DISTRICT 02

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NEWSLETTER

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

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A MESSAGE FROM THE DCM.....

Hi Y'all !!!

It is SUMMER 🔆 and as they say in Hawaii: "Ho'o Pono Pono", it means, "to come together and heal". That is just what we do here in AA. One Day at a Time.

I went to the workshop in Oconto on June 22 and brought 2 GSR's along in my bouncy blue Honda Fit. The thing that stuck to the wall was when Sara, a past Delegate, quoted someone and it goes something like this: "only 5% of us in AA do service but 100% of those stay SOBER". Wow! It made me feel grateful that today I'm in that 5%, even though it's strenuous sometimes. But...my last days/years of drinking were way MORE strenuous!

Personally, the most fun of that day was driving there and back in an onslaught of pouring rain while the 3 of us laughed as loud as possible and forged bonds between us that exemplify the beautiful unity >> AA has to offer. Miles truly flew right by.

WHAT'S NEXT?....Nicholas S. --Delegate Area 74 (that's us!) is coming to speak and answer questions !!! WHERE?...Solutions Recovery Center on July 14 621 Evans St, Oshkosh WHEN?...1pm (District meeting to follow at 2pm).

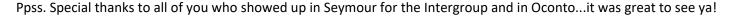
ALSO.....Nicholas will tell his story and possibly answer more questions that same night (Sunday, July 14) at First Congregational Church, 724 E So River St Appleton 7pm. POTLUCK at 6pm Congregational Church, 724 E So River St Appleton 7pm. POTLUCK at 6pm Congregational Church, 724 E So River St Appleton 7pm. POTLUCK at 6pm Congregational Church, 724 E So River St Appleton 7pm. POTLUCK at 6pm Congregational Church, 724 E So River St Appleton 7pm. POTLUCK at 6pm Congregational Church, 724 E So River St Appleton 7pm. POTLUCK at 6pm Congregational Church, 724 E So River St Appleton 7pm. POTLUCK at 6pm Congregational Church, 724 E So River St Appleton 7pm. POTLUCK at 6pm Congregational Church, 724 E So River St Appleton 7pm. POTLUCK at 6pm Congregational Church, 724 E So River St Appleton 7pm. POTLUCK at 6pm Congregational Church, 724 E So River St Appleton 7pm. POTLUCK at 6pm Congregation Church, 724 E So River St Appleton 7pm. POTLUCK at 6pm Congregation Church, 724 E So River St Appleton 7pm. POTLUCK at 6pm Congregation Church, 724 E So River St Appleton 7pm. POTLUCK at 6pm Congregation Church, 724 E So River St Appleton 7pm. POTLUCK at 6pm Congregation Church Church

Remember:

How can we help Carry the Message to the still suffering alcoholic?

Yours, Gratefully in Service, Jane M - DCM District 02 dcm@district02aa.org

Ps. There are some job openings at GSO in New York. Interested? Go to www.aa.org $\stackrel{ ext{$\hookrightarrow$}}{\circ}$



JULY 14 DISTRICT MEETING EVENTS START AT 1PM. A HALF HOUR EARLIER THAN USUAL. FEATURING A SPECIAL EVENT — AREA 74 DELEGATE GIVES GSC REPORT — ALL ARE WELCOME!!!

District 02 Meeting Minutes for June 2024

The June 9, 2024, District Meeting was held hybrid at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, 2330 Calumet St., Appleton. The meeting started at 2:00p.m. There were 22 people in person & 3 people on Zoom; 25 people total.

We opened the meeting with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer. DCM Jane went over general housekeeping, welcomed newcomers, and invited introductions of all Committee Chairs and GSRs. Housekeeping – silence phones, be courteous, no side conversations. Flyers, pamphlets & service manuals are available on the table.

Twelve Traditions & Twelve Concepts

Tim read Tradition 6 – long form.

Anna Rae read Concept 6 from the Concepts checklist. Dillon, Harold and Erin read from the 12 concepts for world service pamphlet.

Approval May 2024 Minutes - A motion was made by Kendra to accept the Secretary report. Bob seconded. Motion passed.

Secretary Report: Karla. Committee Chairs & GSR's please submit your reports to me by Tuesday June 11, 2024, to ensure I can get the notes to Digger in a timely manner. Email reports to secretary@district02aa.org If you are making a motion or seconding a motion, be sure to state your name. Thank you for being of service & for allowing me to be of service.

Treasurer Report: Kim. A motion was made by Jodi to accept the Treasurers report. Harold seconded. Motion passed.

GSRs Reports

Harold –Wednesday Night Our Southern Friend Group at Changing Lanes Alano Club in Wrightstown– Celebrated 1 year anniversary. The meeting has good attendance.

Jeff – Tuesday Night Big Book study at First United Methodist Church – business meeting brought back notes from spring conference.

Robin – GSR rule 62 online meeting Remington – This meeting is now on the meeting list.

LCM Reports

Subdistrict A: Open

Subdistrict B: Open

Subdistrict C: James. No Report.

Subdistrict D: Open

Subdistrict E: Open

Subdistrict F: Open

Archives: Kathy. No Report.

Grapevine: Patrick. No report.

Corrections: Kendra. Did not have a June meeting. Contacted by 3 people that are interested in carrying the message behind the walls and sent applications to those members. Ordered AA books for facilities - 1 case.

Bridging the Gap: Brad. No Report

Newsletter: Digger. There have been no issues sending out the newsletter. The due date for getting information & flyers for the newsletter is EOD June 21st.

Public Information: Susan. The PI Committee met on May 21, 2024 with 5 members in attendance **Old Business**

Attended the Area 74 PI Committee meeting via Zoom with DCMs and other District PI Committee Chairs

- Northwoods Advertising campaign continues (cost is \$3,000 per year of the yearly budget \$5,000 allowed by the Area committee) includes 65 cities, not including the Fox Cities, the flyers include the QR Code for the GSO Meeting Guide Ap. The flyers can be found in men's and women's bathrooms at restaurants, bars, casino and retail spaces.
- Hotline Card Distribution update
 - Police Stations 15
 - Fire Stations 12
 - Hotels/Motels 10
 - Laundromats, Grocery stores etc. -5

Little Lending Libraries – 7 in Appleton have received 2 Grapevines each

• <u>Hotline Card Distribution</u> will expand to include hotels (65), police stations (29) and fire stations (12)

The Hotline Cards are available for the use by the members or by District 02

- The cards have hot line phone numbers and a QR Code (Quick Response) Code that opens with a Smart Phone. Meetings and District Website can be found.
- <u>Distribution of Grapevines into Little Lending Libraries</u> will continue in the spring and summer of 2024.

New Business

- The PI Display and members of committee will be at Seymour Intergroup June 15, 2024
- PI Committee meetings will be 3rd Tuesday of the month 6 PM June 18, 2024, July 16, 2024

Our Committee is looking for a few more members if interested please let us know Susan B. 920 858 2379 or email publicinfo@district02aa.org

New projects still being considered; will keep the group updated

Our next meeting will be June 18, 2024 at the Genesis Club in the large upstairs room/ Hybrid available – the time has been changed to 6PM, one hour earlier than in the past. ID 438 420 4275 PW Serenity

Web Master: Trevor. A reminder to email me at 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. Also, to add a new meeting PLEASE fill out the meeting form so we can capture all of the specific meeting information that will be put on the list. Meeting change forms can be found on the website under Resources > Group Resources. If you are changing information for a group that is already on the list, please fill out the "Change a groups information" form which has been updated to reflect some changes to the form available from GSO.

The issues with newsletter sending have been resolved. If you are still having issues receiving the newsletter, please let me know. I would suggest adding support@district02aa.org to your "safe sender" or "whitelist" in addition to checking your spam folder.

The annual invoice for web services including webhosting and email has been submitted. The cost remained the same as last year with no change in services.

- There were 4,141 unique views to our website in May
- The most views continue to be on the Meeting locator list

Thanks for letting me be of service

Treatment & Accessibilities: Jodi. No report. The committee didn't meet in May.

DCM-Jane. I have been attending more meetings in our district. I dispense information regarding events and happenings locally and all the way down to the GSO level. Sometimes there are questions and concerns that I attempt to address.

I've been filling out and collecting Group Change Forms for GSR's. This is part of getting District and Area records up to date. This also involves working with the Area Registrar and our District webmaster.

At the Spring Conference/ Assembly I spent \$80 on lodging. That was my only expense where I requested coverage by the District. (Thanks to Jeff and Kendra for the rides to and from!)

Spring Conference/ Assembly: \$647 was voted on and approved so Area could reimburse our Delegate for 2 extra hotel nights in NYC so he could visit GSO and Stepping Stones.

General advice to GSRs: read a lot and ask LOTS of questions! Read the Service Manual. Repeatedly. Feel that you are valued - you are here with us and that is enough, keep coming back! It takes time to get oriented.

Thanks to all who showed up for this Ashland event...in person and on Zoom!

Area 74 has about 600 active groups, 650 inactive, and 116 unknown.

QUESTION for your groups: Should Area Finance Committee pay for events for trusted servants to participate in, ahead of time or after the event is over? Please discuss this in your group business meeting and let District know what your group decides. Thanks

Grapevine App seems to be popular but could use more support. Please announce this in your groups.

Area Literature Committee says helpful kits are available for any District Committee chair. Check Area74.org for contact information.

The Area Budget report seemed to indicate that so far this year, income and expenses are practically even -- amounts coming in are just slightly over the amount of expenses going out. Not including the prudent reserve it looks like there is about \$30,000 in the bank to cover the rest of the budget expenses for this year.

Nicholas, our Area 74 Delegate gave us his report on the General Service Conference. Here are a few things he mentioned (see more in the Now and Then - Area 74 Newsletter):

- GSO fielded 13,808 phone calls and handled 9,599 pieces of outgoing mail in the last year.
- There was NO action taken on the proposal to develop a pamphlet for the unhoused alcoholic.
- There was NO action taken on "possible future changes to literature written by AA's founders".
- There was a suggestion for the "trustee's Public Information Committee [to] explore adding chat functionality to the aa.org website".
- More information to come when Nicholas hopefully joins us at our District meeting in July or August!!

Old Business

Open positions 2024 Elections

LCM's (A, B, D, E, F) – no nominations. Carried over.

Alt DCM – no nominations. Carried over.

New District Guidelines Booklets – 10 people asked for copies. Jane had copies to hand out.

ASL Issues – Do the groups want ASL to be explored? Jodi-at the last meeting, the Treatment & Accessibilities Committee asked GSRs to take this question back to their groups. Would you support the use of 7th tradition funds or Gold Can funds to help fund ASL? An informal vote was taken- 6 yes – 5 no. This is not an official vote.

Harold – against spending money without knowing what the need is in district 02.

Anna – willing to do gold can not sure how much needed to collect

Kendra – The Treatment & Accessibilities Committee has made a point that the deaf community wants to be part of discussions. Feels like the deaf community should make the decision on how to fund ASL. We are making decisions to fund a program that doesn't exist. Jodi-they are unable to provide the funding.

John-What's the need? Kind of hard to tell need if it doesn't exist. How is the need assessed. Jodi – It is the duty of the Treatment & Accessibilities Committee to make meetings accessible to all. The general trend is that Districts are providing ASL. The committee has not gone out to solicit the need yet.

Kimmery-our primary purpose is to carry the message to the alcoholic. Set money aside and if no one shows up for the ASL meetings, the district could have a say in how to spend the money. It is important to proceed and figure out the obstacles. Our group voted yes in favor of the gold can but how does it work? There are questions yet. Jodi-Once we get approval then the committee can figure this out.

Robin – as a member we have a primary purpose. We are responsible. I can't see turning back on anyone. Find out the cost and everyone saves for it.

Anna Rae—we should not turn our back on this. Do we know how many are taking advantage of online meetings? Jodi-there are many. We talked about adding a link to the website so we can see the direct hits to online meetings.

John-Do we know the cost. Jodi-\$65 per hour 2-hour plus travel time minimum. It is more expensive on the weekends, \$95-\$105 per hour. John will bring this up during the board meeting at the Genesis Club.

Digger-it may be wise to look at what other areas and districts do. In Madison and Minneapolis/St. Paul they don't have any ASL. Chicago has 3 meetings each week.

Jodi-the national meeting that she attends, there are bigger cities. There are 50+ people in the ASL meetings. Informal re-vote after discussion—yes-7, no-3

The Assembly did approve the Area to reimburse the Area Delegate Nicolas \$647 for his New York trip.

New Business

Area Delegate will visit District 02 – Give Nicolas a choice of July or August starting at 1 pm and going until 2pm. Jane will get a hold of him to find out when he is coming. Kendra – this is feedback from a member is that there is no need for a delegate to go anywhere because that is what the GSRs are, the voice between the assembly and the group. Kendra feels that first person experience is good and enjoys when the delegate comes to visit.

Spring assembly – should the Area reimburse for events ahead of time or after the event? What do the groups think? Jeff-he brought this up with his home group. They have questions. Why was this question posted and how? How would this happen? What about \$3000 seed money. Is this for dark districts? What is the definition of an event? Kendra- can't answer questions but they talk about the assembly \$2600 to seat the delegate overall it is \$10000 per delegate that goes to events. It is hard for some to come up with money. She would want the money to be paid up front. For other amounts she feels reimbursement after is good. Harold-wouldn't it be hard to figure out how much to give them before the event. Easier to reimburse afterward. Jane will get a hold of Bill L. in finance and get some clarification.

Kendra – stepping down from her district position as Corrections Chair and has asked Mike to step up into Committee Chair role. Kendra nominates Mike as Corrections Committee Chair, Harold second. Mike told a little bit about himself. Motion passed.

A member in attendance at the district meeting had some announcements to make – she went to the Founder's Day Event and brought back some flyers.

June 15th 11:30a.m. Changing Lanes Tim F, brother of Chris F will be speaking at Changing Lanes Alano Club in Wrightstown.

Sept. 14th Genesis Recover Fest - Open for family and friends. Sept 14th Telulah Park 11:00 a.m. Don't Do Booze 5K.

Adjournment A motion to adjourn was made by Harold and seconded by Bob. Motion carried at 3:27 p.m. and closed with the Responsibility Declaration.

The next District meeting is Sunday July 14, 2024, at Solutions Recovery, 621 Evans St., Oshkosh.

4/14-4/20/24	73 rd Gen Serv Conf	Brooklyn, NY			
5/17-5/19/24	Area 74 Spring Conf	District 13		Ashland, WI	
5/18/24	Area 74 Assembly	District 13		Ashland, WI	****
5/19/24	Area Comm Mtg	District 13		Ashland, WI	
6/7-6/9/24	East Central Reg Conf	Michigan State	e Conv	Grand Rapids, MI	
8/3/24	Area Comm Mtg (optional)	Virtual			
9/13-9/15/24	Area 74 Fall Conf	District 04	Holiday Inn	Stevens Point, WI	
9/14/24	Area Assembly	District 04	Holiday Inn	Stevens Point, WI	
9/15/24	Area Comm Mtg	District 04	Holiday Inn	Stevens Point, WI	
10/12/24	Fall Assembly	Quality Inn		Rhinelander, WI	
12/7/24	Area Comm Mtg	Virtual			

**NOTE FROM THE DELEGATE: The servants of Area 74 are excited to provide the dates for the Area 74 Service Structure. We are lucky to live in an area that hosts many conferences, workshops and fellowship events. As your trusted servants, we sometimes miss the chance to participate in local events because they conflict with the service events you have entrusted us to conduct. We hope that, by providing the Area 74 service structure dates in early fall; they can be considered as you plan your service and fellowship events for the coming year. We look forward to seeing you.

NOTE FROM CO-EDITORS: We have combined the general events and the Area 74 Service Structure events into one calendar. BOLD = AREA 74 events UNBOLD = General AA events in our area

DISTRICT 02 FINANCIAL REPORT – MAY 2024

		District 02 Monthly	Fina	ancial Repo	rt – May 2024		
		Beginning Balance 5/1/2024	\$	6,548.28	June 9, 2024 District Meeting Report		
Contribution	าร				Bank Reconciliation		
Date		District Group Contributions			Community First Credit Union		
5/31/2024		Sat. Morning Eye OpenerGroup 7:30		\$200.00			
5/31/2024		AA Oshkosh Monday Night Group		\$150.00		\$	6,790.62
5/31/2024		Sat. 10:00 AA Mtg. Our Saviour's Church		\$100.00	· ·	\$	682.63
5/31/2024		Lunch Bunch Mtg. of AA		\$50.00		\$	(745.00)
5/31/2024		Nova Camel Group-Solutions Recovery		\$50.00		\$	(35.00)
5/31/2024		Nova Camel Group-Solutions Recovery		\$50.00	Total	\$	6,693.25
5/31/2024		Women on Wednesdays		\$40.00			
5/31/2024		Sunrise Group		\$42.63	Balance available to District		
						\$	6,693.25
					Prudent reserve	\$	(500.00)
					Corrections Literature	\$	(309.31)
					Total available to District	\$	5,883.94
					Petty Cash		
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					Petty cash ending balance	\$	50.00
					Committee Budget Balance (Remaining)		
						\$	463.97
						\$	759.05
						\$	2,576.25
		Total deposits	<u>\$</u>	682.63		\$	820.00
Withdrawals						\$	297.80
		Expenses (checks/withdrawals)				\$	2,237.21
5/5/2024		Jane M Confer. Spring, May Stipend, snacks, copies	\$	91.39		\$	790.23
		Susan BHotline cards, holders, snacks for I Love Recovery		192.79		\$	1,070.00
		Jeff RCort. Lit. 24 hour books	\$	172.13	BUDGET BALANCE TOTAL (Remaining)	\$	9,014.51
5/16/2024	2183	Tom AApril adobe, microsoft-subscription	\$	22.40			
5/23/2024	2184	Prince of Peace-June District meeting rent	\$	35.00	*Corrections Literature		
5/29/2024	EFT	Harland Clark-checks	\$	23.95	Starting Balance	\$	431.44
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						\$	50.00
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Outstanding 5/23/2024		s Prince of Peace-June District meeting rent		\$35.00	Total withdrawals	Ş	(172.13)
3, 23, 2024	2104			<i>\$33.00</i>	Ending Corrections Literature Balance	\$	309.31
					*NOTE - Separate from district balance		
		Total Outstanding checks	\$	35.00			
					Cindy L. District 02 Treasurer		

DISTRICT 02 UPCOMING COMMITTEE MEETINGS

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN SERVICE BUT DON'T KNOW WHERE TO START?

You are welcome to stop by and join us at one of our regular committee meetings. Learn more about what the district committee's do, and how we help the still suffering alcoholic. Who knows.....maybe you will find an interest and will want to join up!!! Here is a list of upcoming committee meetings:

NEWSLETTER COMMITTEE: Next meeting is Friday July 26th, 9am at Fox Valley Central Office, 1528 N Ballard Rd, Appleton. This committee meets monthly to proofread the upcoming issue, and to discuss plans for future issues. We are always looking for fresh ideas! *Have a question???* Send an email to newsletter@district02aa.org

PUBLIC INFORMATION: Next meeting is Tuesday, July 16th, 6pm at Genesis Club, 1213 N Appleton St, Appleton. Zoom ID: 438 420 4275 Passcode: Serenity. The Public Information (P.I.) Committee provides information about Alcoholics Anonymous to the general public within District 02 and is also responsible for the District 02 Website.

A.A. NEWSLETTER SUBSCRIPTIONS

DISTRICT 02 NEWSLETTER: Stay up-to-date on all of the news in District 02. Sign up at district02aa.org > newsletter > signup

NOW & THEN (Monthly Area 74 Newsletter): Stay connected to Area news, information, and more! Electronic subscriptions please send a request via email with your contact information to area74newsletter@gmail.com
Hard copy subscriptions \$25 for 12 issues mail a check made out to CASH and a completed enrollment form to:

Now & Then PO Box 192 Sturgeon Bay, WI 54235

BOX 4-5-9 (Quarterly Newsletter from the General Service Office):

This newsletter includes

- information about AA service
- sharing from AA members
 - news about literature
- sharing from groups and service committees
 - a calendar of upcoming events www.aa.org/box-459

DISTRICT 02 MEETING AGENDA

July 14, 2024 - 2:00 PM

SPECIAL EVENT 1PM Area Delegate: GSC Report and ???

CHILD CARE AVAILABLE FOR BOTH MEETINGS

Solutions Recovery - 621 Evans St - Oshkosh

ZOOM MEETING ID: 875 9555 4987 PASSCODE: 844696

Open with Serenity Prayer

- Introduce DCM: Meeting Chair
- Housekeeping items: info, etc.

Twelve Traditions - Tradition 7 long form

Twelve Concepts - Concept 7

Secretary's Report

Treasurer's Report

Committee Reports

- a. GSR's
- b. LCM's James; LCM-C
- c. Archives Kathy
- d. Grapevine Patrick R.
- e. Corrections Mike H.
 - 1. Bridging the gap Brad N.
- f. Newsletter Digger A.
- g. Public Information Susan B.
 - 1. Webmaster Trevor F.
- h. Treatment and Accessibilities Jodi L.
- i. DCM Jane M.

Old Business:

- Available positions > LCM's A,B,D,E,F
- >ALT DCM
- Groups Area finance query
- ASL Issues (T and A) update 10 minute time limit

New Business:

- CPC Committee Consideration
- Other?

We would love

The NEXT District Meeting: Sunday August 11th, St Paul Catholic Church, 410 Wallace St, Combined Locks 1:30 GSR Discussion / 2pm District Meeting

- Hoping u suit up and Show Up -



to see u there!

2024 District 02 Meeting Schedule

(Meeting Location is Subject to Change)

GSR Roundtable at 1:30 / District Meeting at 2:00

Jan 14	Solutions Club Inc.
	621 Evans St, Oshkosh
Feb 11	Changing Lanes Alano Club
	344 Broadway St, Wrightstown
Mar 10	Genesis Club
	1213 N Appleton St, Appleton
Apr 14	Solutions Club Inc.
	621 Evans St, Oshkosh
May 5	St Mark's Church
Early due to Mothers Day	140 S Green Bay Rd, Neenah
Jun 9	Prince of Peace Lutheran Church
	2330 E Calumet, Appleton
Jul 14	Solutions Club Inc
	621 Evans St, Oshkosh
Aug 11	St Paul Catholic Church
	410 Wallace St, Combined Locks
Sep 8	Peace United Methodist Church
	2300 W Wisconsin Ave, Kaukauna
Oct 13	Emmanuel Lutheran Church
	349 N Main Street, Seymour
Nov 10	Changing Lanes Alano Club
	344 Broadway St, Wrightstown
Dec 8	First United Methodist Church
	325 E Franklin St, Appleton

DISTRICT 02 MEMORIES

AS PUBLISHED IN THE DISTRICT 02 NEWSLETTER JULY, 1989

THE SEVENTH TRADITION

"Every AA group ought to be fully self-supporting, declining outside contributions."

Who among us alcoholics wasn't looking for a free ride in our drinking days? Irresponsibility was our middle name as we went to any length to attain our daily bottle. What it meant to be free and responsible about money took the first AA's a long time to figure out. Bill W. says John D. Rockefeller Jr. and St. Francis of Assisi provided the insights that became Tradition Seven.

Some early AA's thought money wouldn't mix with spirituality at all, that groups should have no money. Others, seeing great needs all around them, thought AA could do much good by establishing hospitals, educational and research institutions and rehab centers, which AA should collect money to do these things. The no money group came to face the reality that it cost money to respond to calls and letters from suffering alcoholics, especially after the Saturday Evening Post published Jack Alexander's article (1941) about AA's new way of helping alcoholics. If AA's didn't gather some funds they'd never be able to contact those who needed help. They too learned about paying rent and buying coffee once their meetings outgrew member's living rooms. Of necessity they started passing the hat at meetings. Bill W. said, "There was a place in AA where spirituality and money would mix, and that was in the hat!"

The second group, the power drivers and the do gooders, were burned by early experience: the gift of a hospital came with the donor's son who was both it's would be manager and chief patient; members argued over how to use funds and forgot their primary purpose.

Bill W. says they were aware of St. Francis Assisi's practice. He and his group of followers had as little money as possible, so as not to be distracted from their purpose of sharing the good news. This seemed to fit AA's situation. Corporate poverty, having the least possible to do the job well, became AA's practice. The oldtimer's, struggling to meet their needs, were still tempted by the idea of unlimited financial backing though. A 1937 meeting with John D. Rockefeller Jr. who was interested in AA's success, raised hopes that Rockefeller would underwrite AA's future. Though Rockefeller did give AA \$5,000 to pay off some mortgages and get established, he made it clear he would give no more. "I think money will spoil this thing," he said. Bill notes that AA stayed poor because it had to.

Then a lady died and willed AA \$10,000. The trustees debated whether to accept it or not. Though the foundation was hard up at the time, they decided to refuse this and all future bequests. They did this to avoid the problems and rights it brings on, and to avoid donor's attempts to control AA. Reasonable running expenses plus a prudent reserve became the foundation's (now General Service Office's) policy. Confidence in AA's integrity was born and grew. Editorials pointed out that the irresponsible had become responsible, and that by making financial independence part of its tradition, AA had revived an ideal that this era had almost forgotten.

Responsibility has become our middle name.

Sources: 12 and 12 and Alcoholics Comes of Age

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

JULY 2024

First Friday of the Month, July 5th, Open AA Speaker Meeting at 7pm Genesis Club, 1213 Appleton St, Appleton. Potluck at 6pm, please bring a dish to pass!

Second Sunday of the Month, July 14th, District Meeting at 2pm, Solutions Recovery, 621 Evans St, Oshkosh. Delegate presentation 1:00 *This is a hybrid meeting* Meeting ID: 875 9555 4987 Passcode: 844696

Second Sunday of the Month, July 14th, Open AA Speaker Meeting at 7pm (Nicholas S., Area Delegate will be the speaker), Potluck at 6pm, bring a side dish to share, **First Congregational** Church, 724 E South River St, Appleton. Hybrid meeting Meeting ID: 897 8011 3671 Passcode: 027543

Third Friday of the Month, July 19th, Open AA Speaker Meeting at 8pm, Peace United Methodist Church, 2300 E Wisconsin Ave, Kaukauna Al-Anon speaker if available.

Annual Motorcycle Ride, July 20th, 10am Changing Lanes, 344 Broadway St, Wrightstown \$10 per rider (See flyer in newsletter)

<u>12 Step High EAA, July 21 – 28,</u> Daily meetings, Fellowship 7am, Meeting 8am (see flyer in newsletter for details)

<u>Last Sunday of the Month, July 28th</u>, Open AA Speaker Meeting at 10am, **St. Elizabeth Hospital**, 1506 S Oneida St, Appleton

<u>Last Sunday of the July 28th</u>, Open AA Speaker Meeting at 7pm, Solutions Recovery, 621 Evans St, Oshkosh

AUGUST 2024

First Friday of the Month, August 2nd, Open AA Speaker Meeting at 7pm Genesis Club, 1213 Appleton St, Appleton. Potluck at 6pm, please bring a dish to pass!

Second Sunday of the Month, August 11th, District Meeting at 2pm, St Paul Catholic Church, 410 Wallace St., Combined Locks. GSR Roundtable 1:30 *This is a hybrid meeting* Meeting ID: 875 9555 4987 Passcode: 844696

Second Sunday of the Month, August 11th, Open AA Speaker Meeting at 7pm, Potluck at 6pm, bring a side dish to share, **First**Congregational Church, 724 E South River St, Appleton *This is a hybrid meeting* Meeting ID: 897 8011 3671 Passcode: 027543

Third Friday of the Month, August 16th, Open AA Speaker Meeting at 8pm, Peace United Methodist Church, 2300 E Wisconsin Ave, Kaukauna Al-Anon speaker if available.

Last Sunday of the Month, August 25th, Open AA Speaker Meeting at 10am, St. Elizabeth Hospital, 1506 S Oneida St, Appleton

<u>Last Sunday of the August 25th</u>, Open AA Speaker Meeting at 7pm, Solutions Recovery, 621 Evans St, Oshkosh

See the District Newsletter for more upcoming events in Area 74

District 02 Committee Information

ARCHIVES COMMITTEE: Responsible for the collection and care of archival documents and items for the District.

Chairperson: Kathy archives@district02aa.org

CORRECTIONS COMMITTEE: Provides coordination and support for groups and individuals wishing to carry the message to alcoholics in jails and prisons within the District. **Chairperson:** Mike H. <u>corrections@district02aa.org</u>

Bridging the Gap: Brad N. corrections@district02aa.org

GRAPEVINE COMMITTEE: Relays information about the Grapevine magazine and other materials to the individual groups via their Grapevine Representatives (GVR's). **Chairperson:** Patrick R. grapevine@district02aa.org

PUBLIC INFORMATION COMMITTEE: Provides

information about AA to the general public and is also responsible for the District 02 website.

Chairperson: Susan B. publicinfo@district02aa.org

NEWSLETTER COMMITTEE: Medium for

communication of District 02 business and events to the groups, GSR's, and individual members.

Chairperson: Digger A. newsletter@district02aa.org

TREATMENT & ACCESSIBILITIES COMMITTEE:

Provides coordination and support for groups and individuals wishing to carry the message to clients in treatment facilities within District 02.

Chairperson: Jodi L. tfc@district02aa.org

OTHER DISTRICT CONTACTS

DCM – Jane M.

Secretary – Karla K.

Treasurer – Cindy L.

Webmaster – Trevor F.

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Area 74 Website

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Area 74 Treasury

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Fox Valley Hotline

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

OTHER INFORMATION

Oshkosh Helpline

920-410-4620

Now and Then

(Area Newsletter) PO Box 192 Sturgeon Bay, WI 54235

AA International

www.aa.org



OPEN AA MEETINGS & AL-ANON MEETINGS AT THE EAA NATURE CENTER IN OSHKOSH, WI WTIHIN THE EAA CONVENTION GROUNDS

There is no admission charge to get into the 12-step high meeting location.

Meetings held daily from

July 21st (Sunday) to July 28 (Sunday)

Greeting and Fellowship at 7:00 AM
Meeting at 8:00 AM

Saturday July 27 - Speaker Meeting

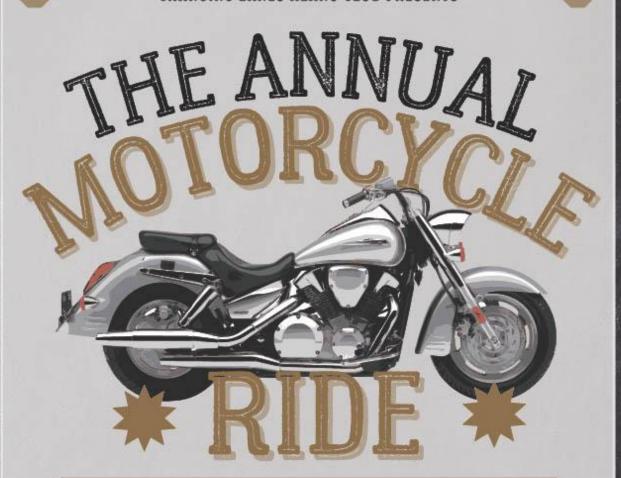
Molly M 920-410-5696 Mike B. 708-259-3389 Don T. 920-376-4186



- Take US 41(N or S) to EAA exit and follow the EAA entrance road for 2 miles past the EAA museum (get into left lane) until you come to intersection. Turn left onto the road. Parking is in gravel lot to the left and large white "Baby Ace" tent. on right side of road is the meeting place.
- From Oshkosh, take South Park St to HWY 44 turn left into EAA entrance road. Follow
 for 2 miles past the EAA museum (get into left lane) until you come to intersection. Turn
 left onto the road. Parking is in gravel lot to the left and large white "Baby Ace" tent.
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CHANGING LANES ALANO CLUB PRESENTS



CHANGING LANES ALANO CLUB

20TH

JULY
2024

NO LIMIT ON RIDERS

\$10 per Rider All bike types are welcomed

MEETING POINT

10:00am Meeting at Changing Lanes 11:00am. Gather for Ride leave by 11:30 344 Broadway St. Wrightstown, WI

ROUTE Wrightstown - Waupaca - Wrightstown (104 Miles)

Ice Cream or Lunch in Waupaca

FELLOWSHIP GRILL OUT

What? Grill out hot dogs and burgers with us and join in a bean bag tournament!
When? 20th July 2024 11AM - 2PM
Where? Mt. Simon Dells Pavilion
999 Addison Ave,



50/50 Raffle

Eau Claire, WI 54703

Prizes to winners!

\$10 Lunch \$5 per team



AA WORKSHOP

SERVICE: WHAT AN ORDER! I CAN'T GO THROUGH WITH IT!

(Have you a sufficient substitute?)

SATURDAY, AUGUST 3, 2024 HOLIDAY INN - MARQUETTE 1951 US 41

9:00 a.m - 4:30 p.m. Eastern Time

\$10 suggested donation - No one will be turned away

Learn about:

- *Sponsorship
- *GSR and Home group
- *District and Area
- *Committees, such as Public Information, Cooperating with the Professional Community, Corrections
 - *The 12 Traditions through a skit
 - *Your delegate

WE WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR RSVP, BUT WALK-INS ARE MOST WELCOME

Text to Pat A. 248-866-4747 or amundin.2011@att.net

Note: Lunch will be on your own. There are MANY restaurants and picnic areas.



ALL 12 STEP SPEAKER MEETINGS. ALL DAY, FREE ADMISSION

AA Grapevine Seeking New Non-Trustee Director

The AA Grapevine is accepting resumes for the position of Non-Trustee Director on its corporate board. The position takes effect following the General Service Conference in April 2024.

Some of the qualities most desirable for this position include:

- A sound business or professional background is preferable, but not limited to the following areas management, legal, publishing, content production, or e-commerce.
- Familiarity with and ties to diverse A.A. communities and professional communities.
- The ability to work collaboratively with others to meet shared objectives.
- · Prior service on a non-profit is helpful.
- A minimum of seven years sobriety in the A.A. program.

The position requires availability to attend the following meetings:

- All quarterly and planning committee meetings of the AA Grapevine (currently up to eight per year)
- Three weekend meetings of trustees' committees (to which corporate board directors are appointed)
- The General Service Conference for one week in April
- In addition, directors may be called upon to attend subcommittee or other meetings and to represent AA Grapevine at Regional Forums or other A.A. functions.

Resumes must be submitted by September

15, 2023. All interested A.A. members may apply. Please note that a General Service Conference Delegate is not eligible to apply until *one year after* their last Conference, i.e., only Panel 71 Delegates and prior panels will be considered for this opening.

Download the resume form at this link www. aagrapevine.org/Vacancy-NTD-AAGV and return the completed form to resumes@aagrapevine.org, or print and mail the completed form to:

Attention: Janet Bryan, Director of Operations AAGV, Inc. 475 Riverside Drive, Suite 1100 New York, NY 10115

GSO Job Announcement

The General Service Office is looking for new Staff Members including a French-speaking Canadian who resides in either the U.S. or Canada and is willing to relocate to New York to help us serve the A.A. Fellowship throughout the U.S. and Canada. This is a great opportunity for a member of A.A., with at least six years of continuous sobriety, who has strong writing and communication skills and has a good understanding of our service structure to be a "special worker" and join us in our mission to help the still suffering alcoholic.

For more information about the position, and to apply, please visit recruiting.paylocity.com/Recruiting/Jobs/Details/1781203

Or select the "Careers" link on the Contact the A.A. General Service Office page on our website, aa.org/contact-gso

Mew Audiobook of Daily Reflections Now Available

A new Audiobook edition of *Daily Reflections* is now available in English, French, and Spanish.

The audio edition will be accessible as follows:

Download Available for purchase from Apple, Audio Google Play, Audio Kobo, Audible, and other Audiobook vendors in English, French, and Spanish narration, at a list price of **\$11.99** (actual selling prices due to vendor special offers may be lower).

For information, please visit onlineliterature.aa.org/audiobooks.

LISTEN

Coming soon: The audio version of each day's reflection will be available in English, French, and Spanish on aa.org in addition to the text.

For people in custody "behind the walls"

People in custody throughout the United States will be able to listen to the Daily Reflections audiobook at no charge on tablets supplied by Securus Jpay and Edovo/GTL, as available.

For questions or more information, please contact publishingnews@aa.org.



Alcoholics Anonymous

Alcoholics Anonymous World Services, Inc.

www.aa.org

475 Riverside Drive, 11th Floor, New York, NY 10115 / Telephone: (212) 870-3400

June 6, 2024

Please direct all communications to: P.O. Box 459 Grand Central Station New York, NY 10163 Fax: (212) 870-3003

Opening for A.A.W.S. Nontrustee Director

A.A. World Services, Inc. (A.A.W.S.) has started its search for a nontrustee director. This voluntary position will commence following the 2025 General Service Conference. Interested A.A. members are encouraged to submit a resumé.

Basic qualifications for this position are: a minimum of seven years of continuous sobriety; a sound business or professional background preferably in, but not limited to, the following areas - finance, management, publishing, legal, or information technology; and the ability to work with others. We are also seeking strength in organizational management, strategic planning, customer engagement, or non-profit board experience.

Directors must be available to attend all regular meetings of the A.A.W.S. Board (currently, up to eight per year), three weekend meetings of trustees' committees (to which corporate board directors are appointed) and the General Service Conference, for one week in April. In addition, directors may be called upon to attend subcommittee or other meetings and to represent A.A.W.S. at Regional Forums or other A.A. functions.

Note: A General Service Conference Delegate is not eligible to apply until one year after their last Conference; therefore Panel 73 delegates are not eligible to apply for this opening.

In seeking applications for all vacancies in Alcoholics Anonymous, the Fellowship is committed to creating a large applicant file of qualified persons, which reflects the inclusiveness and diversity of A.A. itself.

To apply please submit your resume using this link: A.A.W.S. DIRECTOR RESUME SHEET

Or, to obtain an alternate format of the A.A. World Services Director Resume Sheet please contact the A.A.W.S. Board Secretary at the General Service Office by email at aawsboardsecretary@aa.org or call 212-870-3400. All submissions should include a completed aawsboardsecretary@aa.org with subject line: NTD APPLICATION.

With best regards,

Killy N.

Reilly Kalles, Chair

A.A.W.S. Nominating Committee

When we retire at night, we constructively review our day...

- 1. Was I resentful?
- 2. Was I selfish?
- 3. Was I dishonest?
- 4. Was I afraid?
- 5. Do I owe an apology?
- 6. Have I kept something to myself which should be discussed with another person at once?
- 7. Was I kind and loving toward all?
- 8. Did I gossip about anyone?
- 9. What could I have done better?
- 10. Was I thinking of myself most of the time?
- 11. Was I thinking of what I could do for others?
- 12. Was I thinking of what I could pack into the stream of life?
- Be careful not to drift into worry, remorse, or morbid reflection.
- 14. After making our review, we ask God's forgiveness and inquire what corrective measures should be taken.

Conclude with a 5-10 minute meditation.

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^{**}Next Morning, On Awakening read pg 86-88.

Service Opportunities, Especially for the Newcomer

(Akron Multi-District Service Workshop April 15, 2023)

"Service is love with legs." - Bill W.

At Meetings:

- 1. Help set up tables and chairs at the meeting and break them down afterward.
- 2. Volunteer to make coffee.
- 3. Provide cookies for your meeting.
- 4. Come 15 minutes early, walk around the room and welcome people.
- 5. At a discussion meeting, comment instead of passing.
- 6. Add your name to your group's phone list. Agree to talk with another alcoholic.

Outside meetings:

- 7. Offer to drive to the Intergroup or Central Office to buy literature or coins for your meeting.
- 8. Volunteer to work at the Intergroup office or Central Office.
- 9. If you belong to a club where AA meets, become a member and offer your services.
- 10. Offer to participate and help at a fun event for AAs like a picnic in the summer, caroling in December or an afternoon at the ballpark.
- Participate and offer to help at an event that another AA group has organized. (Good at graphics? Make a flyer.)
- 12. Call someone who hasn't been to a meeting in a while and ask I they're OK.
- Offer to drive someone who doesn't drive to and from meetings.
- 14. Join a committee that's planning Founders' Day in June at the University of Akron.

CORRECTIONS VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Need men and women to bring AA meetings inside both county and state-run correctional facilities, where those populations cannot attend outside AA meetings

Calumet County

Calumet County Jail

206 Court St, Chilton, WI 53014 Men's Mtg: Tues @ 6:30 PM Women's Mtg: Tues @ 6:30 PM

Outagamie County

Outagamie County Jail

3030 Goodland Dr, Appleton, WI 54911

Men's Mtg: Monday @ 7:15 PM Men's Mtg: Thurs @ 7:15 PM Women's Mtg: Tues @ 7:15 PM



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Winnebago County

Winnebago County Jail

Men's Mtg: Weds @ 7:00 PM Women's Mtg: Weds @ 7:00 PM

Winnebago Correctional Center

Men's Mtg: Weds @ 6:30 PM

Wisconsin Resource Center

Men's Mtg: Weds @ 6:30 PM Women's Mtg: Weds @ 6:30 PM

Oshkosh State Correctional Institution

Men's Mtg: Weds @ 6:30 PM & 7:30 PM (2 hours)

Men's Mtg: Friday @ 9:30 AM (1 hour)

Drug Abuse Correctional Center

Men's Mtg: Thurs @ 6:30 PM Men's Mtg: Sat @ 2:25 PM

Men's Mtg: 2nd & 4th Friday @ 6:30PM

