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A MESSAGE FROM THE DCM.....

HEY its almost 🌸 Spring Conference 🌸 time!

Will I see u there?? I hope so !

Here are some various information snippets of interest:

Nicholas S, our Area 74 Delegate, publicly stated he has no concerns about how AA is being run at the General Service Office (GSO).

His biggest concern is what will happen to La Viña if it comes to a vote at the GSC - General Service Conference. He believes that even though it doesn't make money, it's still helpful to people.

Jack H the GSR for From The Heart group ❤️ says they will begin meeting outside at Peabody Park in Appleton, WI starting May 4 at 8am. Sundays.

Dylan, GSR from the 101A groups in Oshkosh reminds people that those meetings have all moved to 137 Algoma Blvd, only a half block away - at the First Congregational Church.

GSR's - did you remember to ask your groups if they think it's ok for the Webmaster and the Bridging the Gap Chair to have voting privileges at our District meetings??

The Area is still looking for an Alternate Secretary. Anybody interested?

As always, contact me, Jane, with any comments, questions, or concerns: dcm@district02aa.org

Yours, Gratefully -- in Service,

Jane M - DCM District 02

dcm@district02aa.org

DISTRICT 02 MEETING MINUTES – APRIL 2025

District 02 Meeting Minutes for April 2025

The April 13, 2025, District Meeting was held hybrid at Solutions Club Inc., 621 Evans St., Oshkosh, Wi. The meeting started at 2:00 p.m. There were 20 people in person & 5 people on Zoom: 25 people in total. We opened the meeting with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer. Everyone introduced themselves.

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

Twelve Traditions & Twelve Concepts

Barry read Tradition 4 – long form.

John read Concept 4 from the Concepts checklist.

Approval March 2025 Minutes – Harold made a motion to accept the Secretary report. James seconded. Motion passed.

Secretary Report: Karla. Committee Chairs & GSR's please submit your reports to me by Tuesday April 15, 2025, 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 allowing me to be of service.

Treasurer Report: Kim. Mike made a motion to accept the treasurer's report. Bob seconded. Motion passed.

GSRs Reports

Dylan – 101A Groups – will be having an open house and serve coffee & cake on Saturday 19th at 101A Algoma. 2pm-5pm.

Anna Rae – Tuesday St Mark's Church Way of life Group – We are so excited to announce the start-up of Open Speaker Meetings at our location. This has been a new adventure for our Group, and we are hoping to attract new and familiar faces. Our Group Conscience has decided to host Tuesdays and Fridays in the months of May, June and July. See dates below: TUESDAY 7PM FRIDAY 7PM 5/13, 6/10 & 7/15 5/16, 6/13, 7/18 There will be 2 speakers each night and all twelve spots have been filled. Mary Ellen W and I worked jointly as speaker seekers. I have been overwhelmed with such a positive response and willingness to serve. A flyer was inserted in the last Newsletter with the May dates and will continue in subsequent months. I went to multiple speaker meetings and researched AA formats which I summarized. We are in the process of finalizing it so it can be given to our Speakers and Hosts in advance. A sign-up sheet to Host is in process and table toppers with dates are being utilized. Going forward, the plan is to alternate Speaker Meeting Nights the 2nd week of every month.

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The August meeting would be on Tuesday evening, September would be on Friday evening and so on. A speaker seeker will fill upcoming dates. I appreciate all the advice and support I have received from the District in getting this project off ground. If there is anyone willing to serve as a speaker, please contact me.

Jack – From the Heart Group – Beginning May 4th at Peabody Park 8 am Sunday morning. Bring a lawn chair.

LCM Reports

Subdistrict A: Barry. I attended 4 new meetings and 1 revisit since the last district meeting.

Wednesday Night BB Study group – 7:30PM Wednesday at Belfry Hall – The meeting is relatively well attended. The meeting has a GSR. I introduced myself, gave a brief report and provided them with my contact information.

Way Out Group – 7:00PM Thursday at Prince of Peace – I revisited this group to attend their business meeting. The group has a GSR who will be rotating out. Service positions are filled. Relatively well attended meeting.

Shelter from the Storm – 8:00AM Saturday at COTS. This meeting could use some support. It is designed to give the alcoholic tenants of COTS a place to go for recovery. It has been kept alive for some time by two of our members.

Fox Valley 94 – 7:00PM Thursday at First Congregational – The group has a GSR. The meeting is relatively well attended. The group has a business meeting approximately twice a year.

First Things First - 7:00PM Sunday at First Congregational. I attended the group's business meeting. The group has a GSR as well as group service positions. The literature chair stepped down and a new one was elected right away. It is a very well-attended meeting.

I have now visited all the Appleton groups at least once except for the Women's meeting(s). I can be contacted at lcma@district02aa.org with any questions from Appleton groups. Please include contact information in your email.

There are no other comments at this time.

Subdistrict B: Open

Subdistrict C: James. Visited 2 groups, talked about agenda items for the Delegates workshop.

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Subdistrict D: Open

Subdistrict E: Open

Subdistrict F: Open.

Archives: Bob for Kathy. Next meeting on 18th of May at 11:30 am. It will be a lunch meeting at Central Office (tentative location). Area 74 archives motion was passed to move the archives to St. Anthony retreat center.

Grapevine: Tina. Registered online as a Grapevine Rep. I could not find where to register as chair. Visited a Genesis Club meeting to remind the people of the Grapevine and the Pod cast which is available weekly. The podcast is on the GV APP, I am handing out Grapevines at meetings. If anyone has ideas, Tina is open to them. She has 1 person interested in being on the committee.

Corrections: Mike. The Corrections Committee has continued working on updating the contact information for the institutions we serve, and the members attending meetings there. We're also working on getting the correct forms filled out properly to get literature sent into the state institutions.

I was contacted by a member requesting the paperwork to become a volunteer at DACC, and I'm in the process of connecting them with DACC to start the process. Thank you to the groups donating to the Corrections Literature fund, your donations make it possible to get the book Alcoholics Anonymous, 12 Steps and 12 Traditions, Daily Reflections, Plain Language Big Book, and Grapevine to people that otherwise wouldn't have it available.

Bridging the Gap: Brad. No Report.

Newsletter: Digger. The district newsletter is distributed via email on the last couple of days of each month. You can sign up to receive the newsletter on the newsletter tab on the district website. Our committee is always looking for information of interest to publish, which can be emailed to us at newsletter@district02aa.org. We are always looking for informative flyers, and we can spotlight your meeting on a page designed for that purpose. The deadline for publication in the June issue is the end of the day on May 27th. Thank you for letting me serve.

Public Information: Susan. The PI Committee – Last Meeting March 18, 2025; 3 members in attendance

Old Business

Newest Project

Distribution of the Plain Language Big Books to Public Libraries and High School Libraries in District 02

11 of the 20 High School Libraries have received a copy of the PLBB.

12 of the 19 Public Libraries have a PLBB.

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Our committee purchased 58 copies.

Our committee has ordered 15 copies of Living Sober for the library project.

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

New Business

A new supply of Hotline cards has been ordered and received from Vista Print at the cost of \$125.00 including shipping. The help of members getting the cards distributed is really making a difference and is appreciated.

PI Committee meetings will be the 3rd Tuesday of the Month 6PM

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

Our next meeting will be April 15, 2025, at the Genesis Club

Webmaster: Trevor. No Report.

Treatment & Accessibilities: Jodi. Old Business –

- Treatment & Accessibility's committee zoom account Access -Jodi
- We are able to get into the meeting but do not have the correct Host Key. Jodi will follow up with Trevor to get the proper information.
- Zoom account billing-Rita – We are still waiting to hear back from Rita about the Zoom account billing. Kim will reach out to her regarding both of the following.
 - 2024 Billing- Was she reimbursed for 2024 or not? Conflicting information between District and Rita's records
 - 2025 Billing-We need the billing information for the District 02 Zoom so it can be moved to the District DCM's budget.
- District printable meeting list-Webmaster in process of creating.
 - Jodi was not able to attend the District meeting last month so she will meet with Trevor next month to get this taken care of. Email communication does not seem to be effective.
 - Link on District 02 ASL is on the website moved to front page-Jodi followed up with Webmaster in February, it has not been done yet. Jodi will reach out again.

Facility Reports

- Oshkosh Updates -Everything is going well in Oshkosh and the facility is happy. Dylan reaches out to the speakers a couple of days before they are ready to speak to confirm parking and other details. He also contacts the facility to give them the speakers' name, so they know who to expect. Great job Dylan for your continued work in Oshkosh, and for being a trusted servant.
- The Veterans Village Meeting Monday's 6:30PM. The meeting is listed District 02 Meeting list as well as the Meeting Finder App. Contact is Craig - Jodi has been attending meetings at the new facility.

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- The meeting started in February of 2025. The veteran who started the meeting reached out looking for support.
 - They have received a meeting format.
 - 5 Big Books
 - A District rep has been in attendance each week.
- Craig requested a couple of 12x12's as well. Soft covers cost \$10. We agreed to purchase 5 soft cover 12x12's. Jodi will purchase the books.
- Dylan recommended also including the AA and the Armed Services. We agreed to purchase 5 of them at .70 each through GSO. Jodi will take care of this too.
- Casa Claire – asked for another 15 Big Books and they have received them.
 - We had not purchased so many books for one facility before. There was conversation on watching the literature budget going forward if their request is going to become a regular thing. We may need to increase the Literature budget. We have the option of requesting the workshop money and office supplies money be used for the purchase of literature if we have more requests than money.

New Business -

Agenda Items for next meeting Tabled **for next month due to low attendance.**

- Rita will update the facilities list to make sure we have the latest contact information for facilities. – Kim will follow up with her to get a status update.
 - Add new contacts and facilities.
 - Split sheet so we can contact and confirm – Dylan will help with Oshkosh.
- Once the contact information is updated for the facilities, we will start the process of checking on supply replenishment.
- As part of this conversation, we will check with the facilities to see if they are interested in having AA members come in as speakers or to facilitate meetings in the facility. We will table the idea of creating a speaker list for individuals willing to take the message into the treatment centers.
- Rita has updated her pamphlet inventory. She will send that information to Dylan so he can update what he has in inventory so we can get an accurate list of all our complete inventory.

Future meetings will be held on the last Sunday of the month at 12:00 PM on Zoom. Our next meeting is April 27, 2025.

DCM-Jane. Finance questions update: We were the best district regarding showing up with answering the questions! Only a very few others even participated. Our answers were helpful to Area Finance. Conclusion: at this time, they are making no changes to what is currently in place.

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April 11 - Standing Committees gathering and reports to Area: Each Area Committee met separately and then the Chairs made progress reports to the assembled members. Notes: each Area Committee has a monthly meeting on Zoom, listed in the Now and Then Area 74 Newsletter. All AA members are urged to attend the Committee of their choice. It was emphasized that District Chairs attend these meetings as well. Also, GSO/Grapevine spent \$500,000 on putting up the Grapevine App, so let's make use of it! Best quote regarding Service: "It looks a lot like work but feels a lot like love".

April 12 - Area 74 Assembly: It was approved to send \$200 from Area to the ECR Hospitality room in Vancouver BC for the International in July. Also, regarding the International, volunteers are needed for the Archives display and the Hospitality room. 1-to-2-hour shifts, training provided. Contact Jane (DCM) if interested.

They are now using the term "pre-release" for BTG Corrections at the Area and maybe GSO levels. Kerry was elected for Wisconsin Area 74 Corrections Chair.

A permanent location was approved for the Area Archives. It will be at St Francis Retreat Center in Marathon, WI.

Bryon B, Area Grapevine rep, wants to come to our meetings and events to talk about Grapevine.

From now on, no roster of Area officers and Chairs will be published in the Now and Then Area 74 Newsletter.

Deadlines for Sturgeon Bay Spring Conference are: April 15 ends ability to reserve a room in the "block" but rooms are still available at the discounted "Area 74" price. April 30 ends ability to contribute to the Hospitality room and ends ability to sign up for the Conference banquet.

Our (District 2) interest in hosting the 2027 Area 74 Conference was acknowledged and they await our bid in October.

A Mexican version of La Vina exists and that may explain part of why La Vina hasn't been popular.

Most members of our District and at the Area seemed in favor of adding Concepts to the 12 and 12.

There will be Area Elections in October for a new Delegate and other Area Officers and Committee Chairs!

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OLD BUSINESS

Open positions 2025 Elections

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

Workshop Committee Progress

Planning is going well. All speakers are picked. We need GSR's to come to the workshop.

Dylan: 101 A New Location Reminder

137 Algoma BLVD. First Congregational Church. Entrance on the West side of the building. Handicapped accessible. There are 14 meetings at 101A Algoma right now.

New Business:

Area Assembly Report (still time to reach out to Delegate)

Report given in DCM report section. Please reach out to Nicolas the Area 74 Delegate if you have any questions.

Other

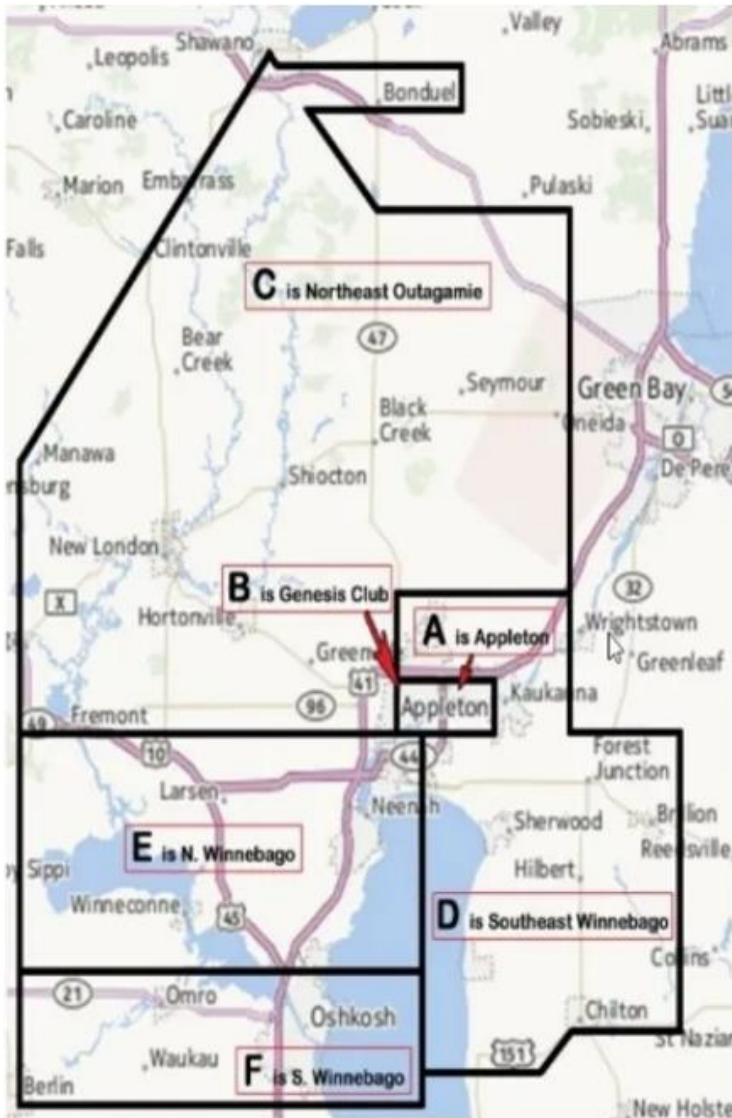
Bob had an individual ask to change the date of the district meeting. Switching to a different day. People are willing to come to the meeting if it is on a different day of the week. GSR's, take this to your groups for discussion.

The Webmaster & Bridging the Gap positions are non-voting positions. These members are at the meetings almost every month. Could these positions be changed to voting positions? There was a concern that people who have commitments are not always attending the district meetings. GSR's, please take this to your groups for discussion. District 02 Guidelines would need to be updated if we are looking to change the voting process.

James made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 3:40 p.m. Harold seconded. Motion passed.

The next District meeting is Sunday May 4, 2025, at St. Mark's Church, 140 S. Green Bay Rd., Neenah, Wi. The meeting will be held the first Sunday in May due to Mother's Day being on the second Sunday of May.

DISTRICT 02 BOUNDARIES



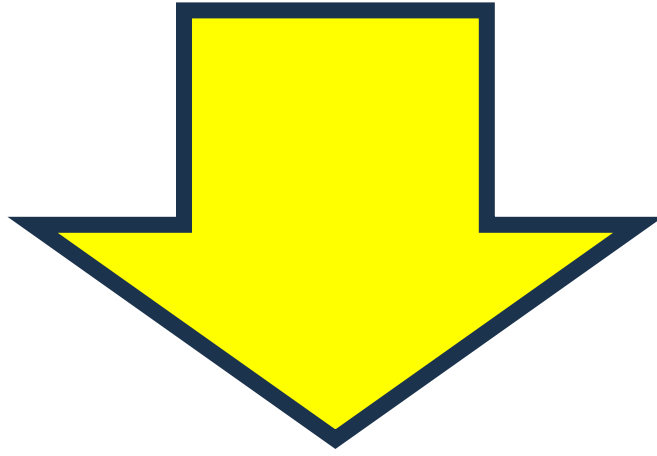
**LCM'S NEEDED IN
AREAS B,D,E,F**

MEETING CHANGE:

***FIRST THINGS
FIRST SUNDAY 7PM
FIRST
CONGREGATIONAL***

First Things First Meeting is now **ONLY** hybrid on the second Sunday of the month for our speaker meeting. Thank you for the support!

If you're looking for another online meeting at this time, please see the Meeting Guide App.



*Deadline for publication in the June Newsletter
is end of day May 27!*

Submit flyers, articles, etc. to newsletter@district02aa.org

***DID YOU KNOW.....
THAT ALL A.A. MEMBERS
ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND
THE DISTRICT MEETING???***

**Please join us at St Mark's Church in Neenah
at 2pm on May 4th. Learn more about how AA
General Service works!**

DISTRICT 02 FINANCIAL REPORT – MARCH 2025

District 02 Monthly Financial Report – March 2025

Beginning Balance 3/1/2025			\$ 7,634.18	April 13, 2025 District Meeting Report	
Contributions				Bank Reconciliation	
Date	Check #	District Group Contributions		Community First Credit Union	
3/31/2025	1130	Sat. Eye Opener Group		Beginning balance	\$ 7,691.58
3/31/2025	2377	Design For Living		Deposits	\$ 1,387.43
3/31/2025	2378	Design For Living		Withdrawals	\$ (139.80)
3/31/2025	1373	Sun AM St. Elizabeth's Meeting		Outstanding checks	\$ (45.20)
3/31/2025	1374	Sun AM St. Elizabeth's Meeting		Total	\$ 8,894.01
3/31/2025	2234	We Are Not Saints - Oshkosh		Balance available to District	
3/31/2025	990577	Sunrise Meeting Group		Register balance	\$ 8,894.01
3/31/2025	1091	Tuesday Night Friends in Recovery		Prudent reserve	\$ (500.00)
3/31/2025	1244	Genesis Club Groups		Corrections Literature	\$ (1,360.81)
3/31/2025	231	Monday Inspiration Meeting		Total available to District	\$ 7,033.20
Total deposits			\$ 1,387.43	Petty Cash	
Withdrawals				Petty cash beginning balance	
Date	Check #	Expenses (checks/withdrawals)			
3/5/2025	2236	Tom A. - Newsletter, Feb Adobe and Microsoft software		Petty cash ending balance	\$ 50.00
3/5/2025	2237	Jane M. - DCM, copies for district and workshop		Committee Budget Balance (Remaining)	
3/6/2025	2238	First Congregational Church - April GSR Workshop Rent		Archives	\$ 463.97
Total withdrawals			\$ 127.60	Corrections	\$ 1,000.00
Register balance - Month end				DCM	\$ 2,983.80
Beginning balance			\$ 7,634.18	Grapevine	\$ 820.00
Deposits			\$ 1,387.43	Newsletter	\$ 392.80
Withdrawals			\$ (127.60)	PI	\$ 2,130.00
Register balance			\$ 8,894.01	Treasurer	\$ 1,047.67
Outstanding Checks				Treatment & Acces.	\$ 910.00
3/5/2025	2237	Jane M. - copies, workshop copies		BUDGET BALANCE TOTAL (Remaining)	\$ 9,748.24
Total Outstanding checks			\$ 45.20	*Corrections Literature	
				Starting Balance	\$ 1,072.41
				Contributions	
				Design For Living	\$ 166.00
				Sun AM St. Elizabeth's Meeting	\$ 122.40
				Total deposits	\$ 288.40
				Withdrawals	\$ -
				Total withdrawals	\$ -
				Ending Corrections Literature Balance	\$ 1,360.81
				*NOTE - Separate from district balance	
				Kim M. District 02 Alternate Treasurer	

DISTRICT 02 BUDGET COMPARISON THROUGH MARCH 2025

		2025 BUDGET	YTD MARCH SPENT	YTD MARCH REMAIN	2026 DRAFT
Archives Kathy	1 Space at Central Office	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$200.00	\$0.00
	2 Miscellaneous	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$0.00
	3 Grapevine	\$28.97	\$0.00	\$28.97	\$0.00
	4 Stipend for District Meetings	\$60.00	\$0.00	\$60.00	\$0.00
	5 FVCO Rent	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
	6 Now & Then Subscription	\$25.00	\$0.00	\$25.00	\$0.00
	7 Stipend for Delegates Workshop	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$50.00	\$0.00
		\$463.97	\$0.00	\$463.97	\$0.00
Corrections Mike H.	1 Workshop	\$150.00	\$0.00	\$150.00	\$0.00
	2 Conference	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00	\$0.00
	3 Office Supply/Trave	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$0.00
	4 Stipend for District Meetings	\$60.00	\$10.00	\$50.00	\$0.00
	5 BTG P.O. Box, Postage, Supplie	\$300.00	\$200.00	\$100.00	\$0.00
	6 Stipend for Delegates Workshop	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$0.00
		\$1210.00	\$210.00	\$1,000.00	\$0.00
DCM Jane M	1 Stipend for District Meetings	\$180.00	\$30.00	\$150.00	\$0.00
	2 Printing Expenses	\$936.00	\$213.45	\$722.55	\$0.00
	3 LCM Stipends for District Meetings	\$360.00	\$0.00	\$360.00	\$0.00
	4 LCM Miscellaneous Expenses	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$50.00	\$0.00
	5 LCM Meeting Rent	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
	6 Area 74 Literature - (Service Materials	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$200.00	\$0.00
	7 GSR Workshop	\$100.00	\$68.75	\$31.25	\$0.00
	8 Registration Spring and Fall Conference	\$40.00	\$0.00	\$40.00	\$0.00
	9 Banquet Spring and Fall Conference	\$60.00	\$0.00	\$60.00	\$0.00
	10 Conference Lodging	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00	\$0.00
	11 Gas for Conf/Assem/ACM/Workshops - current	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00	\$0.00
	12 Assembly/ACM 4-Trips (\$40.00 Each)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
	13 Stipend for Delegates Workshop	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$50.00	\$0.00
	14 Other Workshop	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$0.00
	15 Zoom Account	\$160.00	\$0.00	\$160.00	\$0.00
	16 Tech Fellows Stipend for District Meetings	\$60.00	\$0.00	\$60.00	\$0.00
		\$3296.00	\$312.20	\$2,983.80	\$0.00
Grapevine Tina E.	1 Grapevine Subscription for Intergroup	\$350.00	\$0.00	\$350.00	\$0.00
	2 Postage & Office Supplies	\$10.00	\$0.00	\$10.00	\$0.00
	3 Stipend for District Meetings	\$60.00	\$0.00	\$60.00	\$0.00
	4 Additions to Grapevine Library Displa	\$175.00	\$0.00	\$175.00	\$0.00
	5 Grapevine Display at Genesis Clu	\$0.00	\$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
Newsletter Digger A	1 Postage	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
	2 Printing	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
	3 Postage & Printing	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
	4 Software	\$300.00	\$67.20	\$232.80	\$0.00
	5 Postcards, labels & miscellaneous supplie	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
	6 Stipend for District Meetings	\$60.00	\$0.00	\$60.00	\$0.00
	7 Ink	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$0.00
	8 Stipend for Delegates Workshop	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
		\$460.00	\$67.20	\$392.80	\$0.00
Public Info Susan	1 Web Service (Maintenance, software upgrades	\$600.00	\$0.00	\$600.00	\$0.00
	2 Pamphlets	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$200.00	\$0.00
	3 Postage	\$30.00	\$0.00	\$30.00	\$0.00
	4 Meeting List Copies	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
	5 Outreach	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00	\$0.00
	6 Webmaster Computer	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
	7 Stipend for District Meetings	\$60.00	\$0.00	\$60.00	\$0.00
	8 Stipend for Delegates Workshop	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$50.00	\$0.00
	9 Printing	\$30.00	\$0.00	\$30.00	\$0.00
	10 Booth Space at County Fairs	\$350.00	\$0.00	\$350.00	\$0.00
	11 Grapevine Subscriptions (2)	\$60.00	\$0.00	\$60.00	\$0.00
	12 Facebook PSA	\$250.00	\$0.00	\$250.00	\$0.00
		\$2,130.00	\$0.00	\$2,130.00	\$0.00
Treasurer Cindy L	1 District Rent	\$420.00	\$70.00	\$350.00	\$0.00
	2 Refreshments	\$240.00	\$52.33	\$187.67	\$0.00
	3 Stipend for District Meetings	\$60.00	\$0.00	\$60.00	\$0.00
	4 Miscellaneous Expenses (copies, postage,	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$200.00	\$0.00
	5 Petty cash	na	na	na	na
	6 P.O. Box Rent	\$250.00	\$0.00	\$250.00	\$0.00
	7 Stipend for Delegates Workshop	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
		\$1,170.00	\$122.33	\$1,047.67	\$0.00
Treatment Jodi L	1 Workshop	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$200.00	\$0.00
	2 Literature - Facility Racks	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00	\$0.00
	3 Office Supplies	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$0.00
	4 Stipend for District Meetings	\$60.00	\$0.00	\$60.00	\$0.00
	5 Stipend for Delegates Workshop	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$50.00	\$0.00
	6 ASL for Monthly Speaker Meetings	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
	7	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
		\$910.00	\$0.00	\$910.00	\$0.00
Totals		\$10,459.97	\$711.73	\$9,748.24	\$0.00

2025 AREA 74 DATES TO REMEMBER

Area 74 Zoom Information: Meeting ID – 479 428 9816 Passcode - 1212144

May 16 – 18: Area 74 Spring Conference, Sturgeon Bay, WI

July 12: Area Committee Meeting, Three Lakes, WI

Reiter Center, 1858 S Michigan St

August 22 -24: East Central Regional Conference, Indianapolis, IN

October 17: Area 74 Standing Committee Workshop, Rhinelander, WI

October 18: Area 74 Election Assembly, Rhinelander, WI

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Now & Then

PO Box 192

Sturgeon Bay, WI 54235

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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

May 4, 2025 – 1:30PM GSR Discussion – 2:00PM Meeting

St Mark's Church – 140 S Green Bay Rd – Neenah

ZOOM MEETING ID: 875 9555 4987 PASSCODE: 844696

Open with Serenity Prayer

- Introductions
- Housekeeping items: info, etc.

Twelve Traditions – Tradition 5 Long Form

Twelve Concepts – Concept 5

Review/Accept April Minutes

Secretary's Report

Treasurer's Report

Committee Reports

- GSR's
- LCM's – James: LCM-C, Barry: LCM-A
- Archives – Kathy R.
- Grapevine – Tina G.
- Corrections – Mike H.
 - Bridging the gap – Brad N.
- Newsletter - Digger A. newsletter@district02aa.org
- Public Information - Susan B.
 - Webmaster – Trevor F.
- Treatment and Accessibilities - Jodi L.
- DCM - Jane M.

Old Business:

- Available positions > LCM's B,D,E,F; Alternate DCM
- Different day vs. Sunday – District Meeting?
- Webmaster/BTG – voting privileges?

New Business:

- Delegates report back from New York
- Budget committee report
- Other?

Close with Responsibility Statement

The NEXT District Meeting: Sunday June 8th, Prince of Peace Church, 2230 E Calumet, Appleton
1:30 GSR Discussion / 2pm District Meeting

☀️HEY Y'all come on over!!!☀️

2025 District 02 Meeting Schedule

(Meeting Location is Subject to Change)

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

Jan 12	Solutions Club Inc. 621 Evans St, Oshkosh
Feb 9	Changing Lanes Alano Club 344 Broadway St, Wrightstown
Mar 9	Genesis Club 1213 N Appleton St, Appleton
Apr 13	Solutions Club Inc. 621 Evans St, Oshkosh
May 4 Early due to Mothers Day	St Mark's Church 140 S Green Bay Rd, Neenah
Jun 8	Prince of Peace Lutheran Church 2330 E Calumet, Appleton
Jul 13	Solutions Club Inc 621 Evans St, Oshkosh
Aug 10	St Paul Catholic Church 410 Wallace St, Combined Locks
Sep 14	Peace United Methodist Church 2300 W Wisconsin Ave, Kaukauna
Oct 12	Emmanuel Lutheran Church 349 N Main Street, Seymour
Nov 9	Changing Lanes Alano Club 344 Broadway St, Wrightstown
Dec 14	First United Methodist Church 325 E Franklin St, Appleton

Intelligence versus Wisdom Larry R.

We've heard it said that no one is too dumb to get AA
But being too intelligent may cause some folk's delay
Believing they could think their way to overcome their drinking
Not realize the problem was the way that had been thinking

We're born with our intelligence, be it vast or somewhat less
But wisdom comes from learning, it's a gift we need possess
It reminds us just what got us here, help see where we went wrong
And tells us what we need to do to keep our program strong

"Wisdom comes with age" we've heard it stated as a fact
And as our time in AA grows, it has the same impact
We gain an understanding of the changes that are needed
To finally put the bottle down, keep alcohol defeated

When a certain member shared, you could tell that he was smart
His words portrayed intelligence, his knowledge to impart
Those words he used while in the rooms would made you stop and think
But though he possessed intellect, he could not stop the drink

How could it be, with such a brain, this man kept going out
He would recite some Big Book page, his knowledge he would flout
He cherished his intelligence, placed him above the rest
But when it came to using what he'd learned, he'd fail the test

Though his IQ topped the charts, he did not work the AA system
The reason for his failures was because he'd lacked the wisdom
The wisdom to learn from his past, the things that made him slip
And embrace a Higher Power and the AA fellowship

We first start to gain **wisdom** on the day we realize
That we are not that different, we begin to recognize
The things we have in common with our fellows in AA
And follow their suggestions, to stay sober one more day

DISTRICT 02 ARCHIVES

AS PUBLISHED IN THE DISTRICT 02 NEWSLETTER – MAY 1989

THE FIFTH TRADITION

“Each group has but one primary purpose - to carry its message to the alcoholic who still suffers.”

“Our most important job is our only job,” said one of my fellow A.A.’s at a Fifth Tradition meeting. That helps me to think about this Tradition, and says in another way what Bill W. writes in the 12 & 12: “Shoemaker, stick to thy last...better do one thing supremely well than many badly.” (There’s one of those tradition thoughts, intended for the group, that applies to my own life as well.)

The one thing we A.A.’s share is our drinking problem and the way we overcame it. Most of us as individuals have other skills and talents, especially after we’ve been sober awhile. But together, as a group, we have just one thing in common and one thing to offer: a way of life that keeps us sober. Since our way is unique, we have an obligation to share it. No one else can.

Perhaps that’s where the saying comes from, “Whenever anyone, anywhere, reaches out for sobriety, I want the hand of A.A. to be there, and for that I am responsible.”

Bill tells a story in the Fifth Tradition chapter of the 12 & 12 of his reaching out to a belligerent alcoholic. He visited a prospect at Towns Hospital, a tough and obstinate Irishman. The fellow was suspicious and unbelieving until Bill convinced him that making the call was helping Bill to keep sober and happy.

The Irishman began to listen but objected loudly when Bill mentioned spirituality. “You’ve got the nerve to come in here talking religion!” he roared. Bill agreed that the man probably knew much more about religion than he did, said he couldn’t tell the fellow anything about religion. But he did think he knew what the fellow’s problem was.

“Okay,” the drunk said, “Give me the business.”

“Well, I think you’re just a conceited Irishman who thinks he can run the whole show.”

This got the drunks attention. He began to listen and to accept Bill’s words about humility being the key to sobriety. Bill explained that he could apply the principle of humility within his own religion.

Years later, this sober man told people, “My sponsor sold me one idea, and that was sobriety. At the time, I couldn’t have bought anything else.” (12 & 12, pp. 151-154. Barb G.

The Fifth Tradition (Long Form): Each Alcoholics Anonymous group ought to be a spiritual entity having but one primary purpose – that of carrying its message to the alcoholic who still suffers.

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

MAY 2025

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

Sunday, May 4th, District Meeting at 2pm, **St Mark's Church**, 140 S Green Bay Rd, Neenah. GSR Roundtable 1:30 *This is a hybrid meeting* Meeting ID: 875 9555 4987 Passcode: 844696

Second Sunday of the Month, May 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

Tuesday May 13 and Friday May 16th, Open AA Speaker Meeting at 7pm, **St Mark's Church**, 150 S Green Bay Rd, Neenah. See flyer in District newsletter.

May 16 – 18th, Area 74 Spring Conference, Sturgeon Bay. See flyer in District newsletter.

Third Friday of the Month, May 16th, Open AA Speaker Meeting at 7pm, **Peace United Methodist Church**, 2300 E Wisconsin Ave, Kaukauna Al-Anon speaker if available.

Saturday May 17th, Rummage Sale 8am-3pm, **Changing Lanes Alano Club**, 344 Broadway St, Wrightstown. See flyer in District newsletter

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

Last Sunday of the May 25th, Open AA Speaker Meeting at 7pm, **Solutions Recovery**, 621 Evans St, Oshkosh

JUNE 2025

June 6 -8, Founders Day Weekend at **Changing Lanes Alano Club**, 344 Broadway St, Wrightstown. Speakers – Camping – Fellowship. See flyer in District newsletter.

First Friday of the Month, June 6th, 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, June 8th, District Meeting at 2pm, **Prince of Peace Lutheran Church**, 2330 E Calumet, Appleton. GSR Roundtable 1:30 *This is a hybrid meeting* Meeting ID: 875 9555 4987 Passcode: 844696

Second Sunday of the Month, June 8th, 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

Tuesday June 10 and Friday June 13th, Open AA Speaker Meeting at 7pm, **St Mark's Church**, 150 S Green Bay Rd, Neenah. See flyer in District newsletter.

Third Friday of the Month, June 20th, Open AA Speaker Meeting at 7pm, **Peace United Methodist Church**, 2300 E Wisconsin Ave, Kaukauna Al-Anon speaker if available.

Last Sunday of the Month, June 29th, Open AA Speaker Meeting at 10am, **St. Elizabeth Hospital**, 1506 S Oneida St, Appleton

Last Sunday of the Month, June 29th, 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. 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. corrections@district02aa.org

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GRAPEVINE COMMITTEE: Relays information about the Grapevine magazine and other materials to the individual groups via their Grapevine Representatives (GVR's).

Chairperson: Tina G. 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.

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Now and Then

(Area 74 Newsletter)

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920-731-4331

AA OPEN SPEAKER MEETING



**ST MARK'S
150 S GREEN BAY ROAD
NEENAH**

ENTER THROUGH SIDE DOOR NEXT TO PARKING LOT

TUESDAY MAY 13 & JUNE 10

FRIDAY MAY 16 & JUNE 13

AT 7 PM

COFFEE PROVIDED

Area 74 2025 Spring Conference Registration

Navigating The Waters Of Recovery Together

May 16th - 18th, 2025

HOTEL INFORMATION

Phone: (920) 746-0700

110 Rooms available! Discounted rate of \$165.00 Per Night!

Stone Harbor Resort & Conference Center

107 N. First Ave., Sturgeon Bay, WI 54235

Deadline to book for discounted rate is April 10th, 2025

REGISTRATION FORM

Make checks payable to:
Spring Conference 2025
PO BOX 558
Sturgeon Bay WI 54235

or register online
with QR Code
<https://doorkewauneeaa.org>



Mail back by: May 10th

One Form Per Person

\$45

Registration

Includes all 3 days
Bottomless coffee mug
1st 200 Registrations

FULL NAME

CITY

STATE

EMAIL

Saturday Night Plated Meal

\$40

- ☐ Chicken
☐ Pork
☐ Salmon

April 30th Deadline

☐ AA ☐ Al-Anon ☐ Guest

Hospitality Sponsorship

Bill W. Scholarship Fund

Amount

Amount

Group Name

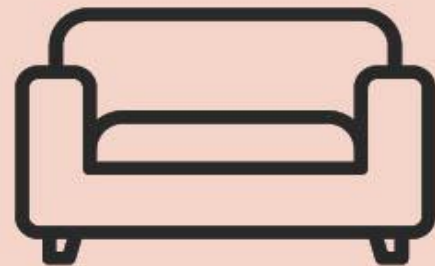
Direct Questions to: springconference2025@yahoo.com

Changing Lanes Alano Club participates
in the Village of Wrightstown annual

Rummage Sale



Rummage and monetary
donations accepted at the
club during open hours.
Call 920-532-5046 for more
information.



Saturday, May 17, 2025
8 AM - 3 PM

Proceeds benefit club programming.



BRAT FRY
BEGINNING AT 11AM

344 Broadway St; Wrightstown, WI



COME ONE COME ALL TO THE
ARCHIVES COMMITTEE
MEETING LUNCH

EVERY 3RD SUNDAY AT NOON
STARTING
SUNDAY MAY 18TH
AT THE CENTRAL OFFICE.
LUNCH WILL BE PROVIDED.



CHANGING LANES

FOUNDERS DAY

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS
90TH ANNIVERSARY

**SPEAKERS.
CAMPING.
FELLOWSHIP.**



**JUNE
6-8
2025**



344 BROADWAY ST.
WRIGHTSTOWN, WI

www.changinglanesclub.com

920-532-9046

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT KAREN 608-852-6510

*AA and Al-Anon
"WOMEN IN RECOVERY" RETREAT
Always Room to Grow*

JUNE 13, 14 & 15, 2025

*At the
St Norbert Abbey
1016 North Broadway, De Pere WI 54115
(Near Green Bay)
Use the Webster entrance*

*\$245. Per person
Includes 2 nights and 5 meals
(\$140. Down payment before January 15, 2025)
Hurry as beds are limited!*

*Hear speakers and panels
And join in group discussions*

*Rest and relax at the
Beautiful grounds of the Abbey*

Join with friends and make new ones

*For more information
Contact retreat coordinator, Mary Bray 920-771-0124, no text
braymary827@gmail.com*

Send \$140. Down payment, or \$245. in full to:

*Mary Bray
3905 Tamarack Dr. Green Bay WI 54313*

*Make checks payable to:
Mary Bray/Women in Recovery Retreat
(Balance due on April 4, 2025)*

*Name _____ Phone _____
Address _____*

Special Dietary needs _____

Spring 4th and 5th Step Retreat

June 20-22, 2025

(AA/Al Anon/ACA)

Place: St. Norbert Center for Spirituality, 1016 N Broadway, De Pere, WI 54115 (Webster Entrance)

Time: Friday 5pm to Sunday noon

Cost: \$275.00 – Includes 2 nights/5 meals--(Snacks and beverages provided throughout retreat)

This retreat setting is designed to provide a safe and trusted environment for the participants to learn and grow in “working recovery”. Group presentations on Steps 4-7 are offered. Experienced facilitators in recovery are available to advise on doing 4th steps and to listen to “5th steps” throughout the weekend in a private setting. **Attendees are encouraged to do as much of their 4th Step as possible prior to attending the Retreat.** Other opportunities to share in fellowship include open meetings, closed meetings, forgiveness exercises, guest speakers, and live music. There are a variety of settings available for personal and private reflection. The St. Norbert Center for Spirituality has been newly renovated throughout the facility. Each participant will have their own bathroom/shower within their own space. Retreatants will all have their own room unless “room sharing” is requested.

6 months sobriety/active recovery suggested

Retreat Openings are limited

First Come, First Serve

Please make your reservations early!

Registration deadline is May 30, 2025

(3 Partial Scholarships available courtesy of the Mike A. Scholarship Fund-Please call Tim S. to inquire)

Send \$150 deposits to: Steps Retreat, PO Box 74, Green Bay, WI 54305

Deposits are not refundable after May 16, 2025.



Any questions? Call or Text Tim S. (920) 360-3869 or email 5thstepretreat@gmail.com

Use QR code above to go straight to the website for more info &/or to register

Registration: Spring 4th & 5th Step Retreat

Name: _____ **Gender M/F**

Address: _____ **City:** _____ **Zip:** _____

Email: _____ (Will be used to contact you w/confirmation and retreat information)

Phone: _____ **Special needs:** _____

AA _____ **Al-Anon** _____ **ACA** _____ **Other** _____

Emergency contact: _____ **Phone:** _____

Donations are always accepted. These funds are used to manage costs and provide scholarships

New Meeting

A New Life – AA Meeting



Wisconsin Veterans Village
2919 W Glenpark Dr Appleton
Community Center
Suite 500

Every Monday @ 6:30 pm

Meeting Type - Open

The Community Center is the only one-story building on site. When you enter Veterans Village drive basically straight to the end of road and park.

Contact number is Craig M at 920-419-4409