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Delegate's Corner

Hello to all members of Alcoholics Anonymous Area 74.

Can you believe it! 2026 is upon us! I am honored to serve as your Area 74 panel 76 delegate—thank you for this opportunity.

In mid-December I was informed that I will spend the next two years on the Corrections Conference Committee, so as I have been told, focusing on corrections-related matters as I prepare for the 2026 General Service Conference is a great place to start. With the support of Area 74 members, I am confident we can move forward together. I see this as an important part of my recovery journey and service to our fellowship and especially to the still suffering alcoholic which is of course our primary purpose. I have already started to connect with the Corrections committee to the conference, and the Committee chair, secretary and Delegate chair. They have connected us together, the last year panel 75 delegates and us new panel 76 Delegates. I have reviewed previous correction committee discussions and actions from past years to understand our history as a committee.

My journey as your new Panel 76 Delegate is going well so far. Thank you for allowing me to serve, and please reach out anytime.

With our area chair's help, we've scheduled pre-delegate workshop sharing sessions on February 28th and March 7th to discuss 2026 GSC agenda items—more details coming soon. Thank you for letting me be of service!

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delegate@area74.org

Send Area 74 Contributions To:

**Area 74 Treasury
PO Box 1002 Eau Claire, WI 54702**

**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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Greetings Area 74,

My name is Brent H., your Panel 76 Area Chair/Alternate Delegate. I am an Alcoholic and my Sobriety Date is October 21, 2005.

With the help of Law Enforcement intervention, I was able to spend the weekend in jail where I found myself asking God what He needed me to do. I found the next available AA meeting. It was a first step meeting. The group went around and started to tell me my story (I had never met any of these people before, but they knew). By the end of that meeting, I had a Big Book, a future sponsor, and a ride to my next meeting.

Seven days sober, a gentleman from that meeting and his family picked me up and took me to a Potluck Intergroup. He quickly became my Sponsor and still is today. At that Intergroup, I heard a young lady’s story, and it brought me to tears, as her story sounded much worse than anything I had gone through. Yet she and her friend were sashaying around the meeting laughing and enjoying the fellowship. I WANTED WHAT THEY HAD.

Now the term “More will be revealed” started to become more evident. Little did I know that my Sponsors’ Sponsors were past Delegates and my Sponsor was active in service. He took me to District and Area meetings and even an ECR (East Central Regional) Forum. I met our East Central Regional Trustee at that time. These trips usually started with “What are you doing?” (He already knew the answer). These road trips led to insightful discussions.

Well, I followed that road of service and that journey brought me here today. I look forward to serving Area 74 as your Area Chair/Alternate Delegate and building more relationships and friendships.

The older ways have joined the new - Samurai Katana of Nathan Algren

Yours in service,

Brent Henslin
Panel 76 Area 74 Area Chair/Alternate Delegate
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DATES TO REMEMBER 2025-26		
1/10/2026	Area 74 Area Committee Meeting	Reiter Center, Three Lakes, WI
2/13-2/15/2026	ECR Conference of Delegates Past & Present	Benton Harbor, MI
TBD	Pre-Delegate's Workshops	Host Districts
3/21/2026	Area 74 Delegate's Workshop	St Stephens Church Wausau, WI
4/17/2026	Area 74 Standing Committee Workshop	Quality Inn, Rhinelander, WI
4/18/2026	Area 74 Assembly	Quality Inn Rhinelander, WI
4/26-5/2/2026	General Service Conference	New York, NY
6/26-6/28/2026	ECR Regional Conference & Area 74 Conf.	Eau Claire, WI
7/18/2026	Area 74 Area Committee Meeting	Reiter Center, Three Lakes, WI
10/16/2026	Area 74 Standing Committee Workshop	Quality Inn, Rhinelander, WI
10/17/2026	Area 74 Assembly	Quality Inn, Rhinelander, WI

****NOTE FROM THE DELEGATE:** The servants of Area 74 are excited to provide the **dates for the Area 74 Service Structure**. We are lucky to live in an area that hosts many conferences, workshops and fellowship events. As your trusted servants, we sometimes miss the chance to participate in local events because they conflict with the service events you have entrusted us to conduct. We hope that, by providing the Area 74 service structure dates in early fall; they can be considered as you plan your service and fellowship events for the coming year. We look forward to seeing you.

NOTE FROM CO-EDITORS: We have combined the general events and the Area 74 Service Structure events into one calendar.
BOLD = AREA 74 events UNBOLD = General AA events in our area

List of Area Standing Committee Zoom Meetings

- Treatment & Accessibility ` 4th Thursday of the Month Time 7 PM ID. -817-2284-5094 P.W. h4z1FR
- Corrections meeting 4th Sunday of the Month 5:30 central Time Reoccurring Monthly ID. 891 5542 2038 PW. 227073
- Literature NA ID 895-7760-2013 pw 938329
Date and time yet to be determined for regular meeting
- P.I. Last Wednesday of Month 7pm Central ID 830-3370-6847 PW. PI
- C.P.C. 3rd Tuesday 6pm Central ID 838-8679-0086 PW.478881
- Archives 3rd Wednesday 7 PM central Time ID 817-3019-4808 PW. 737159

CHECK WITH YOUR DCMs & OTHER TRUSTED SERVANTS FOR CURRENT INFO

DISTRICT MEETING January 2026 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	2 nd Sun	2:00 PM	Solutions Club 621 Evans St	Oshkosh, 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	6:00 PM	Peace Lutheran Church 293 S. Main St	Amherst, WI
5	Weds	2nd Wed	6:45 PM	Alano Club 12 2926 Pomona Dr Zoom 829 0126 1204 PWdistrict05	Eau Claire, WI
6	Thursday	3 rd Thur	7:45 PM	Club 76 76 E Central Zoom 742 549 8793	Chippewa Falls, WI
7	Sunday	3 rd Sun	5:00 PM	TBD	Marshfield, WI
8	Thursday	1 st Thur	7:00 PM	Wausau Alano Club 711 McClellen St	Wausau, WI
9	Sunday	1st Sun	2:00 PM	First Presbyterian Church 806 Fritzie St	Crivitz, WI
10	Saturday	2 nd Sat	9:00 AM	1st United Methodist 724 Arbutus contact DCM for Zoom	Rhinelander, WI
11				No information Available	
12	Saturday	1 st Sat	9:00 AM	Hayward Serenity Club, 10339 S Florida Ave & Zoom	Hayward, WI
13	Friday	1 st -Fri	5:30 PM	PIRC 410 Lakeshore Dr West	Ashland, WI
14	Sunday	2 nd Sun	6:00 PM	New Richmond Alano; 1448 N 4th Street	New Richmond, WI
15				No information Available	
16				No information Available	
17	Friday	Last Fri	5:00 PM	401 Kimberly	Iron Mountain, WI
18	Saturday	1 st Sat	11:00 AM	308 Cleveland Ave - Rm.201 Gossard Building	Ishpeming, MI
19	Monday	3 rd Mon	5:30 PM	Delta Alano Club 601 Michigan St	Gladstone, MI
20	Saturday	July 12	11:00 AM	United Methodist Church, 1212 Morrison St	Germfask, MI
21	Tuesday	1 st Tues	6:00 PM	Portage Lake United Church, 1400 E. Houghton Ave	Houghton, MI
22	Thursday	1st Thur	5:30 PM	115 Club or Zoom: 399 417 5176 PW 115	Sturgeon Bay, WI
23	Weds	1st Wed	5:00 PM	Spooner Health (Enter ER Door) 1280 Chandler Dr	Spooner, WI
24	Weds	1 st Wed	8:00 PM	Alano Club 411 E 2nd St S	Ladysmith, WI

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Area 74 Area Committee Meeting Agenda - Hybrid

Date & Time Saturday January 10, 2026

Reiter Center

Three Lakes, WI

8am to 10 am

Zoom Meeting ID:479 428 9816 Passcode: 1212144

Welcome and Housekeeping

Traditions

Concepts

Roll call secretary

Past Delegates Introductions Chair

Approve Minutes: July 2025

Reports: Registrar, Secretary, Treasurer, Alt. Delegate/Area Chair, Delegate

Business:

Motion: ECR CDPP Stipend for Past Delegates

Motion: Removal of Past Delegate Voice and Vote

DCM Reports 2 minutes please be timely

Presentation: Possible Topic “DCM Tools for GSR recruitment”

Area Standing Committee Reports

New Business:

Close with Responsibility Statement

Archives Committee Proposed Guidelines

The Archives Committee is responsible for establishing policies, budgets and procedures, through its group conscience. It maintains final responsibility and authority for the use of the Archives.

All items collected will be consistent with AA’s primary purpose of maintaining sobriety and helping other alcoholics achieve sobriety.

The Area 74 Archives Committee and archivists have the responsibility to evaluate all items for appropriateness and relevancy to Area 74 history and growth. All approved items will be cataloged and put in the Area 74 repository.

The Archives Committee will have final decisions on items to collect, display and or preserve. The Committee welcomes input from the membership of Area 74.

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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

PLEASE SEND YOUR 2026 DISTRICT MONTHLY MEETING INFORMATION TO
AREA74NEWSLETTER@GMAIL.COM

OR
PO BOX 192 STURGEON BAY, WI 54235

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SERVICE POSITION AVAILABLE

Now and Then Co-Editor

Participate in producing, editing, and distributing the Area 74 monthly newsletter. The position entails on average 2-4 hours a month (actual work time), attend Area 74 Assemblies & Area Committee Meetings (zoom or in person) Expenses are covered as it is a service position within Area 74. The only requirements are an interest in being of service to the groups in Northern WI & the U.P. MI. Contact either of the current Co-Editors to discuss the position and with any questions about serving.

Michelle Z or Jeff C N&T Co-Editors

Area74newsletter@gmail.com

Greetings Area 74 .

I have participated as a member of the Area Archives for the past two years and the committee is moving ahead with determination and energy! Since procuring a repository for the Area archive material we have had several two-day workshops primarily sorting the inventory of collected items that have been mothballed for a long time. The repository , St. Anthony's Spirituality Center in Marathon City, Wi is a unique facility, offering us secured, climate controlled storage.

Our goal is to digitize all the documents and create a searchable website location for AA members to research and enjoy Area history. This began as a daunting task with many totes of material stored away. Our 2026 budget will be used in part for equipment to do the preservation of documents, have additional workshops to organize the items for display both physical and electronically.

We have enjoyed a variety of AA participants with about 10 different helpers. Paul the committee chair and Jeff the Archivist have done an incredible job leading this effort. If you have an interest in the history of Area 74 A.A. join us on our monthly zoom committee meeting and future in person activities at St. Anthony's. Inexpensive lodging is available at the center for overnight events.

We envision one day hosting Area history weekends to share the journey as preserved through your Archives. It is easy to get lost in the history as we sort and collate material. One success story to share with you – Past Delegate Panel 36 Dave Roberts requested copies of the Area newsletter for the years he was co-editor. We were able to send him about 9 years of newsletters, most originals from the mid 1970's to early 1980's, due to duplicate copies being saved.

I encourage you to check out the Archives Committee and join the fascinating collection. I plan to remain with the committee as a new past delegate joins the committee per Area guidelines. Be a part of preserving the past for the future.

Marty L.

AREA 74 GROUP INFORMATION CHANGE FORM

GROUP ID #: _____ (Please include all 0's) DISTRICT #: _____ EFFECTIVE DATE: _____

If you need help locating your District number or Group ID number, contact the area registrar: Registrar@area74.org. You can also reach out to your DCM.

OLD INFORMATION

GROUP NAME: _____
Type/Format: In-person Virtual
GROUP MEETING LOCATION: _____
ADDRESS: _____
CITY/TOWN: _____
STATE: _____ POSTAL CODE: _____
PHONE: _____
NUMBER OF MEMBERS: _____

GENERAL SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE (G.S.R.)

NAME: _____
ADDRESS: _____
CITY/TOWN: _____
STATE: _____ POSTAL CODE: _____
PHONE: _____
EMAIL: _____
(Cannot register without an email address)

ALTERNATE G.S.R.

NAME: _____
ADDRESS: _____
CITY/TOWN: _____
STATE: _____ POSTAL CODE: _____
PHONE: _____
EMAIL: _____
(Cannot register without an email address)

NEW INFORMATION

GROUP NAME: _____
Type/Format: In-person Virtual
GROUP MEETING LOCATION: _____
ADDRESS: _____
CITY/TOWN: _____
STATE: _____ POSTAL CODE: _____
PHONE: _____
NUMBER OF MEMBERS: _____

GENERAL SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE (G.S.R.)

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STATE: _____ POSTAL CODE: _____
PHONE: _____
EMAIL: _____
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ALTERNATE G.S.R.

NAME: _____
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EMAIL: _____
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New G.S.R.'s will automatically receive a **digital** G.S.R. Kit.

If you require a print version, please check:

Area registrars develop and maintain records of all groups in their area through Fellowship Connection, a user-friendly interface that facilitates information sharing between areas and G.S.O. G.S.O. only uses the G.S.R.'s information for communication purposes and to help foster connection within the General Service Structure <https://www.aa.org/your-group-linked-aa-whole>. A group listing does not constitute or imply an approval or endorsement of any group's practice of the A.A. program. Tradition Four says, "Each group should be autonomous except in matters affecting other groups or A.A. as a whole." Hopefully, every A.A. Group adheres closely to the guiding principles of the Steps, Traditions, and Concepts. A.A.'s Traditions suggest that a group not be named after a facility or person (living or deceased), and that the name of a group not imply affiliation with any sect, religion, organization or institution.

RETURN COMPLETED FORM TO: Registrar@area74.org

AREA 74 DCM & ALTDCM INFORMATION CHANGE FORM

DISTRICT #: _____ EFFECTIVE DATE: _____

The DCM is the vital link between the group's G.S.R. and the area service structure, including the area's Delegate to the General Service Conference. Each of A.A.'s districts need a leader as the G.S.R. looks to the D.C.M. for guidance. For more information, please see the A.A. Service Manual.

DCM (DISTRICT COMMITTEE MEMBER)

OLD INFORMATION

NAME: _____
ADDRESS: _____
CITY/TOWN: _____
STATE: _____ POSTAL CODE: _____
PHONE: _____
EMAIL: _____
(Cannot register without an email address)

NEW INFORMATION

NAME: _____
ADDRESS: _____
CITY/TOWN: _____
STATE: _____ POSTAL CODE: _____
PHONE: _____
EMAIL: _____
(Cannot register without an email address)

OLD INFORMATION

ALT DCM (DISTRICT COMMITTEE MEMBER)

NAME: _____
ADDRESS: _____
CITY/TOWN: _____
STATE: _____ POSTAL CODE: _____
PHONE: _____
EMAIL: _____
(Cannot register without an email address)

NEW INFORMATION

ALT DCM (DISTRICT COMMITTEE MEMBER)

NAME: _____
ADDRESS: _____
CITY/TOWN: _____
STATE: _____ POSTAL CODE: _____
PHONE: _____
EMAIL: _____
(Cannot register without an email address)

All D.C.M.'s/Alt D.C.M.'s will receive a digital version of the D.C.M. kit. To opt-in to be mailed a **print** version of the D.C.M. kit, please check one of the following: ___ D.C.M. ___ ALT D.C.M.

You can also find the kit at: <https://www.aa.org/district-committee-member-dcm-kit-list>

To sign up for digital delivery of Box 4-5-9, visit: <https://www.aa.org/box459>

As a D.C.M., you are given read only access to the Fellowship Connection, a user-friendly interface that facilitates information sharing between the areas and G.S.O. You will receive instructions from G.S.O. to gain access after the form has been processed by the Area Registrar. Fellowship Connection will give you the ability to run reports relative to your district to make sure your district is up-to-date and receiving all vital information from the Area and G.S.O. If you have any trouble with Fellowship Connection, reach out to your Area Registrar.

RETURN COMPLETED FORM TO: Registrar@area74.org

AREA 74 COMMITTEE/CHAIR INFORMATION CHANGE FORM

DISTRICT #: _____ **EFFECTIVE DATE:** _____

DISTRICT COMMITTEE/POSITIONS

ACDC - Accessibilities Chair
ARCHVD - District Archivist
CFCDC - Corrections Chair
DCM - District Chair
GVDC - Grapevine Chair
LCDC - Literature Chair
RCCDC - Remote Communities Chair

ALTDCM - Alternate DCM
BTGDC - Bridging the Gap Chair
CPCDC - Professionals Community Chair
DCMC - District Committee Member Chair
HICDC - H&I Chair
PICDC - Public Information Chair
TCDC - Treatment Chair

OLD INFORMATION

CMTE CHAIR POSITION: _____
NAME: _____
ADDRESS: _____
CITY/TOWN: _____
STATE: _____ **POSTAL CODE:** _____
PHONE: _____
EMAIL: _____

NEW INFORMATION

CMTE CHAIR POSITION: _____
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Area 74 Online Chat Meeting

**7:00 PM Central Time on
last Monday of each month**

Google Meet joining info

- Video call link: <https://meet.google.com/npv-yxvg-nbn>
 - Or dial: (US) +1 904-323-3555 PIN: 387 422 949#
 - More phone numbers: <https://tel.meet/npv-yxvg-nbn?pin=5346750935093>
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Come learn, share, and help us make online chat even better.

Our mission is to make sure the hand of A.A. is always there for anyone who reaches out – including those who prefer to type instead of call.

Questions?

Contact Lucas M. at webmaster@area74.org

Howdy Folks!

- Are you having some Winter Blues?

Then— JOIN 'JOLLY JANE'
AND SOME PI VETERANS

(Yes! Public Information = PI)

We're gonna have some Big
Fun taking over Area PI

for 2026-27!!

YOU can help us ... inform the Public about AA ... "Your imagination will be fired," said Bill W. We're a fun bunch— you won't want to miss this!

CALL 920-427-3235

ASK FOR PI CHAIR

PI@Area74.org

DISTRICT 1

PLEASE CONSIDER A GOOD FAITH CONTRIBUTION

INTERGROUP

PASS IT ON!

2026

SATURDAY JANUARY 24TH, 2026

LOCATION:
NATIVITY OF OUR LORD PARISH
2270 S ONEIDA STREET; GREEN BAY, WI 54304
PLEASE ENTER USING DOOR #6

AA SPEAKER:
NICOLAS S

**AL-ANON
SPEAKER:**
GAIL M

TIME: 5PM-9PM
OPEN EVENT

- * BASKET RAFFLE
- * 50/50 RAFFLE
- * PRAYER BOARD



ENJOY THESE DISPLAYS:

- * ARCHIVES
- * LITERATURE
- * GRAPEVINE

MENU

WHAT WE WILL PROVIDE:

- CHOICE OF 2 SALADS
- GARLIC BREAD
- ITALIAN SAUSAGE PASTA
- PORTABELLA AND BROCCOLI
- PASTA
- CREAMY LIME AND GRILLED
- CHICKEN PENNE
- CAJUN CREAM SAUCE WITH
- SHRIMP AND CRAB

WISH LIST

WHAT YOU CAN BRING:

- DESSERTS WELCOME...JUST A FEW, PLEASE!
- 7TH TRADITION DOLLARS
- A WARM AND KIND SMILE TO SHARE - NOTHING ELSE NEEDED

SAVE THE DATE
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2026
12-4PM

12TH ANNUAL
Women's Recovery Workshop
Emotional Sobriety:
Discovering Balance in How We Live, Serve & Connect

AA DISTRICT 1 - GREEN BAY
CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH
1301 RIDGE RD. GREEN BAY

Came to Believe Group

CELEBRATING 26 YEARS

JOIN US!

SATURDAY, MARCH 14, 2026

St. Stephen Lutheran Church

512 McClellan St.

Wausau, WI, 54403

MAIN DISH PROVIDED
PLEASE BRING A DISH TO PASS



5:00 PM: DINNER



—SPEAKERS—

6:30 PM: PAUL Y. (AREA 74 ARCHIVES CHAIR)

7:30 PM: MARK L. (WAUKESHA, WI)



HYBRID EVENT

ZOOM ID: 892 1155 4684

PASSWORD: 740147



This is a Disabled Accessible Facility

CONTACT PERSON: Bob D. 715-297-7039



OPEN SPEAKER MEETING

**Come hear Cindy (AA) and Linda (Al Anon)
share their experience strength and hope.**

**Windsor Center Auditorium
612 W. Adams St. (Hwy. U.S. 2)
Iron River, MI**

Saturday, April 18, 2026

4:00 p.m.

Refreshments to follow

What is Fellowship Connection?

Fellowship Connection is the General Service Office (GSO) database that stores AA Group records. DCMs have read-only access to this system, helping ensure effective communication between AA members, districts, and the General Service Office.

Why is this important information for a DCM?

DCMs play a key role in:

- Tracking new groups in their subdistricts
- Monitoring changes in GSRs
- Keeping group status updates (active/inactive)

How Does GSO Support DCMs?

The General Service Office understands that the DCM's role is essential in assisting with data stewardship, so DCMs have read-only access to Fellowship Connection as an aid to "facilitate the widely desired goals of exact information, stronger communication, & responsible use of A.A.'s resources."



Collaboration is Key!

While DCMs have read-only access in Fellowship Connection, district registrars do not. That's why DCM/Registrar teamwork is essential! Let your district registrar know if a group in your subdistrict has dissolved, but you see an "active" status for the group in Fellowship Connection so we can get it corrected or any other incorrect information you may see.

Thank you for your time today and all you do! 😊

Please do not hesitate to reach out with any questions.

Lea Ackerman, Area 15 Registrar Panel 75
registrar@area15aa.org

October 20, 2025

To: All General Service Conference Members

From: Teddy B.W., Chair, Trustees' Literature Committee

Re: Call for stories – "A.A. for the Transgender Alcoholic," pamphlet **Deadline: March 31, 2026, pamphletstories@aa.org**

In 2024, there was a General Service Conference advisory action that "a pamphlet on the transgender alcoholic in A.A. be developed." In response, the trustees' Literature Committee has opened a call for recovery stories.

The trustees' Literature Committee is seeking stories of personal recovery from all transgender, non-binary, genderqueer, Two-Spirit, and gender non-conforming members in the A.A. structure of the United States and Canada.

Stories of recovery may include but are not limited to:

- • Experience, Strength, and Hope
- • Steps, Traditions, and Concepts
- • Sponsorship and Service
- • Experience in A.A. meetings
- • Safety and Belonging through AA principles
- • Sobriety and Mental Health
- • Social and Medical Transitioning in Sobriety
- • Diversity of Gender Identity and Expression
- • Ethnic, cultural, and geographical backgrounds
- • Diversity of socio-economic status
- • Atheist/Agnostics
- • Newcomer Experiences
- • Diverse Abilities
- • YPAA/Older Alcoholics
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The suggested format for typed manuscripts is 500-1,000 words, double spaced, in 12- point font. Handwritten manuscripts should be approximately 5 to 8 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 **March 31, 2026.**

Website submissions:

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