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Delegate's Corner

Greetings Area 74,

Thanksgiving is in the rear-view mirror and we are now approaching The Christmas Holiday Season. I am grateful that I was fortunate enough to spend time with and share a turkey dinner with my family. Thanks to the program of recovery that I found in the rooms of AA, my family actually wants to spend time with me.

I have some items to report as it relates to Area 74 business. I attended the online meeting of the East Central Regional Delegates hosted by our ECR Trustee, Cathi C. These meetings are informal and we talk about any concerns our Areas may have. Then Cathi fills us in on what they discuss at the Trustees meetings. The General Service Office is on its 3rd iteration of the budget, and it looks like we may have a balanced budget with no deficit by the end of the year. Another discussion point was the possibility of a Hybrid Style General Service Conference and some definite procedures will be put in place if there are multiple attendees who get sick and need to be isolated. The GSO is on track to release the final agenda items for the 73rd General Service Conference by mid-February. The hard copies of the Final Report for the 72nd General Service Conference have been delivered to my house. If you want a copy before the Delegate's workshop in March, let me know and I will do my best to accommodate.

As mentioned above, the Christmas Holiday season is near. The end of December has been a stress point for many people in AA for as long as the program of recovery has been in existence (and even before that). There is a one-page flyer that has been in circulation since I started coming to AA meetings. That flyer is called "Twelve Tips on Keeping Your Holiday Season Sober and Joyous". I did a little research on that flyer and to the best of my knowledge, it was originally printed in the Holiday Issue of Box 459 in 1994. Those 12 tips are still as valid today as they were in 1994, just like the 12 Steps are still just as valid as they were in 1939. If you have had stress about the Holidays in the past, read through the flyer, which is included with this issue of the Now and Then, and then take the actions suggested. The results will be a Holiday Season that is Sober and Joyous.

Stay Safe and Warm.

In Grateful Service,

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Requested agenda item for the December Area Committee Meeting.

We the Area 74 Conference Planning Committee of District 13 wish to have the following discussion brought up at the Area Committee meeting in December 2022 regarding the Area Assembly to be conducted during the conference in May of 2024.

The District will be providing space for the Assembly on the Saturday of the conference in May and request the Assembly be limited to the Delegate's report on the events of the General Service Conference. The guidelines state the conference is for this report and no further Assembly business is "required" at this Assembly.

Instead we would like to have the room and remaining time to be used for Standing Committees to break out in separate tables to discuss their action plans and share with other conference attendees what their committee can do to support Districts and Groups. This could be noted on the program as "an Open House of Area Committees" for all to listen, learn and ask questions of the committees.

The Assembly's Delegate report could be scheduled from 8:00am to Noon with the remaining time after a lunch break to conduct these open house round table sessions from 1:00pm to 3:30pm.

There may be AA and Alanon panels running concurrently in the other room, that has yet to be decided.

The objective of this change of Assembly agenda would allow DCM's and GSR's to experience and participate in the recovery panels and committee objectives. Our District Conference Planning Committee will follow the directives of the Area Chair after thoughtful consideration of this agenda item is discussed. This is a starting point for this agenda item as there will be several more Area Committee Meetings in 2023 to continue discussion if no consensus is reached in December.

Yours in Service,

Adam G Conference Planning Co-Chair

Marty L Conference Planning Co=Chair

Sunny L District 13 DCM

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Send Area 74 Contributions To: Area 74 Treasury

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**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 2022 -2023

12/10/2022	Area Committee Mtg	Zoom
2/12-2/13/2023	CDPP	Conference of Delegates Past & Present Columbus, OH
3/11/2023	Delegate's Workshop	Reiter Center Three Lakes , WI
3/11/2023	Area Committee Mtg	Reiter Center Three Lakes , WI
4/8/2023	Winter Assembly	Reiter Center Three Lakes , WI
4/23 – 4/29/2023	Gen Serv Conf	73 rd General Service Conference NY, NY
5/19-5/21/2023	Spring Conference	Area 74 Spring Conference District 01 Green Bay, WI
5/20/2023	Area 74 Assembly	Delegate's Report 73rd GSC Spring Conf District 01 Green Bay, WI
5/21/2023	Area Committee Mtg	Held at Area 74 Spring Conf District 01 Green Bay, WI
6/23-6/25/2023	East Central Regional	East Central Regional Conference /Indiana State Convention
8/5/2023	Area Committee Mtg	(Optional) Reiter Center Three Lakes , WI
9/22-9/24/2023	Area 74 Fall Conf	Area 74 Fall Conference Eau Claire, WI
9/23/2023	Area 74 Area Assembly	Held at Area 74 Fall Conf Eau Claire, WI
9/24/2023	Area Committee Mtg	Held at Area 74 Fall Conf Eau Claire, WI
10/14/2023	Election Assembly	Rhineland, WI
11/17-11/19/2023	ECR Forum	East Central Regional Forum Independence, OH
12/16/2023	Area Committee Mtg	(Optional) Virtual

****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>

Invite an Area Committee to Present a Workshop to your District or group!

Ever wondered about why we have committees in Area Service or what these committees do? Have you thought about getting involved in a committee?

Learn about how AA works in Corrections, PI (Public Information), CPC (Cooperation with the Professional Community), Grapevine, Literature, and Treatment & Accessibilities.

Learn about the role of Archives, Structures & Guidelines, Finance, the Webmaster, and the Now and Then.

You also get to strengthen your sobriety in AA when you meet new people from other communities who work the AA program.

All you have to do is ask! Find email addresses for Area 74 Committee Chairs at area74.org under “Directory” “Area Standing Committees”. Help us strengthen our ability to serve AA in Area 74.

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

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
5	Weds	2nd Wed	6:45 PM	Zoom ID 829 0126 1204 PW district05	
6	Thursday	3rd Thur	7:45 PM	Club 76	Chippewa Falls
7	Sunday	3rd Sun	5:00 PM	2111 S. Central Ave.	Marshfield
8	Thursday	1st Thur	7:00 PM	Wausau Alano Club 711 McClellan St	Wausau, WI
9	Sunday	Dec 11	2:00 PM	Augustine Catholic School, 507 Church St.	Oconto, WI
10	Saturday	2nd Sat	9:00 AM	1st United Methodist 724 Arbutus contact DCM for Zoom	Rhineland, WI
11				No information Available	
12	Saturday	1st Sat	9:00 AM	Hayward Serenity Club, 10339 S Florida Ave & Zoom	Hayward, WI
13	Monday	1st Mon	5:00 PM	Chequamegan Bay Serenity Club 310 Stuntz Ave.	Ashland, WI
14	Sunday	2nd Sun	5:30 PM	American Legion, Memorial Drive	Amery, WI
15				No information Available	
16				No information Available	
17	Monday	Last Sun	6:00 PM	105 W Fleshier	Iron Mountain, WI
18	Saturday	1 ST Sat	11:00 AM	106 N Main St	Ishpeming, MI
19				No information Available	
20	Thursday	1st Thur	11:00 AM	United Methodist Church, 1212 Morrison St	Germfask, MI
21	Tuesday	1st Tues	6:00 PM	Portage Lake United Church, 1400 E. Houghton Ave	Houghton, MI
22	Thursday	1st Thur	6:00 PM	115 Club or Zoom: 399 417 5176 PW 115	Sturgeon Bay, WI
23	Weds	1st Wed	5:00 PM	Shell Lake Alano Club 267.807.9601 PW 983009#	Shell Lake, WI
24	Weds	1st Wed	8:00 PM	Alano Club 411 E 2nd St S	Ladysmith, WI

DISTRICT MEETING Jan 2023 LIST

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Area 74 Area Committee Meeting Agenda - Hybrid
Saturday, December 10th, 2022
Zoom Meeting ID: 841 1096 5882 Passcode: 1212144
8:00am – 10:00am CST

8:00 AM CST

Prayer

Welcome and Housekeeping

Roll call

Approve Minutes from 9/18/22 Area Committee Meeting

Draft minutes were sent out via email by the Secretary

Reports:

DCM Reports

Delegates Report

Unfinished Business:

New Business:

District 13 Discussion

Now & Then Newsletter

Close with Responsibility Statement

5 YEAR BUDGET

7th Tradition - Revenue	2018 (Actual)	2019 (Actual)	2020 (Actual)	2021 (Budget)	2021 (Actual)	2022 (Budget)	2022 (Actual) YTD	2023 (Budget)
Group Contributions	\$25,447.41	\$28,572.64	\$10,939.03	\$31,958.00	\$15,741.73	\$31,958.00	\$19,863.74	\$24,000.00
Other Revenue	\$4,372.68	\$5,053.21	\$2,137.73	\$2,500.00	\$1,243.63	\$2,500.00	\$2,621.31	\$6,500.00
Anniversary & Individual Contributions	\$251.00	\$352.40	\$172.00	\$350.00	\$108.00	\$350.00	\$132.00	\$200.00
Total Revenue	\$30,071.09	\$33,978.25	\$13,248.76	\$ 34,808.00	\$17,093.36	\$34,808.00	\$22,617.05	\$30,700.00
Cking Yearly Beginning Balance	\$8,635.60	\$14,463.06	\$32,173.28	\$13,000.00	\$35,710.70	\$13,000.00	\$42,174.40	\$35,000.00
Ttl Rev + Yrly Beginning Bal	\$38,706.69	\$48,441.31	\$45,422.04	\$ 47,808.00	\$52,804.06	\$47,808.00	\$64,791.45	\$65,700.00
Area Officer and Committee Chair Expenses								
Officer Expenses	2018 (Actual)	2019 (Actual)	2020 (Actual)	2021 (Budget)	2021 (Actual)	2022 (Budget)	2022 (Actual)	2023 (Budget)
Delegate	\$1,664.00	\$1,840.00	\$1,649.34	\$2,600.00	\$1,000.00	\$2,600.00	\$1,649.34	\$2,600.00
Area Chair-Alt Delegate	\$878.00	\$655.00	\$248.00	\$1,300.00	\$724.00	\$1,300.00	\$1,298.35	\$1,700.00
Treasurer	\$364.00	\$200.00	\$30.00	\$700.00	\$180.00	\$700.00	\$892.78	\$700.00
Registrar		\$524.21	\$52.00	\$700.00	\$177.22	\$700.00	\$ 905.24	\$700.00
Secretary	\$360.50	\$370.00	\$0.00	\$700.00	\$93.00	\$700.00	\$208.78	\$700.00
Committee Chairs *	\$5,692.00	4,223.83	347.06	\$7,700.00	\$1,090.08	\$7,700.00	\$ 4,729.90	\$7,700.00
Officer / Chair Expense Sub-Total	\$8,958.50	\$7,813.04	\$1,677.06	\$ 13,700.00	\$3,264.30	\$ 13,700.00	\$9,684.39	\$ 14,100.00
Committee Expenses								
Committee Expenses	2018 (Actual)	2019 (Actual)	2020 (Actual)	2021 (Budget)	2021 (Actual)	2022 (Budget)	2022 (Actual)	2023 (Budget)
Archives	\$319.00	\$508.81	\$0.00	\$1,000.00	\$89.66	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
Area Chair-Alt Delegate	\$297.50	\$290.00	\$285.26	\$400.00	\$121.24	\$715.00	\$0.00	\$715.00
Corrections Committee MI	\$147.87	\$0.00	\$183.71	\$720.00	\$180.00	\$720.00	\$0.00	\$1,600.00
Corrections Committee WI	\$43.33	\$2.50	\$0.00	\$700.00	\$0.00	\$35.00	\$0.00	\$800.00
CPC Committee	\$568.76	\$366.16	\$22.00	\$1,070.00	\$100.96	\$1,040.00	\$0.00	\$1,040.00
Finance Committee Expenses	\$638.15	\$821.65	\$445.74	\$1,190.00	\$328.35	\$1,230.00	\$1,187.12	\$1,950.00
Grapevine Committee	\$10.00	\$380.36	\$0.00	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$200.00
Literature Committee	\$155.97	\$56.95	\$44.10	\$162.00	\$80.75	\$400.00	\$0.00	\$860.00
Now & Then Committee	\$6,950.00	\$2,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00	\$500.00	\$650.00	\$500.00	\$600.00
Public Information Committee	\$163.67	\$110.05	\$66.43	\$385.00	\$43.73	\$950.00	\$ 283.14	\$5,000.00
Registrar Committee	\$105.99	\$221.74	\$105.99	\$251.00	\$105.99	\$106.00	\$0.00	\$106.00
Secretary Committee	\$14.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$185.00	\$0.00	\$120.00	\$0.00	\$120.00
Struc & Guide Committee	\$207.82	\$279.59	\$0.00	\$250.00	\$0.00	\$250.00	\$0.00	\$800.00
Treatment/Accessibility Committee	\$171.40	\$0.00	\$560.00	\$4,800.00	\$340.00	\$4,400.00	481.25	\$6,400.00
Committee Expenses Sub-Total	\$9,793.46	\$5,037.81	\$1,713.23	\$ 12,613.00	\$1,890.68	\$ 11,816.00	\$2,451.51	\$ 21,191.00
Other Expenses								
Other Expenses	2018 (Actual)	2019 (Actual)	2020 (Actual)	2021 (Budget)	2021 (Actual)	2022 (Budget)	2022 (Actual)	2023 (Budget)
Seat Delegate	\$1,800.00	1,800.00	1,800.00	\$1,800.00	1,800.00	\$1,800.00	\$1,800.00	\$2,400.00
Registrar Internet				\$120.00		\$120.00	\$ 605.99	\$120.00
Assembly & ACM rent	\$550.00	500.00	100.00	\$600.00		\$600.00	\$351.50	\$600.00
Assembly & ACM expenses	\$394.98	356.18	46.97	\$275.00	121.90	\$275.00	\$198.00	\$1,750.00
Conference seed money	\$2,000.00		2,000.00	\$2,000.00	2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$ 8,000.00	\$6,000.00
Other Fee & Misc Expenses		8.00	(0.01)	\$100.00	750.00	\$100.00	\$ 1,052.72	\$100.00
ECR Conference	\$150.00	375.00		\$750.00		\$750.00	\$75.00	\$1,000.00
ECR Trustee Travel (Election Assembly)		378.00						\$1,000.00
East Central Regional Forum (EOY)								\$1,000.00
Conf. of Delegates past/present Trustee								
International Convention				\$750.00				
International Convention Hospitality			450.00	\$400.00				
Sec/Reg/Zoom computer OTE					808.11		\$3,518.77	\$200.00
Prudent Reserve Deposits								
Other Expenses Sub-Total	\$4,894.98	\$3,417.18	\$4,396.96	\$8,495.00	\$5,480.01	\$8,495.00	\$15,601.98	\$14,170.00
Total Expenses	\$23,646.94	\$16,268.03	\$7,787.25	\$ 34,808.00	\$10,634.99	\$ 34,011.00	\$ 27,737.88	\$ 49,461.00
Total Revenue	\$30,071.09	\$33,978.25	\$13,248.76	\$ 34,808.00	\$17,093.36	\$ 34,808.00	\$22,617.05	\$ 30,700.00
End of Year Gain / Loss	\$6,424.15	\$17,710.22	\$5,461.51	-	\$6,458.37	797.00	-\$5,120.83	(18,761.00)
Prudent Reserve	\$3,000.68	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00

Area 74 - 2022 YTD Budget Report

Year To Date 10-01-2022 - 10-31-2022

OFFICER & CHAIR EXPENSES	Budget	Actual	Budget
Delegate	2,600.00	\$ 1,649.34	\$ 950.66
Area Chair-Alt Delegate	1,300.00	1,298.35	1.65
Treasurer	700.00	892.78	(192.78)
Registrar	700.00	905.24	(205.24)
Secretary	700.00	208.78	491.22
Archives	700.00	111.00	589.00
Corrections MI	700.00	481.91	218.09
Corrections WI	700.00	556.93	143.07
CPC	700.00	905.20	(205.20)
Finance Expenses	700.00	408.80	291.20
Grapevine	700.00	564.00	136.00
Literature	700.00	754.56	(54.56)
Now & Then	700.00	25.00	675.00
Public Information	700.00	505.00	195.00
Structures & Guidelines	700.00	-	700.00
Treatment	700.00	417.50	282.50
YTD Chair Expenses	\$ 13,700.00	\$ 9,684.39	\$ 4,015.61

REVENUE SUMMARY	Budget	Actual	Budget
Group Contributions	\$ 31,958.00	\$ 19,863.74	\$ 12,094.26
* Other Revenue *	2,500.00	2,621.31	(121.31)
Anniversary & Individual Contributions	350.00	132.00	218.00
YTD Total Revenue	\$ 34,808.00	\$ 22,617.05	\$ 12,190.95

COMMITTEE EXPENSES	Budget	Actual	Budget
Archives	1,000.00	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00
Area Chair / Alt Delegate	400.00	55.00	345.00
Corrections Committee MI	720.00	-	720.00
Corrections Committee WI	700.00	-	700.00
CPC Committee	1,070.00	247.50	822.50
Finance Committee Expenses	1,190.00	1,187.12	2.88
Grapevine Committee	500.00	16.00	484.00
Literature Committee	162.00	75.00	87.00
Now & Then Committee	1,000.00	500.00	500.00
Public Information Committee	385.00	283.14	101.86
Registrar Committee	251.00	60.00	191.00
Secretary Committee	185.00	-	185.00
Structures & Guidelines Committee	250.00	-	250.00
Treatment/Accessibility Committee	4,800.00	481.25	4,318.75
YTD Committee Expenses	12,613.00	2,905.01	9,707.99

* OTHER REVENUE *	Budget	Actual	Budget
Interest Revenue	-	16.57	-
Refreshment Contributions	-	-	-
Seed Money Return Spring Conf	-	2,000.00	-
Spring Conference Gain/Loss	-	604.74	-
Seed Money Return Fall Conf	-	-	-
Fall Conference Gain/Loss	-	-	-
Prudent Reserve Transfer from Savings	-	-	-
Total Other Revenue	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,621.31	\$ (621.31)

OTHER EXPENSES	Budget	Actual	Budget
Seat Delegate	1,800.00	1,800.00	-
Registrar Internet	120.00	605.99	(485.99)
Assembly & ACM Rent	600.00	351.50	248.50
Assembly & ACM Expenses	275.00	198.00	77.00
Conference Seed Money	2,000.00	8,000.00	(6,000.00)
Other / Misc Expenses	100.00	1,052.72	(952.72)
ECR Conference	750.00	75.00	675.00
ECR Trustee Travel (Election Assembly)	-	-	-
East Central Regional Forum	-	-	-
Conf. of Delegates past/present Trustee	-	-	-
International Convention	750.00	-	750.00
International Convention Hospitality Room	400.00	-	400.00
Sec/Req/Zoom computer/onetimeexpens	800.00	3,518.77	(2,718.77)
Prudent Reserve	3,000.00	-	3,000.00
YTD Other Expenses	\$ 10,595.00	\$ 15,601.98	\$ (5,006.98)

EXPENSE SUMMARY	Budget	Actual	Budget
Chair Expenses	\$ 13,700.00	\$ 9,684.39	\$ 4,015.61
Committee Expenses	12,613.00	2,905.01	9,707.99
Other Expenses	10,595.00	15,601.98	(5,006.98)
YTD Total Expenses	\$ 36,908.00	\$ 28,191.38	\$ 8,716.62

Revenue & Expense by Month

Area 74 Treasury 2022

Revenue	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
Group Contributions	2,694.23	2,599.47	824.40	2,327.63	1,680.67	1,739.26	2,117.70	1,610.88	969.49	3,425.50	-	-	19,863.74
Personal Anniversary	-	-	-	132.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	132.00
Interest Income	-	-	5.53	-	-	-	5.50	-	5.54	-	-	-	16.57
Refreshment Contributions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Seed Money Return	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,000.00	-	-	-	-	2,000.00
Spring Conference Gain/Loss	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	604.74	-	-	-	-	604.74
Seed Money Return	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fall Conference Gain/loss	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Revenue	2,694.23	2,599.47	829.93	2,459.63	1,680.67	1,739.26	2,123.20	4,215.62	975.03	3,425.50	-	-	22,742.54

Officer / Chair / Committee Expenses

Delegate	1,000.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	354.00	295.34	-	-	1,649.34
Area Chair-Alt Delegate	-	-	371.79	114.00	480.06	-	-	-	210.00	177.50	-	-	1,353.35
Treasurer	-	-	174.38	202.63	-	-	-	-	301.77	214.00	-	-	892.78
Registrar	-	-	174.38	132.63	377.56	-	-	-	280.27	-	-	-	964.84
Secretary	-	-	-	-	208.78	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	208.78
Archives	-	-	-	60.54	-	-	-	-	-	50.46	-	-	111.00
Corrections Committee MI	-	-	-	60.00	369.91	-	-	-	-	52.00	-	-	481.91
Corrections Committee WI	-	-	-	-	556.93	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	556.93
CPC Committee	-	-	-	110.00	336.38	-	-	-	207.21	499.11	-	-	1,152.70
Finance Committee Expenses	118.42	200.00	223.78	439.96	198.78	105.58	-	-	245.40	26.00	-	-	1,557.92
Grapevine Committee	-	-	30.00	60.00	200.00	-	-	-	240.00	62.50	-	-	592.50
Literature Committee	-	-	65.00	65.00	440.56	-	-	-	80.00	179.00	-	-	829.56
Now & Then Committee	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	500.00	25.00	-	-	525.00
Public Information Committee	265.15	-	35.00	35.00	390.00	-	-	-	45.00	17.99	-	-	788.14
Struc & Guide Committee	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Treatment/Accessibility Committee	-	-	-	152.00	329.25	-	-	-	310.00	107.50	-	-	898.75
Total Officer / Chair / Committee	1,383.57	200.00	1,074.33	1,431.76	3,888.21	105.58	-	-	2,773.65	1,706.40	-	-	12,563.50

Other Expenses

Seat Delegate	1,800.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,800.00
Registrar internet	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	500.00	105.99	-	-	605.99
Assembly & ACM rent	-	-	150.00	388.50	329.07	-	-	-	-	200.00	-	-	1,067.57
Assembly & ACM expenses	-	-	-	35.00	-	-	-	-	-	163.00	-	-	198.00
Conference seed money	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,000.00	-	1,000.00	6,000.00	-	-	8,000.00
Other\Misc Expenses	-	-	-	1,052.72	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,052.72
ECR Conference	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	75.00	-	-	-	75.00
ECR Trustee Travel (Election Assembly)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
East Central Regional Forum	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Conf. of Delegates past/present Trustee	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
International Convention	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
International Convention Hospitality Room	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sec/Reg/Zoom computer OTE	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,364.96	-	153.81	-	-	-	3,518.77
Total Other Expenses	1,800.00	-	150.00	1,476.22	329.07	-	4,364.96	-	1,728.81	6,468.99	-	-	16,318.05

FROM THE AREA 74 AREA CHAIR

Hello fellow AA'ers,

I hope this finds you well and your holiday season is off to a good start. Our last Area event of 2022 is just around the corner, the ACM is 12/10/22 at 8am on Zoom.

I wanted to share a little poem I head this weekend, it wasn't new to me, but I had not heard it in awhile....

"I stand by the door.

I neither go to far in, nor stay to far out.

The door is the most important door in the world -

It is the door through which men walk when they find God.

There is no use my going way inside and staying there,

When so many are still outside and they, as much as I,

Crave to know where the door is.

And all that so many ever find

Is only the wall where the door ought to be.

They creep along the wall like blind men,

With outstretched, groping hands,

Feeling for a door, knowing there must be a door,

Yet they never find it.

So I stand by the door.

The most tremendous thing in the world

Is for men to find that door - the door to God.

The most important thing that any man can do

Is to take hold of one of those blind, groping hands

And put it on the latch - the latch that only clicks

And opens to the man's own touch.

Men die outside the door, as starving beggars die

On cold nights in cruel cities in the dead of winter.

Die for want of what is within their grasp.

They live on the other side of it - live because they have not found it.

Nothing else matters compared to helping them find it,

And open it, and walk in, and find Him.

So I stand by the door.

Go in great saints; go all the way in -

Go way down into the cavernous cellars,

And way up into the spacious attics.

It is a vast, roomy house, this house where God is.

Go into the deepest of hidden casements,

Of withdrawal, of silence, of sainthood.

Some must inhabit those inner rooms

And know the depths and heights of God,

And call outside to the rest of us how wonderful it is.

Sometimes I take a deeper look in.

Sometimes venture in a little farther,

But my place seems closer to the opening.
So I stand by the door.

There is another reason why I stand there.
Some people get part way in and become afraid
Lest God and the zeal of His house devour them;
For God is so very great and asks all of us.
And these people feel a cosmic claustrophobia
And want to get out. 'Let me out!' they cry.
And the people way inside only terrify them more.
Somebody must be by the door to tell them that they are spoiled.
For the old life, they have seen too much:
One taste of God and nothing but God will do any more.
Somebody must be watching for the frightened
Who seek to sneak out just where they came in,
To tell them how much better it is inside.
The people too far in do not see how near these are
To leaving - preoccupied with the wonder of it all.
Somebody must watch for those who have entered the door
But would like to run away. So for them too,
I stand by the door.

I admire the people who go way in.
But I wish they would not forget how it was
Before they got in. Then they would be able to help
The people who have not yet even found the door.
Or the people who want to run away again from God.
You can go in too deeply and stay in too long
And forget the people outside the door.
As for me, I shall take my old accustomed place,
Near enough to God to hear Him and know He is there,
But not so far from men as not to hear them,
And remember they are there too.

Where? Outside the door -
Thousands of them. Millions of them.
But - more important for me -
One of them, two of them, ten of them.
Whose hands I am intended to put on the latch.
So I shall stand by the door and wait
For those who seek it.

'I had rather be a door-keeper
So I stand by the door.'
Happy Holidays everyone.

Nicholas Stabenow-Schneider
Panel 72 Alt-Delegate Area Chair

Twelve Tips on Keeping Your Holiday Season Sober and Joyous

Holiday parties without liquid spirits may still seem a dreary prospect to new A.A.s. But many of us have enjoyed the happiest holidays of our lives sober—an idea we would never have dreamed of, wanted, or believed possible when drinking. Here are some tips for having an all-round ball without a drop of alcohol.



1 Line up extra A.A. activities for the holiday season. Arrange to take newcomers to meetings, answer the phones at a clubhouse or central office, speak, help with dishes, or visit the alcoholic ward at a hospital.



2 Be host to A.A. friends, especially newcomers. If you don't have a place where you can throw a formal party, take one person to a diner and spring for the coffee.



3 Keep your A.A. telephone list with you all the time. If a drinking urge or panic comes—postpone everything else until you've called an A.A.

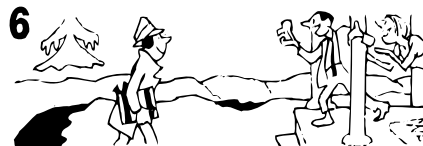


4 Find out about the special holiday parties, meetings, or other celebra-

tions given by groups in your area, and go. If you're timid, take someone newer than you are.



5 Skip any drinking occasion you are nervous about. Remember how clever you were at excuses when drinking? Now put the talent to good use. No office party is as important as saving your life.



6 If you have to go to a drinking party and can't take an A.A. with you, keep some candy handy.



7 Don't think you have to stay late. Plan in advance an "important date" you have to keep.



8 Worship in your own way.



9 Don't sit around brooding. Catch up on those books, museums, walks, and letters.



10 Don't start now getting worked up about all those holiday temptations. Remember—"one day at a time."



11 Enjoy the true beauty of holiday love and joy. Maybe you cannot give material gifts—but this year, you can give love.



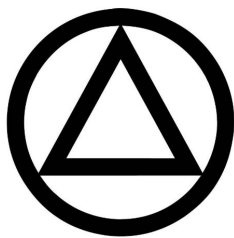
12 "Having had a . . ." No need to spell out the Twelfth Step here, since you already know it.

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Saturday: Panels - AA and Al-Anon

Al-Anon speaker, banquet & AA speaker & Assembly.

Sunday Morning: Area committee meeting & Spirituality Speaker

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On Saturday enjoy panels, Al-Anon speaker, banquet, and AA speaker. Also, Area Assembly and Delegates report.

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512 McClellan St.

Wausau, Wisconsin 54401

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Main dish provided

Please bring a dish to pass

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