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UNITES SUBDISTRICTS A B C D E F

Appleton Groups	Genesis Club	Northern Groups	Southeast Groups	N. Winnebago Groups	S. Winnebago Groups
LCM-A: Liz B.	Temp LCM-B: Jack H.	LCM-C: Open	LCM-D: Gail M.	LCM-E: Steve R.	LCM-F: Noah B.

Hello Everyone,

My name is Kristin H, and I am an alcoholic and addict. My sobriety date is Feb 26, 2018. My life before recovery was all about my drinking and trying to do everything I could to get a drink. I was the alcoholic that drank until blackouts, drank the minute I woke up, drank at work, only went to functions that involved drinking, drank and drove—the list can go on.

Today because of A.A. and the service work I have done, I live the best life I could ever have dreamt of.

If nobody were doing any service work, the Alcoholics Anonymous program would simply cease to exist. Without the service work of those who came before us, none of us would be here now!

One of the more common sayings you will hear at an Alcoholics Anonymous meeting is that “you have to give it away in order to keep it.” This is referring to the idea that service in recovery can help the giver as much as the receiver. This giving should not be done in the hope of a reward or praise. When I was actively drinking and using, I still wanted to help others in any way I could, but it would only be for selfish reasons: to get money or alcohol in return. I always wanted to do it if it benefitted me. After being in recovery for 3 1/2 years, I greatly desire to be of service and not for selfish reasons. I have grown a lot in A.A. and give service whenever needed. I do this because I know that it is helping to keep A.A. connected. Groups like Alcoholics Anonymous could not function without the voluntary services provided by members. All these meetings around the world are organized and maintained by volunteers.

Some of the many ways that I have been able to serve include:

Coffee set-up person—Intergroup Representative—General Service Representative—Chairing an A.A. meeting—Giving out coins/tokens/chips—Setting up or cleaning up at meetings—Welcoming newcomers to recovery meetings—Being supportive of those who are struggling in recovery—Serving in a group as Treasurer, Secretary, and Alt GSR—Making time to speak to people who are struggling with problems—Giving hope to inspire those individuals who do not hide their past—Secretary for the District level of A.A.—Serving on the Steering Committee for Solutions—Volunteering at the counter for Solutions—Sponsoring other women—Volunteering for positions at A.A. events—Sharing my story whenever I can to give hope to the alcoholic/addict who is suffering.

If it weren't for the foundation of A.A., I wouldn't be sober today and living the best life possible. I am grateful and blessed to be a part of this fantastic organization that has saved my life.

Kristin H., District 02 Secretary

District 02 Meeting Minutes for August 8, 2021

The August 08, 2021 District meeting was held hybrid at St Johns in Combined Locks, starting at 2:03 p.m. With 22 people in attendance. We opened the meeting with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer. DCM Bob H. went over general housekeeping, welcomed newcomers, and invited introductions of guests and new GSRs.

New GSRs/GSR Reports

George: GSR, New Beginnings Oshkosh Solutions. We have hybrid meetings, and masks are required to be worn even if one is vaccinated.

Karen: GSR, First Things First. No updates for in person meetings.

Terry: We have an in-person meeting on the third Friday of the month.

Sheila: Alt GSR, Tuesday Fire Side at 7:45 p. m. St John Church is up for sale. Our meetings are doing very well since we made the meeting an open meeting.

Trevor: Camel Group Sunday night 7:00 p.m. at Solutions. The average attendance is from 50-70 people.

Jeff: Alt GSR, Big Book Tuesday at 8:00 p.m., First United Methodist. In-person attendance is usually around 10-12

Twelve Traditions & Twelve Concepts

The Twelve Traditions were read by Kendra and the Twelve Concepts were read by Sara.

Approval of June 2021 Minutes

A motion to approve the minutes was made by George and seconded by Steve R. Motion carried.

Officer Reports

Secretary: Kristin

Happy Election Day. I cannot believe that two years ago I was nominated for the Secretary position. I hope we can fill ALL the chairs and committees today for the 2021-22 term. That said, I ask that everybody who shares today to please speak up and state your name and the group you represent. Even with all the craziness that is going on, I have enjoyed my position as Secretary, and it's been a growing experience for me. I want to give a huge thank you to Jack for being as patient as he has been with me. I want to thank all the chairs and committees for submitting their reports promptly so I could get them to Jack. Please email all your reports via the District 02 email the following Tuesday after the District meeting. I appreciate all of you. I hope everybody is staying healthy and safe during these difficult, crazy times.

Treasurer: Digger

Digger read the Treasurer's report. A motion was made by Kendra to accept the report and seconded by Kristin. Motion carried.

August 8, 2021 Meeting Minutes, continued

Officer Reports

LCMs

Subdistrict A: Liz. No report.

Subdistrict B: Open.

Subdistrict C: Open.

Subdistrict D: Gail M. No report.

Subdistrict E: Steve R. The Winneconne 7:00 p.m. Thursday night St. Mary's meeting is no longer there.

Subdistrict F: Noah B. No report.

Archives: Open.

Grapevine: Open.

Corrections: Laurie O. No report.

Newsletter: Jack H. No report.

Public Information: Open.

Webmaster: Trevor F.

Greetings all! I'm Trevor and I'm an alcoholic. The website remains status quo as we move through the year. I have made meeting updates as requested. A reminder: email me at webmaster@district02aa.org with any changes. You may also fill out the meeting change form on the website.

- There were 3,505 unique views to our website in July.
- A majority of this traffic views our home page. The runner up is our meeting locator app.
- The file with the most downloads was the "Acceptance" reading from pg 417, followed up by the "Prayers for each step."

Thanks for letting me be of service.

Treatment & Accessibilities: Kim R. No report.

DCM: Bob H.

In the last month we have had a number of meetings go back to in-person meetings. We are slowly moving in the right direction. This last month I attended our monthly DCM meeting. I also attended the ACM yesterday. The agenda is set for the September 19th Area Assembly. This Assembly will be for electing Area Officers and Committee Chairs.

August 8, 2021 Meeting Minutes, continued

Old Business

ASL line: Tabled until September

New Business

Elections

DCM: A motion was made by George to nominate Kendra for DCM. Lori seconded; Kendra accepted.

Alt DCM: A motion was made by Kendra to nominate George. Lori seconded; George accepted.

Secretary: Held over.

Treasurer: A motion was made by Terry for Digger to continue his new position for 2 years, Kendra seconded; Digger accepted.

Alt Treasurer: A motion was made by Digger to nominate Tim for Alt Treasurer. Tim accepted.

Archives: Held over.

Grapevine: A motion was made by Kendra to nominate Steve R. for Grapevine. Kristin seconded; Steve R. accepted.

PI: Held over.

Corrections: A motion was made by Steve R. to nominate Noonday for Corrections. Jeff seconded; Noonday accepted.

Newsletter: Held over.

Treatment and Accessibilities: Held over.

LCMs:

A: (Appleton) Kim R. nominated Sarah. Trevor seconded; Sarah accepted.

B: (Genesis) Held over.

C: (Northern) Steve nominated James M. Terry seconded; James M. accepted.

D: (Eastern) Held over.

E: (Neenah, Menasha) Held over.

F: (Oshkosh, Omro) Held over.

The next District meeting is Sunday, September 12, 2021 at Peace United Methodist Church, 2300 E. Wisconsin Ave. Kaukauna.

Adjournment A motion to adjourn was made by Kendra and seconded by Sarah. Motion carried at 3:17 p.m. The meeting closed with the Responsibility Declaration.

Corrections Service Opportunities

Volunteer to Carry the Message

We are currently seeking men and women to carry the message into the **Winnebago Country Jail on Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m.** It is not necessary to have been incarcerated to become involved in this rewarding form of service. At least one year of continuous sobriety and “off paper” is required to volunteer. We share our experience, strength, and hope with other alcoholics. See <http://district02aa.org/corrections-committee/> for additional correction facility opportunities.

Become a Member of the Corrections Committee

Bring AA to the general population inside both county and state-run correctional facilities, where those populations cannot attend outside AA meetings. The Corrections Committee also seeks correspondence contacts for inmates. This provides an opportunity for AA volunteers to correspond with inmates in our district. Additionally, volunteers are sought for the *Bridging The Gap* program, where a temporary contact assists an alcoholic ex-offender in finding meetings and merging into the mainstream AA community upon their release.

If interested in the Corrections Committee or carrying the message behind the walls, email Laurie O. at corrections@district02aa.org.

NOTE: THE SUNDAY MEETING IN CLINTONVILLE HAS CHANGED ITS TIME AND PLACE. IT IS NOW AT 7:00 P.M, (NOT 6:30 P.M.) AND IS NOW AT THE METHODIST CHURCH ON 13TH ST. NO LONGER AT THE CHRISTUS LUTHERAN CHURCH.]

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Contact the DCM: dcm@district02.aa.org

EASY DOES IT! - HAPPY LABOR DAY!

District 02 Meeting and Agenda, September 12, 2021

House Cleaning

- Silence phones
- Be courteous, no side conversations - I have trouble hearing many different conversations at once.
- Welcome to those attending first District meeting. New GSR's introduce themselves & Home Groups.
- We welcome all to participate in our District meeting; however, for the sake of time, if you hear your opinion expressed, please refrain from restating the opinion again or saying I agree with Your voice will be heard through the voting process. If you hold a different opinion, please speak up
- As a reminder if all trusted servants are present there will be up to 20 people making reports today plus our GSR's. If each person takes 3 minutes that will take about 1 hour. Then we need to cover old business and new business. We are anxious to hear the highlights of your committee reports as well as read the detail what will be printed in the District Newsletter.
- Open Meeting with Serenity Prayer.
- Twelve Traditions—Twelve Concepts
- Secretary's Report – Kristin H.
- Treasurer's Report – Tim M.

Committee Reports

- GSRs
- LCMs
- Archives -
- Grapevine -
- Corrections: Laurie O.
 - Bridging the Gap: Mike R.
- Newsletter: Jack H.
- G. Public Information -
 - Webmaster: Trevor F.
- Treatment and Accessibilities: Kim R.
- DCM: Bob H.

Old Business

- Open positions: LCMs B, D, E, and F, as well as Archives, Newsletter, PI, and Treatment and Accessibilities
- ASL line item

New Business

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The Next District Meeting, October 10th at 2:00 p.m., will be at Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 349 N. Main St., Seymour. Check next month's Newsletter to see if this will be a Hybrid meeting as well.

September — September Announcements

September 2021 Listings

Please Note

Most in-person events have been cancelled or moved to online formats, subject to further notice.

Please check the District 02 Website, your email, or the District 02 – Private Group for details on current meetings.

- ▶ **Second Sunday of the month, September 12th, 2:00 p.m., District Meeting: Peace United Methodist Church, 2300 E. Wisconsin Avenue, Kaukauna.**
- ▶ **This will be a HYBRID meeting. You can attend via ZOOM:**
Meeting ID: 875-9555-4987
Password: 844696

October 2021 Listings

Please Note

Unless otherwise noted, the following meetings and times are pending, dependent on later conditions.

- ▶ **First Friday of the month, October 8th. Potluck at 6 p.m., Open AA Speaker Meeting at 7 p.m.**
Genesis Club, 1213 Appleton Street, Appleton, WI. Please bring a dish to pass.
NOTE: This meeting will be held live at the Genesis Club.

October 2021 Listings (con't)

- ▶ **Second Sunday of the month, October 10th, District Meeting at 2:00 p.m.**
This may still be via ZOOM or it may be a HYBRID meeting, at Peace United Methodist Church, 2300 E. Wisconsin Avenue, Kaukauna. Check next month's Newsletter.
- ▶ **Second Sunday of the month, October 10th, 7:00 p.m., Open AA Speaker Meeting**
First Congregational Church, 724 E. South River St., Appleton, WI. NOTE: Currently meeting via ZOOM. Meeting ID: 112 155 764. Password: 027543.
- ▶ **Third Friday of the month, October 15th, 8 p.m., Open AA Speaker Meeting**
Peace United Methodist, 2300 E. Wisconsin Avenue, Kaukauna, WI. Al-Anon Speaker if available.
- ▶ **Last Friday of the month, October 29th, 8 p.m., Open Speaker Meeting**
Ascension Lutheran Church, 3 miles west of Navarino, Corner of Hwy 156 and McDonald Road
- ▶ **Last Sunday of the month, October 31st, 10 a.m. Open AA Speaker Meeting**
St. Elizabeth Hospital - Helen Fowler Conference Center, 1506 South Oneida Street, Appleton, WI. Al-Anon Speaker if available.
NOTE: This site may still not allow in-person meetings after December 31, 2020. Check the October Newsletter.
- ▶ **Last Sunday of the month, October 31st, 7 p.m., Open AA Speaker Meeting**
Nova Treatment Center, 3240 Jackson St., Oshkosh

Note: Many more meetings are available every week. Get the list of meetings at www.district02aa.org.

Treasurer's Report

District 02 Monthly Financial Report – July 2021, 2020

Beginning Balance 6.1.21 – 6.30.21 \$ 6,000.62

Contributions

Date	District Group Contributions	
7/31/2021	Nova Camel Group c/o Solutions R.C.	\$ 100.00

Total Deposits \$ 100.00

Withdrawals

Date	Check#	Expenses (checks/withdrawals)	
7/31/2021	1999	Laurie O. – Corrections Lit.	\$ 135.48
7/31/2021	2000	Jack H. - Newsletter	\$ 115.01

Total Withdrawals \$ 250.49

Register Balance – Month End

Beginning balance	\$ 6,000.62
Deposits	\$ 100.00
Withdrawals	\$ 250.49
Register Balance	<u>\$ 5,850.13</u>

Outstanding Checks

7/31/2021	1999	Laurie O. – Corrections Lit.	\$ 135.48
7/31/2021	2000	Jack H. - Newsletter	\$ 115.01
Total Outstanding Checks			<u>\$ 250.49</u>

District 02 Treasurer, Tom "Digger" Anderson 763-370-9796

August 8, 2021 District Meeting Report

Bank Reconciliation

Community First Credit Union	
Beginning balance	\$ 6,384.62
Deposits	\$ 100.00
Withdrawals	\$ 384.00
Total	<u>\$ 6,100.62</u>

Balance Available to District

Register balance	\$ 5,850.13
Prudent reserve	\$ (500.00)
Corrections Literature	\$ 52.40
Total Available to District	<u>\$ 5,402.53</u>

Petty Cash

Petty cash beginning balance	\$ 50.00
Petty cash ending balance	<u>\$ 50.00</u>

Committee Budget Totals

Archives	\$ 383.97
Corrections	\$ 474.00
DCM	\$ 1,301.77
Grapevine	\$ 757.61
Newsletter	\$ 1,077.19
PI	\$ 561.00
Treasurer	\$ 1,135.85
Treatment & Acces.	\$ 1,076.85
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*Corrections Literature

Starting Balance	\$ 187.88
Contributions	-
Total Deposits	<u>\$ -</u>
Withdrawals	
Laurie O. - FVCO - Literature	\$ 135.48
Total Withdrawals	<u>\$ 135.48</u>
Ending Corrections Literature balance	<u>\$ 52.40</u>

*NOTE – Separate from District

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District 02 Committee Information

Archives Committee—*Responsible for the collection and care of archival documents and items for the District.*

Archives Chair: Open archives@district02aa.org

Corrections Committee—*Carries the message behind the walls.*

Corrections Chair: Laurie O. corrections@district02aa.org

Literature Representative: None.

Bridging the Gap—Corrections Jeff R. (same Corrections email)

Grapevine Committee—*Relays information about the Grapevine magazine and other information to groups via their GVRs.*

Grapevine Chair: Open grapevine@district02aa.org

Public Information Committee—*Provides information about AA to general public and responsible for District Website.*

Public Information Chair: Open publicinfo@district02aa.org

Newsletter Committee—*Medium for communication of District business and events to groups, GSRs, and individual members.*

Newsletter Chair: Jack H. newsletter@district02aa.org or doktorjack@msn.com

Treatment & Accessibilities Committee—*Helps others make the transition from Treatment to Recovery in AA.*

Treatment Chair: Kim R. 920-858-1910 ffc@district02aa.org

Bridging the Gap—Treatment: Open (same treatment email)

AA Website Addresses and Other Contacts

www.district02aa.org: Visit District Website.

dcm@district02aa.org: Contact **DCM** Bob H.

altdcm@district02aa.org: Contact **Alternate DCM** Kendra R.

secretary@district02aa.org: Contact **Secretary** Kristin H.

treasurer@district02aa.org: Contact **District Treasurer** Tim M.

support@district02aa.org: Contact **Webmaster** Trevor F.

www.area74.org: Visit Area 74 Website.

www.aa.org: Visit AA International Website.

AA DONATIONS

DISTRICT 02 TREASURY

P.O. Box 2632
Appleton, WI 54912

AREA 74 TREASURY

Area 74 Treasury
P.O. Box 1191
Appleton, WI 54912-1191

GSO

Grand Central Station
P.O. Box 459
New York, NY 10163
212-870-3400
FAX: 212-870-3301

OTHER DONATIONS

Central Office

1528 North Ballard Road, Suite 16
Appleton, WI 54911
920-997-0221

Fox Valley Hotline

Joe S. (Coordinator)
P.O. Box 2382,
Appleton, WI 54912

Oshkosh Helpline

920-410-4620

OTHER CONTACT INFORMATION

NOW AND THEN

Editor
P.O. Box 213
Appleton, WI 54912
414-690-4991

Fox Valley Central Office

FVCO now offers free delivery to your AA group meeting.
They stock aluminum medallions for every month.

10% discount at the Central Office Bookstore any time the purchase is made by the registered group rep, alternate group rep, or treasurer.

Call 920-997-0221 or email fvco54952@gmail.com to place an order. Payment is expected at time of delivery.

Flyers and/or requests can be submitted via email up to 5 days after the District Meeting (the following Friday no later than 5:00 p.m.). You can reach the Newsletter editor at emails above.

Please use MS Word format, with modest graphics.

Note: Remit required \$18.00 fee to District 02 Treasurer (see District 02 Treasury address above).

September Anniversaries

<u>Name</u>	<u>Group</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Year</u>
Denn K.	Surrender to Live	1st	2002
Jay B.	Start Your Weekend right	4th	2002
Bill H.	Surrender to Live	6th	2002
Debra B.	Fox Hall Recovery Group Madison	6th	1999
Peg B.	St. John's 12x12 Appleton	10th	1986
Cazz	Mooring House Courage to Change	11th	2006
Kathleen O.	Sober Living	11th	2009
Lori H.	Women in Recovery	15th	1987
Mark S.	Surrender to Live	15th	2003
Paul G.	TATAAM	15th	1998
Keith V.	Kaukauna Group	19th	1989
Marilyn T.	Grace in Recovery	19th	2004
Lisa K.	First Things First	22nd	2003

If you have a birthday this, or any other month, and you are not on our list and want to be, please email Newsletter editor at newsletter@district02aa.org or doktor-jack@msn.com. Also, if you are on this list, **please check that your name, group, and dates are correct**, and let me know if they are not.

Congratulations !

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FVCO Elections

October 25th, 2021 @ 7pm

Show up and serve your community

WHAT IS THIS?

The Fox Valley Central Office daily operations are managed by the Steering Committee (ie: scheduling; purchasing; media coordination; hotline volunteers; paying taxes, rent, insurance, etc.) The Steering Committee consists of volunteers who are elected bi-annually, and our elections are coming up on Oct 25th @ 7pm located at the FVCO. We need volunteers who are willing to serve on the Steering Committee to keep operations going at FVCO.

FVCO hours: Mon - Fri. 9am-4pm

Location: 1528 N. Ballard Rd. Ste. 16. Appleton

Telephone # (920) 997-0221

Email: fvco54952@gmail.com

Website: www.foxvalleycentraloffice.com

Want to learn more?

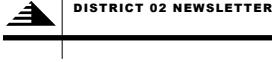
Attend an upcoming Steering Committee Meeting at the Fox Valley Central Office before the election.

There are two to choose from:

—Mon. Sep 13th @ 7pm—

—Mon. Oct 11th @ 7pm—

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