



# The Chronicle

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To the District 09 AA member,

I am an alcoholic and your newsletter committee chair member; my name is Jolene. I have been blessed to be able to jump in the middle of a rotation and serve district 09 since March of 2023. I am just as excited to carry out AA's primary purpose in this next full two-year rotation that I have been trusted with at the last elections. I hope many of you have enjoyed reading about the experience, strength, and hope on steps and traditions AA members, throughout Wisconsin, Michigan, and Illinois, have contributed to The Chronicle. Also, I want to recognize those who have shared their stories on certain topics in AA or service experiences. Thank you for taking the time to contribute to these efforts, often on short notice. Your service is essential to reach the newcomer or the sick and suffering alcoholic today.

For this next year, I have plans to slightly change the content of The Chronicle. Rather than focusing on the corresponding month's step or tradition, I would like to open the newsletter for AA members to contribute on a variety of experiences. For example, stories on avoiding a relapse, emotional sobriety, AA history, and so on. Letters or pieces from our district's committee chair members on what they are working on presently, past, future, or dreams for that area of service will be sought out. These are my ambitions for this coming year. However, we all know that God laughs when we make plans.

Finally, I have a few reminders to highlight. The newsletter can be found online at <a href="mailto:district09aa.org">district09aa.org</a>. There are committee chairs that need to be filled within the district. The next district meeting is on January 7<sup>th</sup> at Faith Presbyterian Church 806 Fritzie Ave Crivitz, WI at 2pm. Where to send 7<sup>th</sup> Tradition donations may change in the next few months, please be on the look out for that. Be sure to look at the many events already planned for 2024. The section on "upcoming fellowship and service" is ever changing. Send event information, meeting information, stories, and the like to <a href="mailto:09thechronicle@gmail.com">09thechronicle@gmail.com</a>

Yours in service, Jolene B.

# <u>Upcoming AA Fellowship & Service</u> <u>Opportunities</u>

#### **District 09 GSR meetings**

January 7, 2024// 2PM// Faith Presbyterian Church 806 Fritzie Ave Crivitz February 4, 2024// 2PM// Peace United Church 208 E. Maurer St Shawano March 3, 2024// 2PM// 1st American Luth. Church 511 Madison St Oconto April 7, 2024// 2PM// St. Augustine Church 507 Church St Wausaukee May 5, 2024// 2PM// United Methodist Church 314 Main St Suring June 2, 2024// 2PM// Alano Club 2218 13th St Menominee July 7, 2024// 2PM// Faith Presbyterian Church 806 Fritzie Ave Crivitz August 4, 2024// 2PM// Peace United Church 208 E. Maurer St Shawano September 8, 2024// 2PM// 1st American Church 511 Madison Oconto October 6, 2024// 2PM// St. Augustine Church 507 Church St Wausaukee November 3, 2024// 2PM// United Methodist Church 314 Main St Suring December 2024 no meeting

#### **Trustees' Literature Committee seeking stories**

What: Do you think you're different pamphlet being updated

When: Submit your story by April 30, 2024

Where: https://www.aa.org/news-and-announcements

Why: to better represent diversity

\*\*\*\*\*\*Zoom Information for all Area 74 meetings available in the Now & Then newsletter. Contact <u>area74newsletter@gmail.com</u> for your subscription. \*\*\*\*\*\*\*

#### **Delegates Workshop & Area Committee Meeting**

March 2, 2024// St. Stephen Lutheran Church Wausau

#### **Conference Delegates Past**

February 9-11, 2024// Area 22 Muncie, IN. Register at area22indiana.org

Winter Assembly

March 30, 2024// Quality Inn Rhinelander

#### **Area Assembly & Area Committee Meeting**

May 18-19, 2024// Ashland

#### **ECR Conference**

June 7-9, 2024// MI State Convention Grand Rapids, MI

#### **Area Committee Meeting (Optional)**

August 3, 2024// Virtual

#### **Area Assembly Meeting & Area Committee Meeting**

September 14-15, 2024// Holiday Inn Stevens Point Register at https://www.aawidistrict04.org/event/area-74-2024-fall-conference/

#### **Fall Assembly**

October 12, 2024// Quality Inn Rhinelander

#### **Area Committee Meeting**

December 7, 2024// Virtual

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#### **AA Winterfest Potluck**

February 24, 2024//Food, fellowship, speakers//5-8pm//Marshfield Wildwood Pavillion 1800 S Roddis Ave, Marshfield, WI

#### **Open Speaker Meeting and Pizza**

January 20, 2024// 6pm// Immanuel Lutheran Church 21 W. Timber Dr. Rhinelander, WI

#### Women's Recovery Workshop

Step 2: Restore Us To Sanity// February 3, 2024//12 - 4pm// The Bridge, Green Bay, WI

#### **Save the Date**

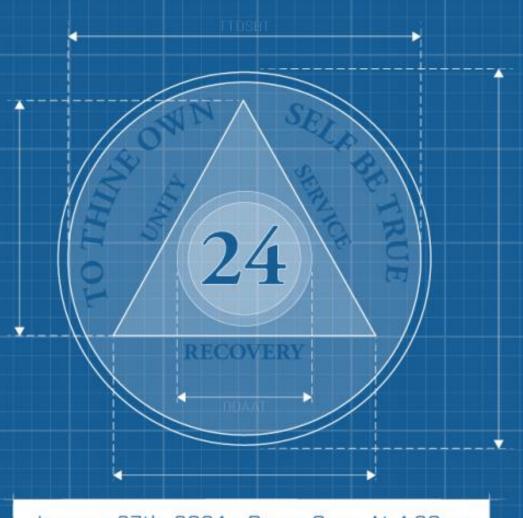
\*July 3-6, 2025 Convention Centre and BC Place Stadium in Vancouver, BC, Canada

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

District 09: Dan L.W5820 N. Beach Blvd Shawano, WI 54166

<u>Area 74:</u> 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



January 27th, 2024 · Doors Open At 4:30pm

# District 1 INTERGROUP



Redeemer Lutheran Church • 210 S Oneida St, Green Bay, WI

AA SPEAKER:

AL-ANON SPEAKER:

→ EMILY S. ←

→ LISA V. ←

WELCOME & FELLOWSHIP: 4:30pm - 5:00pm,

DINNER: 5:00pm - 6:00pm

COUNTDOWN & RAFFLE DRAWINGS: 8:00pm

Contact MELANIE B. AT 920-360-9240 For Raffle Donations Or Service Opportunities 🦇

# Area 74 Spring Conference May 17-19,2024

# Life will take on new meaning!

AmericInn , 3009 Lake Shore Drive E.

Ashland, Wisconsin 54806 715-682-9950

Room Rate - \$129.99 plus tax per night, Includes Hot breakfast Room and Water Park

Pass! Room Rate held until April 17, 2024 www.americinn.com/hotels/wi/ashland

- Friday Night events include current Delegate's Story of Recovery and service,
   Musical Jam Session, almost world famous Tetzner's Ice Cream and alkathon!
- Saturday events include Delegate's Report, Standing Committee Open House, Panels, speakers, Banquet, Entertainment and Alkathon!

Sunday events include Spiritual Speaker, Area Committee Meeting, and farewells.

Name \_\_\_\_\_\_\_One registration form per person.

Address \_\_\_\_\_
City \_\_\_\_\_\_State \_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_Phone #\_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_
Registration Free if one year or less of sobriety. Banquet is \$25.00 if free registration

applies. \*\*\*\* Please still send in a registration.\*\*\*\*

Registration Only = \$15.00

OR

Registration and Banquet = \$40.00

Amount Enclosed- \$\_\_\_\_\_

Please note here any special needs we can help with.

Banquet registration must be received by May 1st, 2024

Make checks payable to - District 13 Area 74 Conference Mail to Area 74 Conference 11090 E. Lund Rd. Maple,WI 54854 Questions - Call Marty 715-363-2418



#### **Subscriptions**

The Chronicle may be sent free through e-mail by contacting <a href="mailto:09thechronicle@gmail.com">09thechronicle@gmail.com</a>
Content, questions, suggestions are welcome.



\*\*\*Registration open online at wicypaa31.com\*\*\*



# Join us for a FELLOWSHIP of the SPIRIT

# February 10, 2024 The Bridge Commons

What is the AA Fellowship? How do you become part of it? How does the fellowship impacted my recovery?

Breakfast and Fellowship: 8:00 - 8:30

Discussion and Meeting: 8:30 - 9:30

• Feel free to bring a breakfast dish to pass
• Come to enjoy hearing about AA fellowship

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1:30 PM

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## Before you go!

\*\*\*There are no new meeting minutes or financial report as no GSR meeting was held in December 2023.

\*\*\*Contact your District Members at district09aa.org or come to the next GSR meeting listed above under "Fellowship and Service Opportunities"

DCM: Mary C. Alternate DCM: Open

Secretary: Sara P. Treasurer: Jim H.

Archives: Ross P. Corrections: Open

Grapevine: Mike H. Newsletter: Jolene B.

PI Chair: Carol P. Treatment: Dee E.

Webmaster: Todd E. Literature: Norm F.

\*\*\*View the district's website at district09aa.org

\*\*\*Check out this letter and questionnaire from the Trustee's Literature Committee.

#### **General Service Office of Alcoholics Anonymous**

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

Please direct all communications to:

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

November 13, 2023

#### Dear Trusted Servants:

A.A.'s Co-Founder, Bill W., in his 1953 address to the General Service Conference, stated that he did not consider himself the author of *Alcoholics Anonymous*, the Big Book (*Our Great Responsibility*, p. 92). He also alluded to the fact that in the various A.A. literature published prior to his passing, he borrowed heavily from other sources, and that other A.A. members made significant contributions.

On the other hand, addressing the historical context of some of the writings of our Founders, many members in our Fellowship have expressed strong sentiment against any changes in the first 164 pages of *Alcoholics Anonymous*, the Big Book, as well as the Preface, the Forewords, The Doctor's Opinion, Doctor Bob's Nightmare, and the Appendices. In fact, as early as 1995 and most recently in 2022, Advisory Actions designed to protect the above-referenced contents have been passed by the General Service Conference.

In response to a Committee Consideration from the 73rd General Service Conference suggesting that trustees' Literature Committee seek input from the Fellowship (including but not limited to Area delegate feedback) regarding any possible future changes to literature written by A.A.'s Founders, the trustees' Literature committee agreed it would be beneficial to gather shared experience from the Fellowship regarding this topic.

We would like to hear from you – the top of the triangle! While we hope that the suggested questions will help to spark thoughtful sharing and discussion, please feel free to add questions that we may not have thought of that you feel may best inform the discussion. Most of all, we are grateful for and thank you for your participation.

In fellowship,

The trustees' Literature Committee (2023-2024)

Attachment: Suggested Questions

# HOW SHOULD WE TREAT A.A. FOUNDERS' WRITINGS SUGGESTED QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION

1. Do you think that A.A. Founders would object to or embrace revisions to their writings? If yes, why? If not, why?
2. Do you think the Founders' writings are effective in reaching new members? If not, what measures do you think can be taken to resolve this issue?
3. What reasons would you consider for changing our Founders' writings?
4. How do you feel about changing A.A. Founders' writings to replace outdated references?
5. What suggestions do you have for preserving the Founders' writings, along with keeping pace with our current A.A. Society and its future?
6. Should there be a special Conference process for approval of changes to our Founders' writings? (e.g., super, or qualified majority – 75%, and/or 2-year consideration process.)
7. What additional ideas, thoughts or suggestions can you share about changing or not changing the Founders' writings?

Note: Please be as concise as possible in your responses to the questions