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## Delegate's Corner

Good day to All,

I want to welcome Katie D as our new Area 74 Registrar. Thank you for your commitment to be of service.

The preparations for the Delegate's workshop on March 11 th are underway. Reviewing all the agenda items and background material for the 73 rd General Service Conference will be taking up a lot of my time. I mentioned this last year, that this whole process is like going back to school, study, study, and study. The list of Final Agenda Items is included in this edition of the Now and Then, the background material is uploaded to the Delegate's section of the Area 74 web site, and an email with a link to all the material was sent out near the end of February. If you need help accessing any of the information, give me a call.

Part of that school experience is the Conference of Delegates Past and Present (CDPP), which was held in Columbus Ohio, February 10 th , 11 th , and 12 th . One of the main reasons for the CDPP is to prepare the Delegates for the General Service Conference in New York. There was a mock agenda item created, it was debated, and then voted on. The subject of the agenda item was fictitious, but the procedures used were identical to the process in New York. Cathi C., the East Central Regional Trustee, gave a report and she led off with a statement about the resignation of Linda C., a Class A Trustee and Chair of the General Service Board of Alcoholics Anonymous, Inc. She stated the particulars around the resignation are confidential and she urged the fellowship not to participate in any unfounded gossip. The General Service Board requested the resignation. Jimmy D., a class B Trustee, will be the Chair of the General service Board for the remainder of the year.

At times I feel overwhelmed by the General Service process and being a Delegate. When that happens, I just need to apply what I learned in the rooms of Alcoholics Anonymous. Pray and ask for God's assistance, talk with another member of AA, be of service to someone, and focus on just doing the next right thing. When I follow those simple rules, everything works out the way it is supposed to.

Looking forward to seeing you in Three Lakes, WI on the 11<sup>th</sup>. Thank you for allowing me to be of service.

Bryon B Delegate Panel 72 Area 74 715-579-5820 [delegate@area74.org](mailto:delegate@area74.org)

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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](mailto:treasurer@area74.org)**

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

Greetings and salutations Area 74!

March is here – we gain an hour of daylight, spring springs, Leprechauns come out and we have the Delegate’s Workshop and our 1<sup>st</sup> Area Committee Meeting of the year! I am excited!

Activities picked up in February, Bryon and I attended the Conference of Delegate’s Past and Present Conference in Columbus, OH and prepared for the upcoming General Service Conference in addition to receiving updates from our East Central Regional Trustee and hearing from General Service Staff member. Of course, the road trip with Bryon was a lot of fun!

I want to thank and congratulate Katie D who was elected as our new Area Registrar during the Special Assembly on February 19<sup>th</sup>. Thank you for being willing Katie and thank you for those that participated. My apologies to Grant who was inadvertently left in the virtual waiting room.

I am looking forward to giving a little service talk in Wausau the evening of March 18<sup>th</sup> and sharing a little experience, strength, and hope that afternoon at the Northside Traveling Potluck in Eau Claire.

If I can be of service to you, your group, your district, or your committee, please reach out and let me know and looking forward to seeing you in a couple of weeks!

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

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

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**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](http://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 March 2023 LIST					
1	Thursday	2nd Thur	6:30 PM	Hybrid Nativity Lord Parish 2270 S Oneida St Door #4	Green Bay, WI
2	Sunday	2nd Sun	2:00 PM	Genesis Club (Roundtable at 1:00 pm)	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	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	2nd Sun	2:00 PM	1st American Lutheran Church 511 Madison 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	Chequamegon Bay Serenity Club 310 Stuntz Ave.	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	1st Sat	11:00 AM	106 N 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 April 2023 LIST**

DIST	DAY	DATE	TIME	LOCATION	
1	Thursday	2nd Thur	6:30 PM	Hybrid Nativity Lord Parish 2270 S Oneida St Door #4	Green Bay, WI
2	Sunday	2nd Sun	2:00 PM	Solutions Club 621 Evans St (Roundtable at 1 pm)	Oshkosh, 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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8	Thursday	1st Thur	7:00 PM	Wausau Alano Club 711 McClellan St	Wausau, WI
9	Sunday	1st Sun	2:00 PM	St Augustine Catholic Church, 507 Church St	Wausaukee, WI
10	Saturday	2nd Sat	9:00 AM	1st United Methodist 724 Arbutus contact DCM for Zoom	Rhineland, WI
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# Area 74 Delegates Workshop and Area Committee Meeting Saturday March 11<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Hybrid Meeting

Reiter Center  
1858 S Michigan Street Three Lakes, WI

Zoom Information: Meeting ID: 841 1096 5882  
Passcode: 1212144

The doors, both virtual and physical, will be open at 9:30 AM CST Meeting starts at **10:00 AM CST** There will be a limited number of Committees meeting by Zoom. The details are still being worked out.

**10:00 AM**  
**10:15 AM 12:15 PM 1:00 PM 2:00 PM**

Welcome by Delegate and Area Chair  
Explanation of process  
Break out into discussion groups led by Standing Committee Chairs

Lunch  
Reconvene into Discussion Groups by Committee Workshop Committee Reports

## Area Committee Meeting to follow workshop

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### **73rd General Service Conference FINAL AGENDA Items**

#### **I. Agenda**

1. Review suggestions for the theme of the 2024 General Service Conference.
2. Review presentation/discussion topic ideas for the 2024 General Service Conference.
3. Discuss workshop topic ideas for the 2024 General Service Conference.
4. Review the General Service Conference Evaluation Form, distribution process and 2022 Evaluation Summary.
5. Discuss progress report on Conference improvement.
6. Review feedback from Delegate Chairs on quarterly communications.
7. Review a report and draft plan for a future Conference Inventory.

#### **II. Cooperation with the Professional Community**

1. Review progress report on A.A.W.S. LinkedIn page.
2. Review suggested revisions for the draft pamphlet "A.A. in Your Community."
3. Review progress report on the development of outward facing pamphlets for mental health professionals.
4. Consider retiring the pamphlet "A Member's-Eye View of Alcoholics Anonymous."
5. Review content and format of C.P.C. Kit and Workbook.

#### **III. Corrections**

1. Consider a request to include content in existing A.A. literature on sponsorship of persons in custody by outside members of the Fellowship.
2. Review content and format of Corrections Kit and Workbook.
3. Discuss service piece, "Safety and A.A.: Our Common Welfare" (SMF-209) and its revisions.

#### **IV. Finance**

1. Consider request that materials produced and maintained by A.A. World Services, AA Grapevine, La Viña, and the General Service Office (GSO), clarify that the General Service Board (“GSB”) is the A.A. entity which receives all voluntary A.A. contributions and that GSO is the A.A. entity which performs the processing of all A.A. contributions.
2. Review suggested area contribution for delegate expense for the Conference.
3. Review the Conference-approved level of \$10,000 for individual bequests to the General Service Board from A.A. members.
4. Review the Conference-approved maximum annual contribution of \$5,000 to the General Service Board from an individual A.A. member.
5. Review Self-Support Packet.
6. Discuss new proposed agenda items (PAI’s) regarding the book *Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions*.

#### **V. Grapevine/La Viña**

1. Review AA Grapevine Workbook.
2. Review progress report on the Grapevine and La Viña Instagram accounts
3. Consider the list of suggested Grapevine book topics for 2024 or after.
4. Consider a request to provide all area alternate delegates the same Conference materials as sitting delegates.

#### **VI. Literature**

1. Annual review of recovery literature matrix.
2. Review draft pamphlet based on A.A.’s Three Legacies.
3. Review draft of the revised pamphlet “The Twelve Steps Illustrated.”
4. Review draft of the revised pamphlet “Young People and A.A.”
5. Review progress report regarding update of the pamphlet “A.A. for the Black and African-American Alcoholic.”
6. Review progress report regarding update of the pamphlet “A.A. for the Native North American.”
7. Review progress report regarding development of a Fourth Edition of the book *Alcohólicos Anónimos* - Spanish.
8. Review progress report regarding the translation of the book *Alcoholics Anonymous* (Fourth Edition) into plain and simple language.
9. Review progress report regarding development of a Fifth Edition of the book *Alcoholics Anonymous*.
10. Review revised draft of the existing version of the pamphlet “Twelve Traditions Illustrated.”
11. Review revised draft of the Literature Committee workbook.
12. Review request to update the pamphlet “Do You Think You're Different?”
13. Discuss new proposed agenda items (PAI’s) related to the Plain Language Big Book Translation.
14. Review update on video animation for the pamphlet “The Twelve Concepts Illustrated.”
15. Discuss cost effective media options that welcome young people to A.A. as an alternative to revising the ‘Too Young?’ pamphlet
16. Review update on the proposal for Big Book or *Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions* study guides.

#### **VII. Policy/Admissions**

1. Review GSO general manager’s report regarding General Service Conference site selection.
2. Review dates for the 2027 General Service Conference.
3. Review progress report on the development of a process using virtual meeting technologies for polling the GSC between meetings.
4. Discuss report on the Equitable Distribution of Workload process.
5. Review report of the GSB Ad-Hoc Committee on Participation of Online Groups in the U.S./Canada Service Structure.

#### **VIII. Public Information**

1. Review the 2023 Public Information Comprehensive Media Plan.
2. Public Service Announcements (PSAs):
  1. Review the distribution and tracking information for two video PSAs:
    - i. “Sobriety in A.A.: My Drinking Built a Wall”
    - ii. “Sobriety in A.A.: When Drinking is no longer a Party”
  2. Review the 2022 report on the “Relevance and Usefulness of Video PSAs.”
- C. Review progress report on the development of a GSO Podcast.
4. Review report on “YouTube Performance.”
5. Review report on “Google Ads Performance.”

6. Review report on "Meeting Guide Performance."
7. Review the "2022 Third Quarter Report on A.A.W.S. Board Oversight of GSO's A.A. website."
8. Review report on "AAGV/La Viña Website, Marketing and Podcast."
9. Review report for "Online Business Profiles."
10. Review report on analytics.
11. Review progress report on the Young People's Video Project.
12. Discuss feasibility research on paid placement of PSA videos on streaming platforms.
13. Discuss Public Information pamphlets/materials:
  1. Review progress report on revision to the flyer "A.A. at a Glance"
  2. Review progress report on revision to the pamphlet "Speaking at Non-A.A. Meetings"
  3. Review progress report on revision to the flyer "A Message to Teenagers"
14. Review progress report on the request to create a new form of communication to address anonymity on social media.
15. Review report on 2022 A.A. Membership Survey process.
16. Review report on 2022 A.A. Membership Survey results reporting.
17. Review content and format of P.I. Kit and Workbook.
18. Consider request to implement an Alcoholics Anonymous World Services, Inc. Instagram account.

## **IX. Report and Charter**

1. *The A.A. Service Manual, 2023-2025 Edition:*
  1. Review list of editorial updates.
  2. Consider the request to rescind the 2018 Advisory Action concerning a footnote in the resolution concerning "register" and "Groups."
  3. Consider the request for specific changes to the 2021-2023 version of *The A.A. Service Manual*.
  4. Review progress report from A.A.W.S. Publishing on a new section to be added at the end of the *Twelve Concepts for World Service* titled "Amendments."
  5. Review feasibility report of an ASL translation of *The A.A. Service Manual Combined with the Twelve Concepts for World Service*.
2. Discuss General Service Conference *Final Report*.
3. Consider posting an anonymity-protected Conference *Final Report* on aa.org.

## **X. Treatment and Accessibilities**

1. Review progress report on update to the pamphlet "A.A. for the Older Alcoholic—Never too Late."
2. Review progress report on Military audio interviews.
3. Review contents and format of Treatment Kit and Workbook.
4. Review contents and format of Accessibilities Kit and Workbook.
5. Consider request to do an Accessibilities Inventory of Alcoholics Anonymous throughout its services and structure.
6. Discuss carrying the message to alcoholics with intellectual or information processing challenges, communication challenges and diverse neurological abilities
7. Review progress report on Bridging the Gap Workbook and other service materials
8. Review progress report on update to the pamphlet "Bridging the Gap."
9. Review progress report on GSO's Guidelines for Remote Communities.

## **XI. Trustees**

1. Review resumes of candidates for:
  1. Northeast Regional Trustee
  2. Southwest Regional Trustee
  3. Trustee-at-Large/Canada
2. Review slate of trustees and officers of the General Service Board of Alcoholics Anonymous, Inc.
3. Review slate of directors of A.A. World Services, Inc.
4. Review slate of directors of AA Grapevine, Inc.

## **XII. Archives**

- A. Review content and format of Archives Workbook.

## **XIII. International Conventions/Regional Forums**

1. Discuss selection of cities to be considered as a site for the International Convention in 2035.
2. Discuss inviting up to twenty-one non-A.A. speakers to participate in the 2025 International Convention at A.A.'s expense.
3. Discuss update report on methods of closing the Big Meetings at the International Convention.
4. Discuss ways to encourage interest in Regional Forums and attract first-time attendees.

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**LINK TO BACKGROUND MATERIAL FOR 2023 GSC AGENDA ITEMS**

The background material for the 73rd General Service Conference has been released  
The Link below will take you to a OneDrive Folder with separate subfolders for each committee.

[https://1drv.ms/u/s!Alznr-ofDHpQgY5-xvwqPSQMOY8T\\_Q?e=92LQWV](https://1drv.ms/u/s!Alznr-ofDHpQgY5-xvwqPSQMOY8T_Q?e=92LQWV)

I will be contacting each of the Committee Chairs and the past Delegates next week to discuss their roles in the Delegates Workshop on March 11th.

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**Area 74 Area Committee Meeting Agenda - Hybrid**

Saturday, March 11<sup>th</sup> 2023

Reiter Center, Three Lakes, WI

**Zoom Meeting ID: 841 1096 5882 Passcode: 1212144**

Following Delegate’s Workshop Aprox 3/3:30

Prayer

Welcome and Housekeeping

Roll call

**Approve Minutes** from 12/10/23 Area Committee Meeting

**Reports:**

DCM Reports

Delegates Report

**Unfinished Business:**

District 13 Motion – Continued discussion

**New Business:**

District 13 Discussion – carry over to March 2023 – Delegate’s Report only  
(Spring 2024)

Assembly Agenda Discussion

**Close with Responsibility Statement**

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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**

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**DRAFT MINUTES**  
**Area 74 Area Committee Meeting**  
**December 10, 2022 Zoom**

Nicholas opened with Serenity prayer  
Present: Area Chair, Delegate, Treasurer  
Corrections MI, Finance, Structures & Guidelines, Now and Then, Literature, Grapevine  
DCMs: 01, 04, 08, 12, 17 (no report), 18, 22

**Bill Corrections MI moved to approve the minutes from the September 18, 2022 ACM. Bill Literature 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion approved.**

DCM reports (see attached)

Delegate's Report

Old Business

Schedule for Committees doing workshops, Nicholas shared excel file. Mar/Apr: PI, CPC, Treatment & Accessibilities in District 01

New Business

District 13 discussion regarding Delegate's report only for Assembly

Discussion: No time frame for Delegate's report, should have as much time as needed.

Why not implement sooner? Only planning for their event.

What impact would it have on normal business that is usually conducted?

Nicholas thought it wouldn't interrupt.

Request for ad-hoc committee for 2023 to survey entire Area 74 membership as to what they'd like to see at an Area 74 Conference.

This is an Area 74 Conference hosted by District. Not a District conference that invites the Area to.

Ad-hoc committee was already done with cab reloaded.

Post-conference evaluation form for attendees.

Now and Then

Problems: Untimely information being submitted to Now and Then  
articles, minutes, updated contacts not being received

Role of Now and Then

Area Committee responsible for health of area, sets agenda for assemblies

Newsletter is part of Area Committee, we communicate with groups.

Primary communication link is DCMs to groups

Newsletter is monthly communication of Area 74 business.

District 17, last Monday at 5 pm at 401 Kimberly; Iron Mountain, MI (was given to Michelle in October, she apologized for not getting it in)

Dean will talk to registrar and let her know the Area Committee is willing to offer whatever support she needs.

Now & Then: [area74newsletter@gmail.com](mailto:area74newsletter@gmail.com)

Updates to 2023 dates to remember:

2023 Year end / election Assembly at Quality Inn in Rhinelander

2023 Fall Conference dates changed to September 15, 16, 17

Other: Does Structures & Guidelines have a workshop planned in the future? Our function is to edit the guidelines to reflect what the Assembly has voted on.

Do a review?

Meeting closed with we form of Responsibility Statement.

Respectfully submitted by Michelle Z., substitute secretary

**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	2,370.00	1,653.39	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,023.39
Personal Anniversary	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Interest Income	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Refreshment Contributions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Seed Money Return	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Spring Conference Gain/Loss	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Seed Money Return	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fall Conference Gain/loss	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>2,370.00</b>	<b>1,653.39</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	<b>4,023.39</b>
<b>Officer / Chair / Committee Expenses</b>													
Delegate	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Area Chair-Alt Delegate	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Treasurer	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Registrar	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Secretary	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Archives	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Corrections Committee MI	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Corrections Committee WI	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CPC Committee	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Finance Committee Expenses	27.53	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	27.53
Grapevine Committee	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Literature Committee	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Now & Then Committee	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Public Information Committee	-	2,639.95	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,639.95
Struc & Guide Committee	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Treatment/Accessibility Committee	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total Officer / Chair / Committee</b>	<b>27.53</b>	<b>2,639.95</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	<b>2,667.48</b>
<b>Other Expenses</b>													
Seat Delegate	-	2,600.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,600.00
Registrar Internet	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Assembly & ACM rent	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Assembly & ACM expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Conference seed money	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Misc Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
ECR Conference	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
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	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	153.81	-	-	-	153.81
<b>Total Other Expenses</b>	-	<b>2,600.00</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-	<b>153.81</b>	-	-	-	<b>2,753.81</b>

<b>CARRYOVER FROM 2021</b>	
Ending Balance Dec 31, 2021	\$38,589.61
Regular Savings Minimum Deposit	\$ 5.00
Carryover prudent reserve	\$3,000.00
<b>TTL CARRYOVER 2021</b>	<b>\$41,594.61</b>

<b>OFFICER &amp; CHAIR EXPENSES</b>	
Delegate	\$ -
Area Chair-Alt Delegate	-
Treasurer	-
Registrar	-
Secretary	-
Archives	-
Corrections MI	-
Corrections WI	-
CPC	-
Finance	-
Grapevine	-
Literature	-
Now & Then	-
Public Information	-
Structures & Guidelines	-
Treatment/Accessibilities	-
<b>YTD Chair Expenses \$</b>	<b>-</b>

<b>COMMITTEE EXPENSES</b>	
Archives	\$ -
Area Chair/Alt Delegate	-
Corrections Committee MI	-
Corrections Committee WI	-
CPC Committee	-
Finance Committee	27.53
Grapevine Committee	-
Literature Committee	-
Now & Then Committee	-
Public Information Committee	2,639.95
Registrar Committee	-
Secretary Committee	-
Structures & Guidelines Committee	-
Treatment/Accessibility Committee	-
<b>YTD Committee Expenses \$</b>	<b>2,667.48</b>

<b>OTHER EXPENSES</b>	
Seat Delegate	\$ 2,600.00
Registrar Internet	0.00
Rent - ACM / Assembly	0.00
Treats - ACM / Assembly	0.00
Conference Seed Money	0.00
Other Misc Expenses	-
ECR Conference	0.00
ECR Trustee Travel (Election Assembly)	0.00
ECR Forum	0.00
CDPP - Trustee Election	0.00
International Convention	0.00
International Hospitality Room	0.00
Sec / Req / Zoom Computer One-time expense	-
<b>YTD Other Expenses \$</b>	<b>2,600.00</b>

<b>REVENUE SUMMARY</b>	
Group Contributions	\$ 4,023.39
* Other Revenue *	-
Anniversary & Individual Contributions	-
<b>YTD Total Revenue \$</b>	<b>4,023.39</b>

<b>* OTHER REVENUE *</b>	
Interest Income	-
Refreshment Contributions	-
Seed Money Return Spring 2022 Conference	-
Spring 2022 Conference Gain/Loss	-
Seed Money Return Fall 2021 Conference	-
Fall 2020 Conference Gain/Loss	-
<b>Total Other Income \$</b>	<b>-</b>

<b>EXPENSE SUMMARY</b>	
Chair Expenses	\$ -
Committee Expenses	\$ 2,667.48
Other Expenses	\$ 2,600.00
<b>YTD Total Expenses \$</b>	<b>5,267.48</b>

<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	
Bal-Checking Account FEBRUARY 28, 2023	\$42,570.52
Outstanding Checks	\$5,225.00
<b>CHECKING BALANCE FEBRUARY 28, 2023</b>	<b>\$37,345.52</b>
Regular Savings - Minimum Deposit	\$5.00
Bal-Prudent Reserve FEBRUARY 28, 2023	\$3,000.00
<b>TOTAL ASSETS FEBRUARY 28, 2023</b>	<b>\$40,350.52</b>

<b>TOTAL ASSETS - BANK PROOF</b>	
Ending Balance Dec 31, 2021	\$38,589.61
Regular Savings - Minimum Deposit	5.00
Carry Over Prudent Reserve	3,000.00
YTD Total Revenue	4,023.39
YTD Total Expense	5,267.48
<b>YTD Total Assets - Bank Proof</b>	<b>\$40,350.52</b>

<b>Prudent Reserve Activity</b>	
Beginning Prudent Reserve Balance	\$3,000.00
YTD Accrued Interest	-
Transferred From Prudent Reserve to Checking	-
Transferred From Checking to Prudent Reserve	-
<b>Current Prudent Reserve Balance \$</b>	<b>3,000.00</b>

<b>YEAR TO DATE GAIN / LOSS</b>	
YTD Total Revenue	\$ 4,023.39
YTD Total Expenses	\$ 5,267.48
<b>YTD Net Gain (or Loss) \$</b>	<b>(1,244.09)</b>

<b>GROUP PARTICIPATION</b>	
Active Groups As of FEBRUARY 28, 2023	622
Institutional Groups	25
Groups Contributing	40
<b>Participation Rate</b>	<b>6.70%</b>

### Area 74 - 2022 YTD Budget Report

Year To Date 02-01-2023 - 02-28-2023

OFFICER & CHAIR EXPENSES	Budget	Actual	Budget
Delegate	2,600.00	\$ -	\$ 2,600.00
Area Chair/Alt Delegate	1,700.00	-	1,700.00
Treasurer	700.00	-	700.00
Registrar	700.00	-	700.00
Secretary	700.00	-	700.00
Archives	700.00	-	700.00
Corrections MI	700.00	-	700.00
Corrections WI	700.00	-	700.00
CPC	700.00	-	700.00
Finance Expenses	700.00	-	700.00
Grapevine	700.00	-	700.00
Literature	700.00	-	700.00
Now & Then	700.00	-	700.00
Public Information	700.00	-	700.00
Structures & Guidelines	700.00	-	700.00
Treatment	700.00	-	700.00
<b>YTD Chair Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 14,100.00</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 14,100.00</b>

REVENUE SUMMARY	Budget	Actual	Budget
Group Contributions	\$ 24,000.00	\$ 4,023.39	\$ 19,976.61
* Other Revenue *	6,500.00	-	6,500.00
Anniversary & Individual Contributions	200.00	-	200.00
<b>YTD Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 30,700.00</b>	<b>\$ 4,023.39</b>	<b>\$ 26,676.61</b>

COMMITTEE EXPENSES	Budget	Actual	Budget
Archives	1,000.00	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00
Area Chair / Alt Delegate	715.00	-	715.00
Corrections Committee MI	1,600.00	-	1,600.00
Corrections Committee WI	800.00	-	800.00
CPC Committee	1,040.00	-	1,040.00
Finance Committee Expenses	1,950.00	27.53	1,922.47
Grapevine Committee	200.00	-	200.00
Literature Committee	860.00	-	860.00
Now & Then Committee	600.00	-	600.00
Public Information Committee	5,000.00	2,639.95	2,360.05
Registrar Committee	106.00	-	106.00
Secretary Committee	120.00	-	120.00
Structures & Guidelines Committee	800.00	-	800.00
Treatment/Accessibility Committee	6,400.00	-	6,400.00
<b>YTD Committee Expenses</b>	<b>21,191.00</b>	<b>2,667.48</b>	<b>18,523.52</b>

* OTHER REVENUE *	Budget	Actual	Budget
Interest Revenue	-	-	-
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>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 2,000.00</b>

OTHER EXPENSES	Budget	Actual	Budget
Seat Delegate	2,400.00	2,600.00	(200.00)
Registrar Internet	120.00	-	120.00
Assembly & ACM Rent	600.00	-	600.00
Assembly & ACM Expenses	1,750.00	-	1,750.00
Conference Seed Money	6,000.00	-	6,000.00
Other / Misc Expenses	100.00	-	100.00
ECR Conference	1,000.00	-	1,000.00
ECR Trustee Travel (Election Assembly)	-	-	-
East Central Regional Forum	1,000.00	-	1,000.00
Conf. of Delegates past/present Trustee	1,000.00	-	1,000.00
International Convention	750.00	-	750.00
International Convention Hospitality Room	400.00	-	400.00
Sec/Req/Zoom computer/onetimeexpens	200.00	-	200.00
Prudent Reserve	3,000.00	-	3,000.00
<b>YTD Other Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 18,320.00</b>	<b>\$ 2,600.00</b>	<b>\$ 15,720.00</b>

EXPENSE SUMMARY	Budget	Actual	Budget
Chair Expenses	\$ 14,100.00	\$ -	\$ 14,100.00
Committee Expenses	21,191.00	2,667.48	18,523.52
Other Expenses	18,320.00	2,600.00	15,720.00
<b>YTD Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 53,611.00</b>	<b>\$ 5,267.48</b>	<b>\$ 48,343.52</b>

7th Tradition - Revenue	2019 (Actual)	2020 (Actual)	2021 (Budget)	2021 (Actual)	2022 (Budget)	2022 (Actual) YTD	2023 (Budget)
Group Contributions	\$28,572.64	\$10,939.03	\$31,958.00	\$15,741.73	\$31,958.00	\$22,887.86	\$24,000.00
Other Revenue	\$5,053.21	\$2,137.73	\$2,500.00	\$1,243.63	\$2,500.00	\$2,643.31	\$6,500.00
Anniversary & Individual Contributions	\$352.40	\$172.00	\$350.00	\$108.00	\$350.00	\$132.00	\$200.00
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$33,978.25</b>	<b>\$13,248.76</b>	<b>\$34,808.00</b>	<b>\$17,093.36</b>	<b>\$34,808.00</b>	<b>\$25,663.17</b>	<b>\$30,700.00</b>
Cking Yearly Beginning Balance	\$14,463.06	\$32,173.28	\$13,000.00	\$35,710.70	\$13,000.00	\$42,174.40	\$35,000.00
<b>Ttl Rev + Yrly Beginning Bal</b>	<b>\$48,441.31</b>	<b>\$45,422.04</b>	<b>\$47,808.00</b>	<b>\$52,804.06</b>	<b>\$47,808.00</b>	<b>\$67,837.57</b>	<b>\$65,700.00</b>
<b>Area Officer and Committee Chair Expenses</b>							
Officer Expenses	2019 (Actual)	2020 (Actual)	2021 (Budget)	2021 (Actual)	2022 (Budget)	2022 (Actual)	2023 (Budget)
Delegate	\$1,840.00	\$0.00	\$2,600.00	\$1,000.00	\$2,600.00	\$1,649.34	\$2,600.00
Area Chair-Alt Delegate	\$655.00	\$248.00	\$1,300.00	\$724.00	\$1,300.00	\$1,298.35	\$1,700.00
Treasurer	\$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	\$965.24	\$700.00
Secretary	\$370.00	\$0.00	\$700.00	\$93.00	\$700.00	\$208.78	\$700.00
Committee Chairs *	4,223.83	347.06	\$7,700.00	\$1,090.08	\$7,700.00	\$5,543.02	\$7,700.00
<b>Officer / Chair Expense Sub-Total</b>	<b>\$7,813.04</b>	<b>\$1,677.06</b>	<b>\$13,700.00</b>	<b>\$3,264.30</b>	<b>\$13,700.00</b>	<b>\$10,557.51</b>	<b>\$14,100.00</b>
<b>Committee Expenses</b>							
Committee Expenses	2019 (Actual)	2020 (Actual)	2021 (Budget)	2021 (Actual)	2022 (Budget)	2022 (Actual)	2023 (Budget)
Archives	\$508.81	\$0.00	\$1,000.00	\$89.66	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
Area Chair-Alt Delegate	\$290.00	\$285.26	\$400.00	\$121.24	\$715.00	\$55.00	\$715.00
Corrections Committee MI	\$0.00	\$183.71	\$720.00	\$180.00	\$720.00	\$714.40	\$1,600.00
Corrections Committee WI	\$2.50	\$0.00	\$700.00	\$0.00	\$35.00	\$0.00	\$800.00
CPC Committee	\$366.16	\$22.00	\$1,070.00	\$100.96	\$1,040.00	\$247.51	\$1,040.00
Finance Committee Expenses	\$821.65	\$445.74	\$1,190.00	\$328.35	\$1,230.00	\$456.42	\$1,950.00
Grapevine Committee	\$380.36	\$0.00	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$200.00	\$16.00	\$200.00
Literature Committee	\$56.95	\$44.10	\$162.00	\$80.75	\$400.00	\$75.00	\$860.00
Now & Then Committee	\$2,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00	\$500.00	\$650.00	\$500.00	\$600.00
Public Information Committee	\$110.05	\$66.43	\$385.00	\$43.73	\$950.00	\$283.14	\$5,000.00
Registrar Committee	\$221.74	\$105.99	\$251.00	\$105.99	\$106.00	\$0.00	\$106.00
Secretary Committee	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$185.00	\$0.00	\$120.00	\$0.00	\$120.00
Struc & Guide Committee	\$279.59	\$0.00	\$250.00	\$250.00	\$250.00	\$0.00	\$800.00
Treatment/Accessibility Committee	\$0.00	\$560.00	\$4,800.00	\$340.00	\$4,400.00	\$481.25	\$6,400.00
<b>Committee Expenses Sub-Total</b>	<b>\$5,037.81</b>	<b>\$1,713.23</b>	<b>\$12,613.00</b>	<b>\$1,890.68</b>	<b>\$11,816.00</b>	<b>\$2,828.72</b>	<b>\$21,191.00</b>
<b>Other Expenses</b>							
Other Expenses	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	\$2,400.00
Registrar Internet	-	-	\$120.00	-	\$120.00	\$105.99	\$120.00
Assembly & ACM rent	500.00	100.00	\$600.00	-	\$600.00	\$1,051.50	\$600.00
Assembly & ACM expenses	356.18	46.97	\$275.00	-	\$275.00	\$268.00	\$1,750.00
Conference seed money	-	2,000.00	\$2,000.00	2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$8,000.00	\$6,000.00
Other Fee's/Misc Expenses	8.00	5,000.00	\$100.00	750.00	\$100.00	\$1,052.72	\$100.00
ECR Conference	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	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Other Expenses Sub-Total</b>	<b>\$3,417.18</b>	<b>\$4,396.96</b>	<b>\$8,495.00</b>	<b>\$5,480.01</b>	<b>\$8,495.00</b>	<b>\$15,871.98</b>	<b>\$14,170.00</b>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$16,268.03</b>	<b>\$7,787.25</b>	<b>\$34,808.00</b>	<b>\$10,634.99</b>	<b>\$34,011.00</b>	<b>\$29,258.21</b>	<b>\$49,461.00</b>
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$33,978.25</b>	<b>\$13,248.76</b>	<b>\$34,808.00</b>	<b>\$17,093.36</b>	<b>\$34,808.00</b>	<b>\$25,663.17</b>	<b>\$30,700.00</b>
<b>End of Year Gain / Loss</b>	<b>\$17,710.22</b>	<b>\$5,461.51</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>\$6,458.37</b>	<b>797.00</b>	<b>-\$3,595.04</b>	<b>(18,761.00)</b>
<b>Prudent Reserve</b>	<b>\$3,000.00</b>	<b>\$3,000.00</b>	<b>\$3,000.00</b>	<b>\$3,000.00</b>	<b>\$3,000.00</b>	<b>\$3,000.00</b>	<b>\$3,000.00</b>

# **Western Wisconsin Traveling Open Speaker Meeting**

**at Hope Lutheran Church  
NE corner of Eddy Lane & Starr Avenue  
(3 blocks west of Hwy 53 on Eddy Lane)**

**SATURDAY, MARCH 18, 2023**

**Workshop, Potluck Supper (bring a dish to pass!)  
& Open Speaker Meeting**

Hosted by the Northside Group & Hope Come Together

## **Schedule of Events**

**3:00 pm Workshop: The Home Group**

**5:30 pm Potluck Supper**

**7:00 pm Al-Anon Speaker**

**8:00 pm AA Speaker**

**Al-Anon Speaker: Kathy B from Eau Claire, WI**

**AA Speaker: Mark Z from Eau Claire, WI**

Contact Randy D, 715-215-1289 for potluck info

# CAME TO BELIEVE GROUP

HELP US: **CELEBRATE**

**23 YEARS and Counting/keep the date**

**Where:** St. Stephen's Church

512 McClellan St.

Wausau, Wisconsin 54401

**When:** Saturday, March 18, 2023

Dinner from 5:30 – 6:30 p.m.

Main dish provided

**Please bring a dish to pass**

7:00 - 7:30 p.m. Area 74 Service Speaker

Nicholas S. Alt. Delegate/Chair

Main Speaker: 7:30-8:30 p.m.

Jayne W.

From: Eau Claire, WI    HYBRID EVENT: CONTACT BOB FOR ACCESS



 **This is a handicap accessible facility**

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





AA DISTRICT 12 WORKSHOP

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# SPONSORSHIP

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SUNDAY, MARCH 19

NOON – 3PM

Hayward Serenity Club  
10339 S Florida Ave

[haywardwiareaaa.org](http://haywardwiareaaa.org)

**Panel Discussion + Speed Sponsorship**

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**Snacks & Bevs Provided**

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**Open Meeting**



# District 02 AA Service Workshop

*April 1st 10am - 12pm*

**Come learn about the AA service  
structure - all are welcome!**

**Join us in person or virtually:**

**St. Mark's Church**

**140 S Green Bay Rd, Neenah, WI  
54956**

**OR Via Zoom link: 875-9555-4987**

**Passcode: 844696**

**Refreshments and snacks will be  
provided, bring a friend!**

materials covered can be found at [aa.org](http://aa.org)

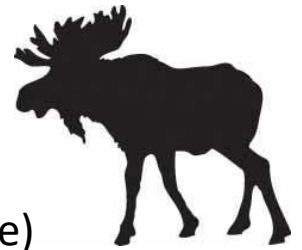




# ANNUAL MOOSE & GOOSE

(Along with other assorted American Cuisine)

CORRECTIONS LITERATURE BENEFIT



## Saturday, April 15, 2023

Emmanuel Lutheran Church

349 N Main St, Seymour, WI

**5:00 PM Set up & social time**

**6:00 PM Dinner (bring a dish to pass)**

**7:30 PM Speakers**

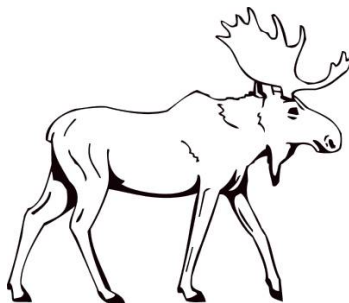
VOLUNTEERS AND SILENT AUCTION ITEMS NEEDED.

PLEASE HELP US MAKE IT ANOTHER GREAT EVENT.

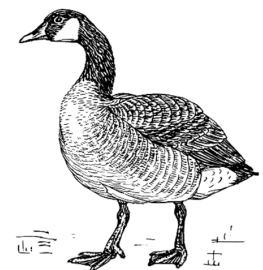
MEAT DONATIONS NEEDED

Moose, Goose, Elk, Venison, Turkey, Fish, etc. all donations appreciated. If you can't prepare it, please contact us.

Ham Raffle, 50/50 Raffle, Silent Auction. Your donations, AA literature or money from groups welcome.



Contact Fred B. (920) 595-0062



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

February 3, 2023

Fellow AAs,

Last weekend, the General Service Board (GSB) met during its quarterly board weekend. We wanted to let you know as quickly as possible that, at the board's request, Linda Chezem has resigned as a Class A Trustee and Chair of the Board.

First and foremost, the GSB wants to assure you that we continue to affirm our commitment to the board's single mission—serving the Fellowship of Alcoholics Anonymous.

We also want to emphasize that the departure of our chairperson is receiving the highest level of attention. As First Vice Chair of the General Service Board (per the slate of officers elected at the 2022 General Service Conference), and with the approval of the Board in a special session held last Monday, I have now assumed the role of Interim Chairperson until the close of the GSC in April 2023. My service as Southwest Regional Trustee will also end at that time.

We have initiated the process, through our Nominating Committee, to elect a new chair and the GSB commits to keeping you informed as we move forward.

We understand news of this nature will raise questions and concerns. Openness and transparency within our Fellowship is not only important, it's vital. However, just as we hold much in confidence with our fellow A.A. members and prospects, similar discretion must be applied to some of the work we do when serving in our roles as trustee members of the General Service Board. In that spirit, and during this very challenging time, the General Service Board and its affiliates, A.A. World Services and A.A. Grapevine, ask for your patience, understanding, and trust.

Sending much A.A. love to each of you,



Jimmy D.  
Interim Chair, General Service Board

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General Service Conference Delegates  
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Date: February 15, 2023

Warm greetings – we hope that this letter finds you well. We are writing today to inform you of an upcoming price increase affecting our English, Spanish, and French books, booklets, and pamphlets. The new prices will go into effect on April 3, 2023, and generally reflect a 20% increase on books and a 30% increase on pamphlets (with rounding and some minor adjustments).


Some of you have indicated that you anticipated the need for an increase. For historical reference, the last price increases were made in 2014 (18.75%) and 2009 (33.3%). The decision to raise prices in 2023 resulted from prudent fiscal planning with the goal of longer-range stability. Alcoholics Anonymous is not immune from the changes that are impacting all businesses, and one of the greatest to us has been a notable drop in the margins associated with the sale of our literature. To be specific, prior to the SARS-CoV2 pandemic, the costs associated with the production, material, warehousing, and shipping of literature, collectively known as the cost of goods sold, hovered between 31-34% of sales. These same costs have fluctuated from 42-56% of sales in the last two years, resulting in a revenue loss that is greater than \$1.2 million each year. We do not expect this change in the cost of goods sold to resolve in our favor, and the impact is great when considering that the General Service Office is supported through both voluntary contributions and this revenue associated with the sale of literature. We continue to monitor and trim expenses where possible, being mindful of the immense significance of each ‘nickel in the basket’ sent to the General Service Board.

Because we appreciate that there may be high demand in ordering leading up to the increase, we will be taking steps to ensure that purchasing not be monopolized by large buyers during the transition. We will maintain the reduced shipping charges schedule that was adopted in 2022 and the mixed-title quantity discount schedule that was adopted at the close of 2022. The new pricelist, which [can be found here](#) will be reflected on the online store as the increase goes into effect. We anticipate issuing a revised and updated literature catalog in digital and print versions in the coming months.

With gratitude as we await spring,



Deborah K.,  
AAWS Board Chair



Bob W,  
General Manager of the General Service Office

# GRAPEVINE News



## What's New For March 2023

**2023 CARRY THE MESSAGE PROJECT**

Give a Gift Subscription to an alcoholic who needs it. Great for:

- Sponsors • Newcomers
- Prisoners • Detoxers
- Doctors' Offices • Group Celebrations • District and Area Events • Giveaways

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Grapevine & La Viña are Great Twelfth Step Tools!

Get your group, district, area or AA friends to join in. Carry the Message. It's easy!

Go to [aagrapevine.org/carry-the-message](http://aagrapevine.org/carry-the-message) to get started and see our new Carry the message video at [www.youtube.com/c/AAgrapevine](http://www.youtube.com/c/AAgrapevine)

### 2023 Carry The Message Project

Learn more [here!](#)

**GRAPEVINE LA VIÑA**

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Find us on YouTube at The AA Grapevine Channel

Listen to our Podcast [aagrapevine.org/podcast](http://aagrapevine.org/podcast)

### Follow Grapevine and La Viña

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**GET INSPIRED!** Listen to sample stories on our website. It's simple and easy to participate!

### Grapevine Audio Project

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**WE ARE HIRING!**

**Join the AA Grapevine, Inc. Team!**

We are looking for:

- Editor** (La Viña Magazine)
- Editorial Assistant** (La Viña Magazine)
- Controller**

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We Want You to Be a Part of Our AA Grapevine Community! Learn the ways you can participate [here](#).



## What's New in Print and Online



### Grapevine

#### Current Issue Spotlight:

This month's issue features "Get into Service!" AA members share experiences about getting involved in various kinds of AA service and then about how much joy it brings.

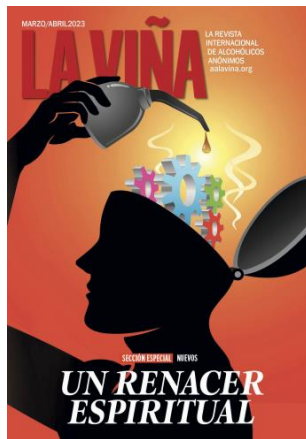
#### Submit Your Story for Upcoming Issues:

**1. Young & Sober (ICYPAA Celebrates 65 Years!) —** Did you come into AA at an early age? What was that like? What were the challenges? Do you go to Young People's AA (YPAA) meetings, dances and Conferences? How did that help you? Share! (stories due March 15)

**2. Mid-Sobriety Challenges —** Share about some challenges you've had after 8, 10, 20 years sober. Have you ever nearly relapsed? Did you ever stop going to meetings or disconnect from AA? Have you ever been a dry drunk? How did you get back on track? What helped you may help someone else. (stories due April 15, 2023)

**More upcoming topics:** Sober Holidays! & Remote Communities.

**Important:** We're looking for stories of experience with each Step and each Tradition! (Pick a particular Step or Tradition and share your experience!) We also need your jokes!



### La Viña

#### Current Issue Spotlight:

This month's issue features "Nuevos."

#### Submit Your Story for Upcoming Issues:

May/June: Relapse

We are always looking for stories on individual steps and traditions!

#### La Viña Workshop

We invite you to join **the last Friday of the month at 12pm EST** for our LV informational workshop. We review products, books, suggestions for ongoing presentations, GSO/GVLV updates.

**New meeting ID: 815 9593 1777**

#### Instagram

We need your pictures! Send us your most striking photographs that reflect the joy of living, serenity and other sobriety themes. [Click here!](#)

**La Viña Customer Service:** USA (800) 640-8781 / Intl.: +1 (570) 567-0437



### AA Grapevine.org

Make your plans and add your events to our online calendar at [www.aagrapevine.org/share](http://www.aagrapevine.org/share).

Grapevine is always looking for stories, photographs, and illustrations. Please visit [www.aagrapevine.org/share](http://www.aagrapevine.org/share) to learn more about how you can participate with Grapevine.

To listen to La Viña audio story (in Spanish), visit [www.aalavina.org](http://www.aalavina.org).

## Area Chair / GVR Corner

Please let us know at [EA@aagrapevine.org](mailto:EA@aagrapevine.org) if your Area plans any virtual or face-to-face events.

To request Grapevine Complimentary materials, please download the request form [www.aagrapevine.org/gvr-resources](http://www.aagrapevine.org/gvr-resources).



### Grapevine Travel / Remote Events

March 4 – 6

PRAASA

Los Angeles, California



If you attend area events we'd like to know!

Also, if you take anonymity-protected photos at events, we'd love to post them on the [GV Display Gallery](#).

Please send the information and photos to [EA@aagrapevine.org](mailto:EA@aagrapevine.org).

### DID YOU KNOW?

In 1971, the Grapevine Conference Committee recommended: "All delegates return to their home groups with a determination to begin thinking of the Grapevine as a major tool in helping to achieve and maintain sobriety."

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**We are pleased to be of assistance.**

# 2023 Area 74 Spring Conference



**May 19-21, 2023 • Green Bay, WI**



Radisson Hotel & Conference Center

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Rooms: \$99 single/double

Reservations call 920.494.7300 – provide conference name to receive above rate

**Friday Night:** Meet & Greet activity, Interview w/Jeff C., and skit!

**Saturday:** Panels - AA and Al-Anon

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

**Sunday Morning:** Area committee meeting & Spirituality Speaker

Friday Night begins with a meet and greet activity followed by an interview w/ Jeff C. The evening ends with original skit!

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

Sunday morning wraps up with the Area Committee meeting and a spiritual message from our main speaker.

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Please check: \_\_\_\_\_AA \_\_\_\_\_Al-Anon

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Makes checks payable to “Area 74 Spring Conference” PO Box 13242, Green Bay, WI 54307. **Deadlines for banquet submission: May 5, 2023**

**Questions? Call Kimberly 231.622.3743/kimmyschuyler@gmail.com**





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**From Chapter Seven, Page 89 of our Big Book**

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