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Delegate's Corner

Greetings Area 74,

Only one thing to report on any AA related activities. On the 29th I met online with the outgoing Chair and Alternate Chair for the Conference Committee on Agenda. The reason for the meeting was to pass on some of their experience to the new Chairperson, Mitchell Brown from Area 09 and the Alternate Chairperson, myself.

I recently returned from a trip out east with my wife. The reason I am able to enjoy a vacation with my wife (I am still married and enjoy my wife's company) is because of AA. The events in AA history are links in a chain that lead to my present-day life. For me, there is some form of spiritual connection when I contemplate certain aspects of the past, whether it is AA History or my own. Every time I walk out of my home group meeting, I look at a statue in a park across the street from the church. When I was in college, my buddies and I emptied out a garbage can and put it on the statue's head. We did that on a regular basis. We thought we were being funny, but we were actually vandals. That part of my history helps to remind me that I need to follow the principles of recovery laid out in the Twelve Steps. While on the previously mentioned trip I took the time to visit the grave sites of Ebby Thatcher and Bill Wilson. When Ebby visited Bill at his home on Clinton St, that was a link in a chain of events that lead to my recovery. Being grave side at both locations had a spiritual effect on me, I felt connected to that chain of service.

For some individuals, the events in the past may not be as important to them as it is to me, and that is OK. We are all on the same path, but each of us will take different roads on the way.

In grateful service

Bryon B Delegate Panel 72 Area 74

715-579-5820

delegate@area74.org

Send Area 74 Contributions To: Area 74 Treasury

PO Box 171 Manistique, MI 49854

**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

FROM THE AREA 74 ALTERNATE DELEGATE/ AREA CHAIR

Hello Friends of Bill!

Holy Smokes it is August! Where is the time going?! I hope your summer is bringing you joy, cook-outs, time with friends and family and some great recovery! I am looking forward to attending the 2022 Illinois State Conference & East Central Regional Conference with our Delegate and our Assembly and ACM are just around the corner.

I met with our hybrid tech team and Bryon B and purchased the hybrid equipment. A few more items will need to be purchased and a full report will be given at the September Assembly – the initial purchase was \$3,364.96. We will be conducting a test run in early August and will be up and running for our September Assembly and Area Committee Meeting.

I want to thank the District 5 PI Committee for giving me the opportunity to work the booth at the Northern Wisconsin State Fair. I had some great interactions with newly sober people who had yet to be to their first meeting.

Be well and see you all soon!

Nicholas Stabenow-Schneider
Area 74 Alt-Delegate / Area Chair
414-803-9906

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PLEASE SEND ITEMS, ARTICLES, DISTRICT NEWS, STANDING COMMITTEE ARTICLES, GROUP OPINIONS AND OTHER ITEMS FOR INCLUSION IN THE UPCOMING ISSUES OF YOUR AREA 74 NEWSLETTER

Refer to www.area74.org for the most up to date info on AA and COVID19 ramifications

DATES TO REMEMBER 2022		
8/6/2022	Area Committee Mtg	Cancelled
9/16-9/18/2022	Area 74 Fall Conf	No Bids for hosting
9/17/2022	Area 74 Assembly	TBD
9/18/2022	Area Committee Mtg	TBD
10/29/2022	Area 74 Assembly	Reiter Center 1858 S. Michigan St Three Lakes, WI
12/10/2022	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

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ZOOM info for all Area 74 Service Meetings:

Meeting ID: 841 1096 5882

Passcode: 1212144

One tap mobile

+16465588656,,84110965882# US (New York)

+13017158592,,84110965882# US (Washington D.C)

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84110965882?pwd=OWJScFNFRmhGSFI4ZEIYbkFYVGY0Zz09>

AREA 74 ARCHIVIST POSITION OPENING

AREA 74 HAS AN OPENING FOR A DEDICATED MEMBER TO SERVE AS AREA 74 ARCHIVIST.

Section 10.00 The Area Archivist will be a non-rotating member of the Area Archives Committee; will be responsible for the collection, the documents, and artifactual items of Area 74; takes care of and maintains the physical integrity or condition of the collection; develops finding aids, so as to add to the collection; is responsible for ensuring the protection of members and the confidentiality of all AA records. An AA Archivist is the “keeper of the past.” The Archives Committee using the Archives workbook as a guide will select the Archivist and recommend to the Area Assembly for approval.

CHECK WITH YOUR DCMs & OTHER TRUSTED SERVANTS FOR CURRENT INFO**DISTRICT MEETING Aug 2022 LIST**

DIST	DAY	DATE	TIME	LOCATION	
1	Thursday	2nd Thur	6:30 PM	Zoom Green Bay, WI	
2	Sunday	2nd Sun	2:00 PM	St Paul's Chrch 410 Wallace	Combined Locks, WI
3	Thursday	3rd Thur	5:30 PM	Alano Club 1210 E Grand Ave. Zoom info wiaadistrict3.org	Wisconsin Rapids, WI
4	Thursday	1st Thur	7:00 PM	Peace Lutheran Church 293 S. Main St	Amherst, WI
5	Weds	2nd Wed	6:45 PM	Zoom ID 829 0126 1204 PW district05	
6	Thursday	3 rd Thur	7:45 PM	Club 76	Chippewa Falls
7	Sunday	3 rd Sun	5:00 PM	2111 S. Central Ave. Marshfield	
8	Thursday	1 st Thur	7:00 PM	Wausau Alano Club 711 McClellan St	Wausau, WI
9	Sunday	1 st Sun	2:00 PM	Peace United Church, 208 E. Maurer St. Shawano, WI	
10	Saturday	2 nd Sat	9:00AM	1st United Methodist 724 Arbutus contact DCM for Zoom	Rhineland, WI
11				No information Available	
12	Saturday	1 st Sat	12:30 PM	Hayward Serenity Club, 10339 S Florida Ave & Zoom Hayward, WI	
13	Monday	1 st Mon	5:00 PM	Chequamegon Bay Serenity Club 310 Stuntz Ave. Ashland, WI	
14	Sunday	2 nd Sun	5:30 PM	American Legion Hall, Memorial Drive Amery, WI	
15				No information Available	
16				No information Available	
17	Monday	Last Sun	6:00 PM	105 W Fleshiem Iron Mountain, WI	
18	Saturday	13th	11:00 AM	106 N Main St Ishpeming, MI	
19				No information Available	
20	Thursday	1 st Thur	11:00 AM	United Methodist Church, 1212 Morrison St Germfask, MI	
21	Tuesday	1 st Tues	6:00 PM	Portage Lake United Church, 1400 E. Houghton Ave Houghton, MI	
22	Thursday	1st Thur	6:00 PM	115 Club 115 N. 5th Ave Sturgeon Bay, WI	
23	Weds	1st Wed	5:00 PM	Shell Lake Alano Club 267.807.9601 PW 983009# Shell Lake, WI	
24	Weds	1 st Wed	8:00 PM	Alano Club 411 E 2nd St S Ladysmith, WI	

DISTRICT MEETING Sept 2022 LIST

DIST	DAY	DATE	TIME	LOCATION	
1	Thursday	2nd Thur	6:30 PM	Zoom Green Bay, WI	
2	Sunday	2nd Sun	2:00 PM	1 st United Methodist 2300 w Wisconsin Kaukauna, WI	
3	Thursday	3rd Thur	5:30 PM	Alano Club 1210 E Grand Ave. Zoom info wiaadistrict3.org	Wisconsin Rapids, WI
4	Thursday	1st Thur	7:00 PM	Peace Lutheran Church 293 S. Main St	Amherst, WI
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7	Sunday	3 rd Sun	5:00 PM	2111 S. Central Ave. Marshfield	
8	Thursday	1 st Thur	7:00 PM	Wausau Alano Club 711 McClellan St	Wausau, WI
9	Sunday	Sept 11	2:00 PM	1 st American Lutheran 511 Madison St Oconto, WI	
10	Saturday	2 nd Sat	9:00AM	1st United Methodist 724 Arbutus contact DCM for Zoom	Rhineland, WI
11				No information Available	
12	Saturday	1 st Sat	12:30 PM	Hayward Serenity Club, 10339 S Florida Ave & Zoom Hayward, WI	
13	Monday	1 st Mon	5:00 PM	Chequamegon Bay Serenity Club 310 Stuntz Ave. Ashland, WI	
14	Sunday	2 nd Sun	5:30 PM	New Richmond Alano Club 1448 N 4th Street New Richmond, WI	
15				No information Available	
16				No information Available	
17	Monday	Last Sun	6:00 PM	105 W Fleshiem Iron Mountain, WI	
18	Saturday	10th	11:00 AM	106 N Main St Ishpeming, MI	
19				No information Available	
20	Thursday	1 st Thur	11:00 AM	United Methodist Church, 1212 Morrison St Germfask, MI	
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9/17/22 Assembly & 9/18/22 ACM

**The 9/17/22 Assembly will happen at the Quality Inn in Rhinelander.
9:00am – 5:00pm**

**The 9/18/22 ACM will happen at the Quality Inn in Rhinelander.
8:00am – 10:00am**

Hybrid Zoom Meeting ID: 841 1096 5882 Passcode: 1212144

**Quality Inn Hotel
668 West Kemp Street
Rhinelander, WI 54501
Hotel rooms are \$89.99 + tax – Ask for Area 74**

This provides great opportunity for Area Committees, Districts, and others to informally gather and plan some Area Events, activities, etc!

**Questions: Nicholas S
Alt-Delegate /Area Chair
414-803-9906**

Area 74 Spring Conference Assembly Saturday May 21, 2022
AmericInn Lodge & Suites Ashland, WI MINUTES

Meeting opened at 9:00 am. New GSR's & DCM's introduced themselves.

Roll Call: *Area Officers:* Area Chair, Delegate, Secretary, Registrar, Treasurer.

Committee Chairs: Corrections MI, Finance, Grapevine, Now & Then, Literature, PI, CPC

DCM's: 1,2,4,5,6,7,8,9,10,12,13,20

Area Chair, Nicholas recognized past Delegates at the Assembly: Panel 59-Torv T, 56-Jeff C, 62-Marty L, 68-Sara P, 70-Char V.

Attendance: 43 in person, 21 Zoom = 64

Secretary-Minutes from Area 74 Assembly 04/09/22 were approved with the following amendment: regarding the use of the word, 'accessibility', change sentence to 'meeting' in the motion for hybrid meetings: "Barb S. stated that the hybrid format is especially helpful for District 10 due to the large area of the district and distance between meetings, the number of people with physical limitations, weather unpredictability and many newcomers with permanent driver's license revocations. All these groups are using zoom successfully."

Area Officer Reports- *Secretary*-Terri B. no report *Registrar*-Kathy no report
Delegate-Bryon (See APPENDIX I)

*Bryon gave his report from his week @ General Service Conference. He listed ways he disseminated his report to Area 74 members. He read his report and spoke of his experiences during the week he was in New York. He spoke about the Floor Actions that he observed & participated in and gave his personal of what happened. He gave background and perspective. The report could be seen on the TV and big screen in the room. He showed pictures from his trip. During the meeting @ the GSC, Bryon was elected to the *Conference Committee on Agenda*.

At the end of the report, Bryon held a question & answer session. Some of the questions were regarding Grapevine Literature. Some didn't know the books were available online. **Char** Grapevine Chair, wanted to know more about the 12 Traditions Illustrated pamphlet. Last year a vote was taken to keep the current version but apparently a vote was taken again. Bryon will follow up as to why.

Kevin CPC Chair re: Policy & Admissions, wants to know how they're moving the assignment locations for the GSC? Bryon said he doesn't know what the Spiritual implications will be. Bryon thinks it may have to do with the historical sites. Grant wants to know why they changed the approval process for visitors from other countries who want to attend the GSC? The time it takes causes logistical concerns for those who need to make flight reservations and rooms. He thinks they should streamline the process. Bryon indicated he didn't know. Char (who was the Delegate in the last cycle) chimed in that those visitors don't have a voice at the GSC. There was a vote to allow them a voice but it was voted down at the 71st General Conference. Bryon indicated that he didn't remember anything being brought up. Char asked Bryon to investigate it and ask some questions.

*Bryon then read & discussed Floor Actions #1-9

**Around the Picnic Table Presentation* 2021 GSO Financial Highlights. This is included in the OneDrive that Bryon sent to all Area members. Discussion ensued:

Sara P. asked about online contributions...are we losing the power of the purse? The treasurer indicated that online contributions are not pushed. Sara said it should be tracked because online contributions are changing our whole financial structure. Bryon asked if an Agenda Item could

be made for next year? Char indicated that there is \$10 Million+ in 7th Tradition contributions and traditionally there had been a pie graph that indicates individual vs. group contributions. Bryon will try to find the information on the breakdown of the comparisons that will add up to a total amount. Huge concern in the Power of the Purse. Will group contributions be wiped out by individuals. That's very concerning.

Treasurer's Report- Alt. Treasurer Brent, gave the report in Dean's absence. Brent reported that the balance in the checking account is \$47,221.11. Q. On the Treasurer's report, Question: What is included in 'Other miscellaneous expenses' on the Treasurer's report? Answer: The check from Washington Island that was discussed at the April Assembly and voted to return that check.

VACANCIES:

1. Structures and Guidelines confirmation of Committee Chair, Marybeth S. who was nominated & chosen in Committee. It was 2nd at the Area. All in favor. Passed

2. IT Team confirmation with Shannon and Brian, 2nd, All in favor! Passed

3. There is a vacancy for the Treatment & Accessibilities Chair. Please take it to your Groups and we will take it up at the next Area Assembly in September.

4. There is an Area 74 Vacancy for Archivist. The Archives Committee Chair (not here today) must nominate the Archivist. We can take it up @ September Assy.

District 18 explains their Motion, "*I move to amend Article III Section 8 (page 8) The Area Treasurer and Article IV Section 9.00 (page 10) The Finance Committee to include the wording, 'Contributions received by the Area to cover the expenses of Area 74.'* (See **APPENDIX III** for background information)

**The Finance Committee wants you to take this Motion back to your groups: In Article 4 of the Area Guidelines, spell out bullet points for creating the budget.

Conference Updates:

WICYPAA Conference Chair, Kafu- First full weekend in January 2023 in Eau Claire @ the Lismore Hotel. \$10 Registration. If there are questions, contact Kafu at chair@wicypaa.org

Area 74 Spring Conference 2023, Radisson Hotel, Green Bay. District 01 will host on May 19, 20, 21. Lauren estimated that Registration will be between \$12-\$15 & that it will be a hybrid event. They will begin their planning meetings in May 2022.

Fall Conference 2023 & Spring Conference 2024-Bring this information back to your Districts for discussion.

MEETING ENDED @ 3:10 PM

APPENDIX I - DCM Reports May 22, 2022

District 09 DCM Report from May 22, 2022

District 09 continues to revise and update our website as needed. We are grateful for Todd's patience and persistence.

Attendance at District meetings is stable, but we are still in need of several committee chairs and a District Secretary.

The District Meeting attendees are working with their groups to attempt to find more things that could possibly become events. The BS Intergroup in Shawano has received a nudge from us to do it again in the Fall. Last year was a small but successful event and we are hoping to build on that.

We are getting discussion from our GSRs about how AA is changing. Consensus is that almost any changes are unpopular. The refrain is "keep it simple" and "stick with the basics."

District 01 DCM Report May 22, 2022

We meet on the 2nd Thursday of every month at 6:30pm at Nativity Church in Ashwaubenon. This meeting is hybrid.

We had our District 01 Intergroup on April 2 at Redeemer Lutheran Church in Green Bay and it was a huge success! About 160 people signed in, but we think there was close to 200 people in attendance. It was a great evening of fellowship and amazing speakers sharing our common solution.

Our events chair is currently looking into places to book a summer picnic.

The two positions we currently have open are CPC/PI and Bridging the Gap. Our past CPC/PI chair said she is still willing to help us with our radio ads that play around big drinking holidays that help direct people to our website greenbayaa.org.

District 12 Report - 5/22/2022

Greetings, I'm Tom W., DCM for District 12 in NW Wisconsin. At this time, there are 22 in-person meetings and no known virtual or hybrid meetings being held in the district. Generally, attendance has increased lately as snowbird AA members and visitors return to our communities. The district service meeting is normally held at 9:30 AM on the first Saturday of the month at the Hayward Serenity Club and on Zoom. All of the district officer positions are currently filled; however, the alternate DCM position is not filled and vacancies exist in CPC, Literature and Archives committees. The district maintains a Website and Helpline. Financially, the district is sound. Meetings are being held for women at the Sawyer County Jail; however men's meetings are not happening due to a shortage of volunteers to lead the meetings. A recovery dinner and speaker event is normally held the last Saturday of the month at the Hayward Serenity Club. The events have been popular and well-attended since being reinstated earlier this year. The May event has been cancelled due to concurrence with the Memorial Day holiday weekend. Several AA members from the district attended the Spring Conference in Ashland where district AA members helped with the hospitality room and conducted a panel session on Unity.

DISTRICT 02-My name is Kendra, addict and alcoholic, serving as DCM for District 02. We serve central Wisconsin counties: Calumet, Winnebago, Outagamie, and parts of Shawano, Brown, and Waupaca. We have 121 registered AA groups in our footprint.

Our monthly district meetings are held on the second Sunday of the month starting at 2:00pm CST.

Currently our district meetings are held hybrid with physical location rotating among our six sub-districts (A, B, C, D, E, F). We are the only district in Area 74 with Local Committee Members (LCMs) to assist the DCM in visiting the AA groups. We have five open service positions: (4) LCMs and Alt-DCM.

In April, I received the sad news that our Alt-DCM passed away unexpectedly. I am grateful for the support of our fellow AAs who reached out, prayed and attended funeral services. His widow and children extended their appreciation.

In my travels throughout the district to visit our extensive meeting list and share communication, most groups welcome my presence. My goal is to remain open, share information, build relationships and help if needed – I am definitely not the AA police, lol. I am grateful to meet more AAs, get out of my comfort zone and most importantly hear their messages of hope.

Seymour Intergroup is Saturday, June 25, 2022 at Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 349 N Main St, Seymour. Doors open at 4:00p, dinner at 6:00p, speakers at 7:00p.

The Moose & Goose Corrections Literature Benefit is coming back! This is a one-night event that has speakers who have lived experience behind the walls of corrections - former inmates. Raffle drawings, door prizes, potluck, and fellowship.

Donations are used to purchase AA literature for corrections facilities in the state of Wisconsin and Upper Michigan – Area 74 & Area 75. Seeking volunteers to create a planning committee for this beloved event.

Please email your NAME & PHONE to corrections@district02aa.org. The first planning committee meeting is Saturday, June 18, 2022 at 12:00p at the Genesis Club in Appleton.

Zoom ID: 817 833 3315 Passcode: 731684 Dial in by phone (312) 626-6799.

Stay Close, Kendra R., DCM District 02, Area 74, Rule 62 Advocate

District 5 Report

*Meeting on the second Wednesday of every month

*10 active GSRs participating

*Studying the concepts

*Working on printable meeting lists

*Jail meetings beginning in Dunny County (Menomonie)

*Panel (corrections) in April at Eleva Step Group Traveling Potluck

*WICYPAA 30 in January

*Easter event and “Working with Others” panel with Madison bid committee

*Panel at Spring Conference

*Recovery on the River Jamboree October 7-9 “The Fellowship You Crave”

*Speakers from Toronto, Kansas, Kentucky, Eau Claire

*Pancake Feed June 12 9-noon

*CPC position open

DISTRICT 20: My name is Rich and I am an alcoholic, serving as the DCM of District 20. Our district covers four counties and over 3000 square miles. We hold our District meetings usually on the first Saturday of the month. Our website is up-to-date and we have a hotline available.

We have 18 registered meetings in our District, of which 17 are active. All meetings are in person. Attendance is starting to rise as our seasonal members are arriving back north.

We are short a couple of Committee Chairs, as well as a Secretary. Minutes have been and will continue to be taken by a volunteer until this position is filled.

We are planning a potluck/speaker event for this fall - possibly integrated with the UP traveling Intergroup. Details will be provided when finalized.

With Gratitude,

Rich M. District 20 DCM

District 13

District 13 is located in Ashland and Bayfield Counties of North Wisconsin. The District Committee meeting is usually held on the 1st Monday of each month at 5:00 pm. The Chequamegon Bay Serenity Club is no longer active, and the district moved to PIRC Partners In Recovery Club. Due to the PIRC being closed for the Covid 19 pandemic, the district was using alternative sites to meet. The PIRC might reopen May 30, 2022

Meeting Schedule: There are 22 Monday thru Sunday meetings. 1 seasonal meeting that meets in the warm season. Since March 2020 some groups and meetings were inactive. Some meetings met and still meet by zoom or hybrid.

Financial: Financial situation is that the district is maintaining a positive financial balance.

Phone “Hot Line” (715) 682-4460: There has calls about what and where meetings are meeting and how to use zoom. The District is looking for a replacement to answer the hotline.

Corrections: There has been no meetings at either Ashland or Bayfield County jails.

Bayfield County Jail: The woman’s meeting is inactive and was held on Thursdays. The men’s meeting was held on Thursdays and is now inactive.

Ashland County Jail: The women’s meetings are inactive. The men’s meeting is inactive and was held on Wednesdays 3:30pm.

Elections: The District held elections October 2021 and mentions each month about open committee positions.

Current filled positions are: District Committee Member, Alternate Committee Member, Treasurer and Secretary. Some of the positions are filled by same person as the district committee is small in numbers.

Area 74 AA Organization: The district members advise of the agenda items that occurs and does an overview of the agenda items as needed. Also reviewed and some items were discussed about the GSC agenda items.

May 2022 Conference: The District 13 is hosting the May 20th, 21st, 22nd, 2022 spring conference and was approved by the Area 74 Assembly. We have booked the motel for the three days needed for the conference.

The caterer has been selected. The Disc Jockey has been secured for entertainment. Seed money \$2,000 has been received. More discussions were done to get the whole conference together.
End of report

DCM Report **District 10**

All committee positions at our district have been filled. Committee chairs are enthusiastic in their duties. Other district members are involved with the various committees.

This is important as each committee can be helpful working together. There is good support for the committees.

As I have been attending the various meeting in District 10, I have been asking some groups about the possibility of hosting a district meeting. District members are in agreement with this.

Yours in service,
Joanne S.
DCM, District 10

APPENDIX III MOTIONS

District 13 Motion for Workshop/Sharing Sessions

Motion

Each Area 74 Officer, Area Committee Chair and available Committee Members plan and facilitate one Area 74 District workshop/sharing session per year, beginning in January 2023.

Background

Part of the scope of the Area Committee is to promote the growth and harmony of the Area.

Workshops/sharing sessions can better inform and engage District options to carry the message of recovery to the suffering alcoholics.

For the Officers and Committees to be proactive in supporting the Districts and Groups, this new policy will provide information and options to enhance engagement in reaching alcoholics locally and increase A.A. member involvement.

Currently having significant Area funds to facilitate thee events, the appropriate Committee budgets can be adjusted for consideration at a 2022 Area Assembly as presented by the Finance Committee.

The Area will cover the costs of these workshop/sharing sessions, including but not limited to travel, rent, supplies and lodging=(if necessary) .Assignments of which Districts each Officer/Committee will be responsible for can be charged to the Area Committee or other manner to be determined. Officers and Committee Chairs will communicate with the Districts they are assigned for date and location of the workshops/sharing sessions. The efficacy and adjustments to the policy will be evaluated at the April 2024 Area Committee Meeting and report to the following Assembly their findings. The goal of this policy is greater positive action and interaction between the Area servants and Districts to carry our spiritual message of recovery to the alcoholics not yet reached.

This motion of change in policy is drafted and supported by District 13 for the greater good of Area 74 service and 12 step opportunities.

District 13, Area 74

Sunny L. DCM,
Terry M. Secretary,
Adam G. GSR
Marty L. Past Delegate

TITLE: District 18 - Area 74 to spend Area Contributions within the Area

Background Material

The groups in District 18 have been discussing the Area 74 contribution of \$5,000.00 to G.S.O. for a year now. Initially the discussion centered around the contribution itself. Could the Area contribute to G.S.O.? According to the Service Manual the Area can contribute to G.S.O.

Service Manual - Chapter 10 The Board's Operating Corporations. Section A.A. World Services, Inc. In this section there is a heading FINANCIAL SUPPORT. In the fourth paragraph there is a sentence which states: "In keeping with the Seventh Tradition, G.S.O. accepts contributions only from A.A. members, groups or other A.A. entities (for example, delegate areas, districts, A.A. Conventions, A.A. Roundups, Intergroup/Central Offices)." Then it became about the groups intention for contributing to the Area. The groups intended for their contribution to be used for Area Business. Which is not what happened. As a result of the statement below we do not think the Area should send group contributions to G.S.O. If G.S.O. felt the need for financial support, they would notify the groups about the issue.

SM F-196 "If a situation arose where the expressed need could not be met by G.S.O.'s resources alone, we would contact local A.A. groups and ask for additional help. This has not occurred to date."

In the Area 74 Guidelines it is already stated that the Treasurer will issue checks for the expenses of the Area. This motion would be more specific about the distribution of the group's contributions. Area 74 Guidelines Page 8, Article 3, Section 8 "The Treasurer issues drafts in the name of Area 74, counter-signed by the Area Co-Treasurer or Area Delegate, to cover the expenses of the Area."

AREA 74 BUDGET REQUEST

January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023

Position or Title _____ Date _____

Name _____

Address _____

AREA OFFICER AND COMMITTEE EXPENSES (YEARLY)

Travel (from Travel and Expense Worksheet)	\$ _____
Postage:	\$ _____
Copies:	\$ _____
Office Supplies:	\$ _____
Service Material, Workbooks, etc:	\$ _____
Other: (Specify: Committee Member Travel, Workshops)	\$ _____
Other _____	\$ _____
Other _____	\$ _____
Other _____	\$ _____
Officer and Committee Expenses SUB-TOTAL:	\$ _____

SPECIAL EVENTS *(Line item is accounted for in the other expenses section of the budget. If you plan to attend one or both events, add \$75.00 to the appropriate line below)*

East Central Regional Forum (Odd Numbered Years)	\$ _____
East Central Regional Conference	\$ _____
Special Events Subtotal:	\$ _____

OTHER ITEMS NOT COVERED OR LISTED THAT PERTAIN TO YOUR POSITION

_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
Other Items Subtotal:	\$ _____

TOTAL BUDGET REQUEST \$ _____

Recommended Budget Request by Finance Committee \$ _____

Comments: _____

Main Menu

**Revenue & Expense by Month
Area 74 Treasury 2022**

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
Revenue													
Group Contributions	2,694.23	2,669.55	739.50	2,742.44	1,680.67	1,739.26	-	-	-	-	-	-	12,265.65
Personal Anniversary	-	-	-	132.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	132.00
Interest Income	-	-	5.53	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.53
Refreshment Contributions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Seed Money Return	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Spring Conference Gain/Loss	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Seed Money Return	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fall Conference Gain/loss	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Revenue	2,694.23	2,669.55	745.03	2,874.44	1,680.67	1,739.26	-	-	-	-	-	-	12,403.18

Officer / Chair / Committee Expenses

Delegate	1,000.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,000.00
Area Chair-Alt Delegate	-	-	371.79	114.00	480.06	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	965.85
Treasurer	-	-	174.38	202.63	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	377.01
Registrar	-	-	174.38	132.63	377.56	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	684.57
Secretary	-	-	-	-	208.78	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	208.78
Archives	-	-	-	60.54	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	60.54
Corrections Committee MI	-	-	-	60.00	369.91	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	429.91
Corrections Committee WI	-	-	-	-	556.93	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	556.93
CPC Committee	-	-	-	110.00	336.38	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	446.38
Finance Committee Expenses	118.42	200.00	223.78	439.96	376.78	105.58	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,464.52
Grapevine Committee	-	-	30.00	60.00	216.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	306.00
Literature Committee	-	-	65.00	65.00	440.56	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	570.56
Now & Then Committee	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Public Information Committee	265.15	-	35.00	35.00	390.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	725.15
Struc & Guide Committee	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Treatment Committee	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Officer / Chair / Committee	1,383.57	200.00	1,074.33	1,279.76	3,752.96	105.58	-	-	-	-	-	-	7,796.20

Other Expenses

Seat Delegate	1,800.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,800.00
Registrar internet	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Assembly & ACM rent	-	-	150.00	388.50	329.07	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	867.57
Assembly & ACM expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Conference seed money	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other\Misc Expenses	-	-	-	1,052.72	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,052.72
ECR Conference	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
ECR Trustee Travel (Election Assembly)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
East Central Regional Forum	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Conf. of Delegates past/present Trustee election every 4 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
International Convention	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
International Convention Hospitality Room donation	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sec/Reg computer/onetimeexpens	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Other Expenses	1,800.00	-	150.00	1,441.22	329.07	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,720.29



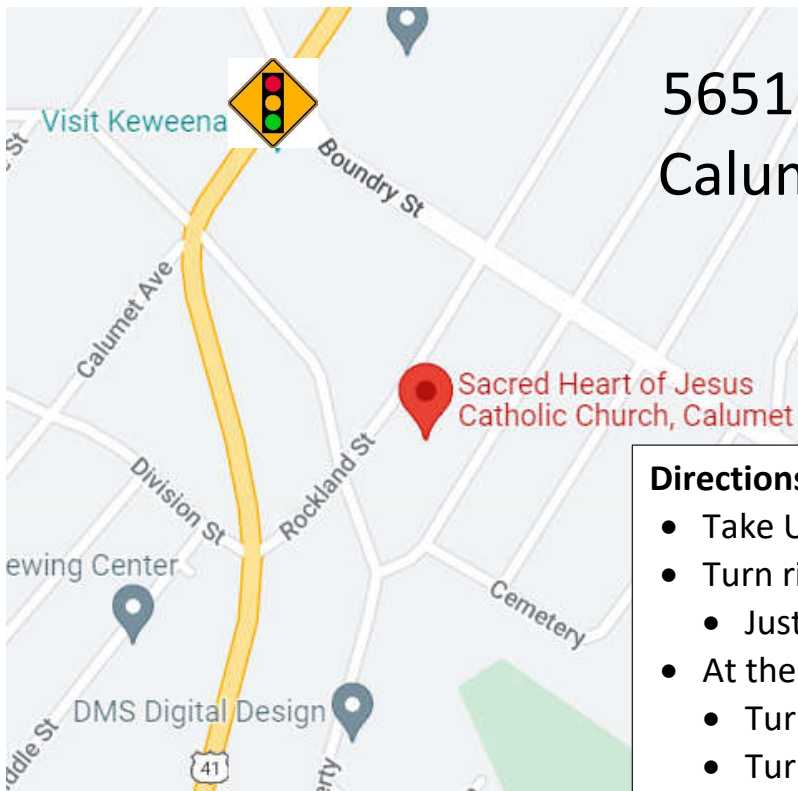
Alcoholics Anonymous

District 21 - Area 74

Intergroup

Saturday, August 20, 2022

Sacred Heart Catholic Church



56512 Rockland St
Calumet, Michigan

Directions from Hancock

- Take US-41 north to Calumet
- Turn right (straight) on Rockland Street
 - Just before IncredibleBank
- At the traffic light, you've gone too far
 - Turn right on Boundry Street
 - Turn right on Rockland Street

Schedule

4:00 PM Corrections

5:00 PM GSR

6:00 PM Potluck

7:00 PM Speakers

Music & Dancing after Speakers

⊕ **Great food & fellowship!**

⊕ **Book & Literature Sale!**

⊕ **Door prizes!**



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AA SPEAKERS:

- **Mike M., Cedar Rapids, IA**
- **Ericka M., Cedar Rapids, IA**
- **Chris K., Hinsdale, IL**

AL-ANON SPEAKER: Liz P., Chicago

GSO Staff Member: TBD

East Central Regional Trustee: Cathi C., Indianapolis, IN

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- **AA Panel members from East Central Region**
- **Friday night: Ice cream social & Young-at-Heart Dance**
- **Saturday night: Banquet & Dance**
- **Hospitality Room, Literature, Grapevine, Archives**
- **ASL Interpreters and Traductor de Español**

District 16
Alcoholics Anonymous Inter-Group

Saturday, September 24, 2022

100 Cane Court, Ontonagon, MI

4pm - Corrections Meeting

5pm - GSR Meeting

6pm – Pot Luck Dinner

7:30pm - Speakers

Come one, come all,
to the beautiful
Harbor Town of Ontonagon

Enjoy a wonderful Pot Luck Dinner!
Bring a dish to share!

DIRECTIONS:

Drive through town on River Street; turn R onto Houghton Street.

Follow Houghton St six blocks to the Ontonagon
Housing Commission sign. Turn R on Prehnite Street.

Follow Prehnite three blocks to Cane Court.

Park in lot to the north.

Please direct all
communications to:
P.O. Box 459
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March 29, 2022

To: All General Service Conference Members

From: Deborah Koltai, chair, trustees' Literature Committee

Re: Call for stories – "A.A. for the Black and African-American Alcoholic" pamphlet

Deadline: October 31, 2022, pamphletstories@aa.org

The trustees' Literature Committee has opened a call for recovery stories in response to the 2021 General Service Conference advisory action regarding the pamphlet "A.A. for the Black and African American Alcoholic," stating that the pamphlet be updated to include current stories of recovery and a new title that is respectful and inclusive.

The committee is seeking stories of recovery from all African American, Canadian, Caribbean A.A. members from the English, French and Spanish-speaking Black communities in the A.A. structure in the United States and Canada.

Stories of recovery may also include:

- Experience, Strength, and Hope
- Steps, Traditions, Concepts
- Ethnic, cultural, gender and LGBTQ diversity
- Diversity of social status
- Sponsorship
- A.A. Service
- Safety & Racism
- Military
- Black Mental Health and Diverse Abilities
- BIPOC A.A. meetings
- Atheist/Agnostics

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April 8, 2022

To: All General Service Conference Members

From: Deborah K., chair, trustees' Literature Committee

Re: Call for stories – Fifth Edition of the Book *Alcoholics Anonymous* –Big Book

Deadline for submissions: October 31, 2022

Online submission: aa.org/submit-bigbook-english-5th

The Preface to the Second Edition of the Big Book explains that revisions to the personal history section of the book were made in order “to represent the current membership of Alcoholics Anonymous more accurately, and thereby to reach more Alcoholics.”

In that spirit, the 2021 General Service Conference recommended that “a Fifth Edition of the Big Book, *Alcoholics Anonymous*, be developed, including an update of stories to better reflect the current membership, keeping in mind the 1995 Advisory Action:

“The first 164 pages of the Big Book, Alcoholics Anonymous, the Preface, the Forewords, ‘The Doctor’s Opinion’, ‘Dr. Bob’s Nightmare’, and the Appendices remain as is.”

In response to the 2021 General Service Conference Advisory Action requesting the development of a Fifth edition of the book *Alcoholics Anonymous*, the trustees' Literature Committee is seeking a wide range of A.A. recovery experience of members in the Fellowship.

The trustees' Literature Committee is searching for recovery stories of our members for possible inclusion in the Fifth Edition which are from a broad cross-section of our local communities, all stories are of value. As Bill writes on page 29 of the book *Alcoholics Anonymous*: “Our hope is that many alcoholic men and women, desperately in need, will see these pages, and we believe that it is only by fully disclosing ourselves and our problems that they will be persuaded to say, ‘Yes, I am one of them too; I must have this thing.’”

It is the Literature Committee's shared hope that any new stories from our current membership will help future alcoholics to identify and find recovery in the pages of a Fifth edition.

The suggested format for typed manuscripts is 3500 words, double spaced, in 12-point font. Handwritten manuscripts should be approximately 5 to 6 pages. Please include your complete name, address, and email/phone information on the first page of the submission. A copy of your manuscript should be retained for your files.

The anonymity of all authors will be observed whether their story is selected for publication or not. Stories will be accepted in English, French or Spanish. If you have any questions, please write to 5BBStory@aa.org.

Instructions for submitting your manuscript:

Deadline: Please submit on or before October 31, 2022.

Online: aa.org/submit-bigbook-english-5th

Email: 5BBStory@aa.org

Subject Line: Fifth Edition of the Book *Alcoholics Anonymous*

Postal Mail: Attn. Literature Assignment, General Service Office, Box 459, Grand Central Station, New York, NY 10163

On the envelope: The word "5th Edition BB" should be written on the envelope and at the top of the first page of the manuscript.

Thank you to all who are participating in this process!

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