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Delegate's Corner

Greetings, My name is Char and I am an Alcoholic currently serving as your Panel 70 Area 74 Northern Wisconsin/Upper Michigan Delegate. I continue to be impressed by the work our Webmaster and Public Information (PI) Committee is doing with our website. We now have a new feature where people can send in an inquiry about a ride share to attend our events. The PI Committee will try to coordinate with people in the same vicinity as the requestor. I imagine this form can be used to make inquiries about potential room sharing at our Area Conferences also. I look forward to seeing what our committees have planned for the year.

In other news, I was assigned to the General Service Conference (GSC) committee on Literature. This was a surprise to me as it was not on my radar of possibilities as our Panel 66 Delegate served on this committee. So much for my best thinking. I continue to review the history from this committee starting in 1952 and have made it year 2000. Why year 1952 and not 1951? This is the year the GSC established its own Literature Committee. It is fascinating to review the development of our literature. The Delegate's Workshop is approaching quickly. Look for the back groups material to be released around February 15, 2020.

The other night I was listening to a fellow member of Alcoholic Anonymous share their experience with the meeting dynamics and their growing concern of lack of respect to the traditions specifically anonymity breaks and meeting behavior.

There is ongoing work in addressing anonymity on Social Media. Is it appropriate to post pictures of medallions and share our anniversary celebrations? This may not be an outright admission of our membership, yet this is a way in which we identify. We are fallible people and a bad day with a few comments could lead to a conclusion about our fellowship. Tradition Eleven states "Our public relations policy is based on attraction rather than promotion; we need always maintain personal anonymity at the level of press, radio and films". People often want to add Social Media to this statement. My first thought is who gives them that right- followed by don't they know what it takes to change one of our traditions? The argument that our founders had no idea about internet in my opinion is not sound. Bill was a visionary. His ideas and writings have carried our fellowship for plenty of years. When looking at what press, radio and film in their simplest terms and I must keep things simple to maintain my serenity. Is it not simply, written word, voice, and picture? Social Media is all three.

I heard a lady speak on panel about our common welfare as it related to meeting behavior. After listening to her, I had to take my own inventory and ask how my actions are seen in the eyes of the newcomer or the person who is struggling today. Do I engage in phone usage, side conversations, cross talk and any other disruptive behavior that takes away from someone hearing the message of hope that they do not have to ever drink again?

Gratitude and Service

Char V.

Panel 70 Area 74 Delegate

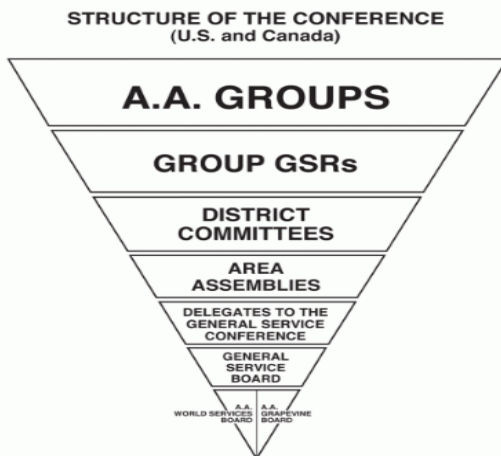
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From the Area Chair

Hello Area 74! Thank you Karen for sharing your experience with us in January so we can get to know each other better. It is my great pleasure to introduce our interviewee of the month, Renea. Now let's hear from Renea:

"Our Twelfth Step — carrying the message — is the basic service that the A.A. Fellowship gives; this is our principal aim and the main reason for our existence. Therefore, A.A. is more than a set of principles; it is a society of alcoholics in action. We must carry the message, else we ourselves can wither and those who haven't been given the truth may die." - from A.A.'s Legacy of Service by Bill W.



My experience with service

work began in early 2014 while I lived in Stevens Point, when my sponsor, Cynthia B., suggested I attend an Area Assembly held in Three Lakes. I was not fond of this idea, but I had no vehicle, friends or a job, so what did I have to lose? Upon arriving, I felt out of place. I was only a few months sober and clung to my sponsor like a security blanket. Everything – the people, language and format of how business was conducted - was completely unfamiliar. Since I did not have a voice, I was nominated to count the votes, and I remember being up at the poster board trying to write everything perfectly (this only included names...and tally marks...but it had to be spot-on.) Overall, it was a very humbling experience since I was not the smartest, most knowledgeable person in the room...not by a long shot. However, I kept coming back and continued to just listen, and the seed was planted.

I moved to Green Bay (District 01) in 2015 and found my Homegroup: Women in the Present held at 7pm at the Abby in De Pere. The meeting did not have a GSR or any other positions, so a brave, passionate member, Jill V., took on this role. When asked to be Alt-GSR, I recall seeing the G.S.R. pamphlet titled "General Service Representative: May Be the Most Important Job in A.A." What kind of alcoholic would I be to turn that down? After all, I am an egomaniac with an inferiority complex. So, for two years I was able to shadow Jill V. at district meetings, workshops, assemblies and conferences, which was incredibly beneficial because I slowly began to learn how the service structure worked.

Other service positions that I have filled include treasurer for my Homegroup and secretary for the 2018 Fall Conference held in District 01. (Currently, I answer phone calls through the A.A. Hotline, am a member of the Area Ad-Hoc Committee on the Efficiency, Effectiveness and Facilitation of Four Assemblies, and was recently voted in as 2019 District 01 Secretary.)

Service work is a key component to my recovery program. I get outside of my 'mountain making molehills' and feel a part of something much larger than myself. I find the history of how A.A. developed, along with how the concepts operate to keep our business meetings from turning political, very interesting. There is an immense amount of work that goes on behind the scenes to keep Bill W. and Dr. Bob's vision alive.

I have found that no other organization operates like A.A., and that A.A. is the place to make mistakes, and this is where I find solutions. You mess up, learn from it, and are provided support/encouragement to stay close to the fellowship. I can have a heated argument with another member over whether gambling should be allowed at certain events, and then see them the next day and we greet each other with a hug. As it states in Tradition Twelve, we are reminded "...to place principles before personalities." I may not agree with another member's opinion, but I have learned to respect others and to keep an open mind. This mindset has extended beyond the rooms of A.A. and I am able to apply it to other aspects of my life, and for that I will be eternally grateful for being given this opportunity to participate in service work.

I hope others, especially newcomers, read this article and see there are many ways to get involved – whether you have a few months or a few years. On page 561 of Alcoholics Anonymous, it asserts that "...no society of men and women ever had a more urgent need for continuous effectiveness and permanent unity. We alcoholics see that we must work together and hang together, else most of us will finally die alone."

In Service,

Dawn Marie M

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P.O. BOX 1191 Appleton, WI 54912-1191**

**Very Important!! Please include group number, group name,
and address of group location or point of contact**

**If there is only a group name and location, or contact address, please include this.
Thank You, Area 74 Treasurer treasurer@area74.org**

DATES TO REMEMBER 2020				
3/7/2020 Sat	Delegate's Workshop	Reiter Center	1858 S. Michigan St	Three Lakes, WI
4/4/2020 Sat	Spring Assembly	Reiter Center	1858 S. Michigan St	Three Lakes, WI
4/19 -4/25/2020	General Service Conference			Rye, NY
5/15 -17, 2020	Area 74 Spring Conference	AmericInn	3009 Lakeshore Dr	Ashland, WI
5/ 16 Sat	Area Assembly	AmericInn	3009 Lakeshore Dr	Ashland, WI
5/ 17 Sun	Area Committee Meeting	AmericInn	3009 Lakeshore Dr	Ashland, WI
7/2-5/2020	International Convention of AA	COBO Center (Downtown)		Detroit, MI
8/1/2020	Area Committee Meeting	Reiter Center	1858 S. Michigan St	Three Lakes, WI
9/11-9/13	Area 74 Fall Conference	Best Western Plus Eau Claire Conference Center		Eau Claire, WI
9/12/2020	Area Assembly	See Above		Eau Claire, WI
9/13/2020	Area Committee Mtg	See Above		Eau Claire, WI
10/24/2020	Area Assembly	Reiter Center	1858 S. Michigan St	Three Lakes, WI
12/12/2020	Area Committee Mtg	Reiter Center	1858 S. Michigan St	Three Lakes, WI

****NOTE FROM THE DELEGATE:** The servants of Area 74 are excited to provide the **dates for the Area 74 Service Structure**. We are lucky to live in an area that hosts many conferences, workshops and fellowship events. As your trusted servants, we sometimes miss the chance to participate in local events because they conflict with the service events you have entrusted us to conduct. We hope that, by providing the Area 74 service structure dates in early fall; they can be considered as you plan your service and fellowship events for the coming year. We look forward to seeing you.

NOTE FROM CO-EDITORS: We have combined the general events and the Area 74 Service Structure events into one calendar. **BOLD = AREA 74 events** UNBOLD = General AA events in our area

DISTRICT MEETINGS FEB 2020 LIST

DIST	DAY	DATE	TIME	LOCATION	
01	Thursday	13 th	6:30 PM	Central Office, 1720 Main St. #102	Green Bay, WI
2	Sunday	9 th	2:00 PM	Sherwood Comm Ctr/ Am Leg Park W389 Clifton Rd	Sherwood, WI
3	Thursday	13 th	5:30 PM	Alano Club 1210 E Grand Ave.	Wisconsin Rapids, WI
4	Thursday	6 th	7:00 PM	Peace Lutheran Church 293 S Main St.	Amherst, WI
5	Weds	12 th	6:45 PM	Menomonie Leisure Center, 1412 6th St E,	Menominee, WI
6				NO MEETING	
7	Sunday	16 th	5:00 PM	1st United Church of Christ 111 S.Second St	Colby, WI
8	Tuesday		7:00 PM	Mount View Care Center, 2400 Marshall St.	Wausau, WI
9	Sunday	2 nd	2:00 PM	Peace Church 208 E Mauer	Shawano, WI
10	Saturday	8 th	9:00AM	First United Methodist Church 724 Arbutus St	Rhineland, WI
11				<i>No information Available</i>	
12	Saturday	8 th	12:30PM	Alano Club 10339 South Florida Avenue	Hayward, WI
13	Monday	3 rd	5:00 PM	Chequamegon Bay Serenity Club, 310 Stuntz Ave	Ashland WI
14	Sunday	9 th	5:30 PM	Amery Legion Hall Memorial Dr	Amery, WI
15				<i>No information Available</i>	
16	Saturday		11:00am	Ontonagon United Methodist 109 Greenland	Ontonagon, MI
17	Monday	24 th	6:00 PM	Alano Club 105 W Fleshier St	Iron Mountain, MI
18	Saturday	8 th	11:00am	Marquette Hope United Methodist 111 E Ridge	Marquette, MI
19				<i>No information Available</i>	
20	Saturday	1 st	11:00am	United Methodist Church 1212 Morrison St	Germfask, MI
21	Thursday	6 th	6:30 PM	United Methodist Church 57235 Calumet Ave	Calumet, MI
22	Monday	3 rd	6:00 PM	Hope Church 141 N 12th Ave & Michigan St,	Sturgeon Bay, WI
23	Sunday	2 nd	6:30 PM	Spooner Health Ctr 1280 Chandler Dr	Spooner, WI
24	Weds	5 th	8:00 PM	Alano Club 411 E 2nd St S	Ladysmith, WI

DISTRICT MEETINGS MARCH 2020 LIST

DIST	DAY	DATE	TIME	LOCATION	
01	Thursday	12 th	6:30 PM	Central Office, 1720 Main St. #102	Green Bay, WI
2	Sunday	8 th	2:00 PM	Genesis Club 1213 Appleton St	Appleton, WI
3	Thursday	19 th	5:30 PM	Alano Club 1210 E Grand Ave.	Wisconsin Rapids, WI
4	Thursday	5 th	7:00 PM	Peace Lutheran Church 293 S Main St.	Amherst, WI
5	Weds	11 th	6:45 PM	Menomonie Leisure Center, 1412 6th St E,	Menominee, WI
6				NO MEETING	
7	Sunday	15 th	5:00 PM	2111 S Roddis Ave	Marshfield, WI
8	Tuesday	5 th	7:00 PM	Mount View Care Center, 2400 Marshall St.	Wausau, WI
9	Sunday	1 st	2:00 PM	First American Lutheran Church 511 Madison St	Oconto, WI
10	Saturday	14 th	9:00AM	First United Methodist Church 724 Arbutus St	Rhineland, WI
11				<i>No information Available</i>	
12	Saturday	15 th	12:30PM	Alano Club 10339 South Florida Avenue	Hayward, WI
13	Monday	2 nd	5:00 PM	Chequamegon Bay Serenity Club, 310 Stuntz	Ashland WI
14	Sunday	8 th	5:30 PM	New Richmond Alano Club 1448 N 4th St	New Richmond, WI
15				<i>No information Available</i>	
16				<i>No information Available</i>	
17	Monday	30 th	6:00 PM	Alano Club 105 W Fleshier St	Iron Mountain, MI
18	Saturday	14 th	11:00am	Party's Unlimited 106 N Main St	Ishpeming, MI
19				<i>No information Available</i>	
20				Check website at www.district20rea74aa.org	
21	Thursday	5 th	6:30 PM	United Methodist Church 57235 Calumet Ave	Calumet, MI
22	Monday	2 nd	6:00 PM	Hope Church 141 N 12th Ave & Michigan St,	Sturgeon Bay, WI
23	Sunday	1 st	6:30 PM	Spooner Health Ctr 1280 Chandler Dr	Spooner, WI
24	Weds	4 th	8:00 PM	Alano Club 411 E 2nd St S	Ladysmith, WI

The 2020 International Convention of Alcoholics Anonymous

(https://www.aa.org/pages/en_US/international-convention-2020)



The 2020 International Convention of Alcoholics Anonymous will be held July 2–5, 2020 in Detroit, Michigan with the theme “Love and Tolerance is our Code.” A.A. members and guests from around the world will celebrate A.A.’s 85th year at this event with big meetings held Friday night, Saturday night and Sunday morning in the Ford Field Stadium. Other meetings, scheduled or informal, will take place throughout the weekend in the COBO Center in downtown Detroit.

We know many are excited about the International Convention and eager for detailed information. As the time gets closer, additional information about the Convention and Detroit, our host city, will be provided.

This website will be updated as more information becomes available. Also watch for articles in our quarterly news bulletin, Box 4-5-9, which is mailed to the general service representative of every group in the U.S. and Canada listed with G.S.O. and is also posted on the website. Registration forms will be mailed in August 2019 to all G.S.R.s, central offices, intergroups and international G.S.O.s. Online registration will be available September 9, 2019, on aa.org. Advanced registration for the convention between September 9, 2019 and April 14, 2020 will be \$115.00 (USD) per attendee. Registration after April 15, 2020 will be \$140.00 (USD) per attendee. For further information please see the Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) on this same page.

We look forward to seeing you in Detroit!

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SPOTLIGHT ON THE DISTRICTS

DISTRICT 03

Hello and Welcome from District 3

District 3 covers much of Wood County and the greater Wisconsin Rapids, Nekoosa, and Port Edwards areas. We are centrally located in the state with the beautiful Wisconsin river, its subsidiaries, lakes, and streams covering the landscape. Much of the heritage of the territory is built around the large mill industry, and still is, but that has changed over the years while new growth and business becomes the new economic plan.

Currently the district hosts around 11 active groups with varying degrees of participation and most notably the district held the 2015 area fall conference at Hotel Mead in Wisconsin Rapids with success. We also have an active Alano Club which is the home to numerous meetings throughout the week, including a new women's group. It is also the home to our district meeting which is held every third Thursday at 5:30 pm. The district currently has (2) active GSR's, an incoming DCM, a treasurer, and a PI chair. We also have many active members of the A.A. community whom continually give support to the alcoholic who is still suffering and the newcomer. We have a growing base of people with sobriety stringing together months and years. All done one day at a time and we have been proud of our members as new people come into the rooms. It usually takes our service members about two and half hours to reach assemblies at Three Lakes and distances vary on spring and fall conferences.

We have been more recently working on developing a district summer picnic. Last year was our inaugural year and had to be postponed as devastating storms rolled through the central regions knocking down power lines and trees. The park in which we were scheduled was ultimately left in ruins. We are in the beginning stages of putting on a winter/spring traveling intergroup and we hope to develop that and have more information to follow. We host a Saturday evening speaker meeting presented by the Tuesday Night Working with Others Group that is held every 2nd Saturday of the month at St. Luke's church in downtown Wisconsin Rapids. We please encourage anybody to look for the upcoming events and meeting times on our website wiaadistrict3.org. We have been also working on adapting the meeting app to our website. Hopefully that service will be available soon!

Here in district 3 we are a group that continues to grow through action and faith, for faith without works is dead! We share our experience, strength, and hope with each other as we work together for the alcoholic who is still out there. We are not a glum lot that share and participate with our friends and partners from surrounding districts, towns, and groups. So come down and visit us or if your passing through stop and say "hello", but most importantly if you are an alcoholic who is looking for a solution welcome, come on in, and have a seat.

Thank you and yours in service,
Daniel S. DCM district 3.

DISTRICT 04

District 04 serves Portage County and Waupaca County, with 32 active meetings in 19 different locations. District 04 is rumored to have the second oldest meeting in the state, with archives dated back to 1954. Carl S., one of the founders of our first AA group, was the Panel 6 Delegate.

District 04 has members actively serving in Portage County Jail and Waupaca County Jail. District 04 also does intro to AA in the treatment center in Stevens Point. If you remember, District 04 recently hosted the 2019 fall conference in Waupaca.

Upcoming events for District 04: on October 17th there will be Safety Workshop with Madeline P who has been a keynote speaker for other safety workshops all around the country. (more details coming soon). There are also rumors of another Emotional Sobriety Workshop in the works. District 04 has a lot of new incoming district chairs and GSRs who are excited about carrying the message, and the service work included to do so.

See our website at www.aawidistrict04.org for a list of meetings, events and District 04 contact information.

Thank you
Greg G DCM 04

UPDATE FROM YOUR AREA 74 REGISTRAR

I did have an hour long training session Saturday morning with the folks from the records department at GSO. There was also someone from their IT department to help with technical questions. I will share what I learned;

- I now have a password and can get into the system to **VIEW ONLY**. The earliest that I will be able to modify/add data is the end of March 2020
- I will be able to view and download
 - Active groups
 - Inactive groups
 - Groups missing or invalid addresses or emails.
 - Groups by district. **I will getting this info early next week and forwarding to DCMs/ALTs and GSRs I am aware of. Please verify and correct as needed. If we work together we can try and get everything as accurate as possible.**
 - Officer information
 - GSR information
 - Other stuff
- They have a huge backlog on change forms to enter. They are about to mid-December of 2019. Anything after that is not yet recorded. I do believe they are working very hard and feel bad about the delays. They have some volunteers to help with the effort.
- Group numbers will be changing. All entities in the new system will have a NetSuite ID/Customer Number. DCMs, GSRs, Areas, Districts and Officers will all have a unique ID. Groups will also have an ID. The group numbers we are currently using are being referred as "Legacy IDs". Anything before April 5th 2019 will reflect both the legacy group number and the new NetSuite number. Anything after that date will only reflect the new number. I can help reconcile the two numbers when a problem arises. We will muddle through together.
- If you send a form directly into GSO and for some reason it just "gets lost" because there are just so many and because volunteers are doing some of the work (thank God for them), if I have a copy of that form I will be able to verify and fix. If I don't have a copy and they misplaced theirs then no one knows you exist. Please make sure I get a copy of everything. I can even handle getting it to GSO for you. But if you want to send it to them at least get me a copy.
- They are working very hard on getting out the kits due to various positions.

In service,

Dean C Area 74 Registrar

FROM THE NOW & THEN CO-EDITORS PERTAINING TO UPDATING THE ELECTRONIC MAILING LIST

ALL members and groups, Please send your updated email addresses to

area74newsletter@gmail.com or nowandthen@area74.org

as the newsletter is using the mailing list from Oct 2019 (the last available list from the GSO database) plus any updates we have been able to include from you in our mailing list. Until the Registrar has access to the database at GSO we have no other comprehensive list to access. Both the registrar and the Co-Editors are diligently working to get the information as up-to-date as possible but some of this is out of our control. Any help (patience & tolerance too please!!) you and your groups can provide is, and will be, greatly appreciated.

See the **UPDATE FROM THE AREA 74 REGISTRAR** in the article above

*****AREA74 MEMBERSHIP ARTICLES*****

FROM YOUR AREA 74 PUBLIC INFORMATION CHAIR

Hello everyone,

I am Danielle McDonald (Dani) and I am the incoming PI Chair. First, I would like to thank you following me to be of service, I am excited to begin this rotation. Thus far Lucas and I have been quite busy with the emails coming in and so I am writing into the Now and Then to ask all members who are incoming into their new positions to please check their emails. This is just to ensure the forwards have worked, if things have been too quiet then please check your spam folders.

Dean, the incoming Registrar has compiled a list of contact information with emails and gave that to Lucas our webmaster, he has the area 74 emails redirected to your personal emails. An example is if someone emails me at pi@area74.org that email gets forwarded to my Gmail account. The same will go for all DCM's and alt DCM's.

We have had a few emails from members in area 74 who have been trying to get into contact with someone at the area level and are not getting responses and in some cases, we have confirmed that the redirect has caused emails to go into junk or spam folders, so the email has gone unnoticed.

There have been emails sent out starting in December from Dean, I am hoping that everyone has been seeing these emails. One of the most recent emails (with most recent contact info) to everyone was done on Friday Jan 10th at 2:09pm. If you did not get that email, please check your spam, if not there please reach out to me and Lucas so we can help troubleshoot.

Thank you again for allowing me to be of service.

Sincerely,

Dani McDonald

PI Chair-Area 74

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U.P. TRAVELING INTERGROUP HISTORY

A little history of the U.P traveling Intergroup. I was a newcomer in 2003 when I went to my first Intergroup. I remember the average attendance was between 200 and 300 give or take the area that was hosting the event. As an individual from the Marquette area it was easy to attend these events because of the amount of people going to the Intergroups at that time; one could just ride along with others going to them I always looked forward to seeing them and learn how they were handling their service duties in their groups!

As I'm writing this letter and thinking, just how busy our lives have become in these last seventeen years, there isn't a day that my life is not richer because of my recovery. There is an old and wise saying in A.A. that says "an alcoholic in his/her head for too long needs help to get out of that prison;" so yes we need to stay busy, but let's not forget where we came from. Today, I am in a grateful recovery that I have a life that affords me the opportunity to do these things that keeps the "first drink" away from this alcoholic! With this said, I'm now going to look back over the Upper Peninsula's Intergroup from its beginnings in 1963

In "November of 1963 when Al G, a member from Iron Mountain wrote a letter to two alcoholics he knew from Ishpeming about how newcomers were having trouble getting through their weekends without "thinking drinking;" the letter was addressed to Bill "Bish "C and Joe T which led to the start of a monthly Saturday night meeting for members and guests that include almost all Al-Anons from around the U.P. hopefully to be hosted in turn by the dozen or so groups then scattered around the area of the U.P.! The first group to host the fledging event that they named "Intergroup" was the Hematite Group from Ishpeming on the 7th of December 1963 in its clubrooms where 40 to 50 people attending.

Over that past few years the Intergroups have declined in membership from a size ranging from two hundred or more attendees to as few as seventy or eighty. The program of Alcoholics anonymous has a responsibility statement, "I am responsible when anyone anywhere reaches out for help I want the hand of AA to be there and for that I am responsible;" our founding Fathers said, "this program is an all or nothing program" in the 1970's Bob H. stated that if Alcoholics Anonymous was to perish it would happen from "within."

I'm ending this letter to ask, "is our Traditions and Concepts not to be expressed in our service structure as well as our steps in our recovery?"

Thank you all,

Brian M.

8:00 pm Night Groups

At: Marquette Alano Club Sponsoring

February Intergroup

We serve:

Spaghetti and Meatballs

Salad

Garlic Toast

A dessert

We ask (if you can) please bring a dish to share

February 8th

Negaunee Community Center/ Township Hall

4 p.m. Corrections

5 p.m GSRs

6 p.m Dinner

7 p.m Speakers

We look forward to seeing you.

Area 74

Delegate's Workshop & Area Committee Meeting

Saturday, March 7, 2020

Reiter Center
1858 S. Michigan Street
Three Lakes, WI

- 9:00 AM Welcome by Delegate and Area Chair
- 9:30 AM Committees meet to discuss 2020 General Service Conference agenda items
- 12 Noon Lunch (on your own)
- 1:00 PM Workshop Committee Reports

Area Committee Meeting to follow

Came to Believe Group's 21st Anniversary Celebration

Where: St. Stephen's Church

512 McClellan St.

Wausau, Wisconsin 54401

When: Saturday, March 14, 2020

Dinner from 6:00 – 6:45 p.m.

Main dish provided

Please bring a dish to pass

7:00 - 7:15 p.m. Area 74 Service Speaker: Gloria O.

Main Speaker: 7:15 p.m.

Karen K.

From Iron Mountain, MI



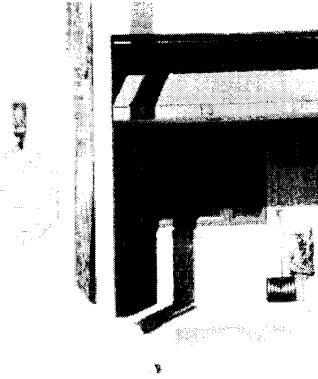
 This is a handicap accessible facility

Contact person: Bob D. (715) 297-7039

WINNEBAGO LAND CENTRAL OFFICE



1st Central Office
1st and Macy
Old Post Office Bldg.



2nd Central Office
14 E. 6th St.



Current Central Office
280 N Main St.

30TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Saturday March 28th, 2020

10:30am till 2:30pm

First Presbyterian Church

1225 Fourth Street

Fond du Lac, WI. 54935

KEYNOTE SPEAKER: CHAR V. FROM APPLETON, WI

Agenda: 10:30am to 11:00pm – Coffee & Registration

*11:00pm to 11:45pm - History of W.L.C.O. Beginnings in Fond du Lac
(March 1990 till present)*

11:45pm to 12:00pm - 12th Step Call to Central Office (Skit)

12:00pm to 1:00pm - Light Luncheon & Social Hour

(sandwiches, coffee, water & cake provided)

1:00pm to 1:30pm – “Our Office” - Groups 7th Tradition Responsibility

1:30pm to 2:30pm - Keynote Speaker

Please share a Snack or Dish to Pass

Questions or Inquiries - Contact Jeff Z. (920) 517-6219

2020 A VISION FOR YOU

AREA 74 2020 SPRING CONFERENCE

May 15-17, 2020

AmericInn, 3009 Lake Shore Dr. Ashland Wi

Phone: 715.682.9950

Rooms are \$115 plus tax, per night, double occupancy.

(hotel reservation deadline for price guarantee is April 15, 2020)

Friday Evening: AA Speaker-Panel 70 Delegate

Saturday: Area Assembly, topic panels, AI-Anon & AA speakers

Sunday Morning: Area Assembly & AA speakers

The Area 74 Alcoholics Anonymous Conference will include speakers and panels, Area 74 Assembly and Area 74 Committee meetings, a dinner banquet, DJ and dancing, ice cream social and alkathon.

AREA 74 2020 Spring Conference REGISTRATION FORM

Name _____ Registration Only _____ \$20 _____

Name on Badge _____ Add Banquet \$25 _____

Address _____ Total Enclosed _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

_____ Contact me about service opportunities _____ Special accommodations _____

For more information contact Marty L. (715)363-2418. Make checks payable to Area 74 Conference 2020, P.O. Box 996, Ashland, WI 54806

Additional Motel/Hotel Accommodations along US Highway 2 in/near Ashland WI 54806:

Best Western Chequamegon (distance from AmericInn 2.3 miles) 101 Lake Shore Drive W.
Ashland, WI 54806
(715) 682-9095

Website: https://www.bestwestern.com/en_US/book/hotels-in-ashland/best-western-the-hotel-chequamegon/propertyCode.50135.html

Super 8 Ashland (distance from AmericInn 3.4 miles) 1610 Lakeshore Dr. W.
Ashland, WI 54806
(715) 682-9377

Website: <https://www.wyndhamhotels.com/super-8/ashland-wisconsin/super-8-ashland-wi/overview>

Quality Inn Ashland (distance from AmericInn 5.0 miles) 30600 US 2
Ashland, WI 54806
(715) 682-5235

Website: <https://www.choicehotels.com/wisconsin/ashland/quality-inn-hotels/wi270?pmf=yext&mc=llyxyxpx> **Fast Food Restaurants driving West from AmericInn along US Highway 2/Lake Shore Drive in Ashland:**

Culvers (distance from AmericInn is 0.8 miles) 2101 Lake Shore Dr. E.
(715) 682-4045

Burger King (distance from AmericInn is 2.2 miles) 122 Lake Shore Dr. East

McDonalds (distance from AmericInn is 2.8 miles) 750 Lake Shore Dr. W.

Arbys
824 Lakeshore Dr. W. (distance from AmericInn is 2.8 miles)

Subway (distance from AmericInn is 2.8 miles) 901 Lake Shore Dr. W.

Restaurants driving West from AmericInn along US Highway 2/Lake Shore Drive in Ashland:

Breakwater Restaurant (distance from AmericInn is 1.0 miles) 1808 Lake Shore Dr. E.
(715) 682-8388 Open till 9pm

**SAVE THE
DATE**



**AREA 74
FALL CONFERENCE**

HOSTED BY DISTRICT 5

SEPTEMBER 11-13, 2020

BEST WESTERN PLUS

EAU CLAIRE, WISCONSIN

Speakers, panels, banquet!!

Area 74 Officers as of January 1, 2020 (Panel 70)

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HOW TO PRINT AND DISSEMINATE ISSUES OF THE NOW & THEN

We have heard much positive feedback about the electronic version of the Area 74 newsletter. The most frequent problem many groups are relaying to us is it takes too much paper/ink to print off copies of the monthly issues. We have been instructing members through direct correspondence on what to do and thought it might be beneficial to include methods to get the newsletter, or portions of it, to other members of the group(s).

Some suggestions:

1. Have individuals send an email to area74newsletter@gmail.com and they can be added to the distribution list for free and receive their own copy.
2. Distribute to other home group or AA members via email by forwarding the original email to them.
3. Update the Group Information (new GSR or Contact) with the Area 74 Registrar by submitting a Group Change Form and getting the group info updated. If your updated info includes an email address, your group will receive an electronic version automatically. If no email is submitted, the Registrar will provide information on how to proceed.
4. Print off the whole electronic version in Black & White to save cost
5. Print off the portions of the newsletter the group would like to have in hard copy. Almost every printer has the option to print off only certain pages of a document.

Ex. The Group decides to only print information directly attributed to the communication between the Group and the Area Committee, and to print copies of Area 74 Conference fliers.

Instructions: a. Select 'Print'

- b. Under PAGES Click on 'From' Add page to start Ex. 1
Click on 'To' Add page to end Ex. 9

OR if not consecutive pages

- c. Under PAGE RANGE Enter page numbers or page ranges separated by commas (e.g. 1-3,6,8,10-12,17,18) thus eliminating unwanted pages.

6. Use the Enrollment Form and pay the \$25 subscription fee to receive an abridged version. We hope sharing these options helps in distributing the Now & Then, your written communication vehicle between the Area Committee and your group individual members of Area 74 .

YOUR ASSISTANCE WILL BE GREATLY APPRECIATED!!!!

FROM THE NOW & THEN CO-EDITORS PERTAINING TO UPDATING THE ELECTRONIC MAILING LIST

ALL members and groups, Please send your updated email addresses to

area74newsletter@gmail.com or nowandthen@area74.org

as the newsletter is using the mailing list from Oct 2019 (the last available list from the GSO database) plus any updates we have been able to include from you in our mailing list. Until the Registrar has access to the database at GSO we have no other comprehensive list to access. Both the registrar and the Co-Editors are diligently working to get the information as up-to-date as possible but some of this is out of our control. Any help (patience & tolerance too please!!) you and your groups can provide is, and will be, greatly appreciated.

AREA 74 NEWSLETTER SUBSCRIPTIONS STAY CONNECTED TO AREA NEWS, INFORMATION, AND MORE!

ELECTRONIC SUBSCRIPTIONS: (NO COST)

Please send a request via email to with your contact information to area74newsletter@gmail.com.
The Now & Then will be emailed to you monthly at no cost*.

HARD COPY SUBSCRIPTIONS: (\$25.00 for 12 issues)**

If you would like to have a hard copy of the Now & Then mailed monthly to your home. Please mail a check made out to CASH along with a completed enrollment form to the following address:

**Now & Then
P.O. Box 192
Sturgeon Bay, WI 54235**

***Every group and Area Committee Position within Area 74 receives the Now & Then via email at no cost. No need for GSRs to subscribe.**

****IF a group, and none of its members, has NO ability to receive a copy electronically, Area 74 will provide a hardcopy subscription at no cost to the group.**