

# District 02

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### Greetings District 02

Interested in service? How about at the district level? At the November district meeting, we will be having elections for all of our officers and committee chairs. Positions include:

- Archives Chair
- Corrections Chair
- District Committee Member (DCM)
- Alternate-DCM
- Grapevine Chair
- Newsletter Chair
- Secretary
- Public Information Chair
- Local Committee Members (LCMs) – six different positions: Appleton, Genesis Club, Northern Groups, Eastern Groups, Northern Winnebago, Southern Winnebago
- Treasurer
- Alternate-Treasurer
- Treatment & Accessibilities Chair

Please reach out to me if you would like additional information on these positions.

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

**Stay Close,**

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



## District 02 Meeting Minutes for July

On July 9, 2023, a hybrid District meeting was conducted at Solutions Recovery located at 621 Evans st, Oshkosh WI, with a total of 19 attendees, comprising 14 in-person and 5 virtual participants. The meeting commenced at 2 p.m. with a moment of silence, which was followed by the recitation of the Serenity Prayer. To start the meeting, DCM Kendra provided an overview of general housekeeping, welcomed new members, and invited introductions of guests and new GSRs.

### GSRs

**Rachel** - We had our business meeting on July 4th at 6:00 PM. During the meeting, we held a vote and decided to make our semiannual 7th tradition disbursements. We will send \$100 to the Oshkosh hotline and \$50 each to GSO, AREA, and District. Additionally, we voted to increase our Grapevine subscriptions for the club from 10 magazines to 15. This decision was made because we have seen an increase in attendance at the two Grapevine meetings held at the Algoma Club. Furthermore, we were grateful to receive a donation of about 50 Grapevines from one of our members. These Grapevines were donated to the Winnebago County Jail and were delivered on July 5th.

### Twelve Traditions & Twelve Concepts

The Twelve Traditions were read by Amanda and the Twelve Concepts were read by Kendra. The minutes from the June meeting have been tabled.

### 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.** I have attended all meetings in my sector at least once. I am informing members about an unrescinded change in the 12 and 12 book. Please attend District Meetings. We need assistance bringing AA into jails. I have helped GSRs with literature and spreading information. The Thursday noon group at First Congregations church in Appleton needs support.

**Subdistrict B: Dale.** I submitted group change forms to Trevor.

**Subdistrict C: James.** No report.

**Subdistrict D: Brad.** No report.

**Subdistrict E:** Open

**Subdistrict F:** Open

**Archives:** Open

#### Grapevine: Steve.

I have collected back issues of the Grapevine and given them to corrections, and I will continue to gather more. Additionally, I will be attending the Seymour intergroup with the display.

#### 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.** No report.

**Web Master: Trevor F.** No report

## July 9th, 2023 Meeting Minutes Continued

### Corrections: Jeff.

A friendly reminder that the next Correction Meeting is at Genesis Club on July 8th at 11:00 AM, with further meetings on August 12th and September 9th at the same time. New volunteers and current members are always welcome. Also, Outagamie County Jail will be back in Program Room 4C every Monday night starting August 21st. We will discuss this more on Saturday. If any correction members need literature, please let me know, as I still have two cases of books purchased at pre-increased pricing. Finally, we are planning a workshop after Labor Day weekend to review all our institutions, and I will invite one or two coordinators from a few different facilities.

Urgent Volunteer needs:

Outagamie County Jail, 3030 Goodland Dr, Appleton, Men's Meetings: Monday and Thursday @ 7:15 PM, Women's Meetings: Tuesdays @ 7:15 PM

Winnebago County Jail 4311 Jackson St, Oshkosh, Men's Meetings: Wednesday @ 7:00 PM, we have a need for men, but Women's Meetings are well represented on Wednesdays @ 7:00 PM

D.A.C.C – Drug Abuse Correctional Center Men's Meetings: Thursdays at 6:00 PM, 2nd & 4th Friday of the month at 6:30 PM and Saturday 2:25 PM (Women Volunteers are welcome) We need more men or women to volunteer.

WCC – Winnebago Correctional Center 4300 Sherman Rd, Winnebago, Men: Wednesday 6:30 PM (Women Volunteers Welcome)

Calumet County Jail, 206 Court St, Chilton, Thursdays at 6:30 PM please contact Buzz at [zbuzz2002@yahoo.com](mailto:zbuzz2002@yahoo.com) (This is our easiest facility to enter and may only require a driver's license.)

WRC - Wisconsin Recourse Center on 1505 North Drive in Oshkosh has opened on the 4th Wednesday at 6:30PM. Looking for new volunteers.

### 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 still have open slots for staffing the booth at the Winnebago County Fair, August 2-6, at the Sunny View Expo Center in Oshkosh. We are now officially approved.

2 slots available 9:00 a.m. -12:00 p.m. on Wed., August 2.

2 slots available 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. on Thurs., August 3

2 slots available 12:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. on Thurs., August 3

2 slots available 12:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. on Sun., August 6

I will be setting up on July 31st to learn about the passes. We are considering staffing a booth at the Calumet County Fair in Chilton, held on September 1-3. However, we are waiting to fill the slots for the Winnebago fair before committing to the Calumet fair. The PI Facebook page is being developed. Our webmaster will have an update on this project. We are placing Grapevines and hotline cards in Little Libraries to replace borrowed Grapevine magazines. Doctors' offices are still uncertain as many do not have magazines in their waiting rooms. We are considering placing hotline cards in hotels, motels, and some district businesses. We will staff a booth at the Recovery Fest on 9/10/2023 at Solutions. At our June meeting, we discussed the 2024 PI budget and are ready to submit it when requested.

New Business:

We have our PI display scheduled at the Seymour Intergroup on July 22. However, we still need to find someone willing to take on the role of Public Information chair for District 2 in the next rotation. If you are interested or know someone who might be, please get in touch with me. Additionally, we are constantly seeking new members to join our team. If you want to contribute to the Public Information Committee, please get in touch with me at [publicinfo@district02aa.org](mailto:publicinfo@district02aa.org). Our meeting is scheduled for July 20, 2023, and will be held via Zoom.

### Treatment & Accessibilities: Rita.

I purchased ten big books for Casa and Mooring house. We are excited to announce that there will be an ASL interpreter at St. Elizabeth's monthly speaker meeting. If you or someone you know is visually impaired and needs AA resources, please get in touch with GSO. I also wanted to let you know that the "Shut up and get in the car" meeting has started again. If you are interested, please get in touch with Rita for more information.

**DCM: Kendra.** No Report.

## July 9th, 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 - Tabled.

### 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

Elections will be coming up in November. Please start thinking who your replacement will be.

Lastly, please mark your calendars for the **next District meeting on Sunday August 13th, 2023, at Peace United Methodist Church, 2300 Wisconsin Ave, Kaukauna 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 August 13, 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, September 10th, Peace United Methodist Church, 2300 W Wisconsin Ave, Kaukauna 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, August 13th,  
District Meeting at 2 p.m.**

St Paul Catholic Church  
410 Wallace St, 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 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, 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.

Al-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,  
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, September  
10th, District Meeting at 2 p.m.**

Peace United Methodist Church  
2300 W Wisconsin Ave, Kaukauna 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, September 8th,  
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, September  
10th, 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, September 15th,  
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, September 24th,  
10 a.m., Open Speaker Meeting**

St. Elizabeths  
1506 S Oneida St, Appleton WI

**Last Sunday of the month, September 24th,  
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.

www.area74.org:

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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

### 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](mailto: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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