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## Delegate's Corner

Greetings Area 74,

I would like to thank everyone who attended the Spring Assembly in Ashland and a great Thank You to the District 13. I have asked the Editors of the Now and Then to include the report which I gave on Saturday the 21<sup>st</sup> of May. The report and additional documents from the 72<sup>nd</sup> General Service Conference can be found in a OneDrive folder. The link to the folder is:

[https://1drv.ms/u/s!Alznr-ofDHpQgYY1laOCj9\\_XTPswTg?e=kybSCI](https://1drv.ms/u/s!Alznr-ofDHpQgYY1laOCj9_XTPswTg?e=kybSCI)

There are two groups that have requested that I come to their district, talk about my experience, and review my report. If there is any way that I can be of service to your District or Home Group, please let me know.

In grateful service

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**FROM THE AREA 74 ALTERNATE DELEGATE/ AREA CHAIR**

Greetings Fellow AA'ers,

Can you believe it is June?! As I've aged and been in recovery longer a day at a time seems to go by faster and faster. I was so saddened to be under the weather at the Spring Conference, I was so looking forward to that time together with you and although I was able to attend and chair the meetings, it surely wasn't the same and I can tell you I know the banquet meal on Saturday night would have been much better than the Little Caesar's I had in my room.

I can't thank District 13 and District 12 enough for their work and dedication to bringing us back together to our first Area conference in 2 years – nice job!

I got a glimpse on Friday night of the conference of something that warmed my heart and something I hope we see continue to happen. Our Area PI Chair and his committee were gathered around a table discussing ways of carrying the message – I had another conversation with a Corrections Chair who was saddened he couldn't give an oral report to highlight all the work that has been getting done. For years I've heard, and said myself, what does the Area do? Well, they are doing! Stick around, get involved and watch it happen, and come find out what they are doing!

Beyond that, the great work our servants are doing I saw the spark, the energy, the sunlight of the spirit for so many local District 12 and 13 AA'ers that happens when a conference comes to town. A man came up to me and said, "Nicholas is that you?" I met him a number of years ago at the treatment center and seeds were planted and he was at the conference celebrating 21 days of sobriety. He was smiling, he was meeting people, he was becoming part of the fellowship.

Lives are changed at AA conferences, both newly sober and people that may have begun to rest on their laurels.

We need a District to host the Fall 2023 Conference and your district can submit a bit in September or October at our Assembly! It is a great opportunity to carry the message to the still suffering alcoholic and give your local AA members a chance to get involved.

A reminder to your groups, districts and committees, if I can be of any help or service please just ask!  
Nicholas Stabenow-Schneider  
Area 74 Alt-Delegate / Area Chair

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**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**

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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](http://www.area74.org) for the most up to date info on AA and COVID19 ramifications**

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

**\*\*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 June 2022 LIST**

<b>DIST</b>	<b>DAY</b>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>TIME</b>	<b>LOCATION</b>	
1	Thursday	2nd Thur	6:30 PM	Zoom Green Bay, WI	
2	Sunday	2nd Sun	2:00 PM	Prince of Peace Lutheran 2330 E. Calumet Appleton, 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 <sup>rd</sup> Thur	7:45 PM	Club 76 Chippewa Falls	
7	Sunday	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sun	5:00 PM	2111 S. Central Ave. Marshfield	
8	Thursday	1 <sup>st</sup> Thur	7:00 PM	Wausau Alano Club 711 McClellan St Wausau, WI	
9	Sunday	1 <sup>st</sup> Sun	2:00 PM	Alano Club 2218 13 <sup>th</sup> St Menominee, MI	
10	Saturday	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sat	9:00AM	1st United Methodist 724 Arbutus contact DCM for Zoom Rhineland, WI	
11				No information Available	
12	Saturday	1 <sup>st</sup> Sat	9:30 am	10339 S Florida Ave & Zoom Hayward, WI	
13	Monday	1 <sup>st</sup> Mon	5:00 PM	Chequamegon Bay Serenity Club 310 Stuntz Ave. Ashland, WI	
14	Sunday	12th	5:30 PM	American Legion, Memorial Drive Amery, WI	
15				No information Available	
16				No information Available	
17	Monday	27 <sup>th</sup>	6:00 PM	105 W Fleshiem Iron Mountain, WI	
18	Saturday	4th	11:00 AM	106 N Main St Ishpeming, MI	
19				No information Available	
20	Thursday	1 <sup>st</sup> Thur	11:00 AM	United Methodist Church, 1212 Morrison St Germfask, MI	
21	Tuesday	1 <sup>st</sup> 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 <sup>st</sup> Wed	8:00 PM	Alano Club 411 E 2nd St S Ladysmith, WI	

**DISTRICT MEETING July 2022 LIST**

<b>DIST</b>	<b>DAY</b>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>TIME</b>	<b>LOCATION</b>	
1	Thursday	2nd Thur	6:30 PM	Zoom Green Bay, WI	
2	Sunday	2nd Sun	2:00 PM	Christus Lutheran Church 120 Main St. Clintonville, 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 <sup>rd</sup> Thur	7:45 PM	Club 76 Chippewa Falls	
7	Sunday	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sun	5:00 PM	2111 S. Central Ave. Marshfield	
8	Thursday	1 <sup>st</sup> Thur	7:00 PM	Wausau Alano Club 711 McClellan St Wausau, WI	
9	Sunday	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sun	2:00 PM	Faith Presbyterian Church, 806 Frieze Ave. Crivitz, WI	
10	Saturday	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sat	9:00AM	1st United Methodist 724 Arbutus contact DCM for Zoom Rhineland, WI	
11				No information Available	
12	Saturday	1 <sup>st</sup> Sat	9:30 am	10339 S Florida Ave & Zoom Hayward, WI	
13	Monday	1 <sup>st</sup> Mon	5:00 PM	Chequamegon Bay Serenity Club 310 Stuntz Ave. Ashland, WI	
14	Sunday	10th	5:30 PM	New Richmond Alano Club 1448 N 4th Street New Richmond, WI	
15				No information Available	
16				No information Available	
17	Monday	25 <sup>th</sup>	6:00 PM	105 W Fleshiem Iron Mountain, WI	
18	Saturday		11:00 AM	106 N Main St NO MEETING IN JULY Ishpeming, MI	
19				No information Available	
20	Thursday	1 <sup>st</sup> Thur	11:00 AM	United Methodist Church, 1212 Morrison St Germfask, MI	
21	Tuesday	1 <sup>st</sup> 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	
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**72<sup>nd</sup> General Service Conference Report for Area 74**  
**4-24-2022 through 4-29-2022**  
**Presented at the Spring Assembly in Ashland WI 5-21-2022**

I want to Thank Area 74 for having the confidence in me to send me to the 72<sup>nd</sup> General Service Conference. As I recount what I saw, felt, and heard I will miss an item or two. The experiences and emotions were hitting at a lightning pace with very little time to process.

Everyone at the Conference loves AA as much as I. I cannot image anyone would endure the pace and sustained energy of the Conference week unless they did. There are some that let their opinion on matters that do not necessarily relate to recovery get vocalized when they come to the microphone, but those are a small percentage.

This first segment of my report is devoted to a running narrative of my overall experience at the General Service Conference. The next segment will be a review of the Committee Reports and the Advisory Actions that resulted (those Recommendations and that passed), followed by the Considerations. The last segment will be the Floor Actions.

**I arrived on Saturday the 23<sup>rd</sup>**

The Conference officially started on Sunday the 24<sup>th</sup>, but there were non-conference events scheduled. Those events are included in the attached document "Conference Week Schedule"

Checked in and went right to the Hospitality Meeting. Mostly just walking around and introducing myself. The next scheduled event I attended was the pre-conference 1728 Meeting. The name of the meeting is derived from 12\*12\*12. The 1728 Meeting started as a way to introduce non-AA conference members, such as Class A Trustees or non-alcoholic General Service Office workers, to the principles interwoven into the Program of Recovery outlined in the book Alcoholics Anonymous.

The next event was the Remote Communities meeting. We had Presentations and discussions centered around three related topics.

1. What are the challenges/solutions to carry the AA message to a Geographic Community?
2. What are the challenges/solutions to carry the AA message to a Linguistic Community?
3. What are the challenges/solutions to carry the AA message to a Cultural Community?

Earlier in the day the Chief Financial Officer was tasked with looking at the makeup of the remaining voting members to ensure the percentages of participating members were still in line with the vision set forth by the founders. His numbers were:

Delegates	83	69.2%
Trustees	25	20.2%
Staff	12	10.0%

The end of the day was a Delegates Only meeting Chaired by the Delegate Chair, Pam K, Delegate Area 39, Western Missouri. This was another time for "getting to know each other". The Panel 71 Delegates shared some of their experience from the previous year. There was a lot of talk on how different it was not being in person. The overall feeling was they were glad to be meeting in person. Quite a few Delegates mentioned that their home Areas were upset over some of the decisions, but all that spoke stated that each Agenda items was thoroughly discussed and that a solid group consciousness was reached for every decision. We were instructed not to discuss any business until we are in our Committees or in session on the main floor.

**4-24 Sunday**

The opening session started at 900 am and Linda Chezem, Chair of the General Service Board, gave the Welcome. The roll call was completed by Bob W, the General Manager of the General Service Office. The roll call itself was an emotional event for me. At that point I really felt the obligation to make the best decisions possible for AA as a whole. The total voting Conference membership was 133.

We had a working lunch with each Region meeting in their own room with their Regional Trustee. If we had any questions or concerns, we could ask the Cathi C, our East Central Regional Trustee. The East Central Region consist of Wisconsin, Illinois, Michigan, Ohio, And Indiana. There are 14 Delegate Areas. As a group we purchased an engraved clock for her and Cathi had purchased a little Statue of Liberty for each of East Central Regional Delegates.

After lunch we met in the main conference room and the General Manager, Bob W, gave a presentation on the mechanics of the Conference. He after reviewing a set of procedures we practiced using the electronic voting device to agree to those procedures. How the conference operates is very similar to how we agree to run the service meetings in Area 74.

We then had a presentations on REDELA(Meeting of the Americas) Online based meetings from the north pole to the tip of south America. REDELA is an acronym for Reunión de las Américas. The report was given by Marita R, Trustee-at-Large/U.S. The takeaway for me was there is still a lot of work to be done with a majority of that work being related to remote communities.

At 400 pm The Conference Committee on Agenda met for the first time. (which is the Committee I was randomly assigned too). The Conference Committees are composed of Delegates along with one GSO staff member being assigned as the secretary. From the 71<sup>st</sup> Conference there was already a Chairperson in place, Beth P from Colorado, and she ran the meetings. We met briefly with the Trustees General Service Conference Committee, there was some discussion on the unintended consequences of the Equitable Distribution of Workload Advisory Action. Then we started discussing the Agenda Items for our Committee. Those items will be reviewed during the next segment of my report.

The evening was consisted of the Opening Dinner and AA meeting. It was a sit-down meal that filled the conference hall, followed by what each of us would recognize as an AA meeting. Four conference members shared a short version of their story. The person I remember best was Jon W, Senior Editor for the AA Grapevine. I met him earlier in the day and he seemed like a quiet and unassuming individual. Then he told his story which included being a drummer in an 80's club band in New York.

#### **4-25-2022 Monday**

The morning was entirely Conference Committee work. The afternoon session started with the General Service Board Report by Linda Chezem, Chairperson GSB, then the AAWS Board Report By Jimmy D who is the AAWS Board Chair. Then the AA Grapevine Board Report by Josh E Chair of the Grapevine Board, Then finally the Finance Report by Kevin Prior, NonAA General Service Board Treasurer. All the Board reports and the Financial PowerPoint presentation will be included in the electronic copy of this report.

The end of the night was a general sharing session, no specific topic. You could ask a question, bring up a new idea, or just vent. I do not have any notes on what was said.

#### **4-26-2022 Tuesday**

The morning session was once again devoted to Committee work followed by some presentations in the early afternoon. Three Panel 71 Delegates presented on the following subjects;

Tom W, Area 15- How do A.A.'s go to any lengths to Recover, Unify, and Serve?

Sheryl T, Area 69- Going Beyond Fear

Gordon N, Area 21- How to Reach Anyone, Anywhere

Midafternoon was a presentation called "Participation of Online Groups in the US/ Canada Service Structure" by Trish LaN, Trustee at Large Canada. There is still a lot if information that needs to be gathered and some more questions that will need to be answered before a definitive plan can be worked out about how the online groups will fit into the service structure. The Trustees Ad Hoc Committee will continue to meet and report back next year.

Then I asked a question about the number of new online groups vs. the number of existing remembers.

Are we just redistributing the membership? Do some online members belong to a physical group? There is no answer to those questions yet, but the Trustees will be looking into that.

We then moved into a presentation on the 6 warranties contained in Concept 12.

This type of presentation was helpful in the sense that it reminds the Conference of how we are supposed to be acting.

The end of the day was a Delegates only dinner. The focus was to feel more comfortable with other and to elect a new Delegate Chair for the 73<sup>rd</sup> GSC. As part of the process, I would sit with a different group during the lunches and dinners. That process helped to broaden my understanding of the conference experience and put what we are trying to do in context. When I sit with Delegate from Yukon Territories one day and then sit with the Delegate who lives in the desert southwest near Santa Fe, my viewpoint changes.

#### **Wednesday April 27**

The final session of my Agenda Committee work lasted until noon. Our work was completed but there were still some Committees that need some more time. Some had to worked through their lunch or meet early before the Conference to complete their report.

The afternoon General Session was focused on the Election of the Eastern Canada Regional Trustee, and the Pacific Regional Trustee. The third legacy process was used and one of the elections went to the hat.

After the Elections we got into the meat of the Conference process. The General Manager Bob W reviewed "How the Conference Operates and read a list of procedures that we all agreed to follow. Each Committee Delegate Chair was tasked with giving a report to the Conference. The Committees are as follows:

Conference Committee on Agenda  
Conference Committee on Cooperation with the Professional Community  
Conference Committee on Corrections  
Conference Committee on Finance  
Conference Committee on Grapevine and La Viña  
Conference Committee on Literature  
Conference Committee on Policy/Admissions  
Conference Committee on Public Information  
Conference Committee on Report and Charter  
Conference Committee on Treatment and Accessibilities  
Conference Committee on Trustees

These reports contained the “Recommendations”, which are the agenda items that were to be voted on. Once the report is red into the record, The Chair, which alternated between Linda Chezem (Chair of the Board of Trustees) and Bob W(General Manager of the GSO) ran the meeting This is when discission and the voting commenced. The Committee reports are attached as an Appendix.

After the Dinner break then we continued with the Committee reports and voting.

At 9:47 pm we stopped that session of the Committee reports and voting to start a general sharing session. I went to the microphone and asked if there was an overall flowchart of the workload and projects, and if so, how do we get a copy? A class A Trustee, Carolyn Walsh, approached me and after the session and she stated that she had asked the same question at a Trustees Board meeting. She had a copy of a differed projects list, and she would email it to me. She also requested that I do not distribute this list as it may be taken out of context. I said I would honor that request. The reason for my question was, have we, AA, passed so many Advisory Actions that we do not have the money or resources to get all the projects completed. And that seems to be so.

#### **Thursday April 28<sup>th</sup>**

Thursday morning it was announced that four voting members had been quarantined. The Chair stated the Tech Team was looking into options for the quarantined members. The Chair asked for a sense of the body if we should keep looking into options. The body was in favor. The tech Team was able to send an Audio feed to those quarantined in their rooms. The process was not interactive but he Members that were affected were very appreciative.

The majority of the day was devoted to Committee Reports and voting. At 8:45 pm we took a 15-minute break and came back for a General Sharing session. I went to the microphone and shared that Area 74 had a concern about the total number of Agenda Items and the volume of associated background material. I specifically mention that one group had sent me a letter specifically stating, “Area 74 reject the entire Conference Agenda!” and that letter was also published in our Area Newsletter.

We closed the meeting a 0930 pm.

#### **Friday April 29<sup>th</sup>.**

The Opening Session started at 830 am. Two floor motions were submitted at the opening of the session. All the floor motions that were submitted will be considered at the end of regular business and in the order that they were submitted.

More Conference members were reported to have tested positive. Members were randomly testing themselves and plenty of test kits were available.

At 1115 am we had a presentation that was moderated by Jimmy D, the AAWS chair and the presenter was David R, the publishing Director. Some of the takeaways that I Put in my notes were:

1. All the electronic versions are in addition to, not replacing printed text.
2. More tablets being issued to prisons and reports are getting better.
3. Print sales for hard cover books are up worldwide. The printed word is not fading.
4. 73 languages for the Big Book, 111 languages for rest of out literature

The afternoon session started out with another floor action and then went into the remainder of the Committee reports. The last segment of the General Service Conference was the devoted to the Floor Actions that were submitted over the course of the Conference. There were nine Floor Actions that were submitted and had a second.

At the beginning of the nine floor actions, we had 120 out of the original 133 voting members present.

At 8:50 pm we concluded the debate and voting on the nine floor Actions.

## Closing Statements

Since being elected Delegate Servant I have heard a lot of comments about change- “they just want to change the program little by little”, It is a slippery slope if we start to change this ....” They want to take “GOD” out of the program“-“This is an outside issue” . My experience at the 72<sup>nd</sup> General Service Conference is that everyone there has a deep-seated love for Alcoholics Anonymous. The amount of effort it takes to endure the Conference week is fairly substantial. My conclusion is no one in their right mind would sit thru the entire conference unless they were devoted to Alcoholics Anonymous.

After the last floor action was voted on each of the outgoing Delegates made a short 2-minute farewell, this was followed by the closing remarks of the Chair of the General Service Board, Linda Chezem. Then Serenity Prayer was recited in French, Spanish, and English. The entire room stood silent for a few seconds, then the crowd started to move around. I started to cry, then I notice there where a lot of people with tears. I tried to talk to the Delegate who sat behind me but I found I was all choked up and could barely get any words out of my mouth. He was the same way. It was one of the more moving experiences I have had.

I truly am thankful that I could participate in such an event. Thank you ALL.

Bryon B  
 Delegate  
 Area 74 Panel 72  
 Northern Wisconsin/Upper Peninsula of Michigan

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

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
<b>Revenue</b>													
Group Contributions	2,694.23	2,669.55	739.50	2,742.44	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8,845.72
Personal Anniversaries	-	-	-	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	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>2,694.23</b>	<b>2,669.55</b>	<b>745.03</b>	<b>2,874.44</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	<b>8,983.25</b>
<b>Officer / Chair / Committee Expenses</b>													
Delegate	1,000.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,000.00
Area Chair-Alt Delegate	-	-	371.79	114.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	485.79
Treasurer	-	-	174.38	202.63	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	377.01
Registrar	-	-	174.38	132.63	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	307.01
Secretary	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Archives	-	-	-	60.54	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	60.54
Corrections Committee MI	-	-	-	60.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	60.00
Corrections Committee WI	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CPC Committee	-	-	-	110.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	110.00
Finance Committee Expenses	322.17	58.00	15.00	222.40	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	617.57
Grapevine Committee	-	-	30.00	60.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	90.00
Literature Committee	-	-	65.00	65.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	130.00
Now & Then Committee	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Public Information Committee	265.15	-	35.00	35.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	335.15
Struc & Guide Committee	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Treatment Committee	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total Officer / Chair / Committee</b>	<b>1,587.32</b>	<b>58.00</b>	<b>865.55</b>	<b>1,062.20</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	<b>3,573.07</b>
<b>Other Expenses</b>													
Seat Delegate	1,800.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,800.00
Registrar Internet	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Assembly & ACM rent	-	-	150.00	388.50	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	538.50
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	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total Other Expenses</b>	<b>1,800.00</b>	-	<b>150.00</b>	<b>1,441.22</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	<b>3,391.22</b>



## Area 74 - 2022 YTD Budget Report

Year To Date 04-01-2022 - 04-30-2022

OFFICER & CHAIR EXPENSES	Budget	Actual	Budget Remaining
Delegate	2,600.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,600.00
Area Chair-Alt Delegate	1,300.00	485.79	814.21
Treasurer	700.00	377.01	322.99
Registrar	700.00	307.41	392.59
Secretary	700.00	-	700.00
Archives	700.00	60.54	639.46
Corrections MI	700.00	60.00	640.00
Corrections WI	700.00	-	700.00
CPC	700.00	110.00	590.00
Finance Expenses	700.00	197.40	502.60
Grapevine	700.00	90.00	610.00
Literature	700.00	130.00	570.00
Now & Then	700.00	-	700.00
Public Information	700.00	70.00	630.00
Structures & Guidelines	700.00	-	700.00
Treatment	700.00	-	700.00
<b>YTD Chair Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 13,700.00</b>	<b>\$ 2,888.15</b>	<b>\$ 10,811.85</b>

REVENUE SUMMARY	Budget	Actual	Budget Remaining
Group Contributions	\$ 31,958.00	\$ 8,845.72	\$ 23,112.28
* Other Revenue *	2,500.00	5.53	2,494.47
Anniversary & Individual Contributions	350.00	132.00	218.00
<b>YTD Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 34,808.00</b>	<b>\$ 8,983.25</b>	<b>\$ 25,824.75</b>

COMMITTEE EXPENSES	Budget	Actual	Budget Remaining
Archives	1,000.00	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00
Area Chair / Alt Delegate	400.00	-	400.00
Corrections Committee MI	720.00	-	720.00
Corrections Committee WI	700.00	-	700.00
CPC Committee	1,070.00	-	1,070.00
Finance Committee Expenses	1,190.00	396.42	793.58
Grapevine Committee	500.00	-	500.00
Literature Committee	162.00	-	162.00
Now & Then Committee	1,000.00	-	1,000.00
Public Information Committee	385.00	265.15	119.85
Registrar Committee	251.00	-	251.00
Secretary Committee	185.00	-	185.00
Structures & Guidelines Committee	250.00	-	250.00
Treatment Committee	4,800.00	-	4,800.00
<b>YTD Committee Expenses</b>	<b>12,613.00</b>	<b>661.57</b>	<b>11,951.43</b>

* OTHER REVENUE *	Budget	Actual	Budget Remaining
Interest Revenue	-	5.53	-
Refreshment Contributions	-	-	-
Seed Money Return Spring Conf	-	-	-
Spring Conference Gain/Loss	-	-	-
Seed Money Return Fall Conf	-	-	-
Fall Conference Gain/Loss	-	-	-
Prudent Reserve Transfer from Savings	-	-	-
<b>Total Other Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 2,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 5.53</b>	<b>\$ 1,994.47</b>

OTHER EXPENSES	Budget	Actual	Budget Remaining
Seat Delegate	1,800.00	1,800.00	-
Registrar Internet	120.00	-	120.00
Assembly & ACM Rent	600.00	538.50	61.50
Assembly & ACM Expenses	275.00	-	275.00
Conference Seed Money	2,000.00	-	2,000.00
Other / Misc Expenses	100.00	1,052.72	(952.72)
ECR Conference	750.00	-	750.00
ECR Trustee Travel (Election Assembly)	-	-	-
East Central Regional Forum	-	-	-
Conf. of Delegates past/present Trustee election every 4 years	-	-	-
International Convention	750.00	-	750.00
International Convention Hospitality Room donation	400.00	-	400.00
Sec/Reg computer/onetimeexpens	800.00	-	800.00
Prudent Reserve	-	-	-
<b>YTD Other Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 7,595.00</b>	<b>\$ 3,391.22</b>	<b>\$ 4,203.78</b>

EXPENSE SUMMARY	Budget	Actual	Budget Remaining
Chair Expenses	\$ 13,700.00	\$ 2,888.15	\$ 10,811.85
Committee Expenses	12,613.00	661.57	11,951.43
Other Expenses	7,595.00	3,391.22	4,203.78
<b>YTD Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 33,908.00</b>	<b>\$ 6,940.94</b>	<b>\$ 26,967.06</b>

Now & Then Financial Report 4.30.22	DEBIT	CREDIT
Adjusted balance forward 1.1.2022		401.21
printing costs for 2022	53.81	
Postage	26.30	
Return Postage Paid	0.00	
Copies	0.00	
Misc Supplies		
PO Box		
Deposit Area 74 Treasury		25.00
Deposits subscriptions		
	53.81	
4.30.22 Balance Forward		346.10



## **2022 AA Illinois State and East Central Regional Conference**

**August 12-14, 2022 | Sheraton Lisle Naperville Hotel,  
3000 Warrenville Rd, Lisle, IL 60532**



**“MORE WILL BE REVEALED”**

**<http://aa-nia.org/state>**

**Hosted by Illinois Area 20, District 10 and District 42**

**Registration hours:**

**2–9 p.m. on Friday and 7:30 a.m.–6:30 p.m. on Saturday**

### **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**

- **Hourly Alcathon & Al-Anonathon meetings**
- **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**

## Area 74 Per Car Reimbursement Request Form

Please use this form to request reimbursement for gas expenses incurred traveling to stand-alone Area 74 service meetings. Area 74 will reimburse a **MAXIMUM** of 35 dollars per car. This does not apply to persons that are already being reimbursed such as officers and committee chairs.

Please complete the form and remit to the Treasurer or Finance Chair.

**Please turn completed form in to the Treasurer prior to lunch on service meeting days**

### Per Car Area 74 Expenses

These are expenses related to **your attendance at an Area 74 event**, including stand-alone Assemblies and Area Committee Meetings. One form per event, please.

Date Requested: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Area 74 Function Attended: \_\_\_\_\_

Per Car Reimbursement Amount: \_\_\_\_\_

### Finance Committee Approval

Total Per car expense Expense \_\_\_\_\_

Approved by Finance Committee: \_\_\_\_\_

Treasurer Reimbursed (Date): \_\_\_\_\_

# 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 _____	\$ _____
<b>Officer and Committee Expenses SUB-TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$ _____</b>

**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	\$ _____
<b>Special Events Subtotal:</b>	<b>\$ _____</b>

**OTHER ITEMS NOT COVERED OR LISTED THAT PERTAIN TO YOUR POSITION**

_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
<b>Other Items Subtotal:</b>	<b>\$ _____</b>

**TOTAL BUDGET REQUEST** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Recommended Budget Request by Finance Committee** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Comments:** \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
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Please direct all  
communications to:  
P.O. Box 459  
Grand Central Station  
New York, NY 10163  
Fax: (212) 870-3003

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**

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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

The suggested format for typed manuscripts is 500-800 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 your manuscript. 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.

Instructions for submitting your manuscript:

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

**Email:** [pamphletstories@aa.org](mailto:pamphletstories@aa.org)

**Subject Line:** A.A. for the Black and African American Alcoholic

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

**On the envelope:** The word "Pamphlet" should be written on the envelope and at the top of the first page of the manuscript.

Thank you for your participation in the process!

Please direct all  
communications to:

P.O. Box 459  
Grand Central Station  
New York, NY 10163  
Fax: (212) 870-3003

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](http://aa.org/submit-bigbook-english-5th)

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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](mailto:5BBStory@aa.org).

Instructions for submitting your manuscript:

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

**Online:** [aa.org/submit-bigbook-english-5th](http://aa.org/submit-bigbook-english-5th)

**Email:** [5BBStory@aa.org](mailto: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 "5<sup>th</sup> 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!





# MOOSE & GOOSE

The Corrections Literature Benefit is coming back!

(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](mailto:corrections@district02aa.org)

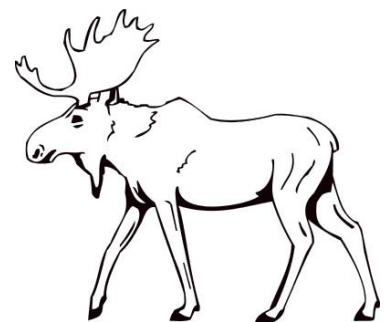
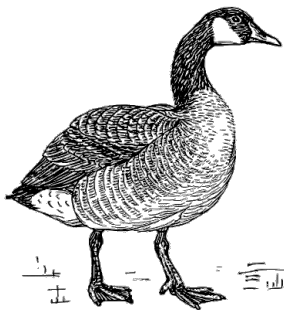
The first **planning committee** meeting is

Saturday, June 18, 2022 at 12:00p

Genesis Club, 1213 N Appleton St, Appleton

Zoom ID: 817 833 3315 Passcode: 731684

Dial in by phone (312) 626-6799



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