



# The Chronicle

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A message of experience, strength, and hope on  
Step 4: Made a searching and fearless moral inventory of  
ourselves

To tell the truth, this step WAS and IS the worst step I have ever completed. I started drinking again, not to Feel, not to Fit in, not to Forget, not to Function. I restarted to not care. After steps one, two, and three, I started to feel as if a danger were looming ahead. I took out paper and pencil and started to scrawl out notes according to the work sheet supplied by The Big Book. While at work, I would type notes in my phone. The more I thought about step four, the more it was like opening Pandoras Box in the slowest of motion. I was waiting for the lid to fly open in like one of those cheesy horror movies. Not Caring was slowly and systematically destroyed the more meetings I attended and my first retreat. Emotions and attitudes escaped in a torrent flood. I was unable to contain or write fast enough to rid myself of the pain and angst. From that day forward, I made a conscience effort to rid myself of making resentments and following the program to the best of my ability. I was told in a meeting once, that if I did not create any resentments, I would not have to make any amends. This was a novel concept for me. It was never told to me or explained to me my entire life except for that one night at an AA meeting. I realized then that those words were the easiest ones to follow. It is so simple. After that, following the Principles seemed to get easier and easier as time went on. Everything Happens for a reason; Now I understand the concept and I do not have to invent ways to rid myself of myself.

-Steven W.

A message of experience, strength, and hope on

Tradition 4: Each group should be autonomous except in matters affecting other groups or A.A. as a whole.

“Each group should be autonomous except in matters affecting other groups or AA as a whole autonomy is a ten-dollar word. But in relations to us, it means very simply that every AA group can manage its affairs exactly as it pleases, except when AA as a whole is threatened.”  
Taken from 12x12.

Autonomy, sounds like a simple concept, right? In our AA history it was pointed out that in our “group think” we can complicate a simple idea. Hence the birth of AA’s Rule 62. Rule 62 comes from a group that complicated the rules of their group to include 61 rules. When one of the members looked to the General Service Office for advice, they came back with a note that said Rule # 62 “Don’t take yourself too damn seriously”.

Good advice for each of us and our groups. AA allows us freedom to explore and fail, as a group or an individual. The steps are suggested as a program of recovery. Our AA preamble remind us the only requirement for membership is a desire to stop drinking. Rule 62 is always a good reminder it is okay to have fun in sobriety. We are not a glum lot. When I first came into the rooms you all told me that you would laugh at me until I could laugh at myself. Oh, what a journey it’s been to trudge the road to happy destiny.

-Carol P.

**Upcoming Fellowship & Service Opportunities**

**District 09 GSR meeting**

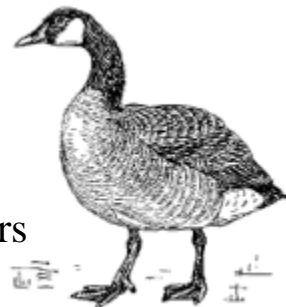
May 7// 2PM// United Methodist Church 314 Main St. Suring, WI

**Area 74 Winter Assembly**

April 8// Reiter Center 1858 S. Michigan Three Lakes, WI

**Oshkosh Host Committee Meeting for WICYPAA**

April 16// 4:30PM// Solutions Recovery 621 Evans St. Oshkosh, WI 54901// Committee chairs are open



### **Moose & Goose Corrections Literature Benefit**

April 15// 5PM social hour// 6PM potluck// 7:30PM speakers  
Needs volunteers// meat donations// silent auction items  
Activities Ham raffle// 50/50 raffle// silent auction  
Contact Fred B. 920-595-0062

### **Heartland Area Conference of Young People in AA (HACYPAA 7)**

April 7-9// Chula Vista Resort WIS Dells  
<https://hacypaa-7.square.site/>

### **Area 74 Spring Conference**

May 19-21// Radisson Hotel and Conference Center 2040 Airport  
Dr. Green Bay, WI  
Registration only \$20// add Banquet \$25  
Contact Kimberly 231-622-3743



## **RAFTYPAA 2023**

*On The Shore of Life!*

Thursday, June 1st -  
Sunday, June 4th  
Silver Cliff, WI

Kosir's Rapid Rafts & Campground//W14073 County Road C  
Silver Cliff, WI 54104//raftypaawi@gmail.com// Please do not call  
venue to pre-register for the conference// <https://raftypaa-wi.square.site>

# SPRING BBQ DINNER

at The Bridge

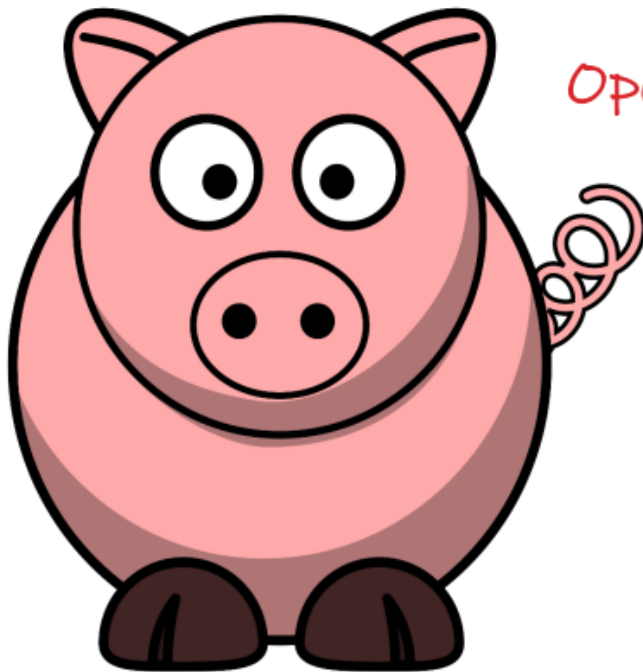
2514 Jenny Lane in Green Bay

*All are  
Welcome!*

**Saturday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>**

Fellowship at 4:30 pm

Pulled Pork Dinner served at 5:30 pm



*Open speaker to follow*

*Donations appreciated  
or bring a dish to pass -  
but not required!*

# Talent

Presented by:  
WICYPAA HOST

@ The  
Gratitude Club  
295 Ruggles st  
Fond du Lac, WI

April 22  
Speaker @7pm  
Talent show @8 pm

**Talent still needed!!!!!!**

For questions contact Savannah (920-205-4846)

shows





# 76<sup>th</sup> Superior Roundup

Serenity, Courage, Wisdom

April 21<sup>st</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, & 23<sup>rd</sup> 2023

Superior Fairgrounds Curling Club  
Superior, Wisconsin

## Friday

2:00 PM REGISTRATION OPENS  
3:00 PM OPEN AA MEETING  
7:00 PM AA SPEAKER Jaynee W. Eau Claire WI.  
ICE CREAM SOCIAL TO FOLLOW

Tickets \$25

\*Under 1 year sobriety free

## Saturday

8:00 AM REGISTRATION OPENS  
8:30 AM YOGA Y12SR  
10:30 AM WORKSHOP "FEAR" Tim W.  
1:00 PM YOUNG IN SOBRIETY PANEL Sara L.  
2:30 PM ALANON WORKSHOP  
4:00 PM AA OPEN MEETING  
6:30 PM ALANON COUNT DOWN  
6:45 PM ALANON SPEAKER JAMIE G. Herbster WI.  
7:45 PM AA COUNT DOWN  
8:00 PM AA SPEAKER Michael D. Sioux Falls SD.  
ICE CREAM SOCIAL TO FOLLOW



## Sunday

9:00 AM OPEN MEDITATION MEETING  
10:30 AM AA SPEAKER Dan H. Bovey MN.



### 76<sup>th</sup> Superior Roundup Registration Form

Please mail checks to: Superior Roundup PO Box 1287, Superior, WI 54880

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Number of tickets \_\_\_\_\_ x \$25 ea. = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

**DISTRICT 09 GSR MEETING**  
**MARCH 5, 2023**  
**OCONTO, WI**

Paul Y. opened the meeting at 2:02 pm. with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer. The Traditions were read by Norm F. and introductions made. A sign-in sheet was passed; there were 11 members in attendance, representing Shawano, Porterfield, Gillett, Suring, Oconto, Marinette, Coleman, and Lakewood in WI and Menominee, MI.

**Secretary Report:** The minutes from the last District 09 Meeting from February 2023 were approved and accepted.

**Treasurer Report:** Dan L. was not present and therefore, there was no Treasurer's Report.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

DCM, Paul Y., reported the Delegates Workshop will take place on Saturday, 03/11/2023, at the Reiter Center with the Winter Assembly to take place on Saturday, 04/08/2023, at the Reiter Center in Three Lakes, WI. Paul said the Annual Moose and Goose will take place in Seymour, WI on Saturday, 04/15/2023. Lastly, Paul reported the Area 74 Spring Conference will take place from 05/19/2023 – 05/21/2023 at the Radisson Hotel in Green Bay, WI.

Paul shared that he is assigned to the Archives Committee as the DCM at the Area. Paul said they discussed anonymity on the monthly DCM call. Paul said he found it interesting to note that in the Archives Workbook that as far as anonymity is concerned it states that "while adhering to the tradition of first name and last initial may be preferable, confusion can occur where two or even three people can have the same first name and last initial." We discussed not printing last names in the District Newsletter to keep with our tradition of anonymity.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**ARCHIVES:** Ross P. absent. No report given.

**PUBLIC INFORMATION:** Carol P. said she would like to take a display rack that Norm F. has put together for the District.

**CORRECTIONS:** Corrections Chair position is open. No report given.

**NEWSLETTER:** Jolene B. reported she sent out her first newsletter. Jolene asked about subscriptions to the Chronicle. Paul said that Todd E. is going to send out the District Guidelines and we will then have a discussion about subscriptions to the Chronicle at that time. It was discussed that District 09 had made a motion in the past to discontinue the hardcopy of the Chronicle being sent out.

**ARCHIVES:** Ross P. absent. No report given.

**GRAPEVINE:** Mike H. said he is open to setting up the District 09 Grapevine display for a Group or Intergroup if contacted.

**TREATMENT:** Treatment Chair position is open. No report given. Janet P. is interested in taking on the Treatment Chair position. Dee from Lakewood said she would be interested in helping Janet with the Treatment Committee.

**WEBSITE:** ([www.district09aa.org](http://www.district09aa.org)) Todd E. reported we have 38 meetings listed on the website. Todd said he added 2 new meetings to the website this past month and 14 events are listed on the website. Todd said he replaced the Business Minute page with the Chronicle. He added Jolene B. to the Newsletter on the website contact page. Todd also added the monthly District 09 GSR meeting list schedule to the Resource Page.

**GSR SHARING**

Mary C. said the meeting at the Carter Casino had been closed for over a year but is now back open on Tuesdays at 7 pm. The Backdoor Group on Thursday nights is held at the First Presbyterian Church in Lakewood. Janet P. said the Mustard Seed group is a new women's meeting held on Monday nights at 5:30 pm. at the Alano Club in Menominee, Michigan. A speaker meeting is held at this group on the first Monday of the month. Mike H. said there are three meetings held in Oconto on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays. Todd E. said meetings are doing good with numbers in Shawano. Todd said the new recovery center in Shawano has meetings and they are listed on the website. Dar from Oconto said the AA annual picnic will be held at City Park south of Oconto on 06/24/2023.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Paul Y. said the old business is he spoke with the DCM from District 10, Joanne S. and that we do not have a place to hold the combined two district workshop at this time. Paul said this workshop may not be feasible to hold in Spring and may need to be moved to Fall.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**The Next GSR Meeting will be held at 2:00 pm, Sunday, April 2, 2023, at St. Augustine Church, located at 507 Church Street in Wausauke, WI**

We closed the District 09 Meeting with the Responsibility Statement at 3:08pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Sara P.

District 09 Secretary

**FINANCIAL REPORT FEBRUARY 2023**

Beginning Balance	2087.56
Service Fee	-4.00
I Power website	-215.28
I Power backup	-19.99
DCM Draw	-300.00
Service Manuals	-60.00
Literature racks/pamphlets	-76.17
Balance	1412.12
Earmarks	-700.00
Liquid Assets	712.12
Petty Cash	86.00
Basket	+26.00
Church Rent	-20.00
Petty Cash Balance	87.00

Thank you Red River Room Shawano, Lakewood Backdoor Group Lakewood WI, & Wausauke 12 Steps North Group Wausauke WI for your donations!

**What's  
Happening In  
AA:**



Taken from [aagrapevine.org/armed-forces-interview-project](http://aagrapevine.org/armed-forces-interview-project)

The Trustees' Committee on Cooperation with the Professional Community/Treatment and Accessibilities is seeking A.A. members in the U.S. and Canadian Armed Forces to discuss their experience, strength, and hope as sober members of A.A. in the military in recorded anonymity-protected interviews. The goal of this effort is to improve A.A. outreach to members in the U.S. and Canadian military. Interested military members can volunteer or get more information about this project by writing to [militaryoutreach@aa.org](mailto:militaryoutreach@aa.org)



## **7<sup>th</sup> Tradition Donations**

### **District 09:**

Dan L.

W5820 N. Beach Blvd

Shawano, WI 54166

### **Area 74:**

Area 74 Treasurer

PO Box 171

Manistique, MI 49854

(include group name & number)

### **GSO:**

PO Box 2407

James A Farley Station

New York, NY 10116-2407

OR

[contribution.aa.org](http://contribution.aa.org)

## **How to contact your district committee members**

[district@district09aa.org](mailto:district@district09aa.org) for DCM,  
ALT DCM, Secretary, Treasurer,  
Grapevine, Public Information,  
Website, and Archives

OR

Show up to the next District 09 GSR  
meeting listed above with your  
questions, concerns, ideas, and to  
get involved in service work!

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