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A MESSAGE FROM THE DCM					

Hello all AA's,

One of our long time AA trusted servants has passed away suddenly in late October. It was Hawk M. He was Area Chairperson for the Wisconsin Corrections Committee. His daughter is devastated. Prayers are encouraged. Also, if you are aware of any commitments he had or you need anything regarding this matter please contact me: <u>dcm@district02aa.org</u> (Jane) or Nicholas S: <u>delegate@area74.org</u> Hawk would often say he was "really Jazzed" about Service. May we all aspire to that admirable attitude.

On a lighter note, it's Grateful month! Step deeper into Service and show your gratitude to AA. How? One way is to attend our GSR/Service Workshop/Funshop on Saturday Nov 16: 9am to 3pm at St Mark's Church, 140 S Green Bay Rd, Neenah. Lunch will be provided. Prizes too!!

Area 74 is still asking that groups around here weigh-in on the FINANCE QUESTIONS. They are posted here in this newsletter. Bring them to your groups. Tell your GSR your opinions, then have your GSR contact me. If your group has no GSR that's ok. You can contact me anyway. Jane: <u>dcm@district02aa.org</u>

Have a Happy Thanksgiving and/or whatever else you Celebrate as our year begins to come to a close.

As it was told to me, a veteran member of AA used to say: "stay sober easy way, BE GRATEFUL" !

Yours, Gratefully -- in Service, Jane M - DCM District 02

# Deadline for publication in the December Newsletter is end of day November 24!

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District 02 Meeting Minutes for October 2024

The October 13, 2024, District Meeting was held hybrid at Emmanuel Lutheran Church 349 N Main St., Seymour, WI. The meeting started at 2:06 p.m. There were seventeen people in person & eight people on Zoom: twenty-five people total.

We opened the meeting with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer & introductions.

DCM Jane went over general housekeeping: silence phones, be courteous, no side conversations.

Twelve Traditions & Twelve Concepts: John read Tradition 10 – long form.

Harold & Jody read Concept 10 from the Concepts checklist.

Approval Septembrer 2024 Minutes - Digger made motion to accept the Secretary report. Harold seconded. Motion passed.

Secretary Report: Karla. Committee Chairs & GSR's please submit your reports to me by Tuesday October 15, 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 for allowing me to be of service.

Treasurer Report: Cindy. Barry made a motion to accept the treasurer's report. Bob Seconded. Motion passed.

**GSRs Reports:** 

Harold- Our Southern Friend- Good attendance, had business meeting last week.

Chris- Search for Serenity- Attendance has increased.

Jack – From the Heart Appleton – attendance has been good.

 $\label{eq:model} \begin{array}{l} \mbox{Michelle} - \mbox{Thursday Night Women in Recovery at Genesis Club} - \mbox{Good attendance, will be having business meetings every $3^{rd}$ week of the month.} \end{array}$ 

Dylan- 101A Meetings- Has strong attendance at most meetings. Will be talking more about struggling meetings at next business meeting.

LCM Reports:

Subdistrict A: Barry. I attended four meetings in my subdistrict since the last district meeting. I am in the process of gathering information as to when the group's business meetings are held.

**The Way Out** – Thursday 7:00PM at Prince of Peace – The group holds their business meetings every other month. They had just had a business meeting, so I will plan to attend in December.

**Living Sober** – Tuesday 6:30PM at First Congregational. The group will hold their next business meeting on November 19 after their recovery meeting. I will plan to attend.

**Design For Living** – 10:00AM Monday thru Saturday at Prince of Peace. Hold their business meeting on the last Tuesday of the month. I attended the September business meeting. The group voted to recommend fully funding the delegate to attend the annual conference. A new central office liaison was elected. All service positions are filled. All is well with the group.

**Sunday Morning St. E's** – 10:00AM Sunday at Helen Fowler Conference Center at St. Elizabeth. Business meetings are held on the  $2^{nd}$  Sunday of each month. The group held their business meeting this morning.

- The group voted to extend service positions one more year in order to coincide with the area rotation schedule.
- The group elected a new GSR and literature chair. These will be one-year positions.
- The group is looking for new home group members if anyone is interested.

Subdistrict B: Open

Subdistrict C: James. No Report.

Subdistrict E: Open

Subdistrict F: Matt. Attending groups around Oshkosh area and looking to make it to Omro meeting. Has been updating groups on what has been going on at the district. Most groups that he has talked to is in favor of the Area fully seating the delegate for the General Service Conference.

Archives: Kathy. No Report.

Grapevine: Patrick. No Report.

Corrections: Mike. No Report Received.

Bridging the Gap: Brad. Since my last report we have received three new requests. One is awaiting a court date in Marinette County on 10/17 with no release date set. Both of the other two gentlemen are being released early next year. However, neither has provided contact info upon release.

Also, I made contact with a gentleman up in Niagara that was released in late August. We had several phone and text conversations as he transitioned back home. Information for A.A. Hotline and meeting list were provided. The last text I received from Jason, he expressed his gratitude and mentioned that he was regularly attending meetings, had found a sponsor and was doing well.

Newsletter: Digger. Newsletter distribution continues to go smoothly. Thank you everybody for submitting flyers and other information for publication. Newsletter production is becoming more efficient with more experience, so we have been able to make our cutoff date for publication a little later in the month. Please submit items for publication in the November newsletter by the end of day Sunday October 27th. The November newsletter should hit your email in box the last couple days of October. Thanks for letting me serve.

Public Information: Susan. The PI Committee - Last Meeting September 17, 2024

### **Old Business**

Hotline Card Distribution update:

Our committee continues to deliver hotline cards and the goal of our committee is to finish all the hotels, fire stations and police stations on our list by the end of 2024. We will keep you posted.

Grapevine Distribution update:

Currently we have plenty of Grapevines to continue placing them in the Little Lending Libraries.

The District 02 PI Display was at the October 12, 2024 Eatin Meetin.

### **New Business**

• PI Committee meetings will be the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the Month

October 15, 2024 November 19, 2024 December 17, 2024

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

• New projects still being considered; will keep the group updated

Our next meeting will be October 15, 2024 at the Genesis Club in the large upstairs - the time has been changed to 6PM, one hour earlier than in the past

Webmaster: Trevor. Webmaster Report - September 2024

A reminder to email me at <u>webmaster@district02aa.org</u> 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 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.

- There were 3,020 unique views to our website in September
- The most views continue to be on the Meeting locator list

Thanks for letting me be of service

Treatment & Accessibilities: Jodi.

- 1. Service Panel 11/16 2pm 5-minute discussion on T&A The district is hosting a service panel, and all committees will have a 5-minute opportunity to share about their committee.
  - a. There will be a service panel on November 16, 2024. Jodi has been asked to share a 5minute discussion about what Treatment & Accessibility Committee is about. Jodi asked what we would like discussed.
    - i. Treatment facilities and the ways we provide materials for them
    - ii. Workshops for facilities
    - iii. Literature for residents (Big Books, pamphlets, old Grapevines)
    - iv. Establishing Zoom for remote communities
    - v. Go to the service manual
    - vi. District 02 Guidelines
    - vii. Keep the facilities list and contacts at the facilities in District 02
  - b. We will take the time over the next month to come up with ideas and funnel them to Jodi as we think about them.
  - c. Jodi will report back to us next month what her planned presentation will be based on this list any other recommendations we make and the D02 Guidelines and Service Manuals. If we could have any additional information to her by October 20, 2024

- 2. Dylan Bridging the Gap
  - a. Dylan would like to explore being a BTG person for treatment.
  - b. In looking at previous Newsletters it looks like we at one time had a Treatment BTG person, but that position didn't really exist. It appears to be a mistake in the Newsletters.
  - c. Dylan would like to create a BTG position for people in the Treatment realm, similar to what we do with Corrections.
  - d. One opinion In an ideal world, we would have more committee members who are able to take on more of the responsibilities. One concern is that we may not have enough support to handle that.
  - e. Jodi will be rotating off this committee at the end of 2025 and explore alternate service opportunities.
  - f. Suggestion to pause this conversation until after the Service Workshop to see if we get more participants for our committee and then to revisit the information. It will be on the Agenda for December.
- 3. Dylan Oshkosh Updates
  - a. Dylan would like to know if we as a committee want to support their Genesis Men's Treatment Center in Oshkosh by having speakers from the community come in and share on Saturday Nights from 6PM to 7PM.
  - b. The committee agrees that this is a good idea:
    - i. Speakers should stick to what it was like, what happened and what it is like now.
    - ii. They are actively being sponsored in AA
    - iii. Adhere to our singleness of purpose carrying the AA message.
    - iv. Dylan will be the contact person for speakers, and he will share the speakers list with the committee
    - v. Dylan will also keep us updated on the start date
- 4. Password for Zoom
  - a. WE did get the Zoom password "District02!"
- 5. ASL next steps (link on District 02, etc.)
  - a. Jodi continues to get the links up on our website
  - b. Trevor apologized for dropping the ball and will try to get it done this weekend.
  - c. WE need to figure out where we are going with the in-person ASL meetings from here. This will be an agenda item for our next meeting.
  - 6. Dylan has 4 Big Books in his possession, he will hang on to them and disburse as needed

### Old Business –

### **New Business**

### Agenda Items for next meeting

- Update facilities list to make sure we have the latest contact information
  - Add new contacts and facilities
  - Split sheet so we can contact and confirm
  - Revisit facilities to see if they need to be replenished.
- Creating a speaker list for individuals willing to take the message into the treatment centers.

DCM-Jane.

I gave the voice of our District, as best I could, to the Minocqua Area 74 Assembly on October 12 regarding fully seating the Delegate. I heard from and got input from 28 groups. 10.5 groups voted against, and 17.5 groups voted for fully Seating the Delegate. At the Assembly the Area determined to fail the motion - so we will Not be fully seating the Delegate.

There is a great need for us to have an Alternate DCM. There is an important meeting coming up in January that Jane can't attend. Plus the DCM could use more help in general. You need to already have been a GSR to take the post.

Area Finances were a big topic at the Assembly in Minocqua. It seems we have a surplus in the Treasury of \$20,000 to \$30,000. I will try to get clearer information for our District meeting next month.

To GSR's: The Area Finance questions are SO important to discuss with your groups. Please get the answers back to me before December. The questions are posted in this newsletter, Thank you!!!

Old Business

Open positions 2024 Elections

LCM's (B, D, E) – Alt DCM – no nominations. Carried over.

CPC: Next Steps- Tabled

GSR/General Service Workshop- Nov 16, Saturday

District Budget- Cindy went over the current budget and where the balances are at for the year. All committee chairs need to submit their budgets so it can be voted on. There are still 4 committee chairs that need to submit their budgets.

New Business:

Trevor Stipend Amount-Trevor explained the details of the webmaster budget. Trevor explained he used to get a stipend but since the prices of web services went up he no longer receives a stipend.

Update printable meetings: EAA dates, etc. Trevor will make some updates Workshop budget question-There are two different line items for budgets. One is for GSR workshops, and the other line item is stated as Other Workshop. Is it okay for Jane to spend both lines for the workshop? Barry provided some background information on when workshops were held and why. Amanda stated that you should be able to spend the money if you have it available for both workshops.

Anyone going to international? Delegate is making a list and hopes to do a meet-up there. – Tabled

Adjournment - A motion to adjourn was made by Trevor and seconded by Harold. Motion carried at 3:50 p.m.

The next District meeting is Sunday November 10, 2024, at Changing Lanes Alano Club, 344 Broadway St. Wrightstown, WI.

# DISTRICT 02 FINANCIAL REPORT – SEPTEMBER 2024

	Beginning Balance 9/1/2024	\$	8,706.21	October 13, 2024 District Meeting Report
<b>Contributions</b>				Bank Reconciliation
Date	District Group Contributions			Community First Credit Union
9/30/2024	Design for Living	\$	231.00	
9/30/2024	Design for Living	\$	141.00	Beginning balance \$ 8,778.
9/30/2024	Sunrise Meeting Group	\$	19.63	Deposits \$ 536.
9/30/2024	Genesis Club AA Groups	\$	145.00	Withdrawals \$ (527.
				Outstanding checks \$ (331.
				Total \$ 8,455.
				Balance available to District
				Register balance \$ 8,455.
				Prudent reserve \$ (500.
				Corrections Literature \$ (1,301.
				Total available to District \$ 6,654.
				Petty Cash
				Petty cash beginning balance \$ 50.
				Petty cash ending balance \$ 50.
				Committee Budget Balance (Remaining)
				Archives \$ 463.
				Corrections \$ 759.
				DCM \$ 2,222.
	Total dep	osits \$	536.63	Grapevine \$ 820.
Withdrawals		<u> </u>		Newsletter \$ 208.
	Check #Expenses (checks/withdrawals)			PI \$ 1,497.
	2199 Mike HCase of 12x12 Corrections Literature	\$	210.00	Treasurer \$ 528.
9/8/2024	2200 Jane MFall Confer., Sept. Stipend, & copies	\$	120.00	Treatment & Acces. \$ 767.
9/8/2024	2201 Susan BHotline cards & Holders	Ś	140.28	BUDGET BALANCE TOTAL (Remaining) \$ 7,267.
9/11/2024	2202 Tom A AugAdobe & Microsoft software	\$	22.40	
9/17/2024 9/17/2024	2203 Emmanual Lutheran Church-Oct. District Mtg. Rent	\$	35.00	*Corrections Literature
	2204 Jodi LCase of Big Books	\$	230.00	Starting Balance \$ 1,280.
9/28/2024 9/28/2024	2205 Cindy L2 books of stamps	\$	29.20	
				Contributions \$ 231.
	Total withdra	wals \$	786.88	Ş 251.
Register balan	ce - Month end			
	Beginning balance	\$	8,706.21	
	Deposits	\$	536.63	Total deposits \$ 231.
	Withdrawals	<u></u> \$	(786.88)	Withdrawals
	Register bal	ance <u>\$</u>	8,455.96	\$ 210.
<mark>Outstanding C</mark>	hecks			Total withdrawals \$ 210.
7/14/2024	2194 Jodie L.	\$	72.50	
9/28/2024	2204 Jodie L.	\$	230.00	Ending Corrections Literature Balance <b>\$ 1,301</b> .
9/28/2024	2205 Cindy L.	\$	29.20	*NOTE - Separate from district balance
	Total Outstanding ch	ecks \$	331.70	

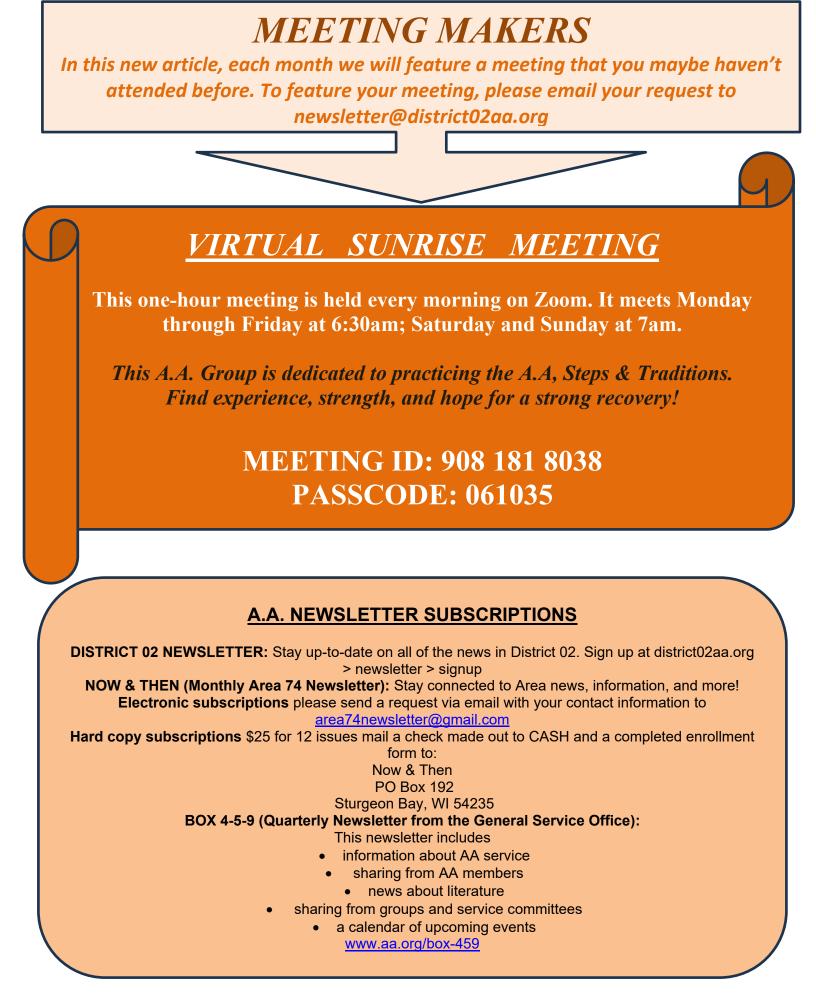
### District 02 Monthly Financial Report – September 2024

Total Outstanding checks \$ 331.70

Cindy L. District 02 Treasurer

# DISTRICT 02 PROPOSED 2025 BUDGET (Draft #3, will be updated monthly)

	APPROVED Area 74 Dis	trict 02 2024 Bu 2024 BUDGET	dget YTD SEPT. SPENT	YTD SEPT. REMAIN	2025 DRAFT
Archives	1 Space at Central Office	\$200.00			<u>DRAFI</u> \$0.00
Kathy M.	2 Miscellaneous	\$100.00	\$0.00		\$0.00
	3 Grapevine	\$28.97	\$0.00		\$0.0
	4 Stipend for District Meetings	\$60.00	\$0.00		\$0.0
	5 FVCO Rent	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.0
	6 Now & Then Subscription	\$25.00	\$0.00		\$0.0
	7 Stipend for Delegates Workshop	\$50.00	\$0.00		\$0.0
		\$463.97	\$0.00		\$0.0
Corrections	1 Workshop	\$150.00	\$146.84	\$3.16	\$150.00
Mike H.	2 Conference	\$500.00	\$0.00		\$500.00
	3 Office Supply/Travel	\$100.00	\$75.11	\$24.89	\$100.00
	4 Stipend for District Meetings	\$60.00	\$10.00		\$60.0
	5 BTG P.O. Box, Postage, Supplie	\$300.00	\$219.00		\$300.00
	6 Stipend for Delegates Workshop	\$100.00 <b>\$1210.00</b>	\$0.00 <b>\$450.95</b>		\$100.00 <b>\$1,210.0</b>
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рсм	1 Stipend for District Meetings	\$180.00	\$135.00		\$180.00
Jane M.	2 Printing Expenses	\$936.00	\$347.65	\$588.35	\$936.0
	3 LCM Stipends for District Meetings	\$360.00	\$0.00		\$360.0
	4 LCM Miscellaneous Expenses	\$50.00	\$0.00		\$50.0
	5 LCM Meeting Rent	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.0
	6 Area 74 Literature - (Service Materials	\$200.00	\$90.95		\$200.0
	7 GSR Workshop	\$100.00	\$0.00		\$100.00
	8 Registration Spring and Fall Conference	\$40.00	\$40.00		\$40.00
	9 Banquet Spring and Fall Conference	\$50.00	\$60.00		\$60.00
	10 Conference Lodging	\$500.00	\$160.00		\$500.0
	11 Gas for Conf/Assem/ACM/Workshops - current	\$500.00	\$20.00	\$480.00	\$500.0
	12 Assembly/ACM 4-Trips (\$40.00 Each)	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.0
	13 Stipend for Delegates Workshop	\$50.00	\$50.00		\$50.0
	14 Other Workshop	\$100.00	\$0.00		\$100.0
	15 Zoom	na	na	na	\$160.0
	16 Tech Fellows Stipend for District Meetings	\$60.00 \$3126.00	\$0.00 <b>\$903.60</b>	<b>\$00.00</b>	\$60.00 \$3,296.00
Grapevine	1 Grapevine Subscription for Intergroup	\$350.00	\$0.00		\$0.00
Patrick R.	2 Postage & Office Supplies	\$10.00	\$0.00		\$0.00
	3 Stipend for District Meetings	\$60.00	\$0.00		\$0.00
	4 Additions to Grapevine Library Displa	\$175.00	\$0.00		\$0.00
	5 Grapevine Display at Genesis Clu	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.00
	6 Past Grapevines for Distribution	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
	7 Workshop	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$0.00
	8 Electronic Subscription for Grapevine Chairperso	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$50.00	\$0.00
	9 Stipend for Delegates Workshop	\$75.00	\$0.00	\$75.00	\$0.00
		\$820.00	\$0.00	\$820.00	\$0.00
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Newsletter Digger A.	1 Postage 2 Printing	\$0.00 \$0.00	<u>\$0.00</u> \$0.00		\$0.00 \$0.00
Digger / t.	3 Postage & Printing	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.00
	4 Software	\$300.00	\$151.80		\$300.00
	5 Postcards, labels & miscellaneous supplie	\$0.00	\$0.00		<u>\$0.00</u>
	6 Stipend for District Meetings	\$60.00	\$0.00		\$60.00
	7 Ink	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$100.00
	8 Stipend for Delegates Workshop	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.00
	olstipend for Delegates Workshop	\$360.00	\$151.80		\$460.00
Public Info	1 Web Service (Maintenance, software upgrades	\$600.00	\$599.00	\$1.00	\$600.00
Susan B.	2 Pamphlets	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$200.00	\$200.00
	3 Postage	\$30.00	\$0.00		\$30.00
	4 Meeting List Copies	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.0
	5 Outreach	\$500.00	\$333.07	\$166.93	\$500.00
	6 Webmaster Computer	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
	7 Stipend for District Meetings	\$60.00	\$0.00	\$60.00	\$60.00
	8 Stipend for Delegates Workshop	\$50.00	\$0.00		\$50.00
	9 Printing	\$30.00	\$0.00	\$30.00	\$30.00
	10 Booth Space at County Fairs	\$650.00	\$0.00	\$650.00	\$350.00
	11 Grapevine Subscriptions (2)	\$60.00	\$0.00		\$60.00
	12 Facebook PSA	\$250.00	\$0.00		\$250.00
	·	\$2.430.00	\$932.07	\$1,497.93	\$2,130.00
Treasurer	1 District Rent	\$420.00	\$350.00	\$70.00	\$420.00
Cindy L.	2 Refreshments	\$180.00	\$127.27	\$52.73	\$240.00
	3 Stipend for District Meetings	\$60.00	\$0.00		\$60.00
	4 Miscellaneous Expenses (copies, postage,	\$200.00	\$94.18	\$105.82	\$200.00
	5 Petty cash	na	na	na	na
	6 P.O. Box Rent	\$240.00	\$0.00	\$240.00	\$250.00
	7 Stipend for Delegates Workshop	\$0.00	\$0.00 \$571.45		\$0.00
		\$1,100.00	\$571.45	_	\$1,170.00
Freatment	1 Workshop	\$200.00	\$0.00		\$200.0
lodi L.	2 Zoom Account	\$160.00	\$0.00		\$0.00
	3 Literature - Facility Racks	\$500.00	\$302.50		\$500.00
	4 Office Supplies	\$100.00	\$0.00		\$100.00
	5 Stipend for District Meetings	\$60.00	\$0.00	\$60.00	\$60.00
	6 Stipend for Delegates Workshop	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$50.00	\$50.00
	7 ASL for Monthly Speaker Meetings	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
		\$1070.00	\$302.50	\$767.50	\$910.00



## DISTRICT 02 MEETING AGENDA

### November 10, 2024 – 1:30PM GSR Discussion – 2:00PM Meeting

### Changing Lanes Alano Club - 344 Broadway St - Wrightstown

# **ZOOM MEETING ID: 875 9555 4987 PASSCODE: 844696**

Open with Serenity Prayer

- Introductions
- Housekeeping items: info, etc.

Twelve Traditions – Tradition 11 long form Twelve Concepts – Concept 11

**Review/Accept October Minutes** 

Secretary's Report Treasurer's Report

**Committee Reports** 

- a. GSR's
- b. LCM's James: LCM-C, Matt: LCM-F, Barry: LCM-A
- c. Archives Kathy R.
- 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 B,D,E
- GSR/General service workshop November 16th, Saturday 9am 3pm
- ALT DCM
- District Budget
- Area finance questions
- Follow up print meeting list
- Anyone else going to International?

### New Business:

- Trevor stipend proposal and tech fellows raise?
- Cindy: DCM overage
- Moment of Silence: Hawk
- Other?

Close with Responsibility Statement

The NEXT District Meeting: Sunday December 8<sup>th</sup>, First United Methodist Church, 324 E Franklins St, Appleton 1:30 GSR Discussion / 2pm District Meeting

# 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

## AS PUBLISHED IN THE DISTRICT 02 NEWSLETTER – NOVEMBER 1988 TRADITION ELEVEN

### "Our public relations policy is based on attraction rather than promotion; we need always maintain personal anonymity at the level of press, radio, and films."

Tradition Eleven has two separate but related parts. The first, that our public relations policy depends on attraction rather than promotion, arose out of the need to inform as many people as possible about help available to chronic alcoholics. Our founders knew, as we do, that a hard sell approach generates resistance and skepticism among listeners. Early A.A.'s knew too that being in the public eye is hazardous to recovering alcoholics, because we tend to be "irresponsible promoters" (12 and 12 page 181). The early members decided to let their friends in the press spread the news about hope for recovery from alcoholism. Journalists found it newsworthy that early A.A.'s wanted to publicize the program's principles, but not themselves. Many news and magazine articles were published. Then the first A.A.'s scrambled to respond to all the inquiries that came rolling in, from alcoholics and medical people.

The second part of Tradition Eleven, about always maintaining personal anonymity at the level of press, radio, and films (TV too today) {ed note: internet and social media}, is an important part of our humility and of the sacrificial spirit that builds A.A.'s legacy of unity. Public anonymity helps our own well-being and strengthens the A.A. fellowship.

Personal anonymity at the public level helps guard against our fellowship being embarrassed and discredited when someone has a slip and gets drunk again. It also helps us individually to keep our fool egos from running amok. Anonymity helps me to keep a shrink wrap on my ego, which otherwise might swell to such a degree of emptiness that I's need a drink to fill it up.

People I've talked to in meetings seem easily confused about what personal anonymity at the public level is. This is what it means to me: it does not mean refusing to give my last name and phone number to fellow A.A. members who might need or want to keep in touch with me. I tell my own family members, a few friends, and my boss and co-workers on a need-to-know basis, that I am a recovering alcoholic. I tell anyone I choose personally, if I think there is good reason to do so. What I don't do is allow my full name/or recognizable picture to be published in any magazine, newspaper, book, on radio or TV, as a member of A.A. To go public as a member of A.A. is hazardous to our humility. To stay anonymous enables us to learn to help others without a lot of fanfare.

The October1988 Grapevine has three articles at the beginning on the topic of anonymity. There's also an item in the "Around A.A." section at the back of the magazine about anonymity. It reports that the General Service Board of A.A. is focusing on anonymity in several ways because of a rash of anonymity breaks at the public level recently.

You can also read more about this and other traditions in *Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions, Alcoholics Anonymous Comes of Age, and Pass it On*, the story of Bill Wilson and how the A.A. message reached the world. These are all A.A. publications.

**Barb G., Appleton** 

### **REASONS WE COME** by Larry R.

We all have reasons why we come to AA The results that we get are the reason we stay We know we need help so we started to think Those folks may show us ways to control how we drink

But most of come for a specific reason We do it because the law needed pleasing Or maybe to just get our spouse off our back Or on doctor's advice cause our liver was wacked

Our reason may differ but deep down we knew We needed to change as our problems accrue The job was in danger, the boss told us so "You either get help or you will have to go"

But my reason for coming was not due to health Not due to a judge or for fear for my wealth I came so that I could my old self re-find The man that I was before booze took my mind

A sense of self-loathing was my ticket in Caring only for time with my vodka or gin Let the world pass me by, I had just given up When a thought filled my head, I had just had enough

The family was fearful, afraid I might drown A daughter stopped letting her kids come around My wife was still with me, but was at her wits end As she watched her me continue to slowly descend

I thought back to the time when I had their respect A husband, a father, there to always protect The children were proud of me, so was my wife That was before alcohol took over my life

I wanted to reclaim that man I had been He still was there somewhere, though buried within I knew by myself I had no way to cope The rooms of AA had become my last hope

Some years have gone by and my life sure has changed The grandkids come over we're no longer estranged My own kids are once again proud of their Dad The wife's pleased to see the man that she once had

Whenever the thought of drink enters my head I quickly recount all my blessings instead Removed are those days I spent lonely and glum I re-found myself, that's the reason I come

## GRATITUDE

I live in a land of plenty. Safe secure and free. Free to meet Sunday mornings, with people important to me. Talking, sharing Listening, caring All help to lighten the load Receiving, believing Projecting, protecting We've all walked the same road. In this season of our Thanksgiving. I, at the Lord's table a guest. Will take two helpings of gratitude, For I have been doubly blessed. Like other ordinary people, I've plenty and family and love. But I also have sobriety And help from power above.

Written by Dick L. Sunday AA White Lake meeting November 2015

# **UPCOMING ACTIVITIES**

# **NOVEMBER 2024**

First Friday of the Month, November 1<sup>st</sup>, Open AA Speaker Meeting at 7pm Genesis Club, 1213 Appleton St, Appleton. Potluck at 6pm, please bring a dish to pass! <u>Saturday November 2<sup>nd</sup></u> A.R.M Gorilla Memorial Halloween Bash & Speaker Meeting 5pm. Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, 2330 E Calumet St, Appleton. See flyer in newsletter. <u>Saturday November 9<sup>th</sup></u>, Attitude of Gratitude Intergroup, Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, 2330 E Calumet St, Appleton. Dinner 6pm, Speakers 7pm. Please bring a dish to pass. See flyer in newsletter.

Second Sunday of the Month, November 10<sup>th</sup>, District Meeting at 2pm, Solutions Recovery, 621 Evans St, Oshkosh. GSR Roundtable 1:30 *This is a hybrid meeting* Meeting ID: 875 9555 4987 Passcode: 844696

Second Sunday of the Month, November 10<sup>th</sup>, Open AA Speaker Meeting at 7pm, 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, November 15<sup>th</sup>, Open AA Speaker Meeting at 8pm, Peace United Methodist Church, 2300 E Wisconsin Ave, Kaukauna. Al-Anon speaker if available. <u>Saturday November 16<sup>th</sup></u>, GSR/General Service Workshop 9am-3pm, St Marks Church, Neenah. See flyer in newsletter.

Last Sunday of the Month, November 24<sup>th</sup>, Open AA Speaker Meeting at 10am, St. Elizabeth Hospital, 1506 S Oneida St, Appleton

Last Sunday of the November 24<sup>th</sup>, Open AA Speaker Meeting at 7pm, Solutions Recovery, 621 Evans St, Oshkosh

# **DECEMBER 2024**

First Friday of the Month, December 6<sup>th</sup>,

Open AA Speaker Meeting at 7pm **Genesis Club**, 1213 Appleton St, Appleton. Potluck at 6pm, please bring a dish to pass! <u>Saturday December 7<sup>th</sup>, 12 Steps of</u> **Christmas Party**, 5-9pm. Hot sandwiches provided, potluck sides and desserts. Speaker at 7. Solutions Recovery, 621 Evans St, Oshkosh. See flyer in newsletter. <u>Second Sunday of the Month, December 8<sup>th</sup>,</u> District Meeting at 2pm, First United Methodist Church, 325 E Franklin St, Appleton. GSR Roundtable 1:30 *This is a hybrid meeting* Meeting ID: 875 9555 4987 Passcode: 844696

Second Sunday of the Month, December 8<sup>th</sup>, 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

Saturday December 14<sup>th</sup>, Appleton Intergroup, St Pius X Catholic Church, 500 W Marquette St, Appleton. Doors open at 5, dinner at 6, speakers at 7. See flyer in newsletter.

Third Friday of the Month, December 20<sup>th</sup>, 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, December 29<sup>th</sup>, Open AA Speaker Meeting at 10am, St. Elizabeth Hospital, 1506 S Oneida St, Appleton

Last Sunday of the December 29<sup>th</sup>, Open AA Speaker Meeting at 7pm, Solutions Recovery, 621 Evans St, Oshkosh

# **District 02 Committee Information**

ARCHIVES COMMITTEE: Responsible for the collection and care of archival documents and items for the District. Chairperson: Kathy R. <u>archives@district02aa.org</u>

**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. <u>corrections@district02aa.org</u>

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

**PUBLIC INFORMATION COMMITTEE:** Provides information about AA to the general public and is also responsible for the District 02 website. **Chairperson:** Susan B. <u>publicinfo@district02aa.org</u>

**NEWSLETTER COMMITTEE:** Medium for communication of District 02 business and events to the groups, GSR's, and individual members. **Chairperson:** Digger A. <u>newsletter@district02aa.org</u>

### **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

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# **OTHER INFORMATION**

Oshkosh Helpline 920-410-4620

Now and Then

(Area 74 Newsletter) PO Box 192 Sturgeon Bay, WI 54235

### FINANCE COMMITTEE QUESTIONS

**Define Reimbursement** 

The Area 74 Finance Committee is seeking guidance on a few items. We ask that you share your voice with your home group General Service Representative, District Committee Member or any area standing committee chair or Area 74 Officer.

1. Should Area 74 reimburse expenses incurred by Officers and Committee Chairs prior to the day of the event?

- Yes
- No
- Only in case of financial need.

Please note: Historically the practice of reimbursements prior to an event is rare to the best of our collective knowledge. This would set a new precedent if we choose this new practice.

A precedent is defined as an earlier event or action that is regarded as an example or guide to be considered in subsequent similar circumstances.

• If Area 74 adopts the practice of reimbursements prior to an event. Do we need a policy in place that if the Officer or Chair could not attend, to pay back the reimbursement to the area?

2. Should Area 74 reimburse Conference Banquet expenses for Officers and Standing Committee Chairs?

- Yes
- No

Only in case of financial need

### Committee stated purpose.

Should each Committee layout a yearly stated purpose (List of activities for the year that specifically shows what the committee expenses are for)?

- Yes
- No

Should Area 74 fully reimburse all meal expenses for Officers and Chairs while attending Area 74 service event?

- Yes
- No

Should Area 74 provide a meal stipend for Officers and Chairs while attending Area 74 service event? (example \$5.00 breakfast, \$10 Lunch, \$15 Dinner)

- Yes
- No

Should there be a maximum allowed reimbursements for meals while attending Area 74 service event? (example \$50 for the whole weekend)

- Yes
- No

## Announcing: a new book from AAWS on sale November 1, 2024

the book *Alcoholics Anonymous*, which was first published in 1939. This new book is designed so that the A.A. Twelve Step program of recovery from alcoholism may be easily understood and accessible by all people who have a desire to stop drinking.

The Plain Language Big Book is a tool to help readers understand

Members of A.A. fondly call the original book *Alcoholics Anonymous* "the Big Book." It is the basic text of the A.A. program. The *Plain Language Big Book* has been written to present the original ideas and same spiritual message of the Big Book, *Alcoholics Anonymous*.

This new text is not intended to replace the much beloved Big Book. Rather, the *Plain Language Big Book* is a book crafted over several years by A.A. members and publishing professionals to support alcoholics on the path to recovery. The book is intended to help people who have a problem with alcohol gain access to A.A.'s lifesaving message.

For years, A.A. members have expressed a need for a Plain

Language Big Book. Based on the shared experience of A.A. members, some people may not have regular contact with other A.A. members to help them understand the A.A. program of recovery and the specific vocabulary as it is used throughout the original book *Alcoholics Anonymous*. Other people have a hard time reading, especially books that were written long ago. This *Plain Language Big Book* is written in simpler language to support readers in their recovery.

This book is published in accordance with Advisory Actions passed by substantial unanimity of the General Service Conference (GSC) of Alcoholics Anonymous. In 2021, the 71st GSC advised that this book be developed. Progress reports, then sample chapters were reviewed at the 72nd and 73rd GSCs. The final draft of the *Plain Language Big Book* was reviewed and approved by substantial unanimity at the 74th GSC, in April 2024. This process and outcome adopts this text as Conference Approved Literature.

The *Plain Language Big Book* covers the core content of what is the "abridged version" (the edition without personal stories) of the original Big Book.

Readers are also encouraged to seek out the current edition of the book *Alcoholics Anonymous* and meet with A.A. members to support their own individual paths of recovery from alcoholism.

The Plain Language Big Book is A.A. General Service Conference-approved literature.

PLAIN LANGUAGE BIG BOOK: A Tool for Reading Alcoholics Anonymous

- Publication (on-sale) date: November 1, 2024
- · List Price \$11.
- Item B-90
- 192 pages; 8 ½' x 11"
- Softcover format with flaps

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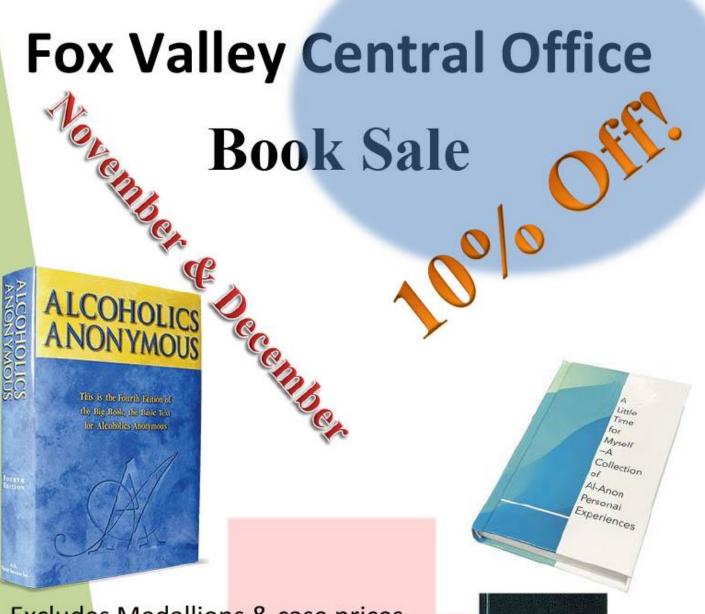
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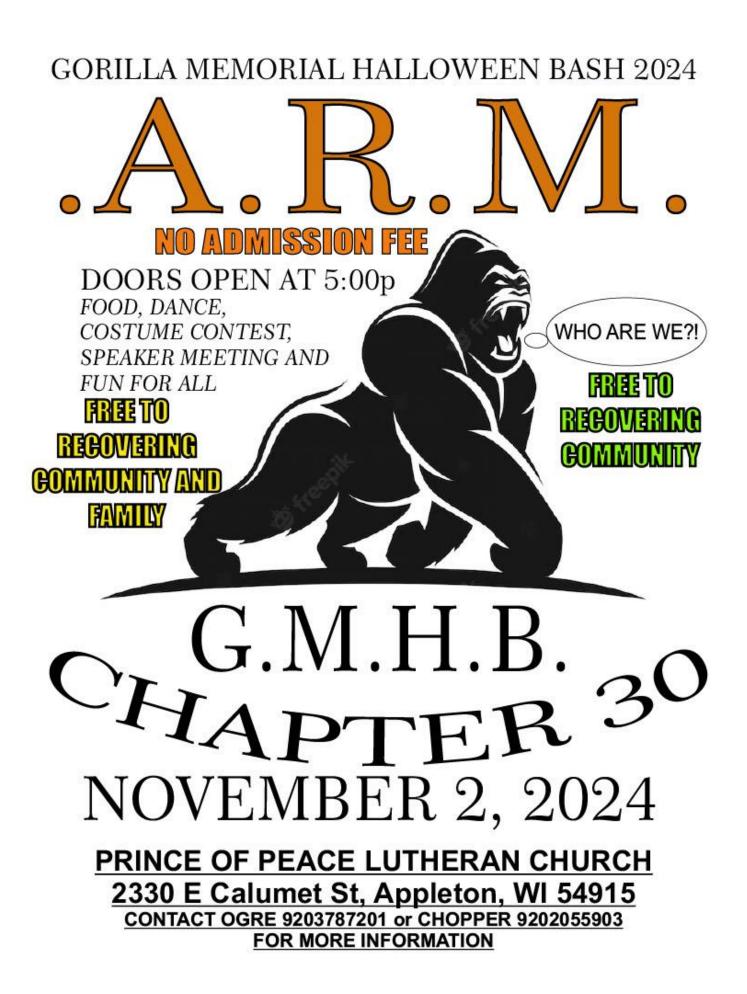
1528 Ballard Rd. #16 Appleton, WI



Excludes Medallions & case prices. No other discounts apply.

> Fox Valley Central Office 1528 N Ballard Rd #16 Appleton, WI 54911 (920) 997-0221

Twenty-Four Hours a Day





# **GRATITUDE ROCKS!**

- Door Prizes from District 2 Groups
- 50/50 Drawing
- Central Office Merchandise
- Food, Fun, and Fellowship

Saturday November 9th, 2024

Prince of Peace Lutheran Church 2330 E. Calumet St. (enter through door 1)

# **Event Information:**

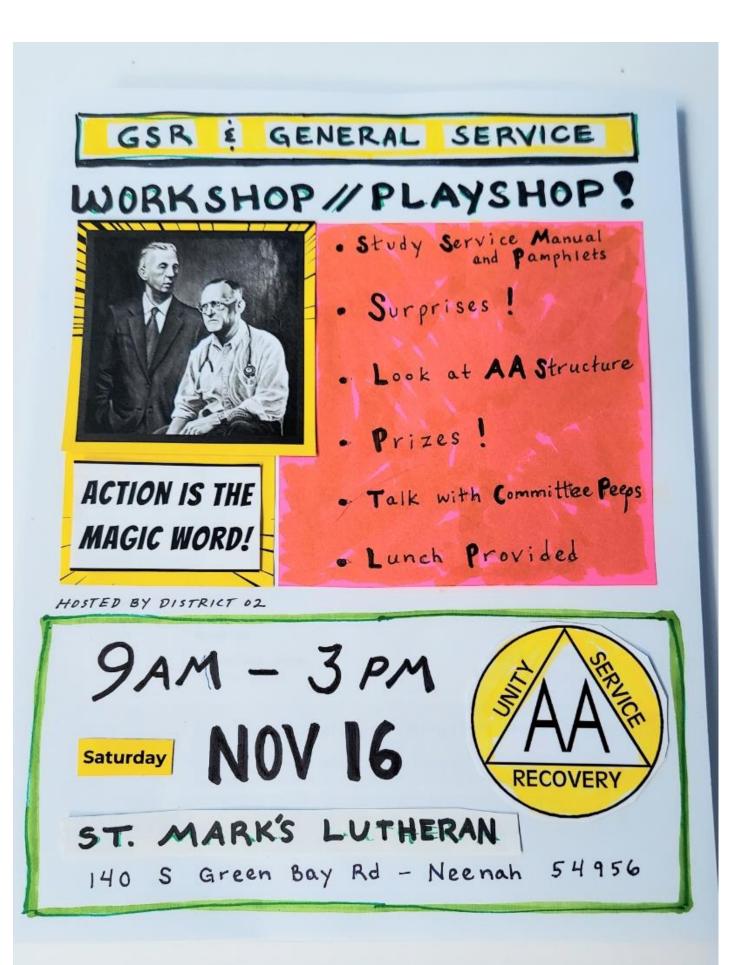
5:00pm	Registration and Coffee
6:00pm	Dinner
7:00pm	SPEAKERS:
	AL-ANON Sarah B

AA Jen O

# Taco Bar with all the fix ins will be served.

Please bring a dish to pass.

Please bring a non-perishable item for the Prince of Peace food pantry.



# 12 STEPS OF CHRISTMAS PARTY

Come Celebrate with the Get Your Spirits Here Group of Alcoholics Anonymous !!!

at their 11th annual

# December 7th, 2024 5pm 'til 9pm Admission is FREE - All are invited!

- Hot sandwiches provided POTLUCK sides and desserts
- Adult WHITE ELEPHANT gift exchange
  - \*\*\*\*\* bring a gift to get a gift! \*\*\*\*\*
- There will be gifts for children!
- Speaker at 7pm, music at 8pm
- Door prizes and 50 50 raffle

Location:

Solutions Recovery Center 621 Evans St, Oshkosh, WI 54901

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**YOU'RE INVITED** 

# INTERGROUP 2024

Door Prizes, 50/50 Raffle, \*\*Bill W Plant Raffle\*\*, Fellowship Meat and Buns will be provided Coffee, Soda, and Water Available PLEASE PLEASE bring a dish to pass (with something in it) in a disposable container

# December 14th

Set Up Begins 2pm Doors Open at 5pm Dinner at 6pm Speakers start at 7pm

St. Pius X Church 500 W Marquette St. Appleton, WI 54911

# **JOIN US**

# Virtual Sunrise Meeting

Mon – Fri 6:30 – 7:30am

Sat – Sun 7:00 – 8:00 am

This A.A. Group is dedicated to practicing the A.A. Steps & Traditions. Find experience, strength, and hope for a strong recovery!

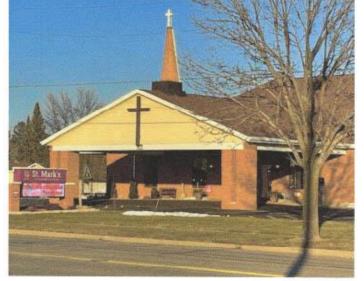
**ZOOM MEETING ID: 908 181 8038** 

PASSCODE: 061035

HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!!!!!

# "WAY OF LIFE" AA MEETING ST MARK'S 150 S GREEN BAY RD, NEENAH 7PM TUESDAY & FRIDAY NIGHTS

ENTER THROUGH SIDE DOOR NEXT TO PARKING LOT



# WHAT ARE YOU LOOKING FOR?

- A NEW MEETING
- SOMEWHERE TO GO, TO MEET OTHERS LIKE YOURSELF
- SOMETHING TO FILL YOUR OLD DRINKING TIME
- SOMETHING TO DO AT THE END OF YOUR WORK WEEK

# COME AND CHECK US OUT: WHETHER NEW TO AA OR HAVE YEARS OF SOBRIETY.

- HAVE CAPACITY TO HOLD 3 SEPARATE MEETINGS
- FORMAT IS STEP WORK OR TOPIC
- HAVE AA MATERIALS
- CELEBRATE ANNIVERSARIES WITH MEDALLIONS
- SERVE COFFEE AND CANDY
- ON FRIDAYS: USUALLY A GROUP GOES OUT TO EAT AFTERWARDS/MEETING AFTER A MEETING



# Volunteers Needed at the FVCO Office

The Fox Valley Central Office is looking for volunteers to work shifts at the office. Your job duties are to sell products and answer the AA hotline for our AA community. A shift is 3.5 hours behind a desk. Call or stop in to fill out an application.

Email: fvco54952@gmail.com

06.10.24

### Highlighted Meetings Denote Confirmed in Person

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### DISTRICT 02 - A.A. MEETING LIST

CITY	DAY	TIME	GROUP/MTG NAME	LOCATION	ADDRESS	TYPE
APPLETON	MON	10:00 AM	Design for Living Group	Prince of Peace	2330 E Calumet St	Open/NS
	MON	7:00 PM	Ionday Inspiration (women's)	Prince of Peace	2330 E Calumet St	Closed/WO
	TUE	10:00 AM	Design for Living Group	Prince of Peace	2330 E Calumet St	Open/NS
	TUE	6:30 PM	iving Sober Group	First Congregational Church	724 East South River St	Open/NS/G/L
	TUE	7:45 PM	ireside	First Congregational Church	724 East South River St	Open/WC/NS
	TUE	8:00 PM	uesday Night Study	First United Methodist Church	325 E Franklin St - Lower Level - Room B101	Closed/AL/ NS/WC
	WED			Prince of Peace	2330 E Calumet St	Open/NS
	WED		th Edition Big Book Study	Fox Valley Central Service Office	1528 N Ballard Rd Suite 16	Closed
	WED	5:30PM 1		Our Saviors Lutheran Church	3009 Meade St	Closed
	WED			Grace Lutheran Church	900 N Mason St	Open/NS
	THU			Prince of Peace	2330 E Calumet St	Open/NS
	THU		Search for Serenity	First Congregational Church	724 East South River St	Open/NS
	THU		oung at Heart	First United Methodist Church	325 E Franklin St - First Floor - Wesley Room	Closed/WC/NS
	THU		ox Valley 94	First Congregational Church	724 East South River Street	Open/NS/G/L
	THU			Prince of Peace	2330 E Calumet St	Closed/BB
	FRI		Design for Living Group	Prince of Peace	2330 E Calumet St	Open/NS
	SAT	7:30 AM		Prince of Peace	2330 E Calumet St	Open/NS
	SAT			Our Saviors Lutheran Church	3009 N Meade St	Closed/WC/NS
	SAT		Design for Living Group	Prince of Peace	2330 E Calumet St	Open/NS
	SAT			Casa Clare (Alumni Only)	201 S Gienridge Ct	Closed/WO/Big Boo
	SAT			First Congregational Church	724 East South River Street	Open/NS/G/L
	SUN	8:00 AM	Park Meeting	Peabody Park	601 N Green Bay Road	Closed
	SUN	10-00 44	Sunday Morning St E's	St Elizabeth Hospital	1506 S. Onelda Street - Helen Fowler	Closed
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	SUN	7:00 PM	First Things First	First Congregational Church	724 East South River St	Closed/WC/NS
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	WED	6:30 AM (Sta	art Your Day Right), 10:00 AM (Big B	Book)		Closed
	THU 8:30 AM (Start Your Day Right), 5:30 PM (Women in Recovery)					
	FRI	6:30 AM (Sta	art Your Day Right), 4:30 PM (Tailen	ders), (1* Fri, Potluck @ 6PM, 7PM	(Speaker)	Closed
	SAT		art Your Weekend Right), 10:00 Al			Closed
	SUN		me To Believe), 10:00 AM			Closed
BONDUEL	MON	7:00 PM		Zion United Methodist Church	134 E Green Bay St	Closed
BRILLION	THU	6:00 PM	New Day-Big Book	Community Center	121 Centegr St	Closed/WC/NS
CHILTON	THU	7:00 PM	Thursday Night A.A. Group	New Hope Center	443 Manhattan St	Closed/WC/NS
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	THU	7:00 PM	Thursday Night	Methodist Church	24 13 <sup>th</sup> St	Closed/NS
	FRI	7:00 PM	Clintonville Meeting	Methodist Church	24 13th St	Open
DMBINED LOCKS	SUN	7:00 AM	Hour Sunday Meeting	St. Paul's Church	410 Wallace St	Open/WC/NS
GREENVILLE	WED	12:30PM	Greenville A.A.	Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church		Closed
KAUKAUNA	MON	7:00 PM	Monday Night 12 x 12	St. Katherine Drexel	119 W. 7th St.	Closed/NS
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### Highlighted Meetings Denote Confirmed in Person

NEW LONDON	WED	7:00 PM	Wednesday Night	Municipal Building	215 Shawano	Closed/NS		
	SAT	10:00 AM	Keep Comin' Back	First Congregational United Church	110 E. Hancock St.	Closed/NS		
OMRO	SAT	7:00 AM	Early Risers	St Mary's Church Omro	730 Madison Ave	Closed/NS		
OSHKOSH	MON	12:00 PM	The Lunch Bunch	Emmanuel United Church	1306 Michigan St	Closed/WC/NS		
	MON	6:30 PM	Oshkosh Group	Sacred Heart Convent	1025 W 5 <sup>th</sup> St	Closed/WC/NS		
	TUE	7:00 PM	Friends in Recovery	Calvary Lutheran	2580 W 9th Ave	Closed/NS		
	THU	7:00 PM	Step Meeting	St. John's Church	808 N Main St	Closed		
	FRI	12:00 PM	Friday Bookmarkers	Emmanuel United Church	1306 Michigan St	Closed/WC/NS		
	FRI	6:30 PM	TGIF A.A.	Mercy Hospital, ER entrance	500 S Oakwood Rd Room #1	Open/WC/NS		
	SUN	7:00 PM	105 Camel	Solutions Recovery Center	621 Evans St	Closed		
	Last SUN of Month	7:00 PM	105 Camel - Speaker 7:30 – 9 (Break included)	Solutions Recovery Center	621 Evans St	Open		
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SEYMOUR	THU	7:00 PM	Thursday Night Group	Emmanuel Lutheran Church	349 N Main St	Closed/WC/NS		
SHERWOOD	WED	7:00 PM	Sherwood Group 12 Step	Sherwood Community Center	W489 Clifton Rd	Closed		
TOCKBRIDGE	MON	7:00 PM	Stockbridge Group	St. Mary's Catholic Parish Center	HWY 55	Closed		
WEYAUWEGA	TUE	7:00 PM	Tues Weyauwega A.A. Group	1 <sup>#</sup> Presbyterian Church	200 Pine St	Closed/WC/NS		
WINCHESTER	TUE	7:00 PM	Winchester Group	Grace Lutheran Church	Steeple Hill Rd off County II	Closed		
RIGHTSTOWN	WED	7:00 PM	Our Southern Friend	Changing Lanes	344 Broadway St.	Closed		
	SAT	10:00 AM	Room to Spare	Changing Lanes	344 Broadway St.	Open		

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CLOSED MEETINGS:	These meetings are for A.A. members only <u>or</u> for those who have a drinking problem and "have a desire to stop drinking".
OPEN MEETINGS:	Available to anyone interested in the Alcoholics Anonymous program of recovery from alcoholism. (From the A.A. Group
ATTENTION GROUPS:	Pamphlet - P16, pg. 15) Please make copies for your members and newcomers. If your group information changes send notice of change to: support@district02AA.org

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### Area 74 of Alcoholics Anonymous **Area Assembly Meeting Minutes**

### October 12, 2024 | The Waters of Minocqua | Minocqua, WI

The meeting opened at 8:08 AM with a prayer from Jane M and an introduction of new GSRs and DCMs.

### Attendance:

22 virtual attendees, 38 in-person attendees. Total: 60 attendees, including 20 GSRs.

### **Opening remarks:**

Chair reviewed housekeeping notes and who has a voice and vote at area 74 assemblies.

### Roll call:

### Officers

- Delegate Nicholas S
- Chair/Alt. Delegate Bill D
- Registrar Katie D
- Secretary Shane R
- Treasurer Brent H

Standing Committee Chairpersons

- Archives Paul Y
- Cooperation with the Professional Community - Mike N
- Corrections MI James H
- Corrections WI Hawk M
- Finance Bill L
- Grapevine Bryon B
- Literature Mike H
- Newsletter Jeff C and Michelle Z
- Public Information Shane S
- Structures and Guidelines Sunny L
- Treatment & Accessibilities Adam G
- Webmaster Lucas M

District Committee Members (DCMs)

- District 1 Mike N ٠
- District 2 Jane M
- District 3 Allan B
- District 5 Pat T
- District 7 Margaret C
- District 8 John R
- District 9 Mary C
- District 10 Don K
- District 12 Johni B
- District 13 Sunny L
- District 18 Pat A
- District 21 Jon J
- District 22 Melissa P .

### Past Delegates

- Panel 56 Jeff C ٠
- Panel 68 Sara P
- Panel 70 Char V
- Panel 72 Bryon B

Approval of area assembly minutes from 9/14/2024:

Motion (seconded): Approve 9/14/2024 area assembly minutes. Vote: passed unanimously.

District 5 Bid for ECR and Area 74 2026 Conference:

Appendix C

Workshop - Finance Committee (presented by Brent H and Bill L): Presentation from Brent H on how to complete a reimbursement form.

Q&A from the assembly body:

- Sara P commented that the early start time for stand-alone assemblies may create a need for more people to include an overnight stay in their reimbursement, which may not be financially prudent.
- Bill D asked how reimbursement will work for 2025's stand-alone conference when there is no associated service work occurring.

- Panel 62 Marty L

- Brent and Bill both felt that there would typically not be reimbursement for this due to no business occurring during the event.
- Bryon B shared that the intent behind the stand-alone conference was that area 74's standing committees would have an opportunity and space to meet. Bryon's interpretation is that this would be included in reimbursement because there is committee work happening.
- Paul Y shared that the archives display is typically set up at conferences and was wondering how that would be viewed in terms of reimbursement for someone to attend and set up the display.
- Marty L shared that conferences typically do not reimburse panelists at conferences, and that committee meetings at conferences may not require reimbursement for a two-night hotel stay.

Bill L reviewed additional guidelines regarding costs eligible for reimbursement and contribution guidelines.

Additional questions:

- Sara P asked if the \$35 travel reimbursement is only for stand-alone meetings or if that includes conferences. Bill L clarified that the reimbursement is only for stand-alone meetings.
- Jeff C commented that the intent was to get someone to an assembly who couldn't afford to. The assembly
  might be during a conference, but the reimbursement wouldn't need to distinguish between the two.
  - o Sara asked for clarification as she felt the answers from Bill and Jeff were contradictory.
  - Jeff states the intent was that money should not prevent someone from getting to the service event, without distinction between the type of event (stand-alone vs associated with a conference).
- Nicholas S shared that he felt there was a sharing session scheduled for later today that would be better suited to address these questions.

### Reports:

- Appendix A Area officer and standing committee chair reports.
- Appendix B Treasurer's report.

### Old Business:

- Motion: "The Assembly approves of amending the current 9142024 Guidelines by adding 1 one Assembly
  previously passed Motion dated September 12, 2020 and write it into the Guidelines." Presented by Sunny
  L, Chair of the Structures and Guidelines Committee.
  - The amendment written into the guidelines would be: "The biennial Area 74 Election Assembly be held in a geographically central location, such as Three Lakes, Wisconsin."
  - o Vote: 44 yes, 1 no.
    - Minority opinion: Jeff C expressed concern that this was a rash decision.
      - Sara P (member of structures and guidelines committee) explained that they are just cleaning up guidelines with previously passed motions.
- 2025 Dates to Remember:
  - Marty L asked if the ACM committee workshops would be in person or virtual. Also asked that we reevaluate starting times.
    - Intent is in person, but committees may offer a hybrid option.
  - o Jeff C asked if there were any ACMs scheduled for 2025.
    - Clarified that these are on January 18 and July 12.
  - Jane M asked what a standing committee is and who is expected to attend the standing committee workshops.
    - Nicholas S shared that 2025 is part of the two-year trial of doing something new. The standing committee workshops are a place for the standing committee members and those interested in participating to get involved.

Assembly broke for lunch at 12:00 p.m. and returned at 1:05 p.m. 2025 Dates to Remember was edited and presented to the assembly body again prior to voting for approval.

o Vote: 39 yes, 0 no.

- Motion: "Area 74 will fully fund its delegate seat at the general service conference with an annual budget line item equal to the previous year's cost of attending the general service conference." – Presented by Brian B, GSR of the Back to Basics Group, District 5, Area 74. Second by Allan B.
  - Discussion:
    - Mike H asked what the area would do if, in the future, we didn't have the money to do this.
       Brian B shared that it would be addressed through the budget process at that time.
    - Bryon B shared that he was not in favor of this as he feels it is not needed, this can be addressed annually with the budget process.
    - Char V asked if Back to Basics had reviewed group contributions to area 74 over the last several years and how that relates to the financial impact of fully seating the delegate. Bryon shared this was discussed in his group and with other GSRs.
    - Pat A (DCM) asked, if this can be done through the budget process, is this being discussed as part of that process, and if not, can it be?
      - Bryon B shared that this has been discussed in the past and adjustments have been made.
    - Marty L shared that the cost GSO reports for seating the delegate comes out of a general fund which is used to finance the conference.
    - Sara P shared that she does not feel that areas are expected to fully seat the delegates at the conferences.
    - Nicholas S encouraged the GSRs and delegates of the area to speak up on this matter.
    - Kerry H (GSR) shared that his group was wondering if fully seating the delegate would impact the amount of money we contribute directly to GSO.
      - · Nicholas S shared that historically area 74 does not contribute to GSO.
    - Melissa P (DCM) suggested that any surplus in funds at the end of the year could be sent rather than always fully seating the delegate.
    - Max S (GSR) shared that his group unanimously supported this motion as it is written.
    - Don K (DCM) shared that his district was supported by his district 80% to 20%.
    - Kim (GSR) shared that her group unanimously supported this motion as it is written.
    - Steve W (GSR) shared that his group unanimously supported this motion as it is written, but
      after learning what Marty L shared, he is unsure if his group would continue to support this.
    - Pat A (DCM) shared that her home group unanimously approved this motion as it is written.
       Shared that her district supported this provided that the area has the funds.
    - Lauren Z (GSR) shared that her group felt strongly about the seventh tradition, self-support, and is in support of this motion.
    - Anna R (GSR) shared that the two groups she represents unanimously voted no to this motion. These groups felt that the money should be kept locally and that the conference is too expensive.
    - Lori (GSR) shared that her group unanimously voted no because they want the money kept locally in our area.
    - Sheryl D (GSR) shared that her group unanimously supported this motion as long as the funds are available.
    - Mike K (DCM) shared that his district was in favor of this motion.
    - Michelle shared that her group is in support of this motion.
    - Pat T (DCM) shared that his district fully supports this motion.
    - Sunny L (DCM) shared some history regarding the surplus of funds in the area 74 treasury.
    - James (GSR) shared that this group does not support this motion.
    - Katie D (Registrar) asked if we have money to do this, are we doing our due diligence in carrying the message.
  - Vote: 31 yes, 22 no. Motion fails not substantial unanimity.
    - Minority opinion:

- Brian B (GSR) shared that his group will continue to withhold contributions to area 74 and will instead send this directly to GSO.
- Nicholas S spoke about the perceived fear of not having enough money to do this, his feeling that spiritually this is the right thing to do.
- Kerry H (GSR) shared that his group fully funds him participating in service work and feels that this sets a precedence for people not to do service work.
- Jane M (DCM) shared on behalf of the groups in her district who supported this motion.
- There was no motion to reconsider.
- Motion: "Suggest area 74 purchase or provide a wireless microphone to allow accessibility for limited participants." – Submitted by Fireside Chat Group, District 8, Area 74. Seconded.
  - Allan B, district 3 DCM, presented options for purchasing a wireless microphone to support accessibility at area service events.
  - o Brent H shared that he has experience with this equipment and can vouch for its quality.
  - o Adam (committee chair) spoke in favor of purchasing a microphone to support accessibility.
  - o Steve W (GSR) shared that this group is in favor of this motion.
  - Vote: 52 yes, 0 no. Motion passes.
- Motion: "Area 74 finance committee recommends approval of corrections Wisconsin chair's request for reimbursement to attend the National Corrections Conference, not to exceed \$1,750."
  - Discussion:
    - Melissa P (DCM) asked if the corrections chair for Michigan would also be offered this reimbursement.
      - James (corrections chair for Michigan) stated that he would consider going next year if Hawk goes this year.
      - Paul Y (committee chair) shared that he attended a national conference recently and shared his expenses were just less than \$1,000 with driving. He feels that if Hawk is going to fly that \$1,700 is very reasonable.
      - Marty L (past delegate) shared that we do not typically fund events outside of the region. Wondering if we need to consider opening up reimbursement to events outside of our region.
      - Pat A (DCM) shared that she thinks supporting participation in these events is important in keeping people interested and enthusiastic.
      - Nicholas S (delegate) spoke in favor of this motion.
      - Sheryl D (GSR) spoke in favor of this motion.
      - · Kerry H (GSR) spoke in favor of this motion.
      - Char V (past delegate) shared that because this is not something the area has historically done, doing this will set a precedent.
      - Jeff C (past delegate) shared that the area has funded this once before when the archivist position was formed.
      - Pat A (DCM) shared that we do not know what is going to happen in the future, that we should not be projecting fears into the future and just focus on what is being asked right now.
      - Don K (DCM) shared that during his district meeting, someone said "fear of economic insecurity will leave us." His district fully supports this motion.
      - Sunny L (committee chair) shared he would like to see language in the financial guidelines authorizing this.
      - · Tom (GSR) shared that precedent can change.
      - Max S (GSR) shared that in the financial request guidelines it says we should be guided by the principle of trust and responsible accounting.
      - John (DCM) spoke in favor of this motion.

- Call the question Seconded.
  - Vote: 48 yes, 0 no.
- o Vote on motion: 38 yes, 10 no. Motion passes with substantial unanimity.
  - Minority opinion: None.

New Business:

- Alt Registrar Approval Penny G
  - Vote: Approved unanimously.
- Elections:
  - Structures and Guidelines Committee:
    - Nominees: Terry O, district 8 alternate DCM, accepted the nomination.
      - Approved by acclimation.
  - Finance Committee:
    - Nominees: Teri B, current finance committee member, accepted the nomination.
      - Approved by acclimation.
- Area 74 2025 Budget
  - Motion: "Increase 2025 seat delegate line to \$7,000." Presented by Brian B, GSR of the Back to Basics Group, District 5, Area 74. Seconded.
    - Discussion:
      - Marty L (past delegate) spoke in opposition to this motion.
      - Jeff C (past delegate) spoke in opposition to this motion.
    - Vote: 28 yes, 20 no. Motion fails.
      - Minority opinion:
        - Shane R clarified that this motion is not the same as the original motion brought to the assembly today – the original motion was an ongoing
        - adjustment to the budget whereas this motion was just for the 2025 budget.
    - There was no motion to reconsider.
  - Motion: "Approve the 2025 budget as presented by the finance committee." Presented by Bill L on behalf of the finance committee. Seconded.
    - Discussion:
      - Char V (past delegate) shared that the archive budget is incorrect (does not match what was requested), should be \$2,500.
      - Brent H (treasurer) shared that the secretary's budget is also listed wrong and should be \$1,170.
    - Vote: 48 yes, 0 no. Motion passes.
- 2024 Budget Overages
  - Finance committee requested feedback on one area servant's overages.
    - Jeff C shared that this should be happening in closed sessions with the finance committee, that we should not be having servants answer the finance committee's questions in front of the assembly body.
    - Shane R shared that this is the second time in several weeks that the finance committee has questioned reimbursement and questioned area servants in front of the assembly body. Shane expressed feeling uncomfortable by the line of questioning and asked that the area chair stop this discussion. Shane also suggested that the finance committee complete a group inventory as he feels there is a disconnect and lack of communication between the members of the finance committee and struggles within the committee to find spiritual courses of action.
    - Motion: Approve 2024 budget overages. Seconded.
      - Vote: 39 yes, 0 no.
- District 5's Conference Bid (see appendix B):

- o Vote: 36 yes, 1 no.
  - Minority opinion: none shared.
- Finance Committee Sharing Session:
  - o DCMs and GSRs shared feedback from their groups.
- Motion: "Area 74 treasury will offer up to \$250 to all Area 74 Past Delegates to attend the East Central Region Conference of Delegates Past and Present to participate in the annual East Central Regional service business meeting." – Presented by past delegate Marty L on behalf of District 13. Moved by chair to next assembly.
- Motion: "Area 74 will not print Officer and Chair members last names, addresses and phone numbers in the Now and Then." Presented by Sara P, panel 68 past delegate. Moved by chair to next assembly.

Conference updates:

- Fall 2024 Sara:
  - Appendix D
- 2025 District 22. No update.

Closing remarks from delegate Nicholas S. DCMs are asked to come prepared to ACM to discuss the financial matters that there wasn't much feedback on today (finance committee sharing session).

### Motion to Close, Seconded, Passed by simple majority.

- Minority opinion spoke.
- Motion to Reconsider:
  - Vote: 14 yes, 18 no. Motion fails.

The meeting closed at 4:32 pm.

Minutes submitted by Shane R, Area 74 Secretary

### Appendix A – Area Officer and Standing Committee Reports October 12, 2024, Area Assembly

### Chair/Alternate Delegate – Bill D

Good morning to all in attendance, thank you for letting me be of service.

This morning, I want to talk about going forward with our new meeting schedule planned for 2025 and 2026. We as the area are looking to empower the standing committee chairs to strengthen and build their communication and commitment with the districts and the groups that we serve. So, it is my intent to reach out to and stay connected to the standing committee chairs, so that we as trusted servants can fulfill our primary purpose of reaching out to the still suffering alcoholic. For me, there are still many things that are confusing at times in my current service position. I know I am willing to move forward with the intent to serve well and there is no shortage of room to grow, especially spiritually, emotionally and in my service to others. My heart is all in and I have as much enthusiasm as I have ever had for our beloved fellowship and the way of life it has given me. Please reach out to me if I can help in any way so that ALL in attendance at our service meetings understand what we are trying to accomplish as trusted servants of area74.

### Secretary - Shane R

Thank you for the opportunity to serve.

Area 74's co-secretary position is still vacant. I have previously made a flyer for the area newsletter for distribution to groups and districts. Please contact me directly if you or anyone you know is interested in serving. Beginning with this assembly, I am printing copies of the previous service meeting's minutes for reference prior to their approval. Just a reminder that I email the minutes out to all area officers, area committee chairs, and DCMs,

and area 74 distributes them through the area newsletter. If you are a GSR and you are not receiving a copy of the minutes, please speak to your DCM. I was considering doing a brief "workshop" or presentation on the secretary position to help raise awareness and interest.

I purchased a new laptop battery in the amount of \$27.16. With the expenses for this assembly, I will be over budget this year in the amount of \$117.53. I do not anticipate any additional expenses this year. I requested a budget of \$1,170 for 2025. The budget for 2024 was \$1,000. The additional expenses include reimbursement in the amount of \$150 for the combined cost of the East Central Regional Forum and Conference and \$20 for office supplies.

### Registrar – Katie D

No report submitted for inclusion in the minutes.

### Treasurer – Brent H

Officer and Chair Expenses YTD - \$15,133.24:

- Budget \$18,300.00
- Remaining \$3,166.76

### Committee Expenses YTD - \$9,046.85:

- Budget \$21,331.00
- Remaining \$12,284.15

### Other Expenses YTD - \$8,403.61:

- Budget \$15,370.00
- Remaining \$6,966.39

Revenue Total YTD - \$28,389.85

- Budget \$30,700.00
- Deficit \$2,310.15

### Other Revenue YTD - \$4,233.31

- Budget \$2,000.00
- Surplus \$2,233.31

### Expenses YTD - \$32,583.70

- Budget \$55,001.00
- Remaining \$22,417.30

Total assets:

- Checking balance as of 9/30/2024 -\$27,579.92
- Prudent reserve \$3,000.00
- Total assets \$30,584.92

### YTD Gain/Loss:

- Total Revenue \$29,351.76
- Total Expenses \$32,583.70
- YTD Net Gain/Loss (-3,231.94)

### Delegate – Nicholas S

Our Corrections Desk at the General Service Office has issued a survey regarding corrections work. AA International has 22,000 registrations and more room blocks have opened. I have received a couple of questions regarding the General Service Conference Report - "Why are vote totals often around 120 when there were 135 voting members?" The answer is people were not always in the room at votes for a variety of reasons. The other question is regarding the board inventory and wondering "who" was perceived as being an outside influence or board discussions. I am seeking additional information on that. The deadline for individuals, groups, districts, and area to submit Potential Agenda Items for the 75th General Service Conference has passed, and the Trustees Committees will be meeting in conjunction with the Conference Committees to review them. I will be meeting with the Finance Committee next week to review ours and the archives committee received none. I am participating in an ad hoc committee on the quarterly contribution reports and do not have anything to report on currently. Mindful of our calendar, DCMS, Officers, and Area Committee Chairs - we have our virtual Area Committee meeting in December and then our new schedule is our day long Area Committee meeting in January. I am participating and helping with the Area PI Committee pilot of online chat. GSRs, your next Area Commitment is March 8th for the Delegate's Workshop - and then April 12<sup>th</sup> for the assembly in Rhinelander. This past year I experimented with a survey monkey to gather information for both Conference Agenda Items and the assembly and area committee meeting feedback. The cost for this was \$300 for the year. I have not found the tool overly useful or utilized so I will not be utilizing it for 2025. I have two "official" invitations from Area 74 Groups and Districts - I am speaking at a group on October 25<sup>th</sup> and on Sunday, November 10<sup>th</sup> I will be visiting District 23 for a discussion on the Plain Language Big Book. With those travels I will have logged just over 5,000 miles in spiritual travel. Unofficially I have two additional invitations for Area 75 events and before the microphone is rushed, those are at my or their expense - I am speaking at a group in La Crosse and attending the Area 75 Conference in November.

"Delegate spoke about the history of the committees of "Conducting Area Business" and "Conducting Area Business Reloaded" and the desire to make changes to Area 74 and that in the fall of 2023 the Area voted unanimously to suspend our guidelines for 2-years to try a new schedule and new approach."

### Archives – Paul Y

The goal of the Archives Committee is to follow Bill W's vision of "...trying to build up extensive records which will be of value to a future historian..." I received a refrigerator magnet at the 27<sup>th</sup> National AA Archives Workshop with that reminder when I attended that workshop September 26-29 in Des Moines, Iowa.

I attended classes on Archives Basics, Archives Workbook, Archives Preservation, Repositories and Storage, Conservation of Materials, What It's Like to be an Archivist, Digitizing Archives, and Presentation and Display of Materials. Other highlights were meeting our Archivist from GSO and her presentation, and another presentation about Bobbie B. who worked with Bill W during his struggles with depression when he was unable to come to the office and she responded to inquiries on behalf of The Alcoholic Foundation and AA.

On Saturday, Sept. 21, the Area Archives set up a display at the Alano Club in Wausau. We were invited to help celebrate the Club's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary. The Area Archivist selected Wausau themed material highlighted by an article written by "Sarge". She was a non-alcoholic who wrote a 13 page history of early AA in Wausau and the Alano Club.

The Fall Conference in Sevens Point also saw a very nice Area 74 Archives display as has become tradition at Area Conferences.

We are looking into a permanent Archives repository. Challenges are the large geographic area and lack of centrally located sites. The committee will be visiting a potential site and hopes to have more to share with the Area soon.

### CPC - Mike N

Greetings to all as we enter the first full month of Fall. We last met 4 weeks ago at the Fall Conference and I am pleased to report some minor victories in the battle against alcoholism. We held the fourth monthly meeting of the CPC Committee on September 17<sup>th</sup>. The audience was small but enthusiastic and the work was accomplished. In my home district we were able to set up an AA Literature display at a veteran oriented chiropractic and massage therapy clinic. I will pick up more literature to complete the setup this weekend. I had made a commitment that I had to withdraw from the District 02 GSR Meeting tomorrow the 13<sup>th</sup>, but I remain committed to helping the D02 DCM to construct a CPC Committee. I also look forward to representing A74 as well as my home district at the National Conference on Corrections in Charlotte, NC November 8-10. I have confirmed the attendance and plan meetings with staff of GSO and other Area Chairs.

Yours in service, Mike Nuckles-CPC Chair, Area 74 920-228-2019 nvyflyguy@gmail.com

### **Corrections Michigan – James H**

Since my last report, I was able to attend the District 16 intergroup in Ontonagon on September 21<sup>st</sup>. We held a corrections meeting which one member attended, Zolton. He has been doing AA meetings at Baraga Max for quite some time now consistently and has developed a great relationship with the staff and inmates. There are a couple of others that attend with him, they alternate weeks. During the Intergroup, in between speakers, he gave a 7-minute motivational speech about the benefits of corrections for both the individuals doing the meetings and the inmates that attend. It was very inspirational.

I will be attending the next UP Traveling Intergroup in Curtis on August 19<sup>th</sup> next weekend in District 20. We will have another corrections meeting there to provide basic information about corrections to any interested members of AA. I plan to distribute literature to the DCM Nikki or District 20's corrections chair for them to bring to the jails in their District. I will also be handing out corrections workbooks to AA members who show interest in doing meetings in correctional facilities.

Thank you all for letting me be of service.

### **Corrections Wisconsin – Hawk M**

No report submitted for inclusion in the minutes.

### Finance – Bill L

Thank you for allowing me to serve you as your Finance Committee chair this year. Our committee meets on the second Tuesday of each month on the Area Zoom site and consists of myself, Teri, Marybeth, Char (past delegate), Nicholas (delegate) and Brent (treasurer). We also meet at all Area 74 business meetings and the delegates report. We thank you for allowing us to be trusted stewards of the Area 74 finances. We are doing a great job! We have worked with Structures and Guidelines to get the financial guidelines up to date and would like to thank Sonny and his committee for all the hard work they have done on that project. Brent and I put on a finance workshop at the Fall assembly, and it was so gratifying that when it was over, almost everyone agreed on almost everything.

### Literature – Mike H

No report submitted for inclusion in the minutes.

### Newsletter – Jeff C and Michelle Z

No report submitted for inclusion in the minutes.

### Public Information – Shane S

- Our P.I committee meets on the last Wednesday of every month at 7pm. Zoom ID: 830 3370 6846/Password: PI. All are welcome, Next meeting October 30<sup>th</sup>, 2024.
- 2) At our monthly P.I meeting we encourage all Public Information chairs from Districts and Groups of Area 74. The purpose is to come together and share ideas on how we can reach out to the alcoholic that still suffers. Our Flyer is posted in the Now & Then Newsletter Monthly.
- 3) What is going on in the PI committee sense we last met at the 2024 Fall Conference:
  - a. Online Chat
  - b. Big push for PSAs for the remainder of the year.
  - c. Starting to plan for 2025 what we want to do!
  - d. 2025 NFL draft in Green Bay, how do we capitalize on this event?
  - e. Continue to work with upper peninsula of Michigan on getting the message of AA out there.

### 4) Online Chat:

- a. We have a subcommittee of twelve area 74 servants.
- b. We meet on the last Monday of each month @ 7pm central Time.
- c. Zoom id: 850-6721-4005, Pw: chat
- d. Our next subcommittee meeting will be October 28th, 2024.
- e. In our first online chat meeting held on September 25th, 2024. Here is what happened.
  - i. Lucas M, our webmaster, is heading up the online chat committee.
  - ii. We downloaded the slacker app.
  - iii. When do we go live with this?
  - iv. How is it going to work with volunteers?
  - v. Next meeting we will turn on Online chat to work with and answer questions, if all goes well, we will leave online chat on for 1 to 2 weeks then shut it down to discuss any questions that arise in our November meeting.

### Structures & Guidelines – Sunny L

Hi, you all, I am Sunny L, the Chairperson of the Structures & Guidelines Committee. I have done many reviews & readings of the Assembly approved minutes and some Now & Then Newsletters from late 2020 almost leading up to 2024 and was time consuming. I been physically limited since December 2023 as I had neck procedures done that really did not work and I suffer from headaches and neck flexibility pain still today. That is better and I have another appointment on Tuesday November 5th for pain-relieving neck injections.

Assembly passed Motions presented at Assembly: The DRAFT updated 24-page Guidelines a 24-page Advisory Actions went from a word doc to a pdf doc for presentations and readings. Also included was the main 10-page writeup of the sixteen found motions written into quick summaries and in-depth summaries of what exact locations those Motions were written into both those documents. Any changes needed of those motions were written in yellow ink texts.

Those three writeups of all the sixteen-motion information that were found in the Area 74 Assembly Minutes were presented to the Area 74 Assembly at Stevens Point September 14th by the Chairperson a Past Delegate Bryon B. The 24-page Guidelines, a 24-page Advisory Actions documents, needed Assembly approval for amending

changes and to be voted upon. The Motion to amend both documents went to an Assembly vote with forty-two yes to zero no and was approved.

<u>Note:</u> The Committee had started out with 23 Assembly Motions that needed to be vetted for inclusions in both the current update 2023 Gudelines an current update 2021 Advisory Actions as well as the 10-page writeup. During the above process those three documents was reviewed and approved by the Structures & Guidelines Committee in three zoom meetings. The meeting time lengths each were about 1.5 hours.

### Documents Edited & Reformatted

For the next 4th Zoom meetings of Thursday October 10th the Committee met to review the

- a. Guidelines 24-page double sided copies of the DRAFT edited with changes in yellow ink texts were removed.
- b. Advisory Actions 24-page DRAFT edited with changes in yellow ink texts were removed.

Both b. and c. had different font types and font size, so I reformatted both documents using the Times New Roman font and a font size of twelve. That allowed me to copy the Motions Text and Paste from the main 10-page Writeup doc directing which Assembly passed Motions was going to be exactly located within both the Guidelines & Advisory Actions.

Both documents were reviewed and approved by the Committee.

### Committee Members

The Committee Members are Nicholas the Delegate, Bill the Alt Delegate/Chairperson, Sara the Past Delegate, James, and Lil two Group Service Representatives and/or District Committee Members either current or past. Also in the zoom meetings is Bill from Finance Committee.

The Meetings Minutes were taken during zoom Meetings were wrote up by me. The total number of pages is 5 (five) and can be emailed in support of the Committee's Zoom Meetings if needed.

At Thursday evening zoom meeting there was an additional interested person named Terri as she is interested in the Structures & Guidelines Committee.

### Area 74 Organization Assembly

Further, The Structures & Guidelines Committee will present another Motion for a previously Assembly passed Motion that is in the Advisory Actions but not in the Guidelines. It is about elections locations.

The Motion and Guidelines page 14 and Advisory Actions page 16 was emailed to the Committee Members and the Area 74 Secretary for inclusion for the Assembly Agenda Saturday October 12, 2024

If approved for the Agenda time, and the Assembly Members approve of the motions it will be written into the Guidelines.

### Expenditures:

There were only copy cost reimbursements.

### Treatment and Accessibilities - Adam G

No report submitted for inclusion in the minutes.

### Webmaster - Lucas

- I have been getting ready to turn on the online chat on the area website.
- · Continuing to assist folks with getting things on the site & meeting guide app

### Appendix C – District 5 Bid for ECR and Area 74 2026 Conference October 12, 2024, Area Assembly

Projection for event June 2026 at University of Wisconsin Eau Claire

Estimated attendance	350-400
Projected Cost For event at UW Eau Claire	
Venue	\$8,500
Miscellaneous	\$3,000
Registration	\$20 to \$30
Dorm Room per night	\$40 to \$60
UWEC meals	
Saturday Breakfast	\$10 to \$12
Saturday lunch	\$12 to\$15
Saturday Banquet	\$30 to \$40
Sunday Breakfast	\$10 to \$12

If the bid is awarded, a committee will be formed to determine specific venues and programs

Feel free to reach out to me with questions.

Thanks you!

Pat T DCM District 05 dcm@district05.org

### Appendix D – Area 74 Fall Conference 2024 Final Financial Report October 12, 2024, Area Assembly

The Fall Conference, hosted by District 04 in Stevens Point, WI had **260** attendees, **193** of which attended the Banquet.

In total we took in \$18,235.17 -

We spent \$15,816.12

Leaving \$ 2,419.05-

After returning the seed money to Area 74 (\$3000 minus expenses for the Delegate, the Main AA Speaker and the Main Al-Anon Speaker)

\$ 1,004.07

and passing on the Bill W. monies to the next conference

\$ 440.00

we are left an overage of

\$ 974.98-

One half of which will be sent to Area 74

\$ 487.49

One half of which will go into the District 04 treasury

\$ 487.49

Leaving a balance of \$0.00

The conference committee thanks the Area 74 Assembly for the opportunity to be of service.