

# District 02

# NEWSLETTER

## Alcoholics Anonymous

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LCM A: Jane M.    LCM B: Dale C.    LCM C: James    LCM D: Brad    **LCM E: Open**    **LCM F: Open**

### Greetings District 02

We have a service opportunity at district 02. Please consider the Alternate-DCM position. This December will end my two-year term as DCM and I am looking for someone to step into the role. Ideally, the alternate-DCM would assume the DCM position when I rotate out.

Alternate-DCM excerpts from the AA Service Manual. The alternate DCM serves as a backup for the DCM. If the DCM is unable to attend a district meeting or area assembly, the alternate DCM can step in. The alternate can chair the district meeting and vote on behalf of the district at an area assembly or area committee meeting. If the DCM resigns or is unable to serve for any reason, the alternate often steps in. How this is handled is up to the GSRs in the district.

#### Qualifications for DCM/Alt-DCM

Experience of the Fellowship suggests that a DCM ought to:

- Have served as a GSR
- Have at least four or five years of sobriety
- Be familiar with both the Twelve Traditions and Twelve Concepts
- Have the time and energy to serve the district well
- Be able to lead a district while respecting the conscience of the district
- Have an email address or other easy way of maintaining contact with GSRs and other members
- Be familiar with the G.S.O. and area websites

#### Upcoming Events:

Delegates Workshop, Saturday, March 11, 2023 starting at 10:00AM at Reiter Center, 1858 S Michigan St, Three Lakes, WI 54562. Unable to attend in-person? Zoom Meeting ID: 841 1096 5882 Passcode: 1212144

GSR Workshop, Saturday, April 1, 2023 at 10:00am at St. Mark's Lutheran Church, 140 S Green Bay Rd, Neenah, WI 54956. All AA's welcome to learn about this important service position.

Annual Moose & Goose, Corrections Literature Benefit will be Saturday, April 15, 2023 at Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 349 N Main St, Seymour, WI. 5:00pm Fellowship, 6:00pm Dinner (bring a dish to pass) and Speakers at 7:30pm. Raffles and Silent Auction.

#### Stay Close,

**Kendra R., DCM | District 02, Area 74 | Rule 62 Advocate | [dcm@district02aa.org](mailto:dcm@district02aa.org)**

## District 02 Meeting Minutes for February

The District Meeting was held hybrid on 02/12/23 at Changing Lanes, starting at 2 p.m. with 31 people in attendance, 19 in person and 12 virtual. We opened the meeting with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer. DCM Kendra went over general housekeeping, welcomed newcomers, and invited introductions of guests and new GSRs.

### GSRs

**Alex-** Saturday at 7:00 p.m. at Solutions, Fireside Candlelight. All of our trust servants are new to the position. We have about 10 to 15 people in attendance.

**Aimee-** Our business meeting was held on February 7th at 6:30 p.m.. Our group passed a motion to donate big books to the Day-by-Day warming shelter. Also, we discussed an addition for our "Book Club" meeting on Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m.. The group is currently reading Drop the Rock. It will be added to the meeting list on the District 02 website.

**Sheila-** Women's Big Book Study. We are trying to expand the homegroup. Our meeting has about 10 to 15 people attending and it is an open meeting.

**James-** Emmanuel Lutheran Church. We have 4 to 12 people in attendance and need support. The group is talking about hosting the October District meeting.

**Stacey-** First Congregation on Tuesday night. We recently rotated service positions and changed the business meetings to montly. We have about 10 to 15 people in attendance.

### Twelve Traditions & Twelve Concepts

The Twelve Traditions were read by Michelle and the Twelve Concepts were read by Barry. A motion was made by Barry to approve the January meeting minutes and seconded by Liz. The motion passed.

### Officer Reports

**Secretary:** Amanda C.

Committee chairs and GSRs please submit your reports to me by Tuesday after District.

**Treasurer:** Digger

A motion was by Mike to accept the treasurer's report and seconded by Maggie. The motion carried.

### LCMs

Subdistrict A: Jane. I went to 10 Appleton meetings including a few online. I sent corrections of the meeting list to the webmaster to get those updated.

Subdistrict B: Dale. There is no online meeting at the Genesis Club on Sunday at 10:00 a.m.. The spanish speaking club is not AA after all, just a generic recovery group. On Friday, the Tailenders is only one meeting.

Subdistrict C: James. No report.

Subdistrict D: Brad. I visited the New Day - Big Book meeting which meets at the Community Center in Brillion at 6:00 p.m. on thursday night. An individual keeps the doors open to offer hope to newcomers and welcomes support from the rest.

Subdistrict E: Open

Subdistrict F: Open

Archives: Open

**Grapevine:** Steve. No report.

## February 12th, 2023 Meeting Minutes Continued

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**Corrections:** Jeff. We had our business meeting on February 11th at 11:00 a.m.. We discussed the state of our corrections facilities. 6 of the 7 facilities are open and have been supported with our AA volunteer members. One of the biggest conversations we had was what can we do to get more volunteers. One of the ideas was to create a flyer. Another item we talked about was the success we are having with the Outagamie County Jails intake program. Currently, OCJ is keeping people who participate in the AA program within the same pods. This allows for fellowship and some men report having their own meetings within the pod. Our recent success was starting a second AA meeting at the Oshkosh State Correctional Institute. This allows more men access to AA meetings as there was a longer waiting list. We also have all facilities stocked with literature.

**Bridging the Gap:** Jeff. Since we met last on December 12th, we received 8 Bridging the Gap forms. 5 men were contacted and 1 is still waiting release. I am still in contact with two of the men and they are excited for this new way of life.

**Newsletter:** John. The goal is to get the newsletter out the first Monday of every month.

**Public Information:** Barry B.

The PI committee met on January 19th, 2023 via zoom. There was 5 members in attendance. The December minutes were read and approved. The committee continues to work on our projects.

### Old Business

**Card distribution update** – Committee members continue to post cards to district businesses and institutions.

**Hotline card in city buses** - The committee has finalized the placard to be displayed in the Valley Transit busses in Appleton. The design was approved. We are currently working with the printer to finalize the layout.

**Craigslist-** We are still considering the Craig's List Community page to be a "Classified Ad" to reach the suffering alcoholic. The project is a work in progress.

**Billboard-** I am in the process of negotiating the printing and then the hanging of the billboard which is located just north of the Out 'o Town Club off of highway 41 on Cty. '00'. The printer will provide some design for us and then we will go from there. Area 74 will support us for most of the cost.

**Web Master:** Trevor F.

A reminder to email me at [webmaster@district02aa.org](mailto:webmaster@district02aa.org) with any changes to meetings. You may also fill out the meeting change form on the website. This is the best way to get changes to me, as they are documented, and I can go back to them as needed. We are just about to finish the revamp of the website. We do anticipate the migration to take place before the end of the month.

**Treatment & Accessibilities:** Rita. We met last Sunday. The St. Elizabeth meeting at 10:00 a.m. is open again. We must wear masks to the meeting room. We are working on refilling racks at the facilities and trying to get meetings to facilitate ASL speakers.

**DCM:** Kendra.

Attended the monthly DCM meeting in January with eight DCMs represented of twenty-six districts. Purchased the hybrid equipment for district 02, spending \$807.04 of the budgeted. \$1,500. Items on the equipment quote had gone down in price and Trevor changed a couple items for a different model. Participated in the 8th Annual Women in Recovery Workshop yesterday in District 01, along with 77 other women – topic was Relapse Prevention.

## February 12th, 2023 Meeting Minutes Continued

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### Old Business

Open positions - LCM E and LCM F. No nominations and these positions carried over.

Facebook page for District 02 was tabled.

The Guidelines for Consideration was voted on and approved

1.) Article IV, Section 4.01: Update the sentences, "The PI Committee and Webmaster will add event flyers to the website. The event flyers must first be submitted to the Newsletter in an editable format (e.g., Microsoft Word) in order to remove the phone numbers and/or any contact information to maintain anonymity. Upon Newsletter approval, flyers will automatically be added to the website." to read "The PI Committee and Webmaster will add event flyers and district Newsletters to the website. The event flyers and Newsletters must first be submitted to the Newsletter in an editable format (e.g., Microsoft Word) in order to remove the phone numbers and/or any contact information to maintain anonymity. Upon Newsletter approval, flyers and Newsletters will automatically be added to the website." (no changes 08/14/22 or 09/11/22 district meetings, tabled at 10/05/22 and 11/13/22 district meetings. Divided vote at 12/11/22 district meeting.)

A motion was made by Jeff to accept the changes to the guidelines. Maggie seconded and the motion passed with a 16 to 3 vote.

### New Business

Budget guidelines change- Article VII District 02 Financial Structure and Ongoing Expenses

ADD Section 1.09: District 02 D.C.M. and Committee Chairs will be responsible for preparing and presenting an annual budget at the district meeting. Past experience suggests the following meline: In early July, the D.C.M. sends out a notice to all District Committee Chairs, requesting a completion of a budget request form. The notice will kindly request the return of the form no later than a week before the August district meeting. Upon receipt of all forms, the district Treasurer will complete the upcoming calendar year budget document to include year-to-date totals for the current year and projected budget for the following year. The draft document is presented for discussion and review to District 02 prior to the August district meeting via electronic communication, publication in the district 02 Newsletter and at any monthly district meetings held prior to the December district meeting (i.e. August, September, and October). The district D.C.M., Treasurer and Committee Chairs should be present to answer questions from the body. The annual budget is presented at the December district meeting for approval. The district D.C.M., Treasurer and Committee Chairs should be present to answer questions from the body. The budget document will be maintained by the district Treasurer and should be forwarded to the incoming district Treasurer at each rotation.

ALT DCM- This position is now open please announce at meetings.

Newsletter subscription- Should we continue to print them when no one is paying. Barry explained that the area revamped how they sent out the newsletter. GSRs or committee chair can get the newsletter if a member wants the charge is \$15. Kendra asked would we still want to charge to put flyers in the newsletter if we are not printing.

A motion was made by Dale to close the meeting at 3:51 p.m. and seconded by Brad. The motion passed. We closed the meeting with the responsibility statement.

**The next District meeting is Sunday March 12th, 2023, at Genesis Club, 1213 N Appleton St, Appleton WI.**



**District 02 Meeting and Agenda  
March 12, 2023**

Open Meeting with Serenity Prayer  
Twelve Traditions---Twelve Concepts

**Secretary's Report** – Amanda  
**Treasurer's Report** – Digger

**Committee Reports**

- a. GSRs
- b. LCM reports
- c. Archives – Vacant
- d. Grapevine – Steve
- e. Corrections – Jeff R.
  - 1. Bridging the Gap – Jeff R.
- f. Newsletter – John W.
- g. Public Information – Barry B.
  - 1. Webmaster – Trevor
- h. Treatment – Rita R.
- i. DCM – Kendra R.

**Old Business:**

- Open positions – LCM-E and LCM-F; Archives; Alt-DCM
- Facebook Page for District 02
- District 02 Guidelines Amendments for consideration

**New Business:**

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**The Next District Meeting is Sunday, April 9, 2023 at Solutions Recovery, 621 Evans St, Oshkosh, WI 54901**

## March 2023 Listings

### Please Note

Please check the District 02 Website, your email, or the District 02 - to verify current meeting situations (hybrid, in-person, cancelled, etc.)

### Second Sunday of the month, March 12th, District Meeting at 2 p.m.

Changing Lanes Alano Club  
344 Broadway St, Wrightstown WI  
1:00 pm - GSR Roundtable  
2:00 pm - Meeting

NOTE: This will be a hybrid meeting.

**Meeting ID:** 875-9555-4987

**Password:** 844696

### First Friday of the month, March 3rd, Potluck at 6 p.m., Open AA Speaker Meeting at 7 pm

Genesis Club, 1213 Appleton St, Appleton, WI.  
Please bring a dish to pass.

NOTE: This is a in-person meeting

### Second Sunday of the month, March 12th, 7 p.m., Open AA Speaker Meeting

First Congregational Church,  
724 E South River St., Appleton, WI.

NOTE: This is a hybrid meeting.

**Meeting ID:** 897-8011-3671

**Password:** 027543

### Third Friday of the month, March 17th, 8 p.m., Open AA Speaker Meeting

Peace United Methodist,  
2300 E Wisconsin Ave, Kaukauna, WI.

Al-Anon Speaker if available

NOTE: This is a in-person meeting

### Last Sunday of the month, March 26th, 7p.m., Open Speaker Meeting

Solutions Recovery,  
621 Evans St, Oshkosh, WI.

NOTE: This is a in-person meeting

## April 2023 Listings

### Please Note

Please check the District 02 Website, your email, or the District 02 - to verify current meeting situations (hybrid, in-person, cancelled, etc.)

### Second Sunday of the month, April 9th, District Meeting at 2 p.m.

Solutions Recovery  
621 Evans St, Oshkosh WI  
1:00 pm - GSR Roundtable  
2:00 pm - Meeting

NOTE: This will be a hybrid meeting.

**Meeting ID:** 875-9555-4987

**Password:** 844696

### First Friday of the month, April 7th, Potluck at 6 pm., Open AA Speaker Meeting at 7 p.m.

Genesis Club, 1213 Appleton St, Appleton, WI.  
Please bring a dish to pass.

NOTE: This is a in-person meeting

### Second Sunday of the month, April 9th, 7 p.m., Open AA Speaker Meeting

First Congregational Church,  
724 E South River St., Appleton, WI.

NOTE: This is a hybrid meeting.

**Meeting ID:** 897-8011-3671

**Password:** 027543

### Third Friday of the month, April 21st, 8 p.m., Open AA Speaker Meeting

Peace United Methodist,  
2300 E Wisconsin Ave, Kaukauna, WI.

Al-Anon Speaker if available

NOTE: This is a in-person meeting

### Last Sunday of the month, April 30th, 8 p.m., Open Speaker Meeting

Solutions Recovery,  
621 Evans St, Oshkosh, WI.

NOTE: This is an in-person Meeting

## District 02 Committee Information

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

**Archives Chair:** Char. archives@district02aa.org

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

**Corrections Chair:** Jeff R. 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:** Steve. grapevine@district02aa.org

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

**Public Information Chair:** Barry B.  
publicinfo@district02aa.org

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

**Newsletter Chair:** John W. newsletter@district02aa.org

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

**Treatment Chair:** Rita. tfc@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** Kendra R.

secretary@district02aa.org:

Contact: **Secretary** Amanda C

treasurer@district02aa.org:

Contact: **District Treasurer** Tom A.

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 171 Manistique, MI 49854

## GSO

James A Farley Station  
P.O. Box 2407 New York, NY 10116  
212-870-3023

## 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

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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.



# 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!



# 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)**

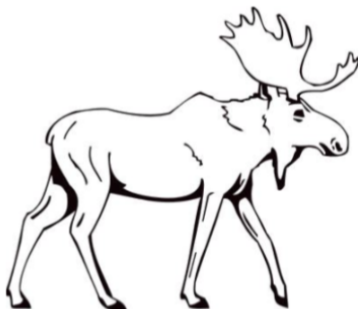
**7:30 PM Speakers**

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





## **ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS CORRECTIONS SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES**

*We are currently seeking men and women to carry the message of AA behind the walls.  
We share our experience, strength, and hope with other alcoholics who are currently incarcerated.*

### **AA Service Opportunities in Various District 02 Jails and Institutions**

Outagamie County Jail, Appleton  
Winnebago County Jail, Oshkosh  
D.A.C.C – Drug Abuse Correctional Center, Oshkosh  
O.S.C.I. – Oshkosh State Correctional Institution  
Calumet County Jail, Chilton  
WCC – Winnebago Correctional Center, Oshkosh  
WRC – Wisconsin Resource Center, Oshkosh

## **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.*

\*\*\*\*\*Next orientation opportunity is through WRC on April 18<sup>th</sup> from 4-6 pm on Zoom\*\*\*\*\*

If interested in the Corrections Committee or carrying the message behind the walls:  
email [corrections@district02aa.org](mailto:corrections@district02aa.org)



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