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Delegate's Corner

Greetings Area 74,

So far July has been a relatively quiet month for me as it relates to my AA service calendar. On 7-12 I attended the District 05 GSR meeting that is held in Menomonie WI. The meeting is now Hybrid, just like our Area 74 Service meetings. At the request of the DCM, I reviewed some of the events that have transpired over the last year as it related to the resignation of Linda Chezem, our past Chairperson of the Board of Trustees.

I was also invited to attend a meeting in Green Bay on the 29th. It was my privilege to share how service work has enhanced my recovery and afterward I met with Mike N. We talked about the upcoming Fall Conference, and he gave me a couple of boxes of supplies and equipment to deliver to the Fall Conference planning committee in Eau Claire.

The Fall Conference for Area 74 is scheduled for September 15th to the 17th. It is never too early to start planning to attend. The main speaker for Saturday will be Bob W. He is the current General Manager for the General Serviced Office in New York. Bob is an enthusiastic and dedicated servant of Alcoholics Anonymous. Besides sharing his experience, strength, and hope, he will also share some of his insights on the service structure of AA. When you talk with Bob, make sure to ask him about his socks. The next Area level event after the Fall Conference will be the Election Assembly in Rhinelander WI. I am bringing this up now, so we as a fellowship, can start "talking up" how service work is a vital part of our recovery program. Early in my sobriety I felt an obligation to pass this message of recovery on to others who were suffering. One of the ways I found to do this was through General Service. There are numerous positions at the Area level to be filled every two years.

I recently gave a short presentation on Concept 1 (all the Concepts can be found in the AA Service manual), which states, "Final responsibility and ultimate authority for A.A. world services should always reside in the collective conscience of our whole Fellowship." Which then begs the question, how does a Group or District get their Group Conscience to New York? The answer is participation. Participation at your District meetings, participation at your Area meetings, and participation in the service positions.

Looking forward to seeing you all at the next service meeting.

Bryon B Delegate Panel 72 Area 74

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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

FROM THE AREA 74 ALTERNATE DELEGATE/ AREA CHAIR

Greetings Fellow AA'ers,

Welcome to August, the last unofficial month of summer. Many Districts, Groups, and Alano Clubs are having cook-outs, picnics, and a variety of fellowship events that bring us together to celebrate recovery and carry the message to newcomers and those among us that are suffering. What a wonderful thing to be a part of.

I was out to dinner with some friends a few weeks ago and I saw one of the Area 74 Public Information PSA postings and thought that was super awesome. I am hoping the photo is able to attached to the newsletter without too much hassle.

I am so excited for the Fall Conference less than 2 months away. I am looking forward to spending time with each of you, connecting, laughing, and having a good time.

Even though it is just the beginning of August it is time to start thinking about how you can serve your group, district, and area. Elections will be upon us soon and it is great to be prepared and know what you might be interested in, what the requirements are, and to have spoken to the current person serving or past servants as well.

I have been working on the agenda for the Area 74 Election Assembly which is being held in October in Rhinelander this year on October 14th. Our East-Central Regional Trustee is unable to join for the election, so we instead are blessed to have G.S.O. Staff Member James H joining us for our elections. James is a past delegate and current Nominating Coordinator. Bryan B and I met and are working on a presentation that James will conduct prior to having the elections on the 14th. There will likely be a dinner with James on Friday the 13th in Rhinelander and would love to have you join – just let me know.

A reminder to your groups, districts, and committees, if I can be of any help or service please just ask!

Nicholas Stabenow-Schneider
Panel 72, Area 74 Alt-Delegate / Area Chair

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DATES TO REMEMBER 2023		
8/5/2023	Area Committee Mtg	(Optional) Reiter Center Three Lakes , WI
9/15-9/17/2023	Area 74 Fall Conf	Area 74 Fall Conference Eau Claire, WI
9/16/2023	Area 74 Area Assembly	Held at Area 74 Fall Conf Eau Claire, WI
9/17/2023	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 Aug 2023 LIST

1	Thursday	2nd Thur	6:30 PM	Nativity Lord Parish 2270 S Oneida St Door #4	Green Bay, WI
2	Sunday	2nd Sun	2:00 PM	St Paul Catholic Church 410 Wallace St	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	3rd Thur	7:45 PM	Club 76	Chippewa Falls
7	Sunday	3rd Sun	5:00 PM	2111 S. Central Ave	Marshfield, WI
8	Thursday	1st Thur	7:00 PM	Wausau Alano Club 711 McClellen St	Wausau, WI
9	Sunday	1st Sun	2:00 PM	Peace Church, 208 E. Maurer	Shawano, 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	6:00 PM	PIRC 410 Lakeshore Dr West	Ashland, WI
14	Sunday	2nd Sun	6:00 PM	New Richmond Alano; 1448 N 4th Street	New Richmond, WI
15				No information Available	
16				No information Available	
17	Monday	Last Mon	5:00 PM	401 Kimberly	Iron Mountain, WI
18	Saturday	2nd Sat	11:00 AM	106 Main St	Ishpeming, MI
19				No information Available	
20	Saturday	1st Sat	11:00 AM	United Methodist Church, 1212 Morrison St	Germfask, MI
21	Tuesday	1st Tues	6:00 PM	Portage Lake United Church, 1400 E. Janghton 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 Sept 2023 LIST

DIST	DAY	DATE	TIME	LOCATION	
1	Thursday	2nd Thur	6:30 PM	Nativity Lord Parish 2270 S Oneida St Door #4	Green Bay, WI
2	Sunday	2nd Sun	2:00 PM	Peace United Methodist 2300 W Wisconsin Ave	Kaukauna, WI
3	Thursday	3rd Thur	5:30 PM	Alano Club 1210 E Grand Ave. Zoom info wiaadistrict3.org	Wisconsin Rapids, WI
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9	Sunday	1st Sun	2:00 PM	1st American Lutheran 511 Madison St	Oconto, WI
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11				No information Available	
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Greeting Area 74,

The link below contains the files for viewing the Delegate's Report from the 2023 General Service Conference

<https://1drv.ms/f/s!Alznr-ofDHPqgZQALD9E0mAlTFlanw?e=LjBnB>

In Service

Byron Bensen
 Panel 72 Area 74 Delegate
 Northern Wisconsin/UP Michigan
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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



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Area 74 - 2022 YTD Budget Report
 Year To Date 07-01-2023 - 07-31-2023

OFFICER & CHAIR EXPENSES	Budget	Actual	Budget
Release	1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	
Area Chair/Alt Delegate	1,700.00	1,043.56	656.44
President	700.00	283.70	416.30
Secretary	700.00	283.70	416.30
Assistant	700.00	359.00	341.00
Corrections MI	700.00	359.00	341.00
Corrections WI	700.00	359.00	341.00
Finance Expenses	700.00	591.46	108.54
Graveyards	700.00	228.00	472.00
Meeting	700.00	260.00	440.00
New & Used	700.00	353.00	347.00
Public Information	700.00	353.00	347.00
Stipends & Guidelines	700.00	353.00	347.00
Treatment	700.00	353.00	347.00
YTD Chair Expenses	\$ 12,600.00	\$ 7,352.89	\$ 5,247.11

REVENUE SUMMARY	Budget	Actual	Budget
Group Contributions	\$ 23,500.00	\$ 17,882.30	\$ 19,152.00
Other Revenues	2,500.00	652.83	1,848.00
Anniversary & Individual Contributions	700.00	700.00	700.00
YTD Total Revenue	\$ 30,700.00	\$ 19,235.13	\$ 21,700.00

COMMITTEE EXPENSES	Budget	Actual	Budget
Area Chair / Alt Delegate	1,000.00	25.00	975.00
Corrections Committee MI	1,400.00	150.00	1,250.00
Corrections Committee WI	800.00	-	800.00
ECF Committee	1,000.00	125.63	874.37
Finance Committee Expenses	200.00	12.00	188.00
Graveyards Committee	200.00	80.00	120.00
New & Used Committee	5,000.00	2,839.95	2,160.05
Public Information Committee	100.00	35.00	65.00
Secretary Committee	120.00	35.00	85.00
Stipends & Guidelines Committee	200.00	140.44	59.56
Treatment/Accessibility Committee	8,000.00	3,483.98	4,516.02
YTD Committee Expenses	21,310.00	3,483.98	17,826.02

OTHER REVENUE	Budget	Actual	Budget
Interest Revenue		25.00	
Refreshment Contributions		20.00	
Seed Money Return Group Conf		(498.93)	
Seed Money Return Fall Conf			
Fall Conference Expenses			
Prudent Reserve Transfer from Savings			
Total Other Revenue	\$ 2,000.00	\$ (452.93)	\$ 2,452.93

OTHER EXPENSES	Budget	Actual	Budget
Seat Delegate	2,800.00	2,800.00	
Resistor Interest	350.00	74.44	275.56
Assembly & ACM Rent	200.00	200.00	
Assembly & ACM Expenses	1,750.00	337.56	1,412.44
Conference Seed Money	6,000.00	-	6,000.00
Other Misc Expenses	100.00	-	100.00
ECF Conference	1,000.00	523.30	476.70
ECF (Justice Travel (Election Assembly)	1,000.00	-	1,000.00
East Central Regional Forum	1,000.00	-	1,000.00
Conf of Delegates (Assistant Trustees	200.00	-	200.00
International Convention	200.00	-	200.00
International Convention Hospitality Room	200.00	-	200.00
Seed Money Computer/Expenses	3,000.00	529.54	2,470.46
Prudent Reserve	3,000.00	-	3,000.00
YTD Other Expenses	\$ 18,920.00	\$ 4,883.98	\$ 14,036.02

EXPENSE SUMMARY	Budget	Actual	Budget
Chair Expenses	\$ 12,600.00	\$ 7,352.89	\$ 5,247.11
Committee Expenses	21,310.00	3,483.98	17,826.02
Other Expenses	18,920.00	4,883.98	14,036.02
YTD Total Expenses	\$ 52,830.00	\$ 15,720.85	\$ 37,109.15

Revenue & Expense by Month Area 74 Treasury 2022

Revenue	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
Group Contributions	2,394.53	1,653.39	1,262.47	2,625.45	1,899.50	1,311.40	2,695.62	-	-	-	-	-	13,842.36
Personal Anniversary	-	-	100.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.00
Interest Income	-	-	3.00	-	9.79	-	13.29	-	-	-	-	-	26.08
Refreshment Contributions	-	-	-	20.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	20.00
Seed Money Return	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Spring Conference Gain/Loss	-	-	-	-	(699.01)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(699.01)
Seed Money Return	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fall Conference Gain/Loss	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Revenue	2,394.53	1,653.39	1,365.47	2,645.45	1,210.28	1,311.40	2,708.91	-	-	-	-	-	13,289.43
Chair / Committee Expenses													
Delegate	-	-	1,000.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,000.00
Area Chair-Alt Delegate	-	-	705.00	129.21	274.35	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,108.56
Treasurer	-	-	216.00	244.00	298.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	758.00
Registrar	-	-	-	-	318.70	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	318.70
Secretary	-	-	-	-	318.70	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	318.70
Archives	-	-	55.45	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	55.45
Corrections Committee MI	-	-	436.00	160.00	363.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	959.00
Corrections Committee WI	-	-	360.00	-	348.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	708.00
CPC Committee	-	-	-	134.00	367.46	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	501.46
Finance Committee Expenses	27.53	-	-	187.21	39.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	253.74
Grapevine Committee	-	-	50.00	50.00	125.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	225.00
Literature Committee	-	60.00	63.00	-	139.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	262.00
Now & Then Committee	-	-	-	-	50.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	50.00
Public Information Committee	-	2,639.95	50.00	35.00	308.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,032.95
Struc & Guide Committee	-	-	140.84	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	140.84
Treatment/Accessibility Committee	-	-	211.00	385.26	836.38	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,432.64
Total Officer / Chair / Committee	27.53	2,699.95	3,287.29	1,324.68	3,785.59	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	11,125.04
Other Expenses													
Seat Delegate	-	2,600.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,600.00
Registrar Internet	-	-	73.84	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	73.84
Assembly & ACM rent	-	-	-	300.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	300.00
Assembly & ACM expenses	-	-	192.26	35.00	210.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	437.26
Conference seed money	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Misc Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
ECR Conference	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
ECR Trustee Travel (Election Assembly)	-	-	-	-	-	-	643.30	-	-	-	-	-	643.30
East Central Regional Forum	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Conf. of Delegates past/present Trustee	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
International Convention	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
International Convention Hospitality Room	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sec/Reg/Zoom computer OTE	-	-	-	529.58	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	529.58
Total Other Expenses	-	2,600.00	266.10	864.58	210.00	-	643.30	-	-	-	-	-	4,583.98

Year To Date 07-01-2023 - 07-31-2023

CARRYOVER FROM 2021	
Ending Balance Dec 31, 2021	\$38,589.61
Regular Savings - Minimum Deposit	\$ 5.00
Carryover prudent reserve	\$3,000.00
TTL CARRYOVER 2021	\$41,594.61
OFFICER & CHAIR EXPENSES	
Delegate	1,000.00
Area Chair-Alt Delegate	1,043.56
Treasurer	758.00
Registrar	283.70
Secretary	283.70
Archives	55.45
Corrections MI	458.00
Corrections WI	708.00
CPC	501.46
Finance	124.21
Grapevine	225.00
Literature	250.00
Now & Then	50.00
Public Information	393.00
Structures & Guidelines	125.81
Treatment/Accessibilities	7,332.69
YTD Chair Expenses	\$ 12,250.81
COMMITTEE EXPENSES	
Archives	55.45
Area Chair/Alt Delegate	65.00
Corrections Committee MI	160.00
Corrections Committee WI	-
CPC Committee	-
Finance Committee	129.53
Grapevine Committee	-
Literature Committee	12.00
Now & Then Committee	50.00
Public Information Committee	2,639.95
Registrar Committee	35.00
Secretary Committee	35.00
Structures & Guidelines Committee	140.84
Treatment/Accessibility Committee	181.83
YTD Committee Expenses	\$ 3,449.15
OTHER EXPENSES	
Seat Delegate	2,600.00
Registrar Internet	73.84
Rent - ACM / Assembly	300.00
Trails - ACM / Assembly	437.26
Conference Seed Money	0.00
Other Misc Expenses	0.00
ECR Conference	0.00
ECR Trustee Travel (Election Assembly)	643.30
ECR Forum	0.00
CPC	0.00
International Convention	0.00
International Hospitality Room	0.00
Sec / Reg / Zoom Computer One-time expense	529.58
YTD Other Expenses	\$ 4,583.98
Zoom Operators (I and A)	521.71

REVENUE SUMMARY	
Group Contributions	\$ 13,842.36
* Other Revenue *	(652.93)
Anniversary & Individual Contributions	100.00
YTD Total Revenue	\$ 13,289.43
* OTHER REVENUE *	
Interest Income	26.08
Refreshment Contributions	20.00
Seed Money Return Spring 2022 Conference	-
Spring 2023 Conference Gain/Loss	(699.01)
Seed Money Return Fall 2021 Conference	-
Fall 2023 Conference Gain/Loss	-
Total Other Income	\$ (652.93)
EXPENSE SUMMARY	
Chair Expenses	\$ 7,332.69
Committee Expenses	\$ 3,449.15
Other Expenses	\$ 4,583.98
YTD Total Expenses	\$ 15,365.82
TOTAL ASSETS	
Bal-Checking Account July 31, 2023	\$37,156.32
Outstanding Checks	3643.30
CHECKING BALANCE July 31, 2023	\$36,613.02
Regular Savings - Minimum Deposit	\$5.00
Bal-Prudent Reserve June 30, 2023	\$3,000.00
TOTAL ASSETS July 31, 2023	\$39,518.02
TOTAL ASSETS - BANK PROOF	
Ending Balance Dec 31, 2021	\$38,589.61
Regular Savings - Minimum Deposit	5.00
Carry Over Prudent Reserve	3,000.00
YTD Total Revenue	13,289.43
YTD Total Expense	15,365.82
YTD Net Gain (or Loss)	\$ (2,076.59)
Prudent Reserve Activity	
Beginning Prudent Reserve Balance	\$3,000.00
YTD Accrued Interest	-
Transferred from Prudent Reserve to Checking	-
Transferred from Checking to Prudent Reserve	-
Current Prudent Reserve Balance	\$ 3,000.00
YEAR TO DATE GAIN / LOSS	
YTD Total Revenue	\$ 13,289.43
YTD Total Expenses	15,365.82
YTD Net Gain (or Loss)	\$ (2,076.59)
GROUP PARTICIPATION	
Active Groups As of July 31, 2023	668
Institutional Groups	64
Groups Contributing	155
	25.66%

**Please direct all
communications to:**

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New York, NY 10163
Fax: (212) 870-3003

Dear A.A. Friends,

Warm greetings from the General Service Office!

With this year's General Service Conference behind us, the office is now full steam ahead implementing the group conscience of the Fellowship. Our Conference is the very best expression of our Second Tradition. I have personally heard from delegates after Conference who consistently expressed gratitude for the opportunity, time, and space to express themselves fully at Conference.

Last month, the chairs of the General Service Board, AAWS, and Grapevine (Mike, Cathi, and Paz) visited the office. It was a tremendous expression of support as they participated in a very productive and informative sharing session during a special GSO Staff meeting. Chris C. and Janet Bryan from the AA Grapevine joined us as well. We shared openly about the challenging workload of trustees, directors, and employees of both offices and the timelines and deadlines necessary for proper completion of translation. There are a significant number of trustee sub/ad-hoc committees and working groups that require support of office staff and timely translation of documents. It's vital that each committee establishes reasonable timelines to complete its work, so that the appropriate amount of time is allotted for translation and delivery. This requires good communication and an understanding of expectations by all. I'm very grateful to the board chairs for their willingness to participate in these discussions and seek solutions that allow us all to work effectively in a principled manner.

This visit and the discussion we shared is one of the very best expressions of support for the office. It's also a great example of unity between the office and the boards. Like many of you, I enjoy starting my day reading the Grapevine Daily Quote. The following quote really resonated with me while reflecting on this visit:

"The unity of our Fellowship, the love we cherish for each other, the esteem in which the world holds us — all of these are products of such integrity, as under God, we have been privileged to achieve. May we therefore quicken our search for still more genuine honor, and deepen its practice in all our affairs.

"Love for each other, integrity, genuine honor — practiced in all our affairs. This visit was a powerful example of unity in action. We look forward to building on this fruitful sharing session. As always, please know we are here to serve the Fellowship, and we are grateful for your support and the trust you place in us and each other.

With gratitude for all you do for A.A

Bob W.
General Manager, GSO

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

As you may know, we re-established the process of sending Quarterly Contribution Statements to DCMs beginning with the first quarter of 2023. Unfortunately, we encountered technical issues with these statements. We are working on solutions to these issues.

While the list of contributions was correct, the totals were overstated in many cases. In addition, as a result of these technical issues, the first quarter contribution statements to delegates were not sent. While testing potential solutions, we also discovered an error in the reporting of contributions from individuals who wish to credit their groups and that contributions from areas and districts themselves were not included in the reports.

At the same time, Member Services and the Group Services desk are collaborating on a project to improve the integrity of the group and district information in our systems.

We have paused distribution of quarterly contribution statements until the technical issues are resolved and the related data integrity project work is completed so that the statements you receive are as accurate as possible. We will provide a timeline for resuming distribution of quarterly contribution statements as soon as possible.

We apologize for any inconvenience or confusion related to contribution statements.

Thank you for your continued patience and understanding.

Paul Konigstein
Chief Financial Officer

Lorna Graham
Director of Technology Services



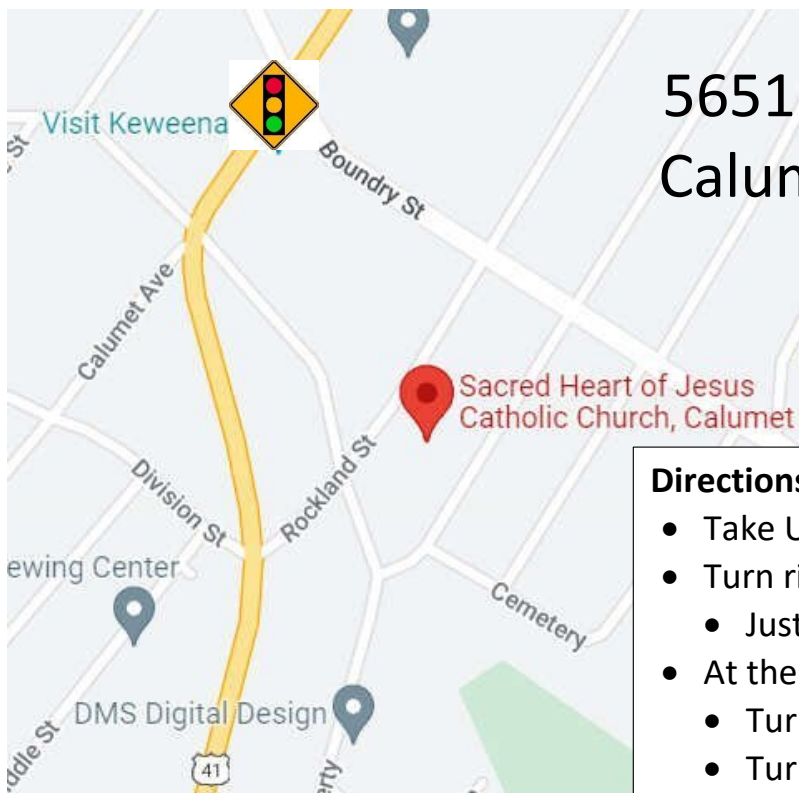
Alcoholics Anonymous

District 21 - Area 74

Intergroup

Saturday, August 19, 2023

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

⚠ **Great food & fellowship! Speakers!**

⚠ **Book & Literature Sale!**

⚠ **Donate your old Grapevines!**

⚠ **Door prizes!**

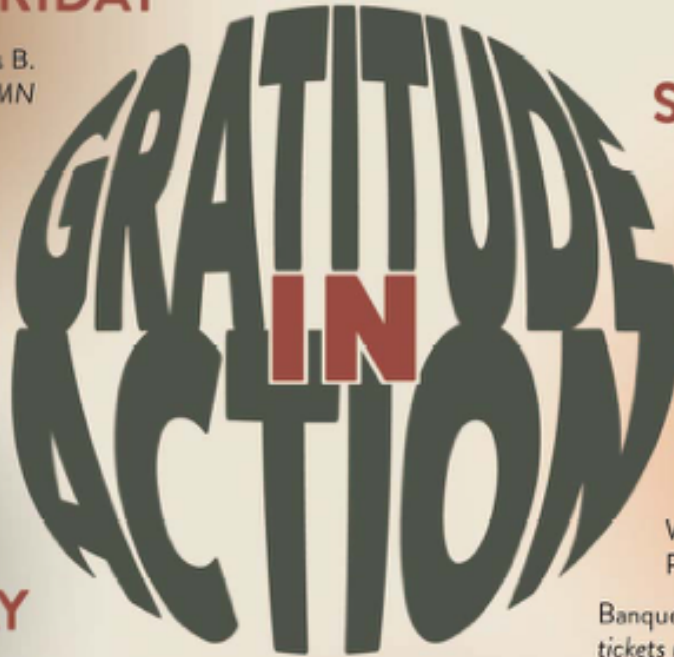
The 77th Annual Duluth Round Up

September 8-10, 2023

Radisson Hotel Duluth – Harborview
505 W Superior St., Duluth, MN 55802

FRIDAY

AA Speaker – Dennis B.
Formington, MN



SATURDAY

Breakfast Banquet
tickets required

AA Speaker – Hugh W.
Duluth, MN

AL-ANON Speaker –
Betty A.
Mankato, MN

AA Speaker – Judy L.
Boulder, CO

Workshops, Meetings,
Panels, etc.

Banquet Dinner
tickets required

SUNDAY

AA Speaker – Hannah C.
Minneapolis, MN

for more information or to register online, visit:
duluthroundup.org

Registration

Mail registration form with U.S. funds to
PO Box 16771
Duluth, MN 55816-0771

Round Up Tickets – \$25
amount: _____

Dinner – \$50
amount: _____

_____ Prime Rib (GF)
_____ Pineapple Chicken (GF)
_____ Eggplant Parmesan
(limited tickets available)

Breakfast – \$25
amount: _____
(limited tickets available)

Total Amount
Enclosed
\$ _____

Submit registration by August 31, 2023.
Pick up tickets at the registration desk at
the Radisson Hotel Duluth – Harborview
Registration begins September 8th 2:00 p.m.

Name _____
Address _____
City, State, Zip _____
Email Address _____
Phone _____

AA DISTRICT 23



Let's get together for food, fellowship and fun!!

Sunday, August 27th, 2023
11:00am - 3:00pm

Narrows Park (*on beautiful Rice Lake*)
815 East Sawyer Street
Rice Lake, WI



Meat, Buns, Cole Slaw, Water & Dinnerware
will be furnished by District 23



Please bring to share:
Side dishes
Snacks
Desserts
Soft Beverages

Questions? Email AADistrict23WI@gmail.com



2023 AREA 74 FALL CONFERENCE - \$25

September 15th - 17th, 2023

Saturday Speaker - Bob W. (General Manager -New York)

The Holiday Inn South - 4751 Owen Ayres Court. Eau Claire, WI - (715) 830-9889

(Reserve your room by August 15, 2023 - \$134.95)

Additional Room Block located at Candlewood Suites (715) 839-0967

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____

Willing to be of services: Yes / No AA / Alanon Bill W. Donation _____

Please indicate any special accommodations by 8/1/2023: ASL ____ Other _____

DEADLINE FOR BANQUET / LUNCH BUFFET SUBMISSION: August 1, 2023

BANQUET # _____ (ADD \$30) LUNCH BUFFET# _____ (ADD \$15)

CHECKS PAYABLE TO: Area 74 Fall 2023 Conference

Mail in Form to: 2517 Paul St., Eau Claire, WI 54701

Questions: (715) 559-2546 - area74fallconference2023@outlook.com

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