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Greetings District 02

I hope you are enjoying this beautiful Wisconsin summer! So many fun and exciting recovery events are happening all over the state. Most recently, I learned of RAFTYPAA – a conference that includes camping, fellowship, and white-water rafting!

Upcoming Local Event:

Seymour Intergroup will be held Saturday, July 22, 2023, at Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 349 N Main St, Seymour, WI. Doors Open at 4:30 pm, Dinner at 6:00 pm, Hot Sandwiches provided (bring a dish to pass), and Speakers at 7:00 pm. Wheelchair Accessible. Coffee, Soda & Water available.

Additional information:

General Service Conference (G.S.C.) The proposed Agenda Item Submission Form deadline is September 15*. Proposals that are important to the future of Alcoholics Anonymous, policy decisions or requests for changes to Conference-approved literature, and items that might require the collective conscience of the Fellowship.

GSO remains on top of printing delays and back orders due to supply chain disruptions - for example, ordering paper and scheduling reprints of the Big Book, Alcoholics Anonymous, and other items more than six months in advance of projected need. Most recently, they have introduced jacketless hardcovers and new cover finishes to expedite delivery and help eliminate backorders.

The 90th anniversary of Alcoholics Anonymous will be celebrated at the 2025 International Convention in Vancouver, BC, Canada, July 3 – 6, 2025. It is suggested that those who believe they have some past legal incident, such as a DUI or felony, that could inhibit their attendance at the 2025 International Convention, seek assistance/information

<https://www.aa.org/international-convention-2025-faqs>

Stay Close,

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



District 02 Meeting Minutes for June

On June 11, 2023, a hybrid District meeting was conducted at Prince of Peace located at 2330 E Calumet St. Appleton, WI, with a total of 20 attendees, comprising 17 in-person and 3 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

Aimee- The 101 Algoma Group is opening up a new meeting on Thursdays at 10:00 a.m..

Matt - Solutions Recovery, Camel Group, Sunday at 7:00 p.m.. We are having a panel on steps 6 and 7 on June 25th. We also have a speaker meeting every last Sunday of the month.

Jesse - Solutions Recovery, Utopian Wanderers, Thursday at 7:00 p.m.. We are changing the format of the meeting to restructure and get the meeting back on track.

Michelle - Thursday Night, Women's Inspiration, we have been having great attendance.

James - We have 4 to 5 members getting ready for the intergroup. We are looking for volunteers to help with the intergroup. It is scheduled for July 22nd.

Twelve Traditions & Twelve Concepts

The Twelve Traditions were read by Matt and the Twelve Concepts were read by Joe. The minutes from the May meeting have been approved.

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

Barry made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report, which was seconded by Maggie. The motion carried.

LCMs

Subdistrict A: Jane. Last month, I attended most Appleton groups and spoke up about many topics: reminded some groups that the 12 and 12 were not rescinded, pushed for attendance to district meetings, sought help for Corrections Committee, and announced an upcoming conference. I helped GSRs with reports, literature, and missed information at business meetings and informed one group about the LCM position.

Subdistrict B: Dale. The Business Meeting was held on June 3rd at 8:30 am at Genesis Club for AA Groups. Seven of ten GSRs were present. A new GSR and Alternate GSR were appointed for the Women's Meeting on Thursdays at 5:30 pm. The AA literature rack restocked after COVID. Financial distributions were made to District 02, Central Office, and GSO—no contributions to Area 74, Corrections Literature, and AA Hotline due to surplus funds. LCMs will retain the ability to vote according to a unanimous vote. The next meeting is scheduled for September 2nd at 8:30 am in Arne's Room at the Genesis Club—no changes to the meeting list.

Subdistrict C: James. I visited the Greenville meeting and was able to help them with a few issues. The New London meeting has good attendance and cake.

Subdistrict D: Brad. I visited all the meetings in my sub-district and made myself available to help—no other news.

Subdistrict E: Open

Subdistrict F: Open

Archives: Open

Grapevine: Steve.

We are still seeking volunteers for this committee and have collected several Grapvines for corrections.

Bridging the Gap: Jeff.

I am monitoring Box 704 and ensuring that forms are stocked in all facilities. I have been involved with Bridging the Gap for a long time, and if anyone is interested in taking over as part of the "rotation of service," please let me know.

Newsletter: John. There is no previous data collected for Newsletter subscriptions to be found.

Web Master: Trevor F. No Report

June 11th, 2023 Meeting Minutes Continued

Corrections: Jeff.

On Saturday, June 10th, at 11:00 am, 3 Corrections Committee members and three interested AA members met at the Appleton Genesis Club. We gathered to discuss the state of corrections in District 02. Currently, our budget stands at \$993.27, with \$113.89 specifically allocated for corrections literature. I brought two cases of books to the meeting that were purchased before the price increase.

Please let me know if any correction members need books, and I will arrange to get them to you. Buzz requested Spanish books, Big Books, and 12x12's, which we acknowledged. We also recognized the need for a few books in Chilton and agreed to address this. Additionally, we plan to organize a workshop after Labor Day weekend and invite coordinators from several facilities.

To volunteer in corrections, it is required to complete the yearly orientation. The next opportunity is the in-person PREA Certification at Fox Lake Correctional, Fox Lake (Dodge County) on Tues, 6/13/23, from 4:00p - 6:00p. Fill out paperwork in advance. After certification, Fox Lake Correctional will update your assigned facility. Contact Geno, Area 75 Corrections Chair, at corrections@Area75.org or 608-432-8994 for registration and paperwork. Share the volunteer flyer at your meetings.

Urgent Volunteer needs:

Winnebago County Jail, 4311 Jackson St, Oshkosh, Men's Meetings: Wednesday @ 7:00 PM Women's Meetings: Wednesdays @ 7:00 PM
D.A.C.C. – Drug Abuse Correctional Center, 4280 N. Sherman Road, Winnebago, Men's Meetings: Thursdays at 6:00 PM, 2nd & 4th Friday of the month at 6:30 PM and Saturdays at 2:25 PM (Women Volunteers are welcome)
W.C.C. – Winnebago Correctional Center 4300 Sherman Rd, Winnebago, Men: Wednesday 6:30 PM (Women Volunteers Welcome)
Calumet County Jail, 206 Court St, Chilton, can help on Thursdays at 6:30 PM. Please get in touch with Buzz L. at zbuzz2002@yahoo.com (This is our most accessible facility to enter and may only require a driver's license.)
WRC - Wisconsin Recourse Center on 1505 North Drive in Oshkosh has asked me in an email if we can bring meetings into their facility for the first time since COVID. This was a Tuesday evening 6:30 meeting. With our current shortage of volunteers, I may have to let them know that we cannot do this now. We will discuss this further on June 10th.

Public Information: Barry B.

The PI committee met on April 20, 2023, via Zoom. There were six members in attendance. The March minutes were read and approved.

Old Business:

Card distribution update – Committee members are actively posting cards to district businesses and institutions. We have completed our paperwork for the Winnebago County Fair from August 2-6 at the Sunnyview Expo Center in Oshkosh. For this event, I have brought Sign-up Genius information to facilitate sign-up. Currently, there are still several 3-hour spots available for volunteering.

2 slots available 12:00-3:00 PM on Wed., August 2.
2 slots available 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM on Thurs., August 3
2 slots available 12:00 PM – 3:00 PM on Thurs., August 3
1 slot available 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM on Sun., August 6
2 slots available 12:00 PM – 3:00 PM on Sun., August 6

We are still exploring options to staff a booth at the upcoming Calumet County fair, scheduled in Chilton on September 1-3. To prioritize this event, we're waiting first to fill the open slots for the Winnebago fair. Our committee is also pleased to announce that development for the PI Facebook page is underway, with updates being handled by our webmaster. Additionally, we have started another round of placing Grapevines and hotline cards into Little Lending Libraries throughout the district to replace borrowed magazines. We're monitoring doctor's offices, as many have removed magazines from their waiting rooms due to the ongoing pandemic. Finally, we are considering distributing hotline cards in select hotels, motels, and businesses throughout the community.

New Business:

Recovery Fest will be held on September 10, 2023, at Solutions, and we plan to staff a booth at the event. Our 2024 budget process will begin during our PI committee meeting on June 15.
We are currently searching for an individual willing to serve as Public Information chair for the next rotation in District 2. Anyone interested in standing for this position should contact me directly.
We're always looking to welcome new members onto the committee. If you want to support our Public Information efforts, please get in touch with me at publicinfo@district02aa.org.

Treatment & Accessibilities: Rita. No Report

DCM: Kendra. No Report.

June 11th, 2023 Meeting Minutes Continued

Old Business

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

Facebook page for District 02 - Still being developed.

The Guidelines for Consideration

1. Definition of Terms

District Committee Member Currently reads: District Committee Member (D.C.M.) is defined in the A.A. Service Manual as follows: "He or she is a G.S.R. elected by the other G.S.R.s to represent the groups of their district in area committee meetings and coordinate service activities in the district. Suggest replacing it with "The heart of A.A. is the group, which elects a general service representative (G.S.R.). The G.S.R. attends district meetings that are made up of the groups in that district. The G.S.R.s elect a district committee member (D.C.M.). Thus, the D.C.M. 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." From the A.A. Pamphlet Your D.C.M. F-12 Reasoning: Original content is no longer valid.

2. Article III: D.C.M., L.C.M.s, and District Officers and Duties, Section 1.00

Currently reads: The duties of the District Committee Member (D.C.M.) and the Alternate D.C.M are described in Chapter 3 of the A.A. service manual. Update to read: The duties & responsibilities of the District Committee Member (D.C.M.) and the Alternate D.C.M are described in the A.A. Service Manual. Reasoning: Chapters in the A.A. service manual can change. This leaves it general yet directs us to the A.A. Service Manual resource.

3. Article III: D.C.M., L.C.M.s, and District Officers and Duties, Section 6.00

Currently reads: The L.C.M.'s job is a two-way communication link between the District and the G.S.R.s in the Local Committee Members' sub-districts, and the L.C.M.s are responsible to the D.C.M. The L.C.M.s regularly attend all district meetings. They receive reports from the groups through G.S.R.s and frequent personal contact with groups in their sub-districts. They may hold special meetings of all G.S.R.s in their subdistricts. They help the D.C.M. cover the District, which would be impossible for the D.C.M. to do on a group-to-group basis. They provide groups with "Group Change Forms" and generally assist the D.C.M. in obtaining group information. They keep the groups and G.S.R.s informed about District activities and make sure that G.S.R.s are acquainted with The A.A. Service Manual, Twelve Concepts for World Service, the G.S.O. bulletin, Box 459, the Twelve Traditions, workbooks and guidelines from G.S.O., and other service material. They help the G.S.R.s make reports to their groups and encourage them to bring new A.A. members to district service events. They keep groups informed about Conference-approved books and pamphlets. They regularly keep in touch with the D.C.M. and bring Traditions problems to the attention of the D.C.M. They also regularly practice talking to groups, new and old, about the responsibilities of general service work and its rewards, as well as helping groups elect a G.S.R. and other service positions. The L.C.M.s assist new groups with A.A. catalogs, recommended literature, and books. L.C.M.s also help the groups develop a well-informed group conscience on matters affecting the group or A.A. as a whole, encouraging the use of A.A. Traditions and Concepts to achieve harmony. Update to read: "The L.C.M.'s job is primarily that of a two-way communication link between the District and the G.S.R.s in the Local Committee Members' sub-districts, and the L.C.M.s are responsible to the D.C.M. The L.C.M.s regularly attend all district meetings." Reasoning: each D.C.M. is different in the way they facilitate the District. If we list these in the guidelines, then we are limiting flexibility. Second, the A.A. Service Manual offers suggestions on Role & Responsibilities for D.C.M.s, listed in the service manual, are common, but not all districts take on all those tasks. Third, L.C.M.s should not replace the voice of the group, the G.S.R., reporting back on the G.S.R.'s/Group's behalf.

4. Article I: Membership; Section 2.00 Voting Membership; Section 2.04

Currently reads: L.C.M.s are each afforded one vote. Update to read: L.C.M.s are non-voting members of District 02 Reasoning: If the L.C.M.s report to the D.C.M., their vote is duplicated and could interfere with G.S.R. votes at the district level. The L.C.M.s should not replace the voice of the group, the G.S.R.

Printed Newsletters - Tabled

New Business

Frequency of Area 74 Assemblies/ACMs- The question is would GSRs attend if they only happened twice a year instead of four times a year?

Lastly, please mark your calendars for the **next District meeting on Sunday July 9th, 2023, at Solutions Recovery, 621 Evans St, Oshkosh WI.**

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

District 02 Monthly Financial Report – May 2023

				Beginning Balance 5/1/2023	\$ 5,479.60			June 11, 2023 District Meeting Report
Contributions						Bank Reconciliation		
Date	District Group Contributions					Community First Credit Union		
5/30/2023	Keep Coming Back Group – New London			\$	100.00	Beginning balance	\$	6,113.60
5/30/2023	Kaukauna AA Group			\$	50.00	Deposits	\$	395.00
5/30/2023	Monday Inspiration Meeting			\$	125.00	Withdrawals	\$	(1,732.17)
5/30/2023	Just For Today Group – Neenah			\$	20.00	Outstanding checks	\$	-
5/30/2023	Tuesday Night Fireside			\$	100.00	Total	\$	4,776.43
						Balance available to District		
						Register balance	\$	4,776.43
						Prudent reserve	\$	(500.00)
						Corrections Literature	\$	(113.89)
						Total available to District	\$	4,162.54
						Petty Cash		
						Petty cash beginning balance	\$	50.00
						Petty cash ending balance		
							\$	50.00
						Committee Budget Balance (Remaining)		
						Archives	\$	463.97
						Corrections	\$	993.27
						DCM	\$	2,443.31
						Grapevine	\$	685.79
						Newsletter	\$	1,940.00
						PI	\$	1,728.14
						Treasurer	\$	777.00
						Treatment & Acces.	\$	1,070.00
						BUDGET BALANCE TOTAL (Remaining)	\$	10,101.48
						*Corrections Literature		
						Starting Balance	\$	113.89
						Contributions		
						Total deposits		
							\$	-
						Withdrawals		
						Total withdrawals		
							\$	-
						Ending Corrections Literature Balance		
							\$	113.89
						*NOTE - Separate from district balance		
						Tom "Digger" A., District 02 Treasurer		
						Total Outstanding checks		
							\$	-

District 02 Meeting and Agenda June 11, 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; Corrections BTG
- Facebook Page for District 02
- District 02 Guidelines Amendments for consideration
- Printed Newsletter

New Business:

- Frequency of Area 74 Assemblies/ACMs

The Next District Meeting is Sunday, August 13th, St Paul Catholic Church, 410 Wallace St, Combined Locks WI.

Please Note

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

July 2023 Listings

**First Sunday of the month, July 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, July 7th,
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, July 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, July 21st,
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, July 30th, 10 a.m.,
Open Speaker Meeting**

St. Elizabeths

1506 S Oneida St, Appleton WI

**Last Sunday of the month, July 30th, 7p.m.,
Open Speaker Meeting**

Solutions Recovery,

621 Evans St, Oshkosh, WI.

NOTE: This is a in-person meeting

August 2023 Listings

**Second Sunday of the month, August 13th,
District Meeting at 2 p.m.**

St Paul Catholic Church

410 Wallace, Combined Locks, 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, August 4th,
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, August 13th,
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, August 18th,
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, August 25th,
10 a.m., Open Speaker Meeting**

St. Elizabeths

1506 S Oneida St, Appleton WI

**Last Sunday of the month, August 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

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Visit District Website

dcm@district02aa.org:

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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

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.



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

Bring AA to the general population inside both county and state-run correctional facilities, where those populations cannot attend outside AA meetings.

If interested in volunteering and carrying the message behind the walls:
email corrections@district02aa.org





We welcome you to support a new AA
Open Topic Meeting "Our Southern Friend"

Located at: Changing Lanes
Alano Club

344 Broadway St.
Wrightstown, WI 54180

Wednesday's
7:00pm



THIS IS A CLOSED DISCUSSION MEETING.



Seymour Intergroup
Saturday July 22, 2023

Emmanuel Lutheran Church
349 N. Main Street, Seymour

Doors open @ 4:30pm, Dinner @ 6pm

Hot sandwiches provided,

We are a small group so please bring a side dish to share.

Don't come alone, bring a friend or two..

Meeting starts @ 7:00

AA Speaker: Sara P Porterfield, WI

Alanon Speaker: (TBA)

Door Prizes & Fellowship

Air Conditioned....Wheel Chair Accessable Coffee, Soda & Water available

50/50 raffle

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