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Delegate's Corner

Hi, Area 74!

It is May and the month of our Spring Conference is here! I am so excited to see many of you! Please consider joining us in Ashland for a wonderful weekend of recovery. The Districts working together are going to be putting on a wonderful weekend. It isn't too late to register. This is good ol' fashion "get in the car recovery". That is how I went to my first Area Conference and Assembly – someone said, "get in the car".

I am so excited that our East Central Regional Trustee Cathi C. will be joining us this wonderful weekend. This is a great opportunity to learn about what they do and how they serve our fellowship.

I am excited to share my experience with the General Service Conference and I think, more importantly, my experience with our office, staff, and board members. An amazing bunch of people.

I will be sharing my report at the Assembly on Saturday at the Conference and have already received a few invitations from Districts to come report to them. I WANT to visit your District, GROUP, Committee, etc. Any place that will have me. There is some great stuff happening and I want to share it.

I look forward to seeing you in Ashland!

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.

April 1st: Ad hoc Committee Meeting

April 2nd: General Service Conference Finance Committee Meeting & Delegate Office Hours

April 3rd: East Central Regional Delegate Meeting and General Service Conference Delegate Only Meeting

April 9th: General Service Conference Listening Session

April 11th – April 21st: Brooklyn/NYC for General Service Conference

April 25th – U.P. Workshop Planning

I also want to be transparent with your money – here are my expenses for the month of April; I booked 3 additional hotel nights for the conference this was a cost of \$970.95. I am submitting a request for \$647.30 My money spent to date is \$2,098.43 leaving me remaining budget of \$501.57. The Spring Conference Committee has paid for my hotel, registration and banquet so there will be minimal cost for this event. I know the additional nights were a significant expense and I hope you see the value in my report with my time at the General Service Office with our staff and what I will share at the Spring Assembly.

Nicholas Stabenow-Schneider
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May 2024 Thoughts from your Area 74 Alt. Delegate /Chair

Hello to all my fellow Area 74 members of our beloved AA Fellowship!!

First thank you all for letting me be of service and helping me to find my comfort zone in my current service position as your Area 74 Alt. Delegate /Chair not quite there yet but with Gods help and the fellowship I will. To say there is a learning curve for the Area Chair position is an understatement. Special thanks to the folks that have served in this position for their encouragement and support.

Mary and I were able to attend the Moose and Goose Corrections Fundraiser put on by District 02 in Seymour WI, on April 13th. It was standing room only, with great food, fellowship and speakers. WELL DONE 02.

I had the honor of telling my story on April 19th at the 3rd Friday open speaker meeting held at Peace United Methodist Church in Kaukauna WI. This was the meeting’s 60th anniversary and they sent me home with the last of the cake. What more could an alcoholic ask for?

I have the pleasure of helping to plan several educational workshops being put together by DCMs and their committee members for the coming months. The enthusiasm for service work is alive and well in Area 74. I am especially pumped to be involved with the events planning committee in my home district 01 on all the planned opportunities for the recovering community to have some serious fun this summer.

Also, I am really enjoying building relationships with my peer group that serve as Area Alternate Delegates and Chairs in the other 92 Areas of the United States and Canada, as I continue to attend monthly Zoom meetings for the respective service positions.

I do have to say my biggest passion has become having that privilege of sponsoring newcomers as well as those returning to the program after doing some more research. To have the opportunity to get to know someone one-on-one and bond with them is what I really feel is God’s will for me in my life. Along with the opportunity to carry the message into several treatment centers in Green Bay, which is a great opportunity to get spouses involved in outreach, I have been quite busy and that’s a good thing for this Alcoholic.

Thank you for letting me be of service!

Bill D Area 74 Chair/alt delegate

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DATES TO REMEMBER 2024

5/17-5/19/24	Area 74 Spring Conf	District 13	Ashland, WI
5/18/24	Area 74 Assembly	District 13	Ashland, WI
5/19/24	Area Comm Mtg	District 13	Ashland, WI
6/7-6/9/24	East Central Reg Conf	Michigan State Conv	Grand Rapids, MI
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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1			Area 74 (Panel 74)		Effective 01/01/2024				
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DISTRICT MEETING May 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	1st Sun	2:00 PM	St Mark's Church 140 S. Green Bay Rd Neenah, 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	United Methodist Church 314 Main St Suring, WI	
10	Saturday	2nd Sat	9:00 AM	1st United Methodist 724 Arbutus contact DCM for Zoom Rhinelander, WI	
11				No information Available	
12	Saturday	1st Sat	9:00 AM	Hayward Serenity Club, 10339 S Florida Ave & Zoom Hayward, WI	
13	Monday	6th	6:00 PM	Lake Wind Coffee 83010 Washington Ave South Shore, 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	Sunday	Last Sun	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 Spooner, WI	
24	Weds	1st Wed	8:00 PM	Alano Club 411 E 2nd St S Ladysmith, WI	

DISTRICT MEETING June 2024 LIST

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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	Prince of Peace Chrch 2330 E. Calumet Appleton, WI	
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14	Sunday	2nd Sun	6:00 PM	New Richmond Alano; 1448 N 4th Street New Richmond, WI	
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AREA 74 SPRING ASSEMBLY
AGENDA

Saturday May 18, 2024

Hybrid -zoom Meeting ID: 479 428 9816 Password 1212144
American Inn 300 Lake Shore Drive East Ashland Wisconsin

7:30 New GSR and New DCM Orientation conducted by Past Delegate

Assembly 8am To 12 pm

8:00am - Welcome and opening remarks-Prayer

Rollcall

Approval of Minutes (3-30-2024)

New business

-Vacant corrections chair Michigan

Introduce James H. for election to that position.

-Date change for ACM on August 3rd to the 10th optional zoom meeting.

Area Officers Reports Chair up to 3 Minutes.

Secretary, Registrar, Treasure up to 3 minutes

Standing committee reports up to 3 minutes each.

Delegate Report from conference.

Q&A ECR Trustee Cathi Clark

12pm close Assembly

Motion to Close

AREA 74 SPRING CONFERENCE UPDATE

Greetings Area 74: The 2024 Area 74 Spring Conference in Ashland, WI is only 20 days away at the publishing of this month's Now & Then. We are reaching out to members to register very soon as the Conference Saturday night banquet will be closed to purchasing as of May 5th. As of April 12th, we have only 75 registered attendees. WE budgeted the Conference on the historical attendance of 200 participants.

The conference flyer is posted on the Area74.org website, as is the program of events. If you haven't registered as of now, the QR code will provide instant registration whereas mailing it in via USPS may come to us too late.

We have a great program in place, come support the last bi-annual Area 74 Spring Conference!

We hope to see you in Ashland May 17th

The District 13 Planning Committee

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Invite an Area Committee to Present a Workshop to your District or group!

Ever wondered about why we have committees in Area Service or what these committees do?

Have you thought about getting involved in a committee?

Learn about how AA works in Corrections, PI (Public Information), CPC (Cooperation with the Professional Community), Grapevine, Literature, and Treatment & Accessibilities.

Learn about the role of Archives, Structures & Guidelines, Finance, the Webmaster, and the Now and Then.

You also get to strengthen your sobriety in AA when you meet new people from other communities who work the AA program.

All you have to do is ask! Find email addresses for Area 74 Committee Chairs at area74.org under "Directory" "Area Standing Committees". Help us strengthen our ability to serve AA in Area 74.

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

How the Conference Operates

Generally speaking, the General Service Conference follows *Robert's Rules of Order*, and proceeds on as informal a basis as possible consistent with the rights of all concerned. It is important to remember that the purpose of rules of order is to make it easier for the Conference to conduct its business; rules exist to allow the Conference to do what it needs to do to carry out the will of the Fellowship by reaching an informed group conscience. Over the years the Conference has adopted some exceptions to *Robert's Rules*, which help it to proceed more closely in accord with the spirit of A.A. Tradition.

Conference Quorum

A Conference quorum — two-thirds of all registered members — is required to conduct Conference business.

Committee System

To the extent possible, important matters to come before the Conference will be handled via the "Committee system." This assures that a large number of questions can be dealt with during Conference week. Members are encouraged to trust the process. Each Committee has considered carefully the items before it and presents its recommendations to the Conference as a whole for acceptance or rejection. Recommendations of Conference committees are automatically motions that have been made and seconded. Members are asked to refrain from spontaneously amending the work of the Committee; there are no "friendly" amendments under Robert's Rules.

Substantial Unanimity

All matters of policy (Conference Advisory Actions) require substantial unanimity, that is, a *two-thirds majority*. Any actions, including amendments, that affect an Advisory Action, or motions that might result in such an action, also require a *two-thirds majority*. Because the number of members present in the hall during the week of Conference varies from time to time, the phrase "two-thirds majority" is taken to mean two-thirds vote of the Conference members voting, as long as the total vote constitutes a Conference quorum.

Minority Opinion

After each vote on a matter of policy, the side which did not prevail will always be given an opportunity to speak to their position. If the motion passes with two-thirds vote, the minority may speak. If the motion receives a majority vote, but fails to pass for lack of a two-thirds vote, the majority may speak.

Remember that saving "minority opinions" for after the vote, when there is no rebuttal, is a time-waster, for it can force the Conference body to reconsider a question that might well have been decided the first time around if it had been thoroughly examined from all sides.

General Rules of Debate and Voting

(Agreed to at the beginning of each Conference)

- People who wish to speak line up at the microphones and address their comments to the chair.
- Each person may speak for two (2) minutes.
- No one may speak for a second time on a topic until all who wish to have spoken for the first time.
- Full discussion of a recommendation should take place before each vote.
- Everyone is entitled to express his or her opinion. However, if your perspective has already been stated by someone else, it is not necessary to go to the mike and say it again.
- Our experience is that premature actions such as amend-

ing motions early in the discussion or hastily calling the question can divert attention from the subject at hand, confusing and/or delaying Conference business.

Motions Made During Conference

When making a motion, come to the microphone and address the chair. There are various types of motions we use to help reach an informed group conscience. The specific rules governing each are on the next page.

Tabling a Motion

Tabling a motion postpones discussion to a later time during the same Conference.

Motion to Recommit

The motion to recommit returns a motion or proposal to the respective trustees' committee or appropriate corporate board for further consideration. A motion to recommit must be seconded, is debatable and can be amended.

Calling the Question

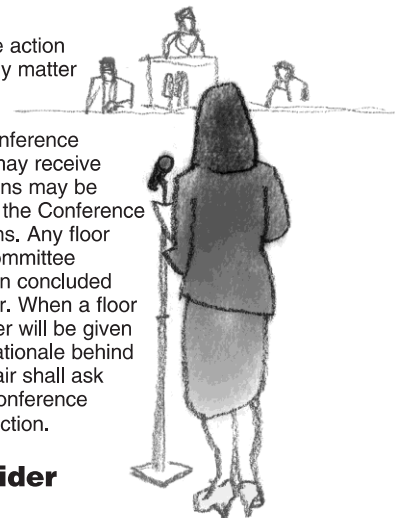
Calling the question brings debate to a halt while Conference members decide whether to proceed directly to a vote (the question) or go on with the debate.

Reconsideration

A motion to reconsider a vote may be made only by a member who voted with the prevailing side, but it can be seconded by anyone. If the majority votes to reconsider, full debate, pro and cons, is resumed.

Floor Actions

It is possible for a Conference action to come from the floor, but any matter which falls within the scope of a Conference committee ought first go through that Conference committee, so that the topic may receive due consideration. Floor actions may be introduced at any time during the Conference except at the Sharing Sessions. Any floor action regarding a piece of committee business that has not yet been concluded will be considered out of order. When a floor action is to be heard, its maker will be given two (2) minutes to state the rationale behind the action, after which the chair shall ask if there is a motion that the Conference decline to consider the floor action.



Declining to Consider a Floor Action

A motion to decline to consider a floor action is made with comment.

Summary of Conference Procedures

Remember:

- Motions must be made in order at the microphone.
- Address motions to the chair.

	MOTION	Requires a "Second"?	Is Debatable?	Vote Required for Approval	Minority Voice Heard?
Committee Recommendation	Presented in the committee report.	Automatically seconded	YES	Two-thirds	YES
Amending a Motion	A motion on the floor is owned by the entire Conference body, no longer by the Committee which recommended it. The committee is not asked to vote on the motion to amend; any motion to amend a main motion depends on the approval of the Conference.	YES	YES	Two-thirds	YES
Tabling a Motion	Made without comment.	YES	NO	Simple Majority	NO
Moving to Recommit	Made without comment.	YES	YES	Two-thirds	NO
Calling the Question	Made without comment.	YES	NO	Two-thirds	NO
Reconsidering a Vote	May only be made by a member who voted with the prevailing side. No action may be reconsidered twice.	YES May be seconded by either side.	NO	Simple Majority	NO
Making a Floor Action	Made without comment. Introduced any time during the Conference except at the Sharing Sessions. Is submitted in writing by the maker to the Conference secretary.	YES	YES	Two-thirds	YES
Declining to Consider a Floor Action	Made without comment. May be made after the maker of a floor action is provided time to state the rationale for it.	YES	NO	Two-thirds	NO

CORRECTIONS VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Need men and women to bring AA meetings inside both county and state-run correctional facilities, where those populations cannot attend outside AA meetings

Winnebago County

Winnebago County Jail

Men's Mtg: Weds @ 7:00 PM

Women's Mtg: Weds @ 7:00 PM

Winnebago Correctional Center

Men's Mtg: Weds @ 6:30 PM

Wisconsin Resource Center

Men's Mtg: Weds @ 6:30 PM

Women's Mtg: Weds @ 6:30 PM

Oshkosh State Correctional Institution

Men's Mtg: Weds @ 6:30 PM & 7:30 PM (2 hours)

Men's Mtg: Friday @ 9:30 AM (1 hour)

Drug Abuse Correctional Center

Men's Mtg: Thurs @ 6:30 PM

Men's Mtg: Sat @ 2:25 PM

Men's Mtg: 2nd & 4th Friday @ 6:30PM



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Calumet County

Calumet County Jail

206 Court St, Chilton, WI 53014

Men's Mtg: Tues @ 6:30 PM

Women's Mtg: Tues @ 6:30 PM

Outagamie County

Outagamie County Jail

3030 Goodland Dr, Appleton, WI 54911

Men's Mtg: Monday @ 7:15 PM

Men's Mtg: Thurs @ 7:15 PM

Women's Mtg: Tues @ 7:15 PM





AA OPEN SPEAKER MEETING

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

Friday, May 10th, 2024

Tacos start at 6:00pm
Speakers start at 7:00pm

Speakers: To Be Announced



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





Seymour Intergroup
Saturday June 15, 2024

Emmanuel Lutheran Church

349 N. Main Street, Seymour

Doors open @ 4:30pm, Dinner @ 6pm

Hot sandwiches provided,

We are a small group so please bring a side dish to share.

Don't come alone, bring a friend or two..

Meeting starts @ 7:00

AA Speaker: Mike Nuckles

Alanon Speaker: (TBA)

Door Prizes & Fellowship

Air Conditioned...Wheel Chair Accessable Coffee, Soda & Water available

50/50 raffle

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

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 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

GRAPEVINE News



What's New For May 2024

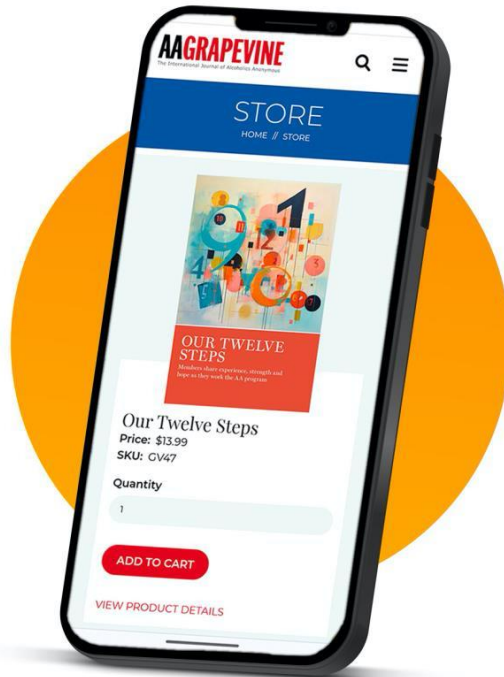
Out now... New book!

Our Twelve Steps

A brand-new collection of stories from AA members about the joys and challenges of working the program's Twelve Steps of Recovery. Each chapter illuminates a different Step through the experiences of a wide variety of AA members. This volume features all-new, up-to-date stories from the pages of Grapevine. Great for sponsees and AA Step meetings.

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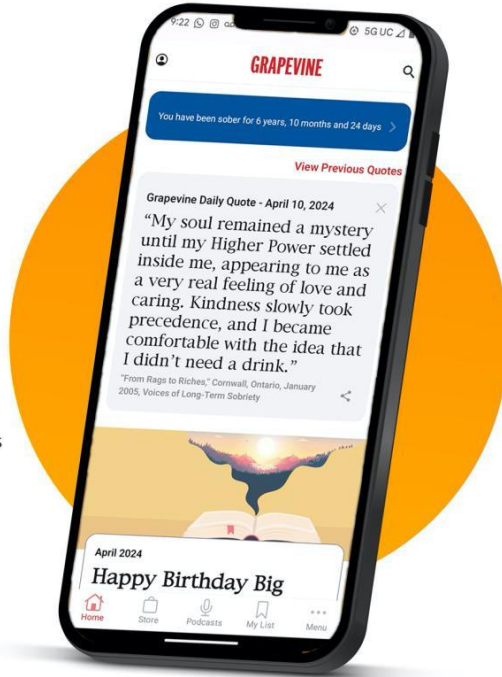
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What's New in Print and Online



Grapevine: Current Issue Spotlight:

This month's special section is "How the Steps Changed My Life." To celebrate our new book, *Our Twelve Steps*, a brand-new collection of Step stories, AA members share their favorite experiences about how the Twelve Steps have helped change their lives.

Submit Your Story! Upcoming Topics...

Remote Communities — 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. Are you involved in Remote Community service? (stories due June 15, 2024)

Sober Holidays — What are the ways you stay sane and grateful during the holidays? How do you navigate holiday parties and family gatherings? Share your best sober holiday stories! (stories due June 15, 2024)

More upcoming topics: Spiritual Awakenings, Oldtimers, LGBTQ+, Atheistic/Agnostic, Fun in Sobriety, Technology in AA!

Important: We're looking for stories of experience with each Step and each Tradition! (Pick a particular Step or Tradition and share your experience!) We also need your jokes!



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Area Chair / GVR Corner

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May 4	Area 44 Grapefest	South Plainfield, NJ/Virtual
May 10 – 12	Western Canada Regional Forum	Vernon, BC, Canada
May 24 – 26	XL Illinois Hispanic Convention	Rosemont, IL



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