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Greetings District 02

The 2023 Area 74 Spring Conference is coming up quickly. There is still time to register for this event and having it so close in Green Bay allows for many of us to attend. Our Delegate, Bryon B., will be providing his report of the AA General Service Conference. Please take the time to hear his message of the informed group conscience of our AA membership. Thank you to those AA members who took the time to participate in the Delegates Workshop in March and attended the April Assembly. Your participation is so important!

2023 Area 74 Spring Conference

DATE: May 19-21, 2023

LOCATION: Radisson Hotel & Conference Center, 2040 Airport Dr, Green Bay

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

Saturday: Panels – AA and Al-Anon; Al-Anon speaker, banquet & AA speaker & Assembly with Delegates Report.

Sunday Morning: Area committee meeting & Spirituality Speaker

Registration \$20

Banquet additional \$25 – DEADLINE for banquet May 5, 2023

Flyer for the conference <https://area74.org/conferences/>

Stay Close,

Kendra R., DCM | District 02, Area 74 | Rule 62 Advocate | dcm@district02aa.org



District 02 Meeting Minutes for April

On April 2, 2023, a hybrid District meeting was conducted at Solutions Club located at 621 Evans St. Oshkosh, WI, with a total of 20 attendees, comprising 13 in-person and 7 virtual participants. The meeting commenced at 2 p.m. with a moment of silence, which was followed by the recitation of the Serenity Prayer. During the meeting, DCM Kendra provided an overview of general housekeeping, welcomed new members, and invited introductions of guests and new GSRs.

GSRs

Caleb- The ALT GSR is in charge of the Sunday Night Camel group at Solutions Club which starts at 7:00 p.m.

Carrie - The Tuesday night Women's group at Solutions Club commences at 7:15 p.m.

Matt - The Camel meeting takes place at Solutions Recovery every Sunday at 7:00 p.m. The meeting is performing well, and attendance has remained robust, with no concerns regarding supplies, literature, or the meeting itself. We have scheduled our next business meeting for April 30 at 6 pm before the formal meeting. The agenda will revolve around the topics discussed during the district meeting earlier this month, in addition to housekeeping issues and any other new business that the trusted servants may raise.

Twelve Traditions & Twelve Concepts

The Twelve Traditions were read by Amanda and the Twelve Concepts were read by Jane. The approval of the minutes from the March meeting has been postponed until the next month.

Officer Reports

Secretary: Amanda C.

To ensure prompt delivery of the notes to John, I kindly request all committee chairs and GSRs to submit their reports to me by the Tuesday following the District meeting.

Treasurer: Digger

During the meeting, Mike made a motion for the acceptance of the Treasurer's report, which was seconded by Jeff and carried. Following this, Jane inquired about the corrections literature under the money available for the district. She asked if the funds were intended for the district's use. Digger clarified that the money was in the same checking account, but it was specifically earmarked for corrections literature.

LCMs

Subdistrict A: Jane.

I collaborated with the webmaster to finalize the updates on the PDF district 02 meeting list. Additionally, I have been gathering votes at various meetings regarding the changes made in the 12 and 12 book. I will be sharing the collected data with our delegate Bryon before the upcoming April 8th assembly. Furthermore, I have made it a point to attend almost all meetings in my sector, having visited 99% of them at least once.

Subdistrict B: Dale.

I would like to express my gratitude to Trevor for diligently making changes to meeting lists submitted in the previous months. However, I have noticed an error in the PDF Meeting list for Wednesday, wherein the Start Your Day Right Meeting at 6:30 am is listed twice. The first listing on a separate line as a Men's Only Meeting is incorrect and should be removed. The correct listing is the one below, where it is listed together with the 10:00 am Big Book Meeting.

Subdistrict C: James. No report.

Subdistrict D: Brad. No report.

Subdistrict E: Open

Subdistrict F: Open

Archives: Open

Grapevine: Steve.

After attending the service workshop, I am currently in search of members who are willing to serve on the Grapevine committee. I have been actively attending multiple meetings and have successfully convinced one group to subscribe to the Grapevine. However, please note that there is a significant delay between signing up for the Grapevine and actually receiving it.

Bridging the Gap: Jeff.

I am monitoring Box 704 and ensuring that all facilities have an adequate supply of forms. As a part of my long-standing commitment to Bridging the Gap, I am open to considering anyone who is interested in stepping in for me as part of the "rotation of service". If you are interested, please inform me.

April 2nd, 2023 Meeting Minutes Continued

Corrections: Jeff.

We would like to express our gratitude to everyone who attended the March 4th corrections meeting at the Genesis Club to discuss the state of corrections in District 02. We invite you to join us for our next meeting on Saturday, April 1 at 11:00AM at the Genesis Club in Appleton. For new volunteers, please take note that our next orientation will be on April 18th from 4-6 pm on Zoom. This orientation is crucial for new volunteers and is applicable to almost all facilities. If you know of any new volunteers, kindly send their full names, contact email addresses, and phone numbers to <corrections@district02aa.org> as soon as possible. We are currently in need of volunteers for the following facilities: Winnebago County Jail, D.A.C.C - Drug Abuse Correctional Center, WCC - Winnebago Correctional Center, and Calumet County Jail. For specific meeting schedules, please refer to the details provided. If you are interested in volunteering at Calumet County Jail, please contact Buzz L. at <zbuzz2002@yahoo.com>. This facility is the easiest to enter and may only require a driver's license.

Newsletter: John. No report.

Public Information: Barry B.

On March 23, 2023, the PI committee convened via Zoom with four members present. The previous month's minutes, from February, were read and approved.

Old Business

- The committee encountered an obstacle in the billboard project that may result in its cancellation. Jones Billboards, the company we were working with to install the billboard, informed us that only the owner's business can be displayed without a permit from the state DOT. According to the statute Trans 201.19 on on-property signs, an on-property sign can only advertise activities conducted on the property where it is located, the name of the establishment, and its principal product or service. Any sign violating these content restrictions requires a permit for an off-property sign. To circumvent this content restriction, we would need a state permit. After careful consideration, the committee and the Area PI chair have decided to cancel the billboard project. Instead, the Area will allocate the \$1500 earmarked for the project towards bathroom stall and urinal signs in selected areas of Districts 1 and 2 in the northern part of the state.

- The committee is actively posting hotline cards to district businesses and institutions.

- The placard for Valley Transit buses displaying the hotline card should now be installed. One committee member has volunteered to confirm its placement by taking a bus ride.

- The District 2 website and Facebook page revamp is ongoing and currently operational. While some features are still in the works, the webmaster will provide more details on these projects.

- The process of searching for the websites of the 3 county fairs in our district has begun, but the 2023 information is not yet available. The committee will request volunteer help from the district to staff these exhibits.

Another round of Little Lending Libraries is planned to replace borrowed Grapevine magazines. The same will be done in doctor's offices where magazines are permitted, but the work will be performed when the weather is warmer.

A project to place Hotline cards in hotels, motels, and some businesses in the district is also underway.

Finally, I have initiated the search for a Public Information Chair for District 2 and anyone willing to stand for this position is encouraged to contact me. We are always eager to welcome new members to our team. If you are interested in helping out with the Public Information Committee, please reach out to us at <publicinfo@district02aa.org>. Our next meeting is slated for April 20, 2023 and will be conducted via Zoom.

Web Master: Trevor F.

Just a quick reminder to please email any changes to meetings to me at <webmaster@district02aa.org> or fill out the meeting change form on the website. This is the best way to get your changes to me, as it allows for proper documentation and easy reference. For those adding new meetings, please fill out the meeting form with all the specific information that will be put on the list. We are constantly updating the meeting list as information becomes available, and we aim to respond to most requests within one week to get the list updated.

- In March, our website received 2,772 unique views.
- We are happy to announce that our new website is now live. We appreciate those who reported bugs early on, which we have been able to fix. We will continue to optimize the website and add more content as it becomes available.
- We are pleased to report that the meeting locator was the most accessed resource on the website in March.
- We are grateful to UW Oshkosh's website and Genesis Club's website for referring about 100 visitors to our website.

April 2nd, 2023 Meeting Minutes Continued

Treatment & Accessibilities: Rita.

This morning, the committee held a meeting with three members in attendance. With the reestablishment of the meeting at St. E's, we have decided to invite an ASL interpreter to their monthly speaker meeting. We have already heard back from all the groups that hold a monthly open speaker meeting. A final draft of a letter to be sent out to treatment facilities that have previously hosted an AA meeting before COVID has been edited. We hope to restart those meetings to establish an AA presence. In the past, we have delivered a letter to facilities for their clients seeking an AA connection. Recently, we received feedback that clients from one facility were unaware of how to find an AA connection. We plan to revisit all facilities regarding this issue. Casa Clare has initiated a meeting for clients and alumni, and we have received feedback that there are no Big Books for women attendees. We will contact Casa Clare to inquire if they would like Big Books, how many they need, and provide them as necessary. Our next meeting is scheduled for May 7th.

DCM: Kendra.

Yesterday, we conducted an AA Service Meeting with around 15 attendees. A DCM from Fond du Lac/Area 75 and a GSR from District 22 attended, with the latter joining via Zoom. We appreciate those who shared their service experiences during the meeting. The DCM monthly meeting takes place on the last Tuesday of every month, with 6/26 DCMs/Alt DCMs attending the March meeting. Concept IV, using the AA illustrated concepts pamphlet, was discussed. We have received the Delegates Workshop 3/11/23 reports and have emailed them to GSRs and district committee chairs/officers. We encourage everyone to attend this Saturday's 4/8/23 Area 74 Assembly, held at the Reiter Center in Three Lakes, WI. ALL AAs are welcome to attend, but only those with service positions may speak at the microphone and vote. The GSR/DCM orientation will take place at 8:30 a.m., with the assembly starting at 9:00 a.m. and ending at approximately 5:00 p.m. We have emailed copies of the agenda and Zoom login information to GSRs and district committee chairs/officers. Attendees can find copies of today's meeting materials on the back table.

Old Business

Open positions - LCM E, LCM F and Archives. There were no nominations and these positions carried over.

Trevor presented the mockups of the Facebook page for District 02 to those in attendance. GSRs have been tasked with bringing this information back to their respective groups and discussing any questions or concerns.

The Guidelines for Consideration

A new section has been added, Section 1.09, which states that the District 02 D.C.M. and Committee Chairs are responsible for preparing and presenting an annual budget at the district meeting. It is suggested that in early July, the D.C.M. sends a notice to all District Committee Chairs requesting completion of a budget request form, which should be returned no later than a week before the August district meeting. After receiving all forms, the district Treasurer will complete the upcoming calendar year budget document, including year-to-date totals for the current year and projected budget for the following year. The draft document will be presented for discussion and review to District 02 prior to the August district meeting through electronic communication, publication in the District 02 Newsletter, and at any monthly district meetings held prior to the December district meeting. During this period, the district D.C.M., Treasurer, and Committee Chairs should be present to answer any questions from the body. The annual budget will be presented at the December district meeting, and the district D.C.M., Treasurer, and Committee Chairs will be present to answer any 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.

Barry made a motion to approve an amendment to the District 02 guidelines, which was seconded by Mike and passed.

Printed Newsletters

Currently, 70 newsletters are being printed without being paid, costing the District around \$1,600 per year. Mike suggested that the newsletter should only be printed if necessary, with a small charge. Dale raised the concern that some GSRs may not have access to a printer and therefore unable to print the newsletter for their group. He suggested that it should be available to GSRs who want one or are unable to print it off for the group. Jane added that disabled people may not be able to get a copy. Barry agreed that there should be an opt-in system for GSRs to request a copy of the newsletter, and anyone else would have to pay. Kendra also mentioned that there was a clean-up of the Newsletter mail-out list, and the Area charges \$25 for their subscription to the Newsletter.

New Business

- District 02 Guidelines-Should these be put on our website?
Amanda agreed the District 02 Guidelines should be added to our website so everyone is aware of what the guidelines are. GSRs to take back to their groups to get a vote.

In other news, a motion was made to close the meeting at 3:23 p.m. by Barry and Steve seconded motion passed. Closed with the Service Declaration.

Lastly, please mark your calendars for the **next District meeting on Sunday May 7th, 2023, at St. Marks Lutheran Church, 140 S Green Bay Rd, Neenah, WI.**

Thank you for your ongoing support and participation in District 02. We look forward to seeing you at the next meeting.

**District 02 Meeting and Agenda
May 7, 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;
- Facebook Page for District 02
- District 02 Guidelines Amendments for consideration
- Printed Newsletter

New Business:

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The Next District Meeting is Sunday, June 11, Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, 2330 E Calumet St, Appleton

Please Note

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

May 2023 Listings

**First Sunday of the month, May 7th,
District Meeting at 2 p.m.**

St Mark's Lutheran Church
140 S Green Bay Rd, Neenah 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, May 5th,
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, May 14th,
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, May 19th,
8 p.m., Open AA Speaker Meeting**

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

AI-Anon Speaker if available

NOTE: This is a in-person meeting

**Last Sunday of the month, May 28th, 10 a.m.,
Open Speaker Meeting**

St. Elizabeths
1506 S Oneida St, Appleton WI

**Last Sunday of the month, May 28th, 7p.m.,
Open Speaker Meeting**

Solutions Recovery,
621 Evans St, Oshkosh, WI.

NOTE: This is a in-person meeting

June 2023 Listings

**Second Sunday of the month, June 11th,
District Meeting at 2 p.m.**

Prince of Peace Lutheran Church
2330 E Calumet St, Appleton 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, June 2nd,
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, June 11th,
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, June 16th,
8 p.m., Open AA Speaker Meeting**

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

AI-Anon Speaker if available

NOTE: This is a in-person meeting

**Last Sunday of the month, June 25th, 10 a.m.,
Open Speaker Meeting**

St. Elizabeths
1506 S Oneida St, Appleton WI

**Last Sunday of the month, June 25th, 7 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.

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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

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920-410-4620

OTHER CONTACT INFORMATION

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

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FOLLOW**



WEEKLY RECOVERY SUPPORT MEETINGS AT MOORING HOUSE & CASA CLARE FOR CURRENT AND FORMER CLIENTS* ONLY

**MOORING HOUSE MEN'S MEETING:
EVERY SATURDAY 1:30-2:30PM**
(USE SMOKING DOOR & PROCEED TO BASEMENT MEETING ROOM)

**CASA CLARE WOMEN'S MEETING:
EVERY SATURDAY 3:30PM-4:30PM**
(USE MAIN ENTRANCE & PROCEED TO GROUP ROOM)
Please arrive no more than 15 minutes prior to meeting start times



**Former clients in recovery who did not leave treatment in good standing
are still welcome after a 30-day grace period*

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Anniversary List

We are working on adding to our anniversary list to distribute sobriety birthdays!



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