



# The Chronicle

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## April 2025

### DISTRICT 09 GSR MEETING

### MARCH 2, 2025

### OCONTO, WI

Jim H. opened the meeting at 2:02 pm. with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer. Traditions were read and introductions were made. There were 15 members in attendance, representing Marinette, Peshtigo, Porterfield, Coleman, Shawano, Lakewood, Gillett, and Oconto in WI.

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

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

**Announcements:** An announcement was made about a WICYPAA event being held on Sunday, 03/23/2025 at the Bridge in Green Bay at 4 pm. Carol P. said The Chronicle had an interesting tidbit in it that the church we were holding the District Meeting in today at American Lutheran Church in Oconto had an AA meeting started in 1953.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**ARCHIVES:** Ross P. absent.

**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. said Todd E. corrected several issues of The Chronicle from later in 2024 that were not bringing you to the newsletter from the website. Jolene said an AA member had shown interest in getting involved with the newsletter a while ago but nothing came about with it.



**PUBLIC INFORMATION:** Carol P. stated she is still posting the QR code around for people to find meetings.

**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 there are 11 events listed. He said he changed the billing information on IPower.

### **GSR SHARING**

Barry C. said the Sunday night meeting in Peshtigo is getting pretty big and has about 15-16 people attending. Barry said they are looking forward to hosting the District 09 Meeting next month. Norm F. said the Monday Gillett meeting has had an influx in increased people attending the meeting. Norm said it has went from 5-7 people attending to 12-14 people. He said a lot of new people, a lot of hurting, and they are showing them what a wonderful life of sobriety is. Todd E. said his group on Wednesday nights in Shawano averages 6-8 people and occasionally has a new person. Todd said he has all the information from the Shawano Intergroup. Mary C. said the group in Carter doesn't have many people attend. Mary said they have 3-6 people but with summer they will have more. She said the meeting at the library in Lakewood has 6-8 people. Mary said the new library is a beautiful building. Tanner said the Alcohol Addicts Group held at the Oconto Recovery Center has about 5-7 people on Wednesdays and 5-8 people on Saturdays. Mike H. said he is the GSR for the Monday, Wednesday, Friday groups in Oconto. Mike said they average 7-8 people. Mike said he received a Bridging the Gap referral from District 01 and he plans to help the guy who is getting out of prison and coming to Oconto.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

There was no Old Business.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

We discussed the process of the Delegate's Workshop and the April Assembly. Dan L. suggested District 09 do a workshop. We discussed the Archives motion and about supporting the Archives be held in a central location with climate control. Todd E. made a motion for District 09 to purchase and place 5 Plain Language Big Books in the following libraries: Lakewood, Shawano, Menominee, Marinette, and Oconto. This motion passed.

The Next GSR Meeting will be held at 2:00 pm, Sunday, April 6, 2025, at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church located at 331 Pine Street in Peshtigo, WI.

We closed the District 09 Meeting at 3 pm. with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Sara P.

District 09 Secretary



## **District Committee Member Report**

Greetings fellow travelers. I am gradually becoming indoctrinated by the A.A. bureaucracy. A great many people working for the good of the group. Beginning to grasp the laborious task of getting things done. The difficulty lies in bringing you facts and staying unbiased. Not easy. Some of the issues leave me wondering about the originator's role. We will have plenty to talk about at the April meeting. Bring your chair cushion lol.

– Just Jim

District 09, Area 74 DCM

## **March 2025 Report on District 09 AA Treasury**

The last statement from Associated Bank is dated 03/01/2025 to 03/31/2025

The beginning balance is \$1052.43

Group Donations \$40.00

Petty cash is \$21.00

Service Fee -4.00

Grand Total 1092.43

Donations: Thank You

Wausaukee 12 Steps North Wausaukee WI

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*

### APRIL 6th

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church  
331 Pine Street  
Peshtigo, WI

### MAY 4th:

United Methodist Church  
314 Main Street  
Suring, WI

### AUGUST 3rd:

Peace United Church  
208 E. Maurer Street  
Shawano, WI

### JUNE 1st:

Alano Club  
2218 13th Street  
Menominee, MI

### SEPTEMBER 7th:

1st American Lutheran Church  
511 Madison Street  
Oconto, WI

### JULY 13th:

Faith Presbyterian Church  
806 Fritzie Avenue  
Crivitz, WI

### 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

## **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

## **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 \_\_\_\_\_

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AA

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Al-Anon

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Guest

## Saturday Night Plated Meal

**\$40**

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Chicken

☐

Pork

☐

Salmon

**April 30th Deadline**

## Hospitality Sponsorship

Bill W. Scholarship Fund

Amount \_\_\_\_\_

Amount \_\_\_\_\_

Group Name \_\_\_\_\_

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

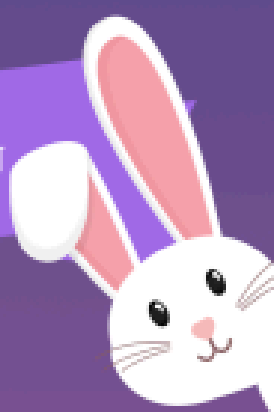


**BINGO!**  
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THE GREEN BAY BID COMMITTEE  
FOR WICYPAA WANTS YOU TO JOIN  
US FOR OUR VERY 1<sup>ST</sup> EVENT!



**FELLOWSHIP!**



# *Sweet Talks & Lucky Numbers*

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!  
**SATURDAY, APRIL 19<sup>TH</sup>, 2025**

Come join us for a hoppin' good time! We're sure it won't be a floppy time! Ice cream bar, panel, games, prizes, & contests!

**50/50 Raffle!**



**Hat/Bunny Ears contest!**



## **Schedule:**

- 12PM-1PM: Fellowship & Ice cream
- 1PM-2PM: Panel on "Utopia in Sobriety"
- 2PM-4PM: B.I.N.G.O !!!!

**ICE CREAM!**



**WHERE: THE BRIDGE  
2514 JENNY LANE  
GREEN BAY, WI, 54302**

**TIME: 12:00 PM- 4:00PM**

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# JOIN OUR GREEN BAY BID COMMITTEE FOR WICYPAA!!

WICYPAA? What's that?  
It is the Wisconsin Conference of  
Young People in AA!  
Psssst! We define "young" as,  
anyone with room to grow!  
Everyone is welcome!

Can't attend in  
person? No problem!  
We do have zoom  
available! Contact us  
for the link!

Are you looking  
for an awesome  
way to be of  
service? Come &  
help us spread  
the message of  
hope and  
recovery!



Contact us for more info!  
Jolene: (715) 927-0171  
or  
Amanda: (920) 248-2695



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## **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](mailto: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**

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Be Still,  
And Know That I am God.  
Psalm 46:10

# AA District 17

## Spirituality and Meditation Workshop

*Saturday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2025*

**MC Char Past Delegate  
Workshop Begins at**

**1:00 PM CST**

**30 Min. Sessions from 1-2pm**

**Lollie – Iron River**

**Bruce T. – Iron Mountain**

**Lunch Served 2-3pm**

**Main Speaker from 3-4pm**

**Kim R. – Appleton**

**Held At: The 401 Club**

**401 S. Kimberly Ave.**

**Iron Mountain, MI 49801**



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!







## 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

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## 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)



## **April Sober Anniversaries**

Charles 4/1/87	Scott C 4/4/87
Kimmery W 4/7/85	Norb W 4/9/14
Carrie E 4/12/17	Marsha 4/13/99
Kelly 4/14/01	Joy P 4/16/00
Jesse S 4/16/05	Ray G 4/20/85
Chris N 4/20/14	Scott L 4/20/14
Kevin H 4/20/86	Don S 4/20/09
Jolene 4/20/17	Tyler W 4/22/06

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

“Sobriety is the leading cause of relapse.”

– From a beloved District 09 member

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

In 1947, AA came to the Marinette and Menominee area. AA and Al-Anon meetings would be held at the Alano Club on Monday nights. (Paul S., Area Historian, 1978)