The bottom line is what's the spirit. These things are guides. Need the experience. We do the best we can.

We make mistakes and we're here to learn. Respects the decision made by Area Chair Kim. I'll back you (Kim) up. The guidelines are a reminder.

Area Officer – Being one of the people to help put a bid together for the last Assembly, I left the last Assembly disappointed. I do think what we're doing is what we do...discuss things and be passionate because we love AA. There is a mix of guidelines and small "t" traditions. This is what we do...go back and forth. I support Kim in whatever decision she makes.

Committee Chair – I really agree with Derek and Joel. They are guidelines. The other thing is now we wait until the next Assembly. This is the electronic world. Why can't we look into dealing with some of the issues electronically and avoid the long wait. I know this means putting procedures in policies in place. We need to come up with a new way to deal with these situations in shorter terms than the next Assembly or Area Committee Meeting. We need to find a way to implement new technology.

DCM – I make a motion to reconvene the Assembly. We can have one item for the Assembly. We could reopen the Assembly just for the one item.

The motion was seconded.

DCM– One question, is not the Assembly represented by the GSRs and we are DCM here. Therefore we have to get the GSRs back into this group. I agree with what has been said as far as today. We are a group at the Assembly. We're afraid of making a decision. GSRs are the most important part of this Assembly. Let them make that decision whether to continue or not.

DCM restated his motion to reopen the Assembly for this one item.

Discussion

Alt DCM Awesome to open the assembly. I thought it was a big disservice. I thought it should have went through. Group conscience...let it go.

DCM – I struggle. I really appreciate the sentiment of the motion because of the lack of GSRs. I agree with the spirit but we need the GSRs.

Committee Chair– I agree with Nicholas. I wanted David to have that. But we don't have GSRs here. My thought if we would have voted on the David's bid, he would have had it hands down. I felt the energy for David's proposal.

Committee Chair – The Area chair has the authority to call a Special Assembly. This might encourage you to have.

DCM – I appreciate the sentiment of District 1. I think a Special Assembly is a good idea.

Past Delegate – Called a question?

Area Chair – Restated the question to reopen and asked for vote on motion by substantial unanimity.

Motion

I make a motion that Area 74 reopen the Assembly for the purpose of the 2017 bid for the fall conference.

Vote 1

In Favor 4

Opposed 22

Motion Failed

Kim – Asked for minority voice – none heard .

Terry – Asked for revote because GSRs voted.

Kim – Stated GSRs don't have a vote at this Area Committee

Vote 2

In Favor 4

Opposed 24

Motion Failed

DCM – 2 things to address. What do we do for a solution? When there a momentum on an issue in the agenda with an observation that it is contrary to the Guidelines, it puts a damper on the Assembly. It is the privilege of the Chair to make a rule or not. You have a tough job and chore in this position. Yesterday was an opportunity to stop and not rush forward. I think what is happening is extremely valid for the experience. There were censorship remarks.

He continues after the bell. What we're doing today is quite good.

I would like to suggest our dinger time be determined on the slide scale on the estimated amount of business to be covered.

Area Officer- You want the DCM time to be determined by the number of people presenting and the full length of the agenda?

DCM – Well, take in to the length of the agenda, ya.

Joel – Did you say there would bids at the fall 2016, fall 2017 at the Elections conference.

Area Chair – Fall 2017 conference bid and Fall 2016 if someone wants to bid.

Gary– Go home, cool off and come. Put gloves on and duke it out. We hear this all time. I have attended other Area Assemblies which are smooth, fast paced. There is none of what I see here. Perhaps I went to the wrong Area. I encouraged you do that for a comparison. I'm embarrassed. This is not fun.

Area Chair – My point in bringing this was up was to find a way to bring us together and not create divisiveness. I think I heard a suggestion on a Special Assembly. I heard a suggestion on using electronic tools available. Would this body be in favor of having a special assembly electronically?

Committee Chair – Not all GSRs have emails on the system to do that kind of vote.

DCM – Not comfortable.

DCM– Electronic assembly just isn't possible. Things still need to be worked. It's not that big of a deal. I hope you feel that I'm mad. I'll bring it back and talk about it.

Committee Chair – Advice from a wise person...The best way to overcome diversity is to just go on and conduct business as usual. Things will work themselves out.

Area Officer – Like exploring the idea. The structure is in place and electronic contacts. It needs the Assembly approval.

Pete, Archivist – Was asking if he had a voice. Was told he was called at roll call as a courtesy.

Brian – Put a plug in for the June 6 Corrections Conference in Tomahawk and stated there were flyers.

Meeting closed with the responsibility Statement at 9:45 am

Reports

DCM District 01

In District 01 we currently have 96 meetings a week held at 31 locations around the district. Our district meeting is well attended with around 20 participants. We have two new officers. Nate K. is our new Alternate DCM and Dean H. is transitioning into the treasurer's post. Pat our current treasurer has accepted a position in Arizona and will be leaving the state in October.

Our district picnic is set for August 15th at Perkins Park in Green Bay. Our District Events Co-chairs Jason and Josiah are brainstorming out of the box ideas to make the picnic fun.

The district archives received the gift of a large plaque from the family of Frank Neu. The plaque commemorates Frank Neu, a Green Bay businessman and Dr. W. W. Kelly both non alcoholics who just wanted to help. They traveled to Chicago and brought AA materials back to Green Bay in 1941. In 2016 we will be celebrating 75 years of AA in our district.

Planning the spring conference has taken most of the districts energy since the delegate's workshop. The Conference Chairperson Kimberly S. and all the volunteers have been working very hard to insure a successful conference. On behalf of District 01 I want to thank all the volunteers, conference committee chairs and all those throughout Area 74 that have helped us with putting on the conference.

In loving service,
Thomas Younger DCM District 01

DCM District 02-

District 02 extends from Oshkosh in the south to Clintonville and Bonduel in the north and west from Weyauwega to Brillion in the east. 133 meetings meet within our district weekly. Two of District 02's sub-districts have open positions for L.C.M.s. Positions are open for the Genesis Club in Appleton and the Northern Winnebago sub-district (Neenah-Menasha area). Our alternate D.C.M. and I are continuing to fill in visiting those groups.

On April 11, 2015, the Annual Moose and Goose Corrections Fundraiser was held at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Seymour, WI. It was a great success collecting over \$3000 for corrections literature. The District will begin a new GSR forum prior to our monthly district meetings to allow GSRs to interact with one another on any topic. There will be no agenda. We will test this new form idea to see if it catches on.

The Archives committee meets every other month. They are continuing working toward upgrading the District Archives display.

The Corrections committee continues to carry the message into correctional facilities within our district. They are making sure the correct Bridging the Gap form that the inmate completes to begin the BTG process. BTG requests are down sharply from last year. The & district corrections committee donated AA information to a Transition Fair hosted by the Oshkosh State Correctional Institution on Tuesday, May 14, 2015 .

The Grapevine Committee is working to promote the Grapevine within the District. They are again having contests to award a one year subscription to the Grapevine with acronym contests. They are planning a workshop tentatively scheduled for November 2015.

Our District newsletter continues to give our members the most up to date information as to what is going on in District 02. Our current circulation is 97 hardcopy and 429 electronic subscriptions.

The Public Information (PI) committee continues to work on updating the District 02 website. They have a date set to distribute A.A. information (libraries, doctor's offices, retirement communities, etc.)

Our Treatment committee keeps in contact with twelve treatment facilities within our district. They have recently updated the Facilities and Staff list. Six facilities currently have a rotation of speakers available. All facilities have meeting lists and literature racks. The Bridging the Gap form address has been changed to be returned to the District 02 P.O. Box.

Our District meetings are held on the second Sunday of each month at rotating venues within the district. We continue to average between 20-40 attendees. Any A.A. is invited to attend. Our next meeting will be held June 14, 2015 at the Janssen Center in Appleton.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve,
Barry B 02 DCM

DCM-District 04

District 04, which covers Portage and western Waupaca County continues to average 20-25 people at our district meeting in Amherst.

CPC/PI continues work on their mailing to physicians in the district. They have made some strides getting into some of the doctors' offices with AA information. CPC/PI is also holding the Emotional Sobriety Workshop on June 20 at the 2617 Club. Treatment is getting AA pamphlets and meeting lists to additional outpatient facilities in the district. Work continues on scanning the documents in our Archives collection, and our Archives chair has done some work on oral histories. We are also continuing work on the Group History forms sent out by the Area Archives Committee. I have been doing some follow up on these as I have been visiting groups in the district. Our Picnic Chair is starting to get groups organized for our District picnic in August.

On Saturday, May 2, the May Intergroup was held at the Church of the Intercession. Jeff F., our Corrections Chair, was the speaker. On Saturday, May 9, Renee D., our Treatment Chair, spoke in Wisconsin Rapids at the Working with Others Group. Also on May 9, I took part in the Area 74/District 09 Archives Workshop in Crivitz. Thank-you to Sara and Gloria for the warm welcome. Thank-you to all who participated. I learned a lot as well.

Thank-you for allowing me to be of service.

Gail Zalewski

DCM-District 04

DCM District 05

Aging and Disability Resource Centers, High-Schools, 2 Universities, Over 100 hundred churches, 5 county jails, 1 prison, 5 treatment centers, and most recently the methadone clinic. We have members from our district traveling to Stanley Correctional Facility. We recently cooperated with District 14 on Treatment Committee Bridging the Gap Training.

Our special accommodations committee has begun research and has proposed some initial ideas that will begin to address needs of our district.

District 5 is working on district guidelines that will be voted on in the next few months.

It is a blessing as a dcm to be challenged to keep up with committees, as opposed to trying to build the committees.

As we discussed at length yesterday, money is always a hot topic, District 5 is concerned about the utilization of money sent to the area. As many DCM's have reported they have moved from printed hard copied newsletters to an electronic version essentially eliminating the costs of that committee. As we have seen over the past number of years, the cost to publish our area newsletter continues to rise and it accounts for nearly 1/3 of our committee budget. \$6,000 in your groups contributions for a newsletter that, if a properly managed database by the Now and Then Editors was utilized, could be entirely electronic over the few years. District 5 asks any other dcms or gsr's to contact us if you would like to co-sign the motion.

I would like to take a moment and thank Area 74. I have been attending area events for the past 6 years and the opportunity to practice the service leg of our 3 legacies has been incredibly rewarding. Without the service component of recovery I do not believe one can truly be in the fellowship of the spirit. Those of us that live here, in that fellowship, are often baffled by those who don't join us. With that said, it is our job, those that have this experience to share it, to pass it on, to help those who haven't experienced to want to experience. As our speaker shared last night, our job is to share our experience with fellow members in a way that moves them to take actions that they don't yet believe in.

It is also our job to make service attractive, to practice these principals, our program says we must be rid of fear, we must or it kills us, yet we seem to operate out of fear rather than faith, mistrust, rather than trust when it comes to area business.

My schedule will be taking me away from area events for a while and although this could be goodbye, it is my intent that this is simply good bye for now.

Lastly,

I hope to see many of you in Atlanta, A number of us from District 5 are going, I share with you that I have been invited to speak on one of the panels. This is a humbling privilege. It is because of you, the servants of area 74 that have allowed me to practice the service leg of recovery that I have been graced with this opportunity, I thank you from the bottom of my heart.

Nick

DCM District 07

3rd Sunday of the month at 5:00pm. We do have a CPC chair who is a former DCM who is coordinating contact with local clinics and other groups. The Medford meetings are having a picnic scheduled for 8/1/15 at the Medford park. We are having a district picnic at the Cherokee park east of Colby, WI on 8/15/15. We are having district elections 8/16/15 and hope to have them with us at the conference in WI Rapids. We continue to review our district guidelines loosely following area guidelines and update them as needed.

Respectfully submitted,
Bret Carroll District 07 DCM

DCM District 08
No Report

DCM-District 09

District 09 covers parts of Forest County, Langlade County, Marinette County, Menominee County, Oconto County, and Shawano County in Wisconsin as well as parts of Menominee County in Michigan. District 09 has 35 registered groups and of those 35 groups four of them are county jail groups. A new AA group in District 09 is being registered

with GSO and began meeting on Monday, May 4th in Gillett. We have 41 meetings in our district with four of them being jail meetings. We are currently doing another clean-up of our contact persons for the groups listed in our district. District 09 holds monthly district meetings and we rotate the location of where these meetings are held throughout the district. For the first five months of this year, we have averaged 14 people at our district meetings each month. We continue to look for a person who would be interested in serving as the Corrections Chair for our district.

I am continuing to reach out to the groups in District 09 as the DCM. My goal is to have met with each group in our district prior to the end of my rotation as DCM. Our District has a newsletter called the Chronicle. Our current circulation is 16 hardcopy and 123 electronic subscriptions. Electronic copies are continuing to increase especially with the outreach to the groups.

We held our 10th annual Spring Fling on Saturday, April 25th at Emmanuel Lutheran Church in Menominee, Michigan which consisted of a potluck dinner, AA and AI-Anon speakers, and fellowship. We had 49 people in attendance at the Spring Fling. The speakers were excellent and a good time was had by all who attended. On Saturday, May 9th we held the Area 74/District 09 Spring Archives Workshop at Faith Presbyterian Church in Crivitz, Wisconsin. The workshop only had twelve attendees but was very informative to those of us who participated in this event. District 09 would like to thank the Area 74 Archives Committee for the excellent job they did with this workshop.

Thank you for allowing me to serve.

Sara Plansky-Pecor

DCM District 09

DCM-District 10

District 10 holds its meeting the second Saturday of the month, 16-20 people attend. We have a new treasurer, Joanne R. We currently are seeking a new special needs chair. Our corrections have been asked to help with the Corrections Conference June 6th in Lake Tomahawk with Districts [Area 74 and 75]. There are flyers available. There is gratitude in action workshop in Lake Tomahawk June 13, flyer are also available. District 10 hosted an archives movie night on April 25, Bill's Own Story. It was well attended and we plan on doing another, The PI/CPC committee is working on PSA's through local radio. Meetings are going strong. The AA hotline [number] was placed in the phone book. The website is doing well and updated regularly. The treatment committee is working on Bridging the Gap, updating meeting lists and temporary contacts.

Tracy

DCM District 13

No Report

DCM-District 14

District 14 continues its efforts to restart and have an active District in Area 74. With the aid of a hand full of volunteers this is a quick review of current activities which continue our mission to carry the message to those who still suffer from alcoholism.

Monthly District meetings occur the second Sunday each month. Attendance at these meetings is currently at a steady 10 - 15 people each month. We still have several open positions, including Treatment, Literature, Public Information, Archives and we recently added secretary to the list. Interest in these have stalled and become very frustrating. A new approach is definitely needed and suggestions are welcome. Service is genuine to recovery and paying forward this gift is priceless.

The Corrections activity continues in both the St. Croix County Jail and the State CIP where 6 - 8 meetings occur monthly within these facilities and on Monday - Thursday 3 inmates attend AA meeting outside the confinements accompanied by a State Approved Chaperone. A women's and men's AA group takes place in the Polk County Jail every Monday evening. No interruptions in schedules occurred from the recent inmate escape at CIP.

We are proud that there are currently meetings available every day of the week, 77 regular meetings in 21 different towns or hamlets each week !! There are also 7 open meetings each month in 7 different towns. The District 14 meeting list is constantly updated with the latest meeting information and posted in Clubs, District Website and forwarded to the Area Website. Accurate information is essential to meeting needs of new perspective alcoholics seeking recovery. A new beginners meeting has begun in Amery every Friday night at 6:30 PM and a new Big Book meeting has started in Osceola at 10:00 AM. Unfortunately the Grace Place meeting reported on at the last assembly meeting has been postponed due to lack of participation. Hopefully we reached out to at least one person. The New Richmond Sunday Morning Big Book has begun rehearsal for a 12 Tradition play. The play is directed at giving a better understanding of our Traditions. No confirmed date for the play has been set yet. A Speaker List has been developed and has grown to 26 volunteers. These volunteers are available to speak of their experience, strength and hope at regular meetings, speaker meetings, special events or anything else that benefits Alcoholic Anonymous.

The Sponsorship workshop has progressed greatly and we have announced it will take place June 27, 2015 at the New Richmond Alano Club. Four extremely experienced Panelists will share their experience, strength and hopes found when fulfilling the role of an AA sponsor followed by Q & A. The workshop will be from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM with Lunch served. Flyers are available at the Spring Conference and Area Assembly. Attendees are also welcome to stay and attend the New Richmond Pin Night beginning at 6:00 PM potluck, 7:00 Speaker and 8:00 Celebration of Anniversaries.

We have secured exhibitor space at the St. Croix County Fair, July 15 - 19th and the Polk County Fair July 29 - August 2. Literature and meeting schedules will be available in the booths. Volunteers from District 14 will be available in the booth to answer and aid anyone with questions.

All of these activities could not have been realized without people willing to pay it forward in service and 12 step work. We continue committed to serving and supporting the alcoholic who still suffers by helping recovering alcoholics through service.

Keith Bevers
DCM-District 14

DCM District 15
No Report

DCM-District 16

District 16 has currently 14 meetings we are spread out over three counties. We have some of the usual service challenges found in rural areas. We have an Area contact phone number 906-884-2722. We also have meetings in the Ontonagon county jail weekly with local AA members rotating in service.

L'Anse / Baraga is hosting an Intergroup Saturday, July 11 at the American Legion Hall in L'Anse, 115 N Front St (right on the bay). We are planning two Sponsorship workshops in June one in Baraga and one in Ontonagon. We will be hosting an Intergroup in Ontonagon on Saturday, September 12 at 100 Cain Ct. Our District is meeting bi-monthly in Baraga and Ontonagon counties with an average attendance of about 10 members.

Yours in service
Fred Martin
In-term DCM

DCM-District 18
No Report

DCM-District 20

- We are the Eastern most District of Area 74
- We have 23 meetings scattered around 100's of miles
- Monthly District 20 meetings are held monthly in Germfask with 12-15 mem
- We currently have 2 meetings weekly @ the Newberry Correctional Facility
- Soon starting one in the Alger Max Facility in Munising
- We have an active Literature Chair & com that continues to supply at cost to the entire District
- We have a semi-monthly District Newsletter
- Our website is www.district20area74.org
- The next monthly UP Traveling Intergroup is held yearly in District 20, Manistique on June 13th, 2015. Also in District 20 yearly October's Intergroup in Newberry
- As Dean reported in March at The Area 74 Committee Meeting: our January 2015 Workshop was a great success, our next workshop is scheduled for September 2015 (not to conflict with the Area 74 Fall Conf/Assembly)
- To be held at the Munising Community Center. *The LOCATION FOR THE UPCOMING AREA 74 SPRING CONFERENCE/ASSEMBLY 2017 !!!!!!!

THANK YOU FOR LETTING ME BE OF SERVICE

DCM-District 22-
No Report

DCM-District 23

- ❖ As reported previously, effective January 2015 District 23 implemented its 2015 "District 23 Committee Meeting Schedule" for the year. Having 2/3 of the meetings in their original eastern location and 1/3 of the meetings now held in the western section of the district has proved beneficial to all involved, with attendance high in both locations.
- ❖ Our spring workshop entitled, "*Our Common Welfare – A.A. Workshop*" was presented on April 18th in Turtle Lake, WI. The turnout and support for this workshop went well beyond our most optimistic expectations, and we've received widespread appreciation for a job well done. Our collective "Thanks" goes out to all who presented and participated. We share the following statistics:
 - a) 70 A.A. Members attended the event on April 18th in Turtle Lake, WI
 - b) 10 Area 74 Districts were represented by individuals attending
 - c) 23 GSRs from the various districts were counted as present
 - d) 16 GSRs were participated in the "*GSR Round-Table Discussion*" 10 of whom were from District 23 (A pinch less than 50% of our "newly minted" GSRs since last June)
- ❖ Considerable discussion had ensued at the District and group levels regarding the Area 74 Delegate's Workshop and Assembly held during March 28th- 29th. We anticipated GSR participation to be around five. We had three GSRs and the DCM participating. This is somewhat of a "watershed" experience for District 23, whereas in the past only the DCM would show - on occasion - depending on who had been elected to that service position at the time.
- ❖ Since last June, the District has established two standing committees (Literature & Archives) with a third in the works (Grapevine), and one being considered for near-future (Public Information). District 23's DCM/Area 74

Archives Committee Member traveled to Crivitz, WI on May 9th in support of the Area 74/District 09 “Archives Workshop” held there.

- ❖ The District 23 Committee continues to reorganize and consolidate changes in its operational procedures to better help our groups achieve their primary purpose, and to help District 23’s standing committees’ achieve continuity and sustainability going into the future.
- ❖ District 23 has 54 meetings listed currently on the Area 74 website, and is up-dated monthly.

I thank District 23 and Area 74 for the opportunity to be of service to A.A.

Respectfully Submitted,

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DCM District 24

No Report