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Delegate's Corner

Hi 74's!

Summer is in full swing and many of us will be celebrating the 4th of July in a few days. For many the 4th of July is symbolic of freedom, some celebrated their freedom on Juneteenth (June 19th). For many alcoholics our true freedom is our sobriety date, or I've heard a number of talks that it is when a 4th or 5th step was taken, perhaps some other moment in the recovery journey. The point is that for us – our freedom came from recovery. It was and *is* the freedom from the bondage of *self*. What a blessing and gift that is. When I approach situations, or live life from a perspective of serving *you*, rather than *me*, although inconvenient and annoying at times, I really live with a sense of peace.

I got a bit of a moment to breath in the month of June – on Saturday, June 15th I woke up in my own bed at home! Now this was also a rarity in my drinking days but for different reasons! Between AA requests and dog shows, this was my first Saturday at home in 9 weeks! I have 3 weekends in June that I am home and I'm appreciative of that. The big AA event for me in June was the Michigan State Convention and East Central Regional Conference. This was held at a University in Grand Rapids, MI. It was my first AA event not a hotel or conference center and while I admit that I had HIGH CONTEMPT before investigation (especially when I arrived at our Dorm room for sleeping), the event worked out really well. It was an honor to carry the Wisconsin Flag during the opening Flag Ceremony. This has become one of my favorite events to attend each year. It is an opportunity to connect with other active alcoholics from around our region and hear what they are DOING in their Districts and Groups.

Area 74 has some exciting opportunities coming in the next couple of years, the East Central Region has put in a request to have a hospitality suite at 2025 International Convention in Vancouver and I am serving on that committee, the 2026 East Central Regional Conference will be hosted in Area 74, and the 2027 East Central Regional Forum will be held in Area 74 as well – some very exciting events!

What I am most excited about is what is happening in Area 74 is our committee work! We have BIG, ACTIVE, ENTHUSIASTIC committees beginning to meet on a regular basis. I attended the CPC and PI meeting in June and am thrilled about what is happening. I remember a number of years ago when a friend of mine was elected Area Treatment Chair and I asked him what that meant and he replied, “nothing really, wait to see if a District reaches out for a workshop – our Area Committees don't really do anything.”

When I look back over our budgets (not including 2020 – 2023 as we were getting back to business post COVID). The numbers seem to support not the most active committees. In 2016 Area Committees spent \$8500 (\$5,500 was newsletter), in 2017 Area Committees Spent \$11,000 (\$6,000 was newsletter), in 2018 Area Committees spent \$9,800 (\$7,000 was newsletter) and in 2019 – right before COVID Area Committees spent \$3,200 (\$2,000 was newsletter). This was the year we went to an electronic newsletter. Doing Area Committee **WORK** takes money and money spent or unspent can be one metric to measure how active a committee is. So far in 2024, our committees have spent \$6,900 (\$800 is newsletter).

I am hearing rumblings of television PSAs, radio PSAs, indoor advertising, Fair booths, school presentations, Human Service board presentations, live chat on websites, on-line bridging the gap forms to just name a few. All incredible work to carry the message to the still suffering alcoholic. This is so awesome. I've heard of Area Committee chairs of having working lunches for their committees, getting together in a van to come to assemblies and workshops – I love the creativity. Our Committee Chairs are thinking outside the box and saying “my committee doesn't have to be limited to 2 or 3 DCMS – appointed by the Area – even if they aren't able or the District DCM is vacant, but my committee can be open to anyone who wants to be involved. This is so exciting!

Each of our Area Committees have Chairpersons elected by the body in October of 2023. The chairpersons were elected as trusted servants – stewards of our fellowship and principles. We have entrusted them to lead their committees and encouraged them to get active and I am impressed with what I am seeing so far. I hope each of them come to the Assembly asking for budget increases because of the great work they are doing.... And speaking of chairpersons.

Congratulations and thank you to James H – our newly elected Corrections Michigan Chair for stepping up and being of service.

Let your groups know this work is happening and encourage your groups to support it!

Thank you to District 22 and District 5 for the invitation and warm welcome I received when giving my report regarding the General Service Conference. I look forward to visiting District 2 on July 14th, District 17 on July 26th and District 12 on July 27th!

I submitted expenses of \$249 for the month of June, this included 1 night lodging of \$122.53, gas of \$66.47 and food of \$60. This leaves me with a remaining budget of \$252.57.

Nicholas Stabenow-Schneider
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Delegate's Activity: I share the list of my activities, so the Fellowship is aware of what their delegate is connected to and involved in and to also raise awareness of these activities and make myself available for questions, clarification, and hopefully invites to events in your District.

- 6/5/2024: East Central Region Trustee and Delegates Virtual Meeting
- 6/6/2024: District 22 Delegate Report on General Service Conference
- 6/7/2024 – 6/9/2024: Michigan State Convention and East Central Regional Conference
- 6/11/2024: Area 74 Finance Committee Meeting
- 6/12/2024 2024: District 5 Delegate Report on General Service Conference
- 6/18/2024: Area 74 CPC Committee Meeting
- 6/18/2024: Area 74 Special Election Assembly
- 6/20/2024: Area 74 Structures and Guidelines Committee Meeting
- 6/26/2024: Area 74 PI Committee Meeting

FROM THE AREA 74 AREA CHAIR/ALTERNATE DELEGATE

Good day to all my fellow members of Alcoholics anonymous in area 74.

Here is a bit of a little update on my activities. In June I attended the East Central regional conference as well as the Michigan State convention in Grand Rapids MI. Once again it was a welcome opportunity to bond with my fellow peers in the program of AA from Michigan, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois and our home state of Wisconsin. I returned with a better understanding of the term principles over personalities. There was an opportunity for our 14 alternate delegates from the East Central region to sit down in person; which is invaluable to all of us as we continue our journey as delegates in training or whatever God and the fellowship should place on our plates. I thank area 74 for supporting me to have the opportunity to attend such functions.

On June 18th James H from the Upper Peninsula Michigan was introduced by Bill L and nominated and voted in as our new area 74 Michigan corrections chair. Welcome James. On June 20th I attended the structures and guidelines committee meeting, which was conducted by our area 74 structure and guidelines committee chair, Sonny. Well done. Sonny put a lot of effort into going back through the minutes of the past years motions and advisory actions, as we can update our structure and guidelines for area 74, which is no small task. We have our S&G meeting scheduled for Thursday July 18th at 6:30 central time.

An event I was invited to speak at and or make a presentation is a get together in district 09 that happened on June 22nd in Oconto WI. I was given the opportunity to give a presentation on the structure of AA and the importance of the GSR in the communication between their home groups and the fellowship whether it be at the district level, the Area level and our fellow Alcoholics in New York at the GSO. This was a wonderful opportunity to reach out and bond with others in our fellowship that are not in my immediate community. Well done district 09 a larger than expected turn out service work alive and well in district 09!!

On a personal note, I had a wonderful fishing trip to Canada with my family, which would not be possible without God and the fellowship of Alcoholics Anonymous in my life. I've been given this life which is beyond my wildest dreams, a far cry from when I was stuck in my alcoholic life.

Coming events for me are many picnics put together by different groups in the fellowship and the district here in Green Bay. Mary and I are blessed to be able to host a sober picnic at our home which has become an annual event and happens July 13th from 11:00 to 4:00 PM with lunch being served at noon. We provide brats, burgers and corn on the cob. If you happen to be in the area, all are welcome including your spouses. There will be a 2:00 PM open AA meeting, and we especially welcome the AI-Anon members and kids. District 1 has a Brewer bus scheduled to attend a game on July 29th which at this point is on my radar to attend. I think that's pretty good to start.

Thank you for letting me be of service!

Bill D. Alt. Delegate /Chair Area 74

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DATES TO REMEMBER 2024

8/3/24	Area Comm Mtg (optional)	Virtual			
9/13-9/15/24	Area 74 Fall Conf	District 04	Holiday Inn	Stevens Point, WI	
9/14/24	Area Assembly	District 04	Holiday Inn	Stevens Point, WI	
9/15/24	Area Comm Mtg	District 04	Holiday Inn	Stevens Point, WI	
10/12/24	Fall Assembly	Quality Inn		Rhineland, WI	
12/7/24	Area Comm Mtg	Virtual			

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

NOTE FROM CO-EDITORS: We have combined the general events and the Area 74 Service Structure events into one calendar.

BOLD = AREA 74 events UNBOLD = General AA events in our area

Send Area 74 Contributions To:

Area 74 Treasury

813 E Harrison St, Appleton, WI 54915

**Very Important!! Please include group number, group name,
and address of group location or point of contact**

If there is only a group name and location, or contact address, please include this. Thank You, Area 74

Treasurer treasurer@area74.org

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CHECK WITH YOUR DCMs & OTHER TRUSTED SERVANTS FOR CURRENT INFO**DISTRICT MEETING July 2024 LIST**

DIST	DAY	DATE	TIME	LOCATION	
1	Thursday	2nd Thur	6:30 PM	Nativity Lord Parish 2270 S Oneida St Door #4 Green Bay, WI	
2	Sunday	2nd Sun	2:00 PM	Solutions Club 621 Evans St Oshkosh, WI	
3	Thursday	3rd Thur	5:30 PM	Alano Club 1210 E Grand Ave. Zoom info wiaadistrict3.org Wisconsin Rapids, WI	
4	Thursday	1st Thur	6:00 PM	Peace Lutheran Church 293 S. Main St Amherst, WI	
5	Weds	2nd Wed	6:45 PM	Alano Club 12 2926 Poloma Dr Zoom 829 0126 1204 PWdistrict05 Eau Claire, WI	
6	Thursday	3rd Thur	7:45 PM	Club 76 Chippewa Falls	
7	Sunday	3rd Sun	5:00 PM	TBD Marshfield, WI	
8	Thursday	1st Thur	7:00 PM	Wausau Alano Club 711 McClellan St Wausau, WI	
9	Sunday	1st Sun	2:00 PM	Alano Club 2218 13th St Menominee, MI	
10	Saturday	2nd Sat	9:00 AM	1st United Methodist 724 Arbutus contact DCM for Zoom Rhineland, WI	
11				No information Available	
12	Saturday	1st Sat	9:00 AM	Hayward Serenity Club, 10339 S Florida Ave & Zoom Hayward, WI	
13	Monday	1st	6:00 PM	PIRC Ashland, WI	
14	Sunday	2nd Sun	6:00 PM	New Richmond Alano; 1448 N 4th Street New Richmond, WI	
15				No information Available	
16				No information Available	
17	Friday	Last Fri	5:00 PM	401 Kimberly Iron Mountain, WI	
18	Saturday	1st Sat	11:00 AM	308 Cleveland Ave - Rm.201 Gossard Building Ishpeming, MI	
19	Monday	3rd Mon	5:30 PM	Delta Drop In 1500 N 19th St Escanaba, MI	
20	Saturday	1st Sat	11:00 AM	United Methodist Church, 1212 Morrison St Germfask, MI	
21	Tuesday	1st Tues	6:00 PM	Portage Lake United Church, 1400 E. Houghton Ave Houghton, MI	
22	Thursday	1st Thur	5:30 PM	115 Club or Zoom: 399 417 5176 PW 115 Sturgeon Bay, WI	
23	Weds	1st Wed	5:00 PM	Spoooner Health (Enter ER Door) 1280 Chandler Dr Spoooner, WI	
24	Weds	1st Wed	8:00 PM	Alano Club 411 E 2nd St S Ladysmith, WI	

DISTRICT MEETING August 2024 LIST

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Ask The Delegate:

During my term as Delegate, I will share with you, the Fellowship of Area 74, questions that I get asked each month and my reply. I believe that if one person, group, committee has that question, others will as well.

“How many hours a week does it take to be delegate?”

That is really a hard question to answer, I answered on the spot – I hope it is accurate, but I thought, just for grins I would review my activity log and see if I could come up with a number that captures not what it takes to be delegate, but what I’ve spent thus far on being delegate – that number is 566 hours so far in 2024, this is travel time and meetings, not including emails, phone calls, etc. That averages out to around 20 hours a week. Which seems like holy smokes. It honestly does not feel like that busy, it is a privilege to have this gig. Thank you for the opportunity.

I was also recently contacted regarding some disagreements within a District regarding a person being voted out of office and the manner and tone in which it was done. First off, it hurts my hurt that situations like this happen and yet they do. They happen all at the General Service Board level up to the Group level and everywhere in between. My general answer to this is to seek guidance from your sponsor, god, and remember the only authority in AA is a loving god as he may express himself in our group conscious. Some things for all of us to think about in these tough situations.

- 1) Have I (we) prayed?
- 2) Have I (we) invited a loving god into our group conscious?
- 3) Have I (we) placed our common welfare first?
- 4) Have I (we) have full discussion – giving us a fully informed group conscious?
- 5) Concept 5 – Right of Appeal

Have a question?

Email it to delegate@area74.org

Call / Tex 414-803-9906

PLEASE SEND ITEMS, ARTICLES, DISTRICT NEWS, STANDING COMMITTEE ARTICLES, GROUP OPINIONS AND OTHER ITEMS FOR INCLUSION IN THE UPCOMING ISSUES OF YOUR AREA 74 NEWSLETTER

PLEASE SEND YOUR 2024 DISTRICT MONTHLY MEETING INFORMATION TO AREA74NEWSLETTER@GMAIL.COM

OR

PO BOX 192 STURGEON BAY, WI 54235

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Hello Area Grapevine Chairs,

The AA Grapevine Half-Hour Variety Hour podcast needs your help!

We’re seeking recommendations for guests on the AA Grapevine Half-Hour Variety Hour podcast.

We’re looking for members who...

- are **lively**;
- are **good storytellers or communicators**; and
- have a good Internet connection.

We’re hoping to interview “garden-variety drunks” who have been sober at least a year. No special AA skills, service positions, or attributes necessary!

If you know someone you think would be a good speaker on the podcast, send us their contact info. And ask your GVRs to help! (We do not accept self-recommendations.)

Please write podcastscheduling@aagrapevine.org with your ideas, and please pass it on. We appreciate you!

In gratitude, The Podcast Team

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Area 74 of Alcoholics Anonymous
Area Assembly Meeting Minutes
May 18, 2024 | AmericInn | Ashland, WI

The meeting opened at 8:00 AM with the third step prayer and introduction of new GSRs and DCMs.

Attendance:

- 6 virtual attendees, 50 in-person attendees. Total 56 attendees.

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
- District 18 – Pat A
- District 20 – Nikki D
- District 21 – Jon J
- District 22 – Melissa P
- District 23 – Sam B

Standing Committee Chairpersons

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

Past Delegates

- Panel 62 – Marty L
- Panel 68 – Sara P
- Panel 70 – Char V
- Panel 72 – Bryon B

District Committee Members (DCMs)

- District 1 – Mike N
- District 2 – Jane N
- District 3 – Allan B
- District 4 – Paul H
- District 5 – Pat T
- District 6 – Elyssa W
- District 7 – Margaret C
- District 8 – John R
- District 10 – Don K
- District 12 – Johni B
- District 13 – Sunny L
- District 17 – Angie Z

Approval of area assembly minutes from 3/30/2024:

- **Motion (seconded):** Approve 3/30/2024 area assembly minutes. **Vote:** passed unanimously.

New Business:

- Corrections MI Vacancy – James H expressed interest but was not able to attend today. There was no one else in attendance at the assembly who expressed interest. Will move to next assembly.

Old Business:

- Confirmation of structures and guidelines chair Sunny L. Structures and guidelines committee member Lil introduced Sunny to committee. **Nomination:** Sunny L. **Vote:** passed unanimously.
- Now & Then editors wanted to discuss adding flyers from outside area 74 to the newsletter, however, neither were in attendance to present this agenda item.
- Alternate secretary and registrar vacancies – no one was brought forward for confirmation by assembly.

Conference updates:

- Fall 2024 – oral report presented to assembly.
- 2025 – oral report presented to assembly.

Reports:

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

Delegate Report from Conference:

- Nicholas presented on his experience at the general service conference. Please contact Nicholas directly if you are interested in having him travel to your district for further discussion.

Q&A Session with Cathie C, East Central Regional Trustee:

- Cathie answered questions regarding:
 - Linda C’s resignation from the general service board.
 - Self-support for the international conference.

Motions:

- Covering expenses for Nicholas from general service conference. **Vote:** 36 in favor, 11 opposed.
 - Minority opinion:
 - Finance committee asked to clarify why this is outside of their scope when the request was still within the delegate’s budget.
 - Past delegate shared that the guidelines speak to reimbursement within area 74 and so this expense would fall outside of the guidelines. Also, that there are implications for future reimbursement requests.
 - Past delegate shared that the general service board purposefully removed reimbursement for these two extra nights as it was not a necessary expense. This additional expense will result in the delegate being over-budget for the year. Also shared that they didn’t get to go to New York during their rotation and the area never offered to cover expenses to go there for the experience.
 - Motion to reconsider: **Vote:** 18 in favor, 23 opposed. Motion fails. Original motion passes.
- Finance committee: “The following changes to the Area Guidelines on page 15 Line 4} Delete “incurred by the area” Line 4 subsection d} delete ASL interpreter fees as needed”
 - **Motion (seconded):** table motion. **Vote:** passed unanimously.
- Area 74 shall purchase on dual wireless microphone set at a cost not exceeding \$200.00 landed for the purpose of improving accessibility for those unable to approach the microphone stand at Area 74 assemblies and events. The specific product shall be determined by the Area 74 Information and Technology Staff. **Moved to new business for next assembly.**

The meeting closed at 12:30 PM with the serenity prayer.

Submitted by Shane R, Area 74 Secretary

Area 74 of Alcoholics Anonymous
Area Committee Meeting Minutes
May 19, 2024 | AmericInn | Ashland, WI

The meeting opened at 8:02 AM with a moment of silence followed by the serenity prayer.

Opening remarks:

☑ Chair reviewed housekeeping notes and who has a voice and vote at area committee meetings.

Roll call:

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☑ District 1 – Mike N

☑ District 2 – Jane N

☑ District 3 – Allan B

☑ District 4 – Paul H

☑ District 5 – Pat T

☑ District 6 – Elyssa W

☑ District 8 – John R

☑ District 10 – Don K

☑ District 12 – Johni B

☑ District 13 – Sunny L

☑ District 20 – Nikki D

☑ District 21 – Jon J

☑ District 22 – Melissa P

Past Delegates

☑ Panel 72 – Bryon

Approval of ACM minutes from 3/2/2024:

☑ Motion (seconded): Approve 3/2/2024 ACM minutes. Vote: passed unanimously.

Reports:

☑ DCM and Delegate Report – Appendix A

Old Business:

☑ Corrections MI Vacancy – will have special election in June via Zoom.

New Business:

☑ Virtual ACM date change from 8/3/2024 to 7/27/2024. Question raised if we even need to have this optional meeting.

o Vote (cancel 8/3/2024 ACM): passed unanimously.

GSO Update from East Central Regional Trustee Cathi C:

☑ Cathi offered a Q&A session and gave an oral report to the committee about her job as a trustee. The meeting closed at 9:58.

Submitted by Shane R, Area 74 Secretary

AREA 74 2024 FALL CONFERENCE

Scan the QR Code to
Register Online!




Have Questions? Email
fallconference2024@gmail.com

Area 74 Public information monthly meeting

Zoom ID: 830 3370 6846
Password: PI

The District PI Chairs are invited to the Monthly Area 74 PI meeting.
Meeting starts at 700 pm CST

The Meeting is always on the last Wednesday of the month.

The focus of the meeting is to come together to share ideas on how to carry the message to the still suffering alcoholic and how the Area can be of service to your District.

Any question contact Shane S – Area 74 PI Chair [715-497-0650](tel:7154970650) pi@area74.org

DELEGATE TRAVELING ROAD SHOW! “Delegate’s Report on the General Service Conference and More”

July 14th , 2:00pm: District 2, Solutions Club, 621Evans Street, Oshkosh, WI

July 26 th , 5:00pm: District 17, 401 Kimberly Street, Iron Mountain, WI

July 27 th , 3:00pm, District 12, Serenity Club,10339S. Florida Ave, Hayward, WI

For More Information Contact:
02dcm@area.74.org
12dcm@area74.org
17dcm@area74.org
delegate@area74.org

Western Wisconsin Traveling **POTLUCK**

Hosted by
Saturday Night Alive
JULY 13TH @ CLUB 12

Social Hour 4:30-5:30pm

Dinner 5:30pm

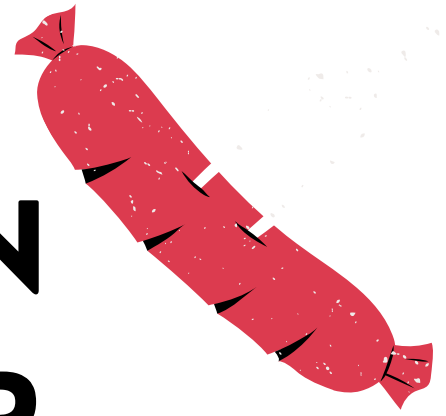
Alanon Speaker Rachel Z 6:45pm

AA Speaker Brett Z 8pm

Please bring a dish to share



Charcoal chicken and potato salad will be provided



AA OPEN SPEAKER MEETING

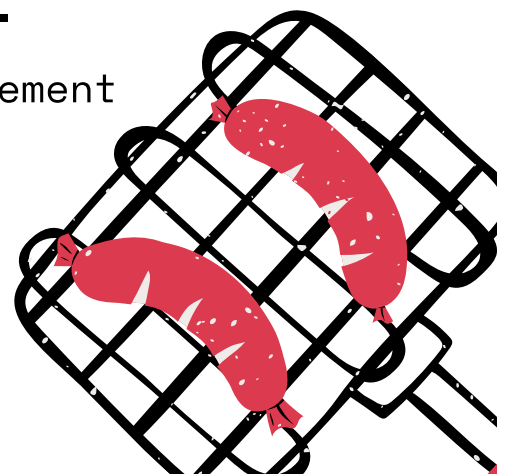
Hosted By:
One Day, One Step Women's Meeting

Friday, August 23rd, 2024

Food starts at 6:00 pm
Speakers start at 7:00 pm

Speakers:
Pamela K. & Ron K.

Holy Trinity Church Basement
510 Church RD.
Casco, WI 54205



SAVE THE DATE
SATURDAY, AUGUST 3, 2024
AA WORKSHOP

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

Topics to include:

AA service structure

Sponsorship

AA Traditions

Join District 18 in exploring what makes AA work.

Holiday Inn, 1951 US 41, Marquette, MI

Suggested donation - \$10 More details to come

District 16 Harbortown
Alcoholics Anonymous Inter-Group
Saturday, September 21, 2024
100 Cane Court, Ontonagon, MI

4pm - Corrections Meeting

5pm - GSR Meeting

6pm - Pot Luck Dinner

7pm – Speakers

Come one, come all, to the beautiful
Harbor Town of Ontonagon
Enjoy a wonderful Pot Luck Dinner!
Bring a dish to share!

DIRECTIONS:

Drive through town on River Street; turn R onto Houghton Street.

Follow Houghton St six blocks to the Ontonagon
Housing Commission sign. Turn R on Prehnite Street.

Follow Prehnite three blocks to Cane Court.

Park in lot to the north.

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January 10th-12th 2025

Sheraton Milwaukee/Brookfield Hotel

375 South Moorland Rd. Brookfield, WI 53005



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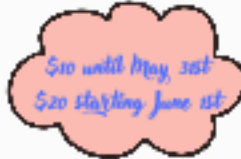
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Reg Chair: Steph G. (262)-443-6092

Co-Chair: Anya I. (414)-242-6968

Area Treatment and Accessabilities Committee Meeting

Hello Area 74,

The area treatment and accessabilities committee needs your help. Our goal as a committee is to carry the message to the still suffering alcoholics in treatment settings and make Alcoholics Anonymous more accessible to those who need it. Bill and Bob did a great amount of their service work in hospitals and treatment settings. They were willing to sacrifice their time to make the message accessible to those who needed it and had success in helping others get free from this disease. Being a part of a committee offers fellowship, spiritual growth, and an opportunity to help others along the way. If you are looking to be of service, please email treatment@area74.org or join our monthly committee meeting on zoom on the 4th Friday of the month at 6PM.

Zoom ID: 5348299691

Zoom Password: h4z1FR



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Lenguaje del corazón
Le langage du cœur

INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

July 3–6, 2025 | Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada

June 5, 2024

Hello General Service Conference Members!

I have received word that there is some misinformation being broadly shared that all the hotel rooms are already sold out for the 2025 International Convention in Vancouver.

As your 2025 International Convention Coordinator, I can assure you that this is NOT true.

Let's collectively take a deep meditative breath.

An important reminder is that online registration and housing will open on **September 10, 2024**. In addition, our print registration and housing forms are being prepared for distribution during the summer.

For all the latest information about the 2025 International Convention please visit the original source of communications coming from your General Service Office by visiting our website at <https://www.aa.org/international-convention>. The following is from our current FAQs.

1. *Can I book housing on my own?*

As for previous international conventions, **we have blocked and negotiated rates for our convention hotel and dorm rooms**. For the 2025 International Convention some of our policies and procedures have changed to accommodate specific conditions in Vancouver and to facilitate overall fairness in access to convention housing. **You may still try to make your own private housing arrangements but would not have access to our convention housing block unless you book through the convention site on September 10, 2024.**

As in past conventions, registration and housing are linked. Meaning that you cannot request convention housing without being registered and you cannot request or reserve more than 2 rooms of our convention housing inventory.

We strongly suggest you book housing as you register for the convention to take advantage of our special convention room rates.

We look forward to being together again in Vancouver, Canada at the 2025 International Convention.

Patrick C.

2025 International Convention Coordinator/General Service Office of A.A.

20205ic@aa.org

General Service Office of Alcoholics Anonymous

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HIGHLIGHT

90th Anniversary International Convention — *Vancouver 2025!*

Next year over the Fourth of July weekend (July 3–6, 2024), A.A. members from around the world will be converging on Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada to celebrate A.A.'s 90th birthday with a broad spectrum of sobriety-related meetings, panels, and workshops on what we are calling the 2025 Vancouver Convention Campus, that includes the Vancouver Convention Centre, the BC Place stadium and other locations throughout the city of Vancouver.

Held in different locations every five years, A.A.'s International Conventions have been hosted in U.S. and Canadian cities with cultures and personalities as varied as the alcoholics who travel to them for the celebration, and in Vancouver some 50,000 attendees will celebrate not only their own sobriety and newfound lives, but also their great desire to pass on the message of recovery to another alcoholic who may not yet have heard that there is hope.

The theme of the 2025 International Convention will be “Language of the Heart” — a phrase from A.A.'s basic text, *Alcoholics Anonymous*, recognizing the importance of our twelfth suggestion: Carry this message to other alcoholics!

Over the years, many nonalcoholic professionals have addressed the Convention as guest speakers on a wide range of important topics, and hundreds of other meetings will share the diverse experience, strength and hope of A.A. members from around the world.

Professionals who would like to find out more about the Convention may contact the International Convention Desk at the General Service Office of A.A.: (212) 870-2025, or access G.S.O.'s A.A. website at www.aa.org/international-convention. Members of the media may contact the Public Information Desk at (212) 870-3119. ■



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