



# The Chronicle

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## March 2025

### DISTRICT 09 GSR MEETING

### FEBRUARY 2, 2025

### SHAWANO, WI

Jim H. opened the meeting at 2 pm. with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer. Traditions were read and introductions were made. There were 9 members in attendance, representing Marinette, Porterfield, Shawano, and Oconto in WI.

**Secretary Report:** The minutes from the last District 09 Meeting from January in Crivitz were approved and accepted.

**Treasurer Report:** Dan L. was present and reviewed his Treasurer Report. The Treasurer Report was approved and accepted.

**Announcements:** An announcement was made about a recovery event being held on Saturday, 02/15/2025 at the Menominee Alano Club from 5 pm. – 9 pm. There will be a speaker, Lindy H., on codependency, a spaghetti dinner, and games. On Friday, 02/28/2025, there will be a Archives Presentation at Nativity of our Lord Church in Ashwaubenon from 6 pm. – 8:30 pm.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

**ARCHIVES:** Ross P. said John N. gave him a folder about the History of AA in Northeast Wisconsin to add to the District 09 Archives. Ross said he is willing to put up the Archives Display at any District event he is asked to.

**CORRECTIONS:** Open position.



**GRAPEVINE:** Mike H. stated he has nothing new to report. Mike said if anyone would like the Grapevine display set up at a District event to please let him know.

**NEWSLETTER:** Jolene B. absent but Sara P. read a report from her stating, “The newsletter has interest from another AA member. We will be meeting soon to talk about how they can help with the newsletter. Todd and I have been emailing about the newsletter being inaccessible via the website. There are multiple months with the PDF version of the newsletter posted and this works. Thank you Todd. But there are still a few months or older issues that offer a website link that does not bring you to the newsletter. Hopefully these can be updated. Please let me know if I can help in any way.”

**PUBLIC INFORMATION:** Carol P. present but said she had nothing new to report.

**TREATMENT:** Open position.

**WEBSITE:** ([www.district09aa.org](http://www.district09aa.org)) Todd E. reported we have 39 meetings listed on the website. Todd said he updated the website Event page and changed the location of the Lakewood meeting. Todd reported he paid the IPower yearly renewal and backup of \$349.80. He said this is a price increase of \$50.88 from last year. Todd would like to update the billing information with the district debit card. Todd said there was a problem with opening January’s Chronicle on phone apps but he got it corrected and February’s is working good. Todd said he received an email from Anthony P. from District 01 Bridging the Gap and he will pass along the information to Mike or someone from Oconto. Todd was reimbursed for the IPower bill of \$349.80.

### **GSR SHARING**

Ross P. said the Sunday night group in Shawano has about 5-7 people and the Tuesday night group in Shawano has been pretty steady. Ross said there hasn’t been anybody new attending but the newcomers from not too long ago keep coming back. Todd said he is the GSR for Wednesday night in Shawano. Todd said he hasn’t been there is two weeks but reported they have 6-8 people attend and they do have new people show up. Mark is the GSR from the Red River Room in Shawano on Saturday mornings. Mark said his group started discussing the Shawano Intergroup. Todd has seed money and guidelines from past Intergroups held in



Shawano. Todd said he has \$400 seed money. Carol said her group in Marinette lost a 96 year old woman with 53 years of sobriety, Jan Ross. Mike said he is the GSR for the Monday, Wednesday, Friday groups in Oconto. He said Oconto takes the holidays off but said numbers are starting to creep back up again.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

There was no Old Business.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Jim reported he was able to get Zoom on his phone. Jim plans to attend some of the upcoming Area events by zoom. We discussed the upcoming Area 74 schedule and plan to look at the agenda items at next month's district meeting.

**The Next GSR Meeting will be held at 2:00 pm, Sunday, March 2, 2025, at 1 st American Lutheran Church located at 511 Madison Street in Oconto, WI.**

We closed the District 09 Meeting at 2:32 pm. with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Sara P.

District 09 Secretary

## **District Committee Member Report**

Greetings fellow travelers. This has been an exciting month. Winter is playing games. I have neighbors that are keeping up with the snow. I have hibernated many weekends. The big holiday brought things to my friends. The program was my lifesaver this month. I wrestled with demons and let God win. I pray that each of you keep God centered. Many blessings.

– Just Jim

District 09, Area 74 DCM



## February 2025 Report on District 09 AA Treasury

The last statement from Associated Bank is dated 02/01/2025 to 02/28/2025

The beginning balance is \$1266.23

Group Donations \$396.60

Petty cash is \$14.00

Website IPower -\$349.80

Service Fee -4.00

Grand total is \$1309.03

Donations: Thank You

Cater Springs Group Carter WI

Lakewood Backdoor Group Lakewood WI

Monday Noon Group Marinette WI

Wednesday Noon 12x12 Group Menominee MI

Report prepared by Dan L.

Treasurer District 09

W5820 N. Beach Blvd

Shawano, WI 54166



## Upcoming AA Fellowship & Service Opportunities

**\*\*\*2025 District 09 GSR Meetings\*\*\***

*All meetings start at 2pm*

**MARCH 2nd:**

**1st American Lutheran Church  
511 Madison Street  
Oconto, WI**

**JULY 13th:**

**Faith Presbyterian Church  
806 Fritzie Avenue  
Crivitz, WI**

**APRIL 6th:**

**Good Shepherd Lutheran Church  
331 Pine Street  
Peshtigo, WI**

**AUGUST 3rd:**

**Peace United Church  
208 E. Maurer Street  
Shawano, WI**

**MAY 4th:**

**United Methodist Church  
314 Main Street  
Suring, WI**

**SEPTEMBER 7<sup>th</sup>:**

**1st American Lutheran Church  
511 Madison Street  
Oconto, WI**

**JUNE 1st:**

**Alano Club  
2218 13th Street  
Menominee, MI**

**OCTOBER 5th:**

**Good Shepherd Lutheran Church  
331 Pine Street  
Peshtigo, WI**

**NOVEMBER 2nd:**

**United Methodist Church  
314 Main Street  
Suring, WI**

**DECEMBER**

**No Meeting**

**The Chronicle seeking committee members**

Are you seeking the secret of service? Then come join the newsletter committee for District 09. Contact Jolene B. 715-927-0171 No special skills required.



## **12 Traditions Workshop**

April 26, 2025 from 9AM to 4:30PM at the 2617 Club 1578 Strongs Ave Stevens Point, WI 54481 Zoom Available with more info on the District 04 website

## **Green Bay Bid for WICYPAA XXXIV**

Seeking committee chairs and members at large to be of service on the bid committee. Next business meeting is 3/23/25. Be of service! Join in unity! Grow in recovery! Contact us for more details Jolene B. 715-927-0171 or Amanda B. 920-248-2695

## **Afternoon Light**

GSR, New GSR, and potential GSR Workshop on April 26 1pm to 3:30pm at First Congregational Church 724 E. So. River St. Appleton, WI Hosted by District 02

## **Delegates Workshop**

3/8/25 Wausau, WI

## **Area 74 Standing Committee Workshop**

4/11/25 Rhinelander, WI

## **Area 74 Assembly**

4/12/25 Rhinelander, WI

## **Area 74 Spring Conference**

5/16-5/18/25 Sturgeon Bay, WI

## **Area 74 Area Committee Meeting**

7/12/25 Reiter Center

## **East Central Regional Conference**

8/22/25-8/24/25 Indianapolis, IN

## **Area 74 Standing Committee Workshop**

10/17/25 Rhinelander, WI

## **Area 74 Election Assembly**

10/18/25 Rhinelander, WI



# 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

**Registration**  
**\$45** Includes all 3 days  
Bottomless coffee mug  
1st 200 Registrations

FULL NAME \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_

**Saturday Night Plated Meal**  
**\$40**  
 Chicken  
 Pork  
 Salmon

AA  Al-Anon  Guest

**April 30th Deadline**

### Hospitality Sponsorship

Bill W. Scholarship Fund \_\_\_\_\_

Amount

Amount

Group Name

Direct Questions to: [springconference2025@yahoo.com](mailto:springconference2025@yahoo.com)



MEETING ID: 479-428-9816 - PASSWORD: 1212144



*U.P. Traveling Intergroup*

# Spring Into Recovery

**50/50 Raffle!**

**Door Prizes!**

**Great Fellowship!**

**In District 17  
Saturday April 5th**

Activity Times

- Corrections @ 3 p.m.
  - GSR Meeting @ 4 p.m.
  - Dinner @ 5 p.m.
  - Speakers @ 6 p.m.
- (Central Standard Time)

Location

First Lutheran Church  
1210 Stevenson Ave.  
Iron Mountain, MI



Chicken: "Fried and baked  
is what we will dish, bring some sides if  
you wish!"





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# The 12-Step Solution



## AA Workshop hosted by District 10

**Saturday, April 5, 2025**

Registration at 9 a.m.,  
including a continental breakfast.

Workshopping begins at 9:30 with  
Steps 1-3, continuing until 3 p.m. with  
the remaining 9 steps.

With special guest speaker  
Nicholas S., Area 74 Delegate

Buffet Lunch served at  
Noon, food and beverages  
will be provided.

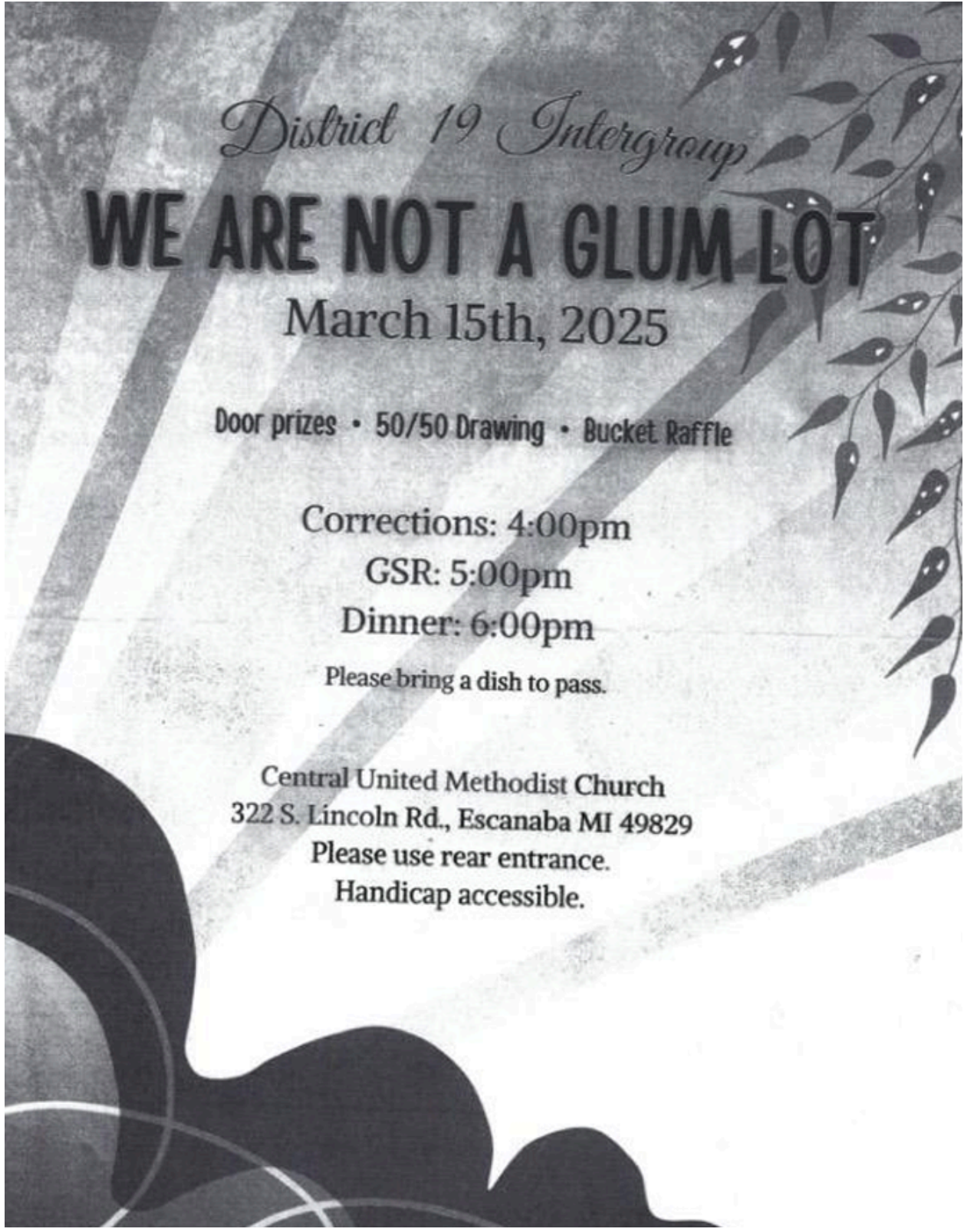
Literature will be available  
Courtesy of Area 74 Literature Chair



"The elevator's broken...  
we'll have to take  
the steps..."

Immanuel EV. Lutheran Church  
21 West Timber Dr.  
Rhinelander, WI.

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*District 19 Intergroup*

# **WE ARE NOT A GLUM LOT**

March 15th, 2025

Door prizes • 50/50 Drawing • Bucket Raffle

Corrections: 4:00pm

GSR: 5:00pm

Dinner: 6:00pm

Please bring a dish to pass.

Central United Methodist Church  
322 S. Lincoln Rd., Escanaba MI 49829

Please use rear entrance.

Handicap accessible.



## **Spring 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> 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 “5<sup>th</sup> steps” throughout the weekend in a private setting. **Attendees are encouraged to do as much of their 4<sup>th</sup> 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 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> 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**



# AA 2025 HOT TOPICS Panel Discussion

**Sunday 3/16  
12pm-3pm**

Serenity Club in Hayward, WI  
10339 S. Florida Ave

**HYBRID**

<https://meet.google.com/zva-pcqv-khd>

**Sponsored by AA District 12**



# ROCK THE RAFT



## RAFTYPAA

June 5-8th 2025

**PRE-REG \$20**  
include camping and firewood



Join us for an unforgettable RAFTYPAA weekend  
at Kosir's Rapid Raft in Silver Cliff, WI

- Bonfires
- Volleyball
- AA speakers
- Moonlight Karaoke
- Whitewater Rafting
- Dancing Under The Stars
- Yoga, Fellowship, AA panels  
and so much more!





*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](mailto: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)*

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Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_

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Special Dietary needs \_\_\_\_\_



## GRAPEVINE EDITORIAL CALENDAR 2025

- JAN**      **Spiritual Awakenings (stories due June 15, 2024)**  
Share your personal journey with Step Two. How did you find your Higher Power? Did you struggle with Step Two? What helped you? Tell us your experience.
- FEB**      **Long-time Members! (stories due July 15, 2024)**  
Let's hear from our long timers! What was AA like when you came in? What have you learned over the years? What have been your greatest challenges and joys? Share your stories.
- MARCH**      **Sober & Out (LGBTQ+ AA Stories) (stories due Aug. 15, 2024)**  
Are you a lesbian, gay, bisexual, queer or transgender AA member? Share your story about your journey in AA. What were your challenges and joys? What things have helped you get sober? Share some stories about your meetings, sponsorship, service and fellowship.
- APRIL**      **Making Amends (stories due Sept. 15, 2024)**  
Did you have an interesting Ninth Step experience to share? How did it go? Were there any surprises? Share your experience.  
Also **Living Sober Turns 50!** Share a story about how this remarkable AA book helped you.
- MAY**      **Young & Sober (stories due Oct. 15, 2024)**  
Did you come into AA at an early age? What was that like? What were the challenges? Do you go to Young People's AA (YPAA) meetings, dances or conferences? How have they helped you?
- JUNE**      **Annual Prison Issue (stories due Nov. 15, 2024)**  
Did you find AA in prison? What is sobriety like inside? What are meeting like? Are you involved in correspondence service or prison sponsorship? We are especially looking for stories by women in long-term custody.
- JULY**      **AA Around the World (Special International Convention Issue) (stories due Dec. 15, 2024)**  
The International Convention is upon us! We want to know what AA is like in other cities and countries around the globe. How is it different, how is it the same? Do you attend AA outside of the U.S. and Canada? Have you helped AA get started somewhere? Let's hear from you!
- AUG**      **Atheistic/Agnostic AA members' Stories (stories due Jan 15, 2025)**  
Do you have experience staying sober in AA as an atheist or agnostic? What have been your joys and challenges? We are looking for a variety of experiences. Please send us your stories
- SEPT**      **Gratitude (stories due Feb 15, 2025)**  
What were you like before AA, compared to what you're like today? How do you stay grateful now each day? Share some stories which illustrate your journey with gratitude now that you're sober.
- OCT**      **Technology & AA (stories due March 15, 2025)**  
Online meetings, hybrid meetings, smartphones, texting, meeting apps, social media...and yes, good old fashioned phone calls. How has technology helped your sobriety and changed the way you connect with your sponsor, sponsees and fellows?
- NOV**      **Classic Grapevine**  
Our favorite stories from the AA Grapevine Story Archive.
- DEC**      **Remote Communities (stories due May 15, 2025)**  
Are you involved in Remote Community service? Do you live far from AA meetings? Are you a loner? Stationed far away? Do you have a language or cultural barrier? Are you homebound? Do you use online meetings? Is it difficult to find AA meetings where you live? Tell us how you stay sober.  
**Sober Holidays! (stories due May 15, 2025)** December is a great time of year to reach out to alcoholics and help others. What are the ways you stay sane and grateful during the holidays and New Year's? How do you navigate holiday parties and family gatherings? Share your best sober holiday stories!



## Before you go!

\*\*\*Contact your District Members at [district@district09aa.org](mailto:district@district09aa.org)  
or come to the next GSR meeting listed above under  
“Fellowship and Service Opportunities”

DCM: Jim H.                      Alternate DCM: Barry C.

Secretary: Sara P.              Treasurer: Dan L.

Archives: Ross P.              Corrections: *OPEN*

Grapevine: Mike H.            Newsletter: Jolene B.

PI Chair: Carol P.              Treatment: *OPEN*

Webmaster: Todd E.          Literature: Norm F.

\*\*\*GSRs send your group members' sobriety anniversary dates to  
[09thechronicle@gmail.com](mailto:09thechronicle@gmail.com) to be published in the newsletter

\*\*\*Subscribe to The Chronicle: email [09thechronicle@gmail.com](mailto:09thechronicle@gmail.com)

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

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

Area 74: Area 74 Treasurer 813 E Harrison St Appleton, WI 54915 (include group  
name, number, location & point of contact)

GSO: PO Box 2407 James A Farley Station New York, NY 10116-2407 OR  
[contribution.aa.org](http://contribution.aa.org)





## March Sober Anniversaries

Hazel G 3/6/81

Jan D 3/8/72

Mark W 3/16/06

Mike W 3/16/06

Karl S 3/19/01

Richard H 3/21/92

Chuck L 3/23/83

Rick S 3/23/01

MJ 3/27/83

Jeff 3/29/01

### **I Got One For Ya.....**

“It’s not old behavior if I’m still doing it.”

– From a beloved District 09 member

### **What Happened Before Today?**

In 1953, a small group started in Oconto after being inspired by groups in Green Bay, Oconto Falls, and Gillett. They first met in homes and then found a place at the American Lutheran Church on Madison St. (Paul S., Area Historian, 1978)



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communications to:**

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

### **Announcing:**

**Three new items of literature now available from AAWS:**

**"Black in A.A." pamphlet, *Literature Workbook*,  
and *Reflexiones Diarias*, Large Print edition**

February 28, 2025

Dear AA friends,

We are delighted to announce that the following new items of A.A. literature are now available for purchasing:



(Item P-51)



(Item M-52i)



(Item SB-19)

- **"Black in A.A." pamphlet (Item P- 51) List Price \$.75**
- **"Les Noirs chez les AA" (Item FP-51) List Price. \$.45**
- **"Ser negro en AA" (Item SP-51) List Price \$.45**
- **Literature Workbook (Item M-52i) List Price \$6.00**
- **Reflexiones Diarias Large Print Edition (Item SB-19) List Price \$12.50**

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**As always, we encourage ordering all our items of literature from local groups, districts, areas, Intergroups and Central Offices, as they play a vital role in local Twelfth Step activities.**

*To go to the A.A.W.S. web store, [click here](#).*

With all best A.A. wishes,

David R.  
Publishing Director  
Director

Malini Singh.  
Director of Operations



## District 09 WEBSITE COMMITTEE

Would you like to keep updating our meeting list. Please complete below form.

New meeting \_\_\_\_\_ Existing meeting \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Meeting name \_\_\_\_\_

Group Number Yes\_\_ if yes number \_\_\_\_\_

Meeting Type Open\_\_\_ Closed\_\_\_ Day\_\_\_\_\_ Time\_\_\_\_\_

Other information \_\_\_\_\_

Is it Handicap Accessible? Yes\_\_\_ No\_\_\_

Meeting Location With name and address \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number \_\_\_\_\_

Would You like phone number viewable on website YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_

Please return District Meetings

Or e-mail To [webmaster@district09aa.org](mailto:webmaster@district09aa.org)

THANK YOU

DISTRICT 09