

Alcoholics Anonymous – Area 75

Pre-Conference Assembly

Meeting Minutes

April 7, 2013 • Madison Senior Center • 330 West Mifflin Street • Madison, WI 53703

Officers Present:

Randy R. – Delegate, Drew A. – Alt. Delegate/Literature, Todd U. – Chair, Brent W. – Alt. Chair, Kara R. – Secretary, Bob S. – Alt. Secretary, Matt K. – Treasurer, Peter W. – Alt. Treasurer

Standing Committee Chairpersons Present:

Rick M. – Archives, Jim McL. – Corrections, John H. – CPC, Nancy H. – Grapevine, Jeanette S. – PI, Tara H. – Special Needs, Kristi C. – Treatment, Barb W. – Registrar, Joel B. – 2013 Conference, Chris S. – 2015 Conference

DCMs Present:

D3 – Tom R; D6 – C. Peter T.; D7 – Jill G.; D8 – Russ K.; D9 – Brett C.; D10 – Arturo H.; D12 – Clarence K. (ALT); D13 – Wendy B.; D14 – Frank S.; D15 – Stephen E.; D16 – Mark V.; D19 – John M., D20 – Sean McC., Fiona G.(ALT); D25 – Les M.; D30 – Sue M; D31 – Charles M.; D32 – John W.; D34 – Tony S., James F.(ALT); D36 – Peter W.

GSRs, Alternate GSRs, District Committee Chairs, and Others Present:

D1 – Tom M.; D10 – Luis H., Noe V.; D12 – Karin K.; D13 – Gary K., Ricardo S., Niki D., Cheri C., Vanessa L.; D15 – Gabrielle M.; D16 – Gerald W., Gregg R.; D17 – Steve N., Kimberley D.; D20 – Gavin M., Jenn F., Gary S., Rick B., Dan K., Terri N., J. Saul R., Tracy L., J. R.; D22 – Kurt B.; D25 – Kathy B., Jeff Z., Dennis E.; D28 – Terry R., Doug M.; D32 – Chris E., Ken S.; D34 – Ann W., Cheryl M.; Grant N.

Past Delegates Present:

John B., Joan J., Ken G., Nancy G., George P.

Todd U., Area Chairperson, opened the meeting with a moment of silence, followed by the serenity prayer at 9:02am on Sunday, April 7th, 2013.

Drew A. read the Twelve Concepts.

Kara R., Area Secretary, took Roll Call. Minutes from Winter Assembly were approved.

Treasurer’s Report – Matt K.

Income and Expenses		Income and Expenses	
01/01/2012 - 04/05/2012		01/01/2013 - 04/05/2013	
Account	01/01/2012 - 04/05/2012	Account	01/01/2013 - 04/05/2013
INCOME		INCOME	
Corrections Literature Fund - In	\$839.01	Corrections Literature Fund - In	\$882.07

General Contributions	\$7,370.13		General Contributions	\$7,736.36	
INCOME - TOTAL	\$8,209.14		INCOME - TOTAL	\$8,618.43	
EXPENSES			EXPENSES		
			Alternate Delegate		
			Lodging	\$221.76	
			Meals	\$112.59	
			Misc Office Expense	\$22.25	
			Registration Fees	\$25.00	
			Transportation	\$438.50	
			Alternate Delegate - TOTAL	\$820.10	
			Alternate Treasurer		
			Transportation	\$122.43	
			Alternate Treasurer - TOTAL	\$122.43	
Alternate Secretary					
Misc Office Expense	\$20.98				
Transportation	\$131.14				
Alternate Secretary - TOTAL	\$152.12				
Archives Chair			Archives Chair		
Transportation	\$84.66				
Archives Chair - TOTAL	\$84.66		Archives Chair - TOTAL	\$0.00	
Archivist			Archivist		
Archives Rent	\$1,200.00		Archives Rent	\$1,200.00	
Lodging	\$226.72				
Meals	\$53.00		Meals	\$38.00	
Misc Office Expense	\$250.63		Misc Office Expense	\$464.17	
Registration Fees	\$35.00		Registration Fees	\$15.00	
Transportation	\$137.78		Transportation	\$153.90	
Archivist - TOTAL	\$1,903.13		Archivist - TOTAL	\$1,871.07	

Area Chair		Area Chair	
		Meals	\$38.00
Postage	\$45.00		
Printing/Copies	\$13.20		
		Registration Fees	\$15.00
Transportation	\$56.44	Transportation	\$119.11
Area Chair - TOTAL	\$114.64	Area Chair - TOTAL	\$172.11
Corrections Chair			
Literature	\$187.45		
Corrections Chair - TOTAL	\$187.45		
Corrections Literature Fund - Out	\$616.52	Corrections Literature Fund - Out	\$1,135.01
		CPC Chair	
		Meals	\$25.00
		Registration Fees	\$15.00
		Transportation	\$84.25
		CPC Chair - TOTAL	\$124.25
		Conference Advisory Chair	
		Transportation	\$61.70
		Conference Advisory Chair - TOTAL	\$61.70
Delegate		Delegate	
Lodging	\$201.14	Lodging	\$221.76
Meals	\$92.00	Meals	\$93.00
Postage	\$44.00		
Printing/Copies	\$27.51		
Registration Fees	\$40.00	Registration Fees	\$30.00
Transportation	\$452.25	Transportation	\$377.66
Delegate - TOTAL	\$856.90	Delegate - TOTAL	\$722.42
General Service Conference		General Service Conference	
GSO Conference Additional Donation	\$4,000.00	GSO Conference Additional Donation	\$4,000.00

GSO Conference Standard Fee	\$1,200.00		GSO Conference Standard Fee	\$1,600.00	
General Service Conference - TOTAL	\$5,200.00		General Service Conference - TOTAL	\$5,600.00	
Grapevine Chair			Grapevine Chair		
			Literature	\$61.05	
Misc Office Expenses	\$37.26				
Transportation	\$164.76				
Grapevine Chair - TOTAL	\$202.02		Grapevine Chair - TOTAL	\$61.05	
Overhead			Overhead		
Misc Office Expense	\$42.45				
Postage	\$85.00		Postage	\$100.00	
Printing/Copies	\$356.36		Printing/Copies	\$42.00	
Rent	\$1,194.25		Rent	\$1,194.25	
Overhead - TOTAL	\$1,678.06		Overhead - TOTAL	\$1,336.25	
			PI Chair		
			Meals	\$38.00	
			Registration Fees	\$15.00	
			Transportation	\$282.00	
			PI Chair - TOTAL	\$335.00	
Secretary			Secretary		
Printing/Copies	\$354.82		Printing/Copies	\$224.19	
Transportation	\$88.86				
Secretary - TOTAL	\$443.68		Secretary - TOTAL	\$224.19	
			Special Needs Chair		
			Meals	\$25.00	
			Misc Office Expense	\$79.85	
			Registration Fees	\$15.00	
			Transportation	\$84.25	
			Special Needs Chair - TOTAL	\$204.10	
Treasurer			Treasurer		
Meals	\$39.00				

Misc Office Expense	\$190.11		Misc Office Expense	\$49.99	
Postage	\$45.00		Postage	\$90.00	
Printing/Copies	\$106.81				
Registration Fees	\$15.00				
Transportation	\$63.79		Transportation	\$123.67	
Treasurer - TOTAL	\$459.71		Treasurer - TOTAL	\$263.66	
Treatment			Treatment		
			Misc Office Expense	\$11.63	
Transportation	\$78.07		Transportation	\$129.08	
Treatment - TOTAL	\$78.07		Treatment - TOTAL	\$140.71	
EXPENSES - TOTAL	\$11,976.96		EXPENSES - TOTAL	\$13,194.05	
TOTAL INCOME - EXPENSES	(\$3,767.82)		TOTAL INCOME - EXPENSES	(\$4,575.62)	
Account Balances			Account Balances		
As of: 04/05/2012			As of: 04/05/2013		
Account	Current Balance		Account	Current Balance	
Bank Accounts			Bank Accounts		
			Conference Funds	\$9,798.19	
Operations Account			Operations Account		
Corrections Literature	\$1,804.67		Corrections Literature	\$1,304.63	
General Funds	\$13,776.28		General Funds	\$1,458.09	
Prudent Reserve	\$6,750.00		Prudent Reserve	\$6,750.00	
Operations Account - Total	\$22,330.95		Operations Account - Total	\$9,512.72	
Bank Accounts - Total	\$22,330.95		Bank Accounts - Total	\$19,310.91	
Assets			Assets		

Area Conferences			Area Conferences		
2012 Conference	\$1,000.00				
2013 Conference	\$1,000.00		2013 Conference	\$1,000.00	
2014 Conference	\$1,500.00		2014 Conference	\$2,500.00	
Area Conferences - Total	\$3,500.00		Area Conferences - Total	\$3,500.00	
Assets - Total	\$3,500.00		Assets - Total	\$3,500.00	
Total	\$25,830.95		Total	\$22,810.91	

Budget: Area Chair					
01/01/2013 - 12/31/2013					
				Percentage	
Category	Budgeted	Actual	Difference	Actual / Budget	
Expenses					
Area Chair:Lodging	570		570	0.00%	
Area Chair:Meals	213	38	175	17.84%	
Area Chair:Misc Office Expense	50		50	0.00%	
Area Chair:Postage	50		50	0.00%	
Area Chair:Printing/Copies	150		150	0.00%	
Area Chair:Registration Fees	42	15	27	35.71%	
Area Chair:Transportation	1,310.00	119.11	1190.89	9.09%	
Total Expenses	\$2,385.00	\$172.11	\$2,212.89	7.22%	
Budget: CPC Chair					
01/01/2013 - 12/31/2013					
Category	Budgeted	Actual	Difference		
Expenses					
CPC Chair:Health Fair Booth Fee	500	0	500	0.00%	

CPC Chair:Literature	600	0	600		0.00%		
CPC Chair:Lodging	130	0	130		0.00%		
CPC Chair:Meals	39	25	13		64.10%		
CPC Chair:Misc Office Expense	30	0	30		0.00%		
CPC Chair:Postage	45	0	45		0.00%		
CPC Chair:Printing/Copies	50	0	50		0.00%		
CPC Chair:Registration Fees	15	15	0		100.00%		
CPC Chair:Transportation	790	84.29	705.71		10.67%		
Total Expenses	\$2,199.00	\$124.25	\$ 2,074.75		5.70%		
Budget: Conf Advisory Chair							
01/01/2013 - 12/31/2013							
					Percentage		
Category	Budgeted	Actual	Difference		Actual / Budget		
Expenses							
Conference Advisory Chair:Transportation	499.4	61.7	437.7		12.35%		
Total Expenses	\$499.40	\$61.70	437.7		12.35%		
Budget: Corrections Chair							
01/01/2013 - 12/31/2013							
					Percentage		
Category	Budgeted	Actual	Difference		Actual / Budget		
Expenses							
Corrections Chair:Literature	1,050.00	0.00	1,050.00		0.00%		
Corrections Chair:Lodging	600	0.00	600.00		0.00%		
Corrections Chair:Meals	200	0.00	200.00		0.00%		
Corrections Chair:Misc Office Expense	350	0.00	350.00		0.00%		
Corrections Chair:Postage	100	0.00	100.00		0.00%		
Corrections Chair:Printing/Copies	400	0.00	400.00		0.00%		

Corrections Chair:Registration Fees	30		0.00	30.00		0.00%	
Corrections Chair:Transportation	1,088.00		0.00	1,088.00		0.00%	
Total Expenses	\$3,818.00		0.00	3,818.00		0.00%	
Budget: Delegate							
01/01/2013 - 12/31/2013							
						Percentage	
Category	Budgeted	Actual	Difference			Actual / Budget	
Delegate:Literature	20	0	20			0.00%	
Delegate:Lodging	1,144.00	221.76	922.24			19.38%	
Delegate:Meals	165	93.00	72			56.36%	
Delegate:Misc Office Expense	40		40			0.00%	
Delegate:Postage	65		65			0.00%	
Delegate:Printing/Copies	190		190			0.00%	
Delegate:Registration Fees	54	30	24			55.56%	
Delegate:Transportation	2,050.00	377.66	1672.34			18.42%	
Total Expenses	\$3,728.00	\$722.42	3005.58			19.38%	

General Service Conference				
01/01/2013 - 12/31/2013				
				Percentage
Category	Budgeted	Actual	Difference	Actual / Budget
Expenses				
General Service Conference:GSO Conference Additional Donation	4,000.00	4,000.00	0.00	100.00%
General Service Conference:GSO Conference Standard Fee	1,600.00	1,600.00	0.00	100.00%
Total Expenses	\$5,600.00	\$5,600.00	0.00	100.00%
Budget: Grapevine				
01/01/2013 - 12/31/2013				

				Percentage	
Category	Budgeted	Actual	Difference	Actual / Budget	
Expenses					
Grapevine Chair:Literature	200	61.05	138.95	30.53%	
Grapevine Chair:Lodging	340	0	340	0.00%	
Grapevine Chair:Meals	95	0	95	0.00%	
Grapevine Chair:Misc Office Expenses	80	0	80	0.00%	
Grapevine Chair:Postage	46	0	46	0.00%	
Grapevine Chair:Printing/Copies	200	0	200	0.00%	
Grapevine Chair:Registration Fees	55	0	55	0.00%	
Grapevine Chair:Transportation	1,088.00	0	1088	0.00%	
Total Expenses	\$2,104.00	\$61.05	2042.95	2.90%	
Budget: Overhead					
01/01/2013 - 12/31/2013					
				Percentage	
Category	Budgeted	Actual	Difference	Actual / Budget	
Expenses					
Overhead:Interpreters/Equipment	220		220	0.00%	
Overhead:Misc Office Expense	800		800	0.00%	
Overhead:Postage	700	100	600	14.29%	
Overhead:Printing/Copies	1,225.00	42	1183	3.43%	
Overhead:Rent	1,976.25	1,194.25	782	60.43%	
Total Expenses	\$4,921.25	\$1,336.25	3585	27.15%	
Budget: PI Chair				Percentage	
01/01/2013 - 12/31/2013				Actual / Budget	
Category	Budgeted	Actual	Difference		

Expenses					
PI Chair:Literature	50		50	0.00%	
PI Chair:Lodging	110		110	0.00%	
PI Chair:Meals	28	38	-10	135.71%	
PI Chair:Misc Office Expense	50		50	0.00%	
PI Chair:Postage	0		0	0.00%	
PI Chair:Printing/Copies	25		25	0.00%	
PI Chair:Registration Fees	15	15	0	100.00%	
PI Chair:Transportation	1162	282	880	24.27%	
PI Chair:Web Site	100		100	0.00%	
Total Expenses	\$1,540.00	\$335.00	1205	21.75%	
Budget: Secretary					
01/01/2013 - 12/31/2013					
				Percentage	
Category	Budgeted	Actual	Difference	Actual / Budget	
Expenses					
Secretary:Lodging	345		345	0.00%	
Secretary:Meals	90		90	0.00%	
Secretary:Misc Office Expense	100		100	0.00%	
Secretary:Postage	100		100	0.00%	
Secretary:Printing/Copies	850	224.19	625.81	26.38%	
Secretary:Registration Fees	42		42	0.00%	
Secretary:Transportation	700.00		700	0.00%	
Total Expenses	\$2,227.00	\$224.19	2002.81	10.07%	
Budget: Special Needs Chair					
01/01/2013 - 12/31/2013					
				Percentage	
Category	Budgeted	Actual	Difference	Actual / Budget	

Expenses					
Special Needs Chair:Literature	300		300	0.00%	
Special Needs Chair:Lodging	130		130	0.00%	
Special Needs Chair:Meals	109	25	84	22.94%	
Special Needs Chair:Misc Office Expense	35	79.85	-44.85	228.14%	
Special Needs Chair:Postage	75		75	0.00%	
Special Needs Chair:Printing/Copies	80		80	0.00%	
Special Needs Chair:Registration Fees	15	15	0	100.00%	
Special Needs Chair:Transportation	675	84.25	590.75	12.48%	
Total Expenses	\$1,419.00	\$204.10	1214.9	14.38%	
Budget: Treasurer					
01/01/2013 - 12/31/2013					
				Percentage	
Category	Budgeted	Actual	Difference	Actual / Budget	
Expenses					
Treasurer:Lodging	390		390	0.00%	
Treasurer:Meals	90		90	0.00%	
Treasurer:Misc Office Expense	160	49.99	110.01	31.24%	
Treasurer:Postage	176	90	86	51.14%	
Treasurer:Printing/Copies	100		100	0.00%	
Treasurer:Registration Fees	44		44	0.00%	
Treasurer:Transportation	1,110.00	123.67	986.33	11.14%	
Total Expenses	\$2,070.00	\$263.66	1806.34	12.74%	
Budget: Treatment Chair					
01/01/2013 - 12/31/2013					
				Percentage	
Category	Budgeted	Actual	Difference	Actual / Budget	

Expenses					
Treatment:Literature	50	11.63	38.37	23.26%	
Treatment:Lodging	295		295	0.00%	
Treatment:Meals	39		39	0.00%	
Treatment:Misc Office Expense	50		50	0.00%	
Treatment:Postage	15		15	0.00%	
Treatment:Printing/Copies	50		50	0.00%	
Treatment:Registration Fees	50		50	0.00%	
Treatment:Transportation	785	129.08	655.92	16.44%	
Total Expenses	\$1,334.00	\$140.71	1193.29	10.55%	
Budget: Archives Chair					
01/01/2013 - 12/31/2013					
				Percentage	
Category		Budgeted	Actual	Difference	Actual/Budget
Archives:Lodging		100		100	0.00%
Archives:Meals		38		0	0.00%
Archives:Transportation		650		650	0.00%
Archives:Misc Office Expense		30		30	0.00%
Archives:Postage				0	0.00%
Archives:Printing/Copies				0	0.00%
Archives:Registration Fees		15		15	0.00%
Total Expenses		\$833.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 833.00	0.00%
Budget:Archivist					
01/01/2013 - 12/31/2013					
				Percentage	
Category		Budgeted	Actual	Difference	Actual/Budget
Archives Rent		1200	1200	0	100.00%
Archivist:Lodging		430		430	0.00%

Archives:Meals			67	38.00	29	56.72%
Archives:Transportation			460	153.9	306.1	33.46%
Archives:Misc Office Expense			933	464.17	468.83	49.75%
Archives:Postage			25		25	0.00%
Archives:Printing/Copies			405		405	0.00%
Archives:Registration Fees			30	15	15	50.00%
Total Expenses			\$3,550.00	\$1,871.07	\$1,678.93	52.71%
Budget: Alternate Delegate						
01/01/2013 - 12/31/2013						
						Percentage
Category			Budgeted	Actual	Difference	Actual/Budget
Alternate Delegate:Literature			60		60	0.00%
Alternate Delegate:Lodging			940	221.76	718.24	23.59%
Alternate Delegate:Meals			270	112.59	157.41	41.70%
Alternate Delegate:Transportation			1205	438.5	766.5	36.39%
Alternate Delegate:Misc Office Expense			100	22.25	77.75	22.25%
Alternate Delegate:Postage						
Alternate Delegate:Printing/Copies			25		25	0.00%
Alternate Delegate:Registration Fees			67	25	42	37.31%
Total Expenses			\$2,667.00	\$ 820.10	1846.9	30.75%
Budget: Alternate Treasurer						
01/01/2013 - 12/31/2013						
						Percentage
Category			Budgeted	Actual	Difference	Actual/Budget
Alternate Treasurer:Lodging			0			0.00%
Alternate Treasurer:Transportation			467.3	122.43		26.20%
Alternate Treasurer:Misc Office Expense			7.7			0.00%

Alternate Treasurer:Registration Fees		15			0.00%
Total Expenses		\$490.00	\$ 122.43	367.57	24.99%

Delegate's Report – Randy R.

It has been quite a journey since the beginning of the year. Keeping up with the electronic mail from GSO, the electronic mail from members of Area 75 and forwarding all I receive from GSO has been keeping me very busy. I hope all of you who are on my e-mail list see that I have been as transparent as I possibly can be. I have withheld no reports, memo's etc. My point is what I receive you too shall receive.

If anybody would like to be added to the e-mail list please look in the Area 75 Directory and e-mail me your address and you will be added. If you do not wish to be included in the communication chain please e-mail me with your request to be taken off the list.

There are three report's which I just received and have attached for those of you who are not on the e-mail list.

- **Corporate Board Report:** A.A. Grapevine Inc. Donald C. Chairperson
- **General Service Board Report:** Ward E. Chair of the General Service Board
- **Directors Report:** Alcoholics Anonymous World Service, Inc. Robert L. Chairperson A.A.W. S. These reports will be read as is at the 63rd General Service Conference.

There will be elections for the East Central Regional Trustee, Pam R. will be finishing her four year tem directly after the conference. I have been asked to invite our new trustee to the 2013, 2014 & 2015 Spring Conference, whom ever that may be. The nominations are as follows:

- Area 19, Chicago, Il **Ruben G.**
- Area 20 Northern IL **Larry S.**
- Area 34 Western Michigan **Michael Y.**
- Area 53 Central & Southeast Ohio **Bill F.**
- Area 74 N. Wisconsin/Upper Pen. Michigan **Jeffrey C.**

I have been blessed to be a part of this special vote and I can assure you that I have been asking all the candidates questions on their procedures if elected, especially about transparency with all documents coming to them (if possible) from the board minutes etc. This is an important issue to me. All nominee's have been asked by me personally if they will travel to Area Events when they are invited, this also is important. I have each of their resumes and can honestly say they are well qualified to be our trustee.

I will also be privileged to vote for the Trustee at Large/US this list will be reduce to one nominee. The nominee's are as follow:

- Area 20, Northern Il **Sonny Mc.**
- Area 21 Southern Il **Mike F.**
- Area 33 Southern MI, **Robert C.**
- Area 53 Central & Southeast OH. **Jean S.**
- Area 74 N. Wisconsin/Upper Pen. Michigan, **Chuck S**

There will be a total of 10 nominees'. The US will have 6 and Canada will have 4. The Delegates from each region will cast their vote and reduce the candidates down to one per region. The Delegates will then cast their final vote along with the trustees Committee on Nominating during

the Annual Meeting of the General Service Conference. At this point we will have a new Trustee at Large.

The delegate's workshop was a great success. We had an attendance of around 71 people, four of which were outside Area 75 (Current Delegate Area 20, Past Delegate Area 74, Member from Area 20 and Past East Central Regional Trustee). We were able to implement all thirteen committee's and the committee's were well attended by at least five or more members.

I have gone to great lengths to read and re-read the answers that each committee discussed. I will say that all of you who attended have my sincere appreciation of all the time and effort for coming here and participating the workshop. I have brought some copies of the Delegates Workshop Committee Agenda Summations. **I will try to incorporate this report into the Delegates report so it to can go in the minutes. Incorporating the reports will not happen.**

I would like to announce a workshop that should interest all members of Alcoholics Anonymous. The workshop titled "The Third Legacy" held at the Gratitude Club, 295 Ruggles Street, Fond Du Lac, WI. There will be flyers posted on the Area 75 Calendar and flyer's distributed to all clubs and districts. You will at minimum learn about the service structure of the AAWS and Grapevine Boards, Class A and Class B, Staff Members and etc.,. You will see and learn firsthand how this re-structuring (if it happens) will combine the boards, and how the structure will look after the restructuring.

GSO FINANCIAL RESULTS for 2012: Gross Profit from Literature \$7,878,000.00, Contributions were \$6,565,000.00, about 5% of all contributions are made on-line, totaling \$231,000.00. With a net profit of \$161,000.00.

Since December 9, 2011, 5,118 Big Books and 4,553 12 & 12s in ebook format have been sold. In 2012- 1,738,857 book units have been sold. As you can see we are very dependent on literature sales, and nowhere near being fully self-supporting through our Groups voluntary contributions. Much work needs to be done here.

GRAPEVINE FINANCIAL RESULTS for 2012- Average Paid Circulation was 83,258, down from 2011, on-line circulation was 5,535, gross profit from sale of other publishing items was \$423,670.00. A total net profit of \$257,000.00

LAVINA FINANCIAL RESULTS for 2012- Average paid subscription was 9,157, up from 2011. Other publishing income, \$11,124.00, and a net loss of \$116,000.00

Unfortunately 2013 budgets do not look very good, GSO budgets a net loss of \$611,000.00. Some contributing factors, It costs over \$150,000.00 more to have the General Service Conference in Time Square this year as opposed to last year in Rye Brook. \$127,000.00 projected LaVina loss. Prepaid expenses for the 2015 International Convention. There will be expenses resulting with the site selection process for the 2025 International Convention. Increase in the contribution to the retirement plan, this will take up to three years to bring this status up to fully funded, per federal law. Upgrading aging computer equipment. And possible additional costs for Grapevine 12th Floor construction.

Grapevine budgets a profit of about \$12,000.00 and Lavina budgets a loss of about \$127,000.00. As of December 31, 2012 the Reserve Fund had a balance of \$15,353,752.00, and represents about 11.3 months of operating expenses.

There were three retirees this year from the General Service Office, Valerie O., Warren S, and Gayle S.R. And there are three new employees, Greg T., Clay R., and Steve

There were 1584 visitors to the General Service Office in 2012. There were 4,756,623 visits to GSO's AA web site in 2012.

You can now submit your articles or stories to Grapevine via your phone and a 7 minute audio recording. Visit www.aagrapevine.org and click on AUDIO GV.

The theme of the 63rd General Service Conference, April 21 – 27, 2013, is “The General Service Conference Take’s its Inventory – Our solution in Action”

I am truly looking forward to the GSC and can’t wait for the end results of the Conference, and bring back to you a report of the outcomes.

Thank you for letting me serve, it is a GREAT HONOR.

Chairperson’s Report – Todd U.

On January 20th we met for the Winter assembly. The meeting was well attended

Days before Lynn G resigned as Alt Secretary and the Agenda planning committee due to health reasons.

During the meeting under new business I appointed Bob S., past Conference committee chair to the vacant Alt Secretary position in accordance with assembly actions.

Thank you Bob for accepting.

The conference committee nominated and elected Ken N to conference chair.

It is with much sadness to report Ken N. (past Corrections chair 2011-12) active member of Area 75, passed away in early February. The time and place of Ken's Memorial will be held on April 6th at 500pm at the Serenity Club in Cudahy WI.

With Ken’s passing the chair position will remain open until the conference committee elects a new chair.

The Agenda Planning committee met to discuss the upcoming Agenda items, proposals and any other pressing area issues. More or less it was an introduction and we easily coordinated the current agenda for today. There were no proposals to review. As of today, no proposals have been submitted. We did agree that we needed to have greeters for the future 2013-14 Area assembly’s.

We enacted the greeters at Delegates workshop. Bob S. and I greeted everyone who came early. We were told later that the event seemed more inviting and also better organized.

My intent is to visit all of the districts in Area 75 each year of my term.

Since my last report, January 20th (Winter Assembly)

I visited these district meetings and events,

16-Jan District 24

23-Jan District 14

27-Jan District 15

16-Mar The 35th Annual Badger Intergroup Speaker Dinner Meeting

17-Mar Delegates Workshop

20-Mar District 3

27-Mar District 11

2-Apr District 34

3-Apr District 16

I have thoroughly enjoyed the spirit and the commitment of all of our fellow service volunteers. As your Area 75 Chair I am thinking ahead to the Fall Assembly, so I am asking all of you to start thinking about what YOU and or your group would like to discuss at our Area Inventory. The Fall Assembly is October 20th, 2013. **Please E-Mail me your thoughts on this or call me at the**

number listed in the directory. Also, I will be presenting to the Agenda Planning Committee (Summer Assembly) the dates for 2014 Winter Assembly, Pre-Conference Assembly, Summer Assembly and Fall Assembly.

Hope to see all of you at these upcoming Area 75 events.

- Annual Area 75 Conference – May 17-19 in Janesville, WI
- Summer Service Assembly – June 23 at the [Madison Senior Center](#)
- East Central Regional Conference – July 19-21 in Appleton, WI
- Fall Service Assembly – October 20 at the [Madison Senior Center](#)
- East Central Regional Forum – November 15-17 in Fort Wayne, IN

Alternate Chair/Dark District Report – Brent W.

I have nothing new to report as the dark district chair since the Winter Service Assembly. For those of you who may not know, one of my jobs as the Alt Chair is to coordinate outreach to districts that are not represented at the Area 75 Assemblies. I rely on your help to encourage any non-participating districts to get involved. So please don't hesitate to let me know of any way I can help.

I do have Area 75 Assembly Action Handbooks with me to distribute to those of you who requested a copy at the Last Assembly. If any other DCM's, Area Standing Committee Chairs or Officers need a hard copy, please let me know at the Assembly here today.

Thank you for letting me be of service.

Archive Report – Rick M.

I have been busy since the Winter Assembly on January 20th, but would like to be even busier.

Recently, the *Traveling Archives Display* has been to Waldo, Campbellsport, and Lomira. The 62nd Annual Area 75 Conference May 17 – 19 in Janesville will be the 123rd time the Archives has been displayed since Nancy began in 1999. The display has been requested at District 16's event on June 1st and it will be there. I encourage you to request the Archives display for your event. Please call Nancy or me to see if we are booked on your particular date.

The Delegate's Workshop gave me a chance to chair the Archives Committee and listen to thoughts and ideas that didn't come from my head, but, gave me new tangents to go off on and continue my learning process.

The "Binder Days" in the Archives Room allow us to catch up on the filing of historical materials that belong in your binders so that they will be current. The workers *inside* the Archives Room have been super and fun to work with and now we are looking for help *outside* the Archives Room.

Each District will receive a "packet" from Area 75 Archives. Please pick up your District's packet after your DCM Report. Our contact information is included if you have any questions. It will have an index of the materials we have in your District's binder(s), plus a flyer showing the location and the time that your Archives Room is open.

Your District has two sets of binders. Confidential binder(s) have all the information; last names, addresses, emails, and phone numbers. Display binders do not include any confidential information so as to uphold the principles of anonymity.

If your District had a workshop or conference, send us the flyers. If it had any handouts at the function, send them to us. District meeting lists, District contact lists, and letters written to or

from DCM's or Chairs are materials for your binders. Anything that pertains to your District can go into your binder. Do you know of anyone out there who might have 20 year old minutes?

Please help us save our history by passing this on to them and everyone else that might have even one piece of the missing puzzle. If you are sending minutes, please continue to send them. If you haven't been, please begin to send them. Be sure to date all materials including the year.

The importance of collecting and saving minutes is so that we don't make the same mistakes and that we build upon that which has already worked. Pass it on that the minutes can be used as references by present and future AA Service workers. Visit the Archives Room and see what your District and Area has accomplished in the past. Your Archives Room is located in the basement of Holy Assumption School; between 71st & 72nd on Orchard St. West Allis 53219 We are open at 12:00 until 3:30 on Sundays. The Archives flyer with this information is available on our Area's web page at www.area75.org

Please come and visit your historical materials in your historical repository,
The Area 75 Archives Room.

CPC Report – John H.

I Attended the Delegates Workshop, March, 17th, 2013 which helped to stay in touch with other P.I and CPC committee members along with the honor of participating in AA's Inventory session.

Right now I am setting up an order for literature from GSO, for the use of setting up a table at the First Free Event in Waukesha County, The Drug Free Community program-"Alive and Kicking" Chester Marco! (a recovering alcoholic) will be telling his story.—April 17th 6:30-8:30pm at The Shattuck Auditorium-Carol University, 218 N East Ave, Waukesha, WI for info call 262-896-8263 if interested in attending.

I will be looking forward to more up and coming opportunities for fellowship and service in our Area, with our CPC Committee members. NOTE: WAAODA is cancelled (was to be held May 15 – 17)

Corrections Report – Jim McL.

Since taking over the position in mid-December through March 2013 I have processed 49 Prerelease Requests from inmates looking for AA contacts in the local community where they will be released.

District Corrections Chairs are the primary individuals I communicate with to find AA volunteers in their respective Districts to connect with inmates as outside contacts prior to their release. To date I have identified and have ongoing communication with individuals who perform this role in 21 of the 35 Districts in Area 75. In the instances where there is no specified Corrections Chair for a District I have contacted and forwarded requests to the DCM.

In February AA Corrections participated in the annual Transition Fair at the Oakhill Correctional Institution in Oregon, where I met both the OCI Warden and the Secretary of the DOC. This day-long event allows soon to be released inmates to meet with representatives of various community organizations as future contacts for jobs, social services, etc. I staffed a display booth where I passed out AA literature and Prerelease Contact forms. I also had the opportunity to talk with a number of inmates currently attending AA meetings in the facility.

Last month I attended the Tri-County Assembly in Kenosha. There were 2 Corrections Panels during this event that were led by Corrections Chairs Mark M. for District 7 and Dennis L. for

District 36. I also participated in the Delegates Workshop, leading the group that discussed proposed changes to some Corrections related literature. Later this month I have been invited to attend a District Meeting in Platteville to discuss the status of Corrections activity in District 9.

PI Report – Jeanette S.

I have been busy trying to keep up with the posting of events that are submitted to the calendar. If you have an event to post, please go to Area 75 website, go to the Area 75 calendar, click on “get your event posted here”. Please make sure that contact information is included in case there are questions. There is also a place where a flyer can be uploaded.

Flyers need to be in PDF format.

DCM's, please go through the meeting lists and the information regarding your District meeting. I can give you the login information necessary to update your meetings. It is the responsibility of each District to keep your meeting lists current. If you have changes regarding the District meeting, I will need to update those.

I participated in the Delegates Workshop on March 17 and was part of a wonderful discussion related to PI issues. Next Sat. April 13, I have been invited to participate in District 9's workshop in Cuba City. I will also be participating in a community event in my home district, District 1, later this month. They have invited Alcoholics Anonymous to have a table at their event. I will be attending the Spring conference as well.

I want to extend a huge thanks to Barb Weber for all the help she has given me with the calendar and materials she has made and used during her term as PI for Area 75. Please let me know if I can be of service to your District in any way. If you have a New PI chair in your District, please let me know what their contact information is.

Special Needs Report – Tara H.

At our last get together, March 17th, we were combined with Treatment chairs, then broke off into manageable groups – our group had 12 people – we were given questions to discuss and answer to the best of our ability. Then, after lunch we presented our ideas and answers to the assembly. Randy our Delegate will represent us in New York with our general consensus. Special Needs as part of that group discussed and spoke about better ways to get our message out to the community and to help better serve them. Our District chairs have a lot of enthusiasm and good ideas. Special Needs will have a table available Friday night, May 17th, 2013 at the Area Conference to be available to the alcoholic in need. Also, Special Needs has been invited to set up a display in Fond du Lac, WI at the Gratitude Club for a workshop the 8th of June. We look forward to serving the AA community and informing you what we have to offer – and the strides that we are making. That each and every one of us can contribute in our districts – and help people to understand the needs that they can help take care of. For instance, in my District (17), we have two major clubs that are well attended and established that are not handicapped accessible. Our central office is handicapped accessible and so is our Alano Club. I hope to get an initiative going and present those clubs with possibly looking at their options and looking at the availability they could offer to the alcoholic who is physically challenged. There is cost involved, sure, but also there can be money allocated for those changes. It is a work in progress as we all know and change takes time.

Treatment Report – Kristi C.

Good morning everybody. My name is Kris and I'm always going to be an alcoholic. I am currently serving as your Area 75 Treatment Chairperson and I am grateful to do so. In our committee meeting at the last Assembly we decided to choose the Bridging the Gap program our focus for this coming year. We are hoping to expand and strengthen the program in those districts and facilities where it is being used already as well as to introduce and implement it in other districts and other facilities. By distributing our contact request pamphlets and our literature in places beyond simply treatment centers-such as detox centers, halfway houses, or outpatient treatment care-we hope to help more people find, their way thru the doors of Alcoholics Anonymous. By supplying our district meetings and individual meetings within our districts with our volunteer contact pamphlets we hope to increase involvement in this type of service. Some of the districts have already started to compile a contact list- a very useful tool when often a person receives treatment in one district but will be going home to another. We encourage all district treatment chairpersons to adopt such a practice. I have started a list containing the names and contact information of those who participated in the last committee meeting and will continue to add to this list as new people join us. This contact information is then shared with all those on the list so we can keep in touch and help each other to Bridge the Gap.

On the display board there are examples of numerous pamphlets recommended for those carrying our message into treatment facilities and the AA guidelines for doing so. The pamphlets should be available at your Inter group Central office or can be ordered from the GSO-some at no charge. Please check them out.

In closing, I remind you that I am here to serve you. If you have any questions, need information or help in any way, feel free to contact me. I look forward to visiting your groups, your district meetings, your workshops or mini conferences, your potlucks. I'm willing to travel, schedule permitting, and now that the weather is clearing up, I'm more willing. I have some contact cards back by the display so please invite me and I'll do all can to be there. Thank you for the opportunity to serve and see you all in Janesville.

Grapevine Report – Nancy H.

GV Today was sent to all groups along with Box 459. If your group did not receive this information your group mailing information may be obsolete and can be updated by sending the current information to the area registrar.

The GV Representative Handbook has been revised and is available to be printed at aagrapevine.org. It is filled with information about the Grapevine and what the GV representative does.

Also available on the aagrapevine web site is a flyer for becoming a GV Rep. Currently the subscription renewal rate is only about 57%. Have you renewed your subscription? This is our magazine and we need to subscribe if we want to support it. The Grapevine is a wonderful 12th step tool that can be brought into jails and prisons, left in Doctor and Hospital waiting rooms and given to the shaky newcomer who walks in the door.

On a financial note no withdrawals were needed from the reserve fund for Grapevine in 2012.

Since our last assembly I had the Grapevine display at WICYPAA in Oconomowoc and an open meeting in Waldo. The display will be at the conference in Janesville and a District 7 event in May. If you want the display at one of your events or a district meeting please contact me.

Alternate Delegate/Literature Report – Drew A.

I would like to welcome those of you who are attending your first Area 75 meeting. I hope that you find it to be a positive experience and that you in turn will encourage others from your home group and districts to attend.

I serve as both your Area 75 Alternate Delegate and your Area 75 Literature Chair. As your Alternate Delegate, I assist the Delegate in whatever capacity he requires. As your Literature Chair, it is my job to keep you informed of new developments and changes to the conference-approved literature available from A.A. World Services Inc.

Since we last met, I attended the Conference of Delegates Past and Present in February where I got a feel for the General Service Conference proceedings and learned more about the structure of the East Central Region. During the latter part of February and early part of March, I assisted our Delegate, Randy, as he prepared for the Delegate's Workshop. And, of course, I attended the Delegate's Workshop in my capacity as both Alternate Delegate and Literature Chair. Throughout this time period, our Delegate, Randy, has kept me fully engaged as he prepares for the General Service Conference and has been copying me on all the information he is allowed to forward.

In my role as Literature Chair, I have answered numerous questions regarding conference approved literature and recommended various pamphlets, guidelines, and workbooks for a variety of uses. I have received and reviewed my literature chair kit from G.S.O. and I have requested the complimentary literature display package which contains one copy of all the A.A. book dust jackets; one copy of all pamphlets; one set of A.A. Guidelines; list of Service Material Available from G.S.O.; new literature flyers; a list of Central Offices, Intergroups and Answering Services for the United States/Canada, and Overseas; The A.A. Service Manual; and A.A. Literature Catalog.

It is my intention to update the existing literature display with current materials during my term. I am currently considering two options:

1. continuing with pamphlets displayed on foam display boards or
2. displaying the pamphlets with wire racks available from GSO.

For both options, the onetime cost to create the display is about the same. I am leaning towards displaying the pamphlets in wire racks because I can display more pamphlets in a smaller space and it would be easier to maintain going forward. If you have thoughts on this subject, please see me at the break or contact me. How to best proceed with a new literature display will be on the agenda for our next committee meeting during at Spring Conference Assembly.

The literature display is available for use at any district function and is, of course, is displayed at all Area functions.

My upcoming activities include plans to attend District 9's Annual Mini Conference, the Area Conference and District 2's workshop.

I am available to attend district meetings as your Area Literature Chair or as Alternate Delegate if you would like.

At a national level, the following items are on the General Service Conference Literature Committee's agenda:

- Review the revised draft pamphlet "Circles of Love and Service."
- Review final report on the development of literature which focuses on spirituality, along with a draft pamphlet.
- Consider a request to replace language in the second paragraph of the dust jacket of the 4th Edition of *Alcoholics Anonymous*.
- Consider a suggestion to add "Nonalcoholics may attend open meetings as observers" to the end of the *open* meeting side of the Primary Purpose (Blue) card.
- Consider a request to add an index to the Big Book, *Alcoholics Anonymous*.
- Consider a request to add the subtitle 'None Left Behind' to the newly revised "A.A. and the Armed Services" pamphlets.

2012 A.A. LITERATURE – NEW, REVISED AND UPDATED ITEMS

• English and French "A.A. and the Armed Services" pamphlet (P-50 and FP-50) with new stories added to reflect A.A. members' current military experience and new cover graphic	0.45¢
• English, French and Spanish "It Sure Beats Sitting in a Cell" pamphlet (P-33, FP-33 and SP-33) updated with contemporary stories from A.A. members, and new sections on sponsorship, the Twelve Steps, what to do after release	0.25¢
• English, French and Spanish "Understanding Anonymity" pamphlet (P-47, FP-47, and SP-47) includes revisions from 2011 General Service Conference with new cover graphics	0.25¢
• English, French and Spanish "2011 Membership Survey" pamphlet.15¢ (P-48, FP-48 and SP-48) and English, French and Spanish "2011 Membership Survey" easel display (M-13, FM-13 and SM-13).	\$22.00
• English, French and Spanish "2012 General Service Conference Report" (M-23, FM-23 and SM-23)	\$2.00
• English P.I. Literature container with NO "A.A. at a Glance" fliers (MV-46)	\$2.30
• French - Large Print - Fourth Edition Les Alcooliques Anonymes (FB-16)	\$8.30
• French - Large Print - Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions book (FB-14)	\$7.75
• French A.A. in Prison book (FB-13)	\$2.25
• General Service Conference Advisory Actions books <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ English Conference Advisory Actions (1951-2012 - M-39) ○ French ABRIDGED Conference Advisory Actions (1989-2012 - FM-39) ○ Spanish ABRIDGED Conference Advisory Actions (1989-2012 - SM-39) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$2.50 \$2.00 \$2.00
• Electronic Service Pieces (Upon Request - Please call G.S.O.) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ English Conference Advisory Actions (1951-2012) ○ French ABRIDGED Conference Advisory Actions (1989-2012) ○ Spanish ABRIDGED Conference Advisory Actions (1989-2012) 	No charge
• English 2012 Updated Living Sober booklets regular B-7	\$4.25
• English 2012 Updated Living Sober booklets large print B-25	\$4.75

DCM Reports

District	DCM	Report
1	Bart V.	Not present.
2	Jane J.	Not present.
		<p>Thank God for AA! And thank you to the members of District 3 for allowing me to serve as their District Committee Member. It is an honor.</p> <p>District 3 specifically serves Sheboygan and Manitowoc counties as well as Area 75. We have 3 clubhouses (1907 Club – Sheboygan, Rightway Club – Sheboygan, and the Alano Club in Manitowoc) that host meetings every day of the week. There are also many meetings throughout the District held at various halls, churches, and hospitals. Morning or evening there is no problem finding a meeting in District 3.</p> <p>District 3 also maintains an AA hotline 24/7. That number is 1-800-355-7318. We answer 20-30 calls each month. Thanks to Mary m, Marv S., George P, Cate W., Mike S., Barb P. for answering the calls day and night and thanks to everyone who has signed on to follow up. We don't always know who we help but we are certain District 3 does help.</p> <p>Getting back to meetings in District 3; groups currently registered with the General Service Office for Manitowoc total 10 and Sheboygan has 15. District 3 also publishes a District meeting list that has all meetings that have been in existence for a minimum of 1 year of which there are 20 in Manitowoc and 32 in Sheboygan including one Spanish speaking meeting, 3 in two Rivers, 1 in Elkhart Lake, 2 in Sheboygan Falls, 1 in Hingham, 1 in Rhine, 2 in Plymouth, 1 in Where The Heck Is Waldo, and about a dozen other newer than one year old meetings.</p> <p>We hold District 3 meetings every third Wednesday of the month. Even number months are at the 1907 Club in Sheboygan and odd number months the meeting is at the Alano club in Manitowoc. Usually quite well attended by anywhere from 15 to 20 AAs.</p> <p>District 3 has a DCM, a secretary (Kirk), treasurer (Kasper). We have many constantly active GSRs as well as active chairpersons. We have an active Archives chair (Jim K.) incessantly collecting everything about District 3 he can get his hand on, we have an active Grapevine Chair (Mary M.) creating access to subscriptions for groups, the jails and the professional community; we have an active Literature chair (Jarrod S.) working on putting together newcomer packets, we have a treatment and Bridging the Gap chair (Patrick M) helping people who want to get hooked up with meetings and getting rides; we have an active Corrections chair (George P) keeping up with the contact people at the jails and prisons as well as entering the facilities and conducting AA meetings. George gets help from John M. for meetings in the Manitowoc Jail. I cannot not mention Deb who is District 3 past Corrections chair and continues to be</p>
3	Tom R.	

involved with jail meetings. I know there are more people helping out with jail meetings and corrections and I apologize for not thanking them by name. Corrections is a big deal in District 3. It utilizes Treatment and Bridging the Gap, Public Information, Literature, Grapevine...well..just about everything we do! We share other chair positions until the time someone can assume responsibility and has the time.

District 3 loves giving back. A spring outing is being discussed. It could be a gold outing, just a picnic, or a bus trip to the Area Archives has even been discussed (which has Jim, our Archives chair pretty excited), or something else to get people involved. We want to have a spring workshop that has, in the past, been on sponsorship and actually accomplished getting some sponsors and AAs hooked up. Well worth the effort. Things like newcomer packets and the District 3 meeting lists all help attract people to AA so that, if we can, help those people who are willing to develop spiritually and recover from the grips of alcoholism.

Thanks to Chris from District 25 Fond du Lac for inviting District 3 to run the Alkathon at the 2015 Area conference they are hosting. Thanks Chris and District 25 for allowing us to be a part of that.

Thanks to Todd U., Area 75 Chair, for visiting and speaking at our last District meeting. Also an invitation to anyone who wants to come to a District 3 meeting: 3rd Wednesday of the month, odd months Manitowoc Alano club and even months the 1907 Club Sheboygan at 6:30pm.

Founders Day in Akron, Ohio is June 7-9th 2013 and the 78th anniversary of AA. This gentleman named Larry W. showed up at my home group, the New Life group 7:00pm Tuesdays at the Alano club in Manitowoc. He lives about 5 miles outside of Akron and has extended an invitation to recovering alcoholics to come and camp (that's no water or toilet for those of you that misunderstand camping) on his land. He has 25 acres of beautiful property and would really like to have a bunch of us come down for Founders Day. Anyone interested in that please talk to me after the meeting and I can get you contact information and show you the information he gave to me.

Thank God for AA. AA salvaged my life as it was and brought me a new life and a new way of living to share with others. A beautiful thing. Thanks to all of you here and the wonderful people in District 3 for helping me and allowing me to serve.

4/22	Herbert P.	Not present.
6	C. Peter T.	District 6 is doing fairly well. All of our meetings have an average ranging from 3 to 5 Alcoholics, with others having 18 to 20 attending. We have just had our new meeting schedules printed and distributed April 1 st . I have been asked by a few meetings to have an Area 75 representative visit some of our meetings in the District. We now hold 65 meetings per week, with three new meetings started since our last printing (2012). Our corrections chair could not make it to Area 75

today; he has sent a written report with me.

District 7 serves eastern Kenosha County. We currently have 50 active groups in the District.

We will be having a Workshop on May 11, 2013 at the Kenosha Alano Club, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. This will be a Service School. Requesting Area 75 Service Committee Chairs participation.

Our District's checking account was looking pretty bleak. We requested from our groups our need for funds and I am happy to report they stepped up. We currently now have funds to continue our work.

Our CPC & PI committees are very active. They have continued working together to increase the visibility of A.A. in Kenosha. They have placed literature racks at KHDS, Hope Council, Kenosha County Jail, Kare Center, Columbus House & PSN Family Resource Center. They have flyers & business cards strategically placed in public places offering help through A.A. hotline and websites. They have been working on getting A.A. exposure in the schools in Kenosha. They have made a connection with the Drug & Alcohol Court; raising visibility there. A mailing went out to local clergy that included meeting schedules, the clergy brochure and a return postcard offering A.A. services. Last year we had a radio spot on a local public radio station. Three A.A. members shared their experience, strength & hope. The A.A. hotline phone number was broadcast to reach the still suffering alcoholic.

The Correction committee has also continued to be very active. They currently serve five corrections institutions in the area with meetings and literature.

The Grapevine committee Chair has been out for most of 2012 due to health/family issues. She is looking for assistance in developing this Committee further. Nancy???

Literature Committee continues to work closely with RACO, our Central Office, to have literature for sale in our District. We will have literature available at our Workshop in May.

We had a Workshop on A.A. History in the Kenosha area that was well received. We had some real sleuths on the Workshop committee that discovered some interesting facts about the beginning of A.A. in Kenosha. We, also, had some wonderful "old timers" on a panel that shared how it was when they first became sober. As a direct result of this Workshop, we now have an Archive Committee Chair

8	Russ K.	No written report.
9	Brett C.	District 9 has 25 active meetings. Before taking over as DCM there were 6 active GSRs myself included. One of my goals is to increase participation by making district meetings attractive. Right out of the gate at my 1st district meeting that I chaired I had a written agenda for the meeting and do my best to stick to it. This agenda has been taken back to meetings and shared with groups. The second

		<p>thing I try to do is attend different meetings and introduce myself and inform the group about the district. We have since added 3 new GSRs and are still growing. District 9 also had no committee chairs and none of us had any idea what they even are. I have made it a priority to educate and inform the district of the resources that are available to us. The Area corrections chair will be visiting our district meeting April 29th and the Area PI chair will be attending the District 9 mini conference April 13th. WE now have a district corrections chair and a public information chair.</p> <p>District 9 mini conference will be held April 13th in Cuba City Wisconsin. Registration begins at 8:30 with panels starting at 10. We have 2 great meals, panels. Alanon and AA speakers, door prizes and even a skit. Hope to see you all there.</p> <p>Thanks you for allowing me to be of service.</p>
10	Arturo H.	<p>District 10 has 13 groups: 7 in Milwaukee and 6 outside Milwaukee (Racine, Kenosha, Green Bay, Neenah, Watertown, and Madison)</p> <p>The District meets twice each month, the 2nd and 4th Sunday of each month at 3:00pm. Location: 1663 6th St. Milwaukee, WI 53204.</p> <p>At last assembly we noticed misinformation regarding some meetings. Barb gave us the forms and we submitted correct info.</p> <p>On August 3, 2013 we are going to celebrate the 15th anniversary of our district. Location to be announced.</p> <p>The district has been making contributions to the Area and GSO. We have a PI Coordinator/Chair and one for Correctional institutions.</p>
11	Thea R.	Not present.
12	Terry H.	Via Clarence:
13	Wendy B.	<p>District 13 is located in the Southeastern part of Waukesha County & services the communities of Waukesha, Big Bend, Brookfield, Vernon, New Berlin, and Muskego. We have 24 meeting and nine are represented with a GSR.</p> <p>Since January the alternate DCM Niki D. & I have been visiting the groups not represented by a GSR and sharing the importance of having a GSR or at least a group contact person. Also, for those groups who had not supported District 13 via the 7th Tradition split, we provided the pamphlets Self Support Where Money and Spirituality Mix and The AA Group Treasurer.</p> <p>All of our District Standing Committee Chairs are filled and I am now encouraging the Committee chairs to establish a plan on how they and their committee will carry the message.</p> <p>District 13 does not have a treatment facility or corrections facility in our district. We are working with the treatment and correction chairs in Districts 32 & 34.</p> <p>In June 2013 we will sponsor the monthly AA Meeting held by District 34 and in</p>

September or October 2013 we will sponsor the annual District 13 open meeting normally held in New Berlin.

District 13 works closely with District 32 & District 34. The three districts continue to host our annual 12 Step Workshop in January "Stepping Into The New Year" This includes panelists discussing the 12 Steps, a luncheon, and a main speaker. This year about 140 people attended. The event is popular and promotes unity.

I hope to meet with the other two district DCM's to pool resources.

14 Frank S.

The District is still active and working to keep all our groups informed and connected to the District, Area 75, and GSO. Our current chair people are committed to spreading the message and dedicated to their specific positions but they can always use additional help. We have a few chair positions open at this time. The GSR's that are attending the district meetings are energetic and willing to take on added responsibilities.

As was the goal of the last term, we want to keep reaching out to our groups and staying connected with them. We haven't had an event or workshop, or speaker meeting in sometime but we are in the beginning stages of putting something together this summer, hopefully with an adjoining district or 2 with the theme of "Service" and if it works out well, could be a chance it could turn into an annual type event.

15 Stephen E.

District 15 has 36 meetings listed. In reality this number is approximate as some meetings might not be listed.

Eighteen of these are represented between 2 GSRs who attend the monthly District Business Meetings. The reason for this ratio is that the Milwaukee Group has 17 meetings and is represented by one GSR. The Milwaukee Group has monthly business meetings for group conscience and GSR communication.

There are other groups clustered in two clubs. The Friendship Club has 5 meetings listed and the Alano Club has 3 listed. These have not been visited in over a year. There are three more 'Church Basement' meetings that will need to be visited, too. Thus, 11 meetings that will get my first time visit.

I had been to 7 other meetings with the previous DCM, John B, when he was doing his service work. These visits resulted in 2 meetings with past GSR attendance. I will be revisiting these 7 meetings as well.

We have 3 active Subcommittees, a Workshop/Panel Coordinator and a Speaker Seeker:

The Workshop/Panel Committee

- The Coordinator, Brent W, recently put together a workshop on steps 10, 11 and 12. The workshop before that was on Service Work. The next one will be steps 1, 2 and 3.

Treatment

There have been about 200 phone calls made to AODA service providers in District 15. Some are callbacks. These include residential, outpatient and

inpatient facilities.

We have continued taking meetings into Genesis Public Detox and Thurgood Marshall House for about two years.

The Treatment Committee Chair, Jeremy J, remains in contact with the outside sponsors of these facilities. He is also in communication with an Aurora Heath Facility. He serves as a contact and provides rides for patients at Columbia St Marys Hospital. A homeless shelter called the Guest House is presently being approached by his subcommittee members.

He has distributed AA Literature to AODA Service Providers though the District 15 budget is small.

CPC/PI

- The CPC Chair, Todd W, has made a breakthrough with Marquette University. The Administrators have shied away from AA for several years. They have accepted AA Literature. He is in communication with them regularly.
- River West Radio has agreed to give AA Public Service Announcements.
- There have been flyers posted in the Law Enforcement Stations in the District that have the AA Hotline phone number on them.
- A book drive for donated AA books and literature was started with some success.
- The Public Libraries were confirmed to have Big Books. District 15 has provided more other literature to them also.
- Right now Lawyers, Hotels and Churches are being contacted.

Special Needs

- The Special Needs Chair, Nealy, is creating a list of AODA Service providers who help people with special needs. She will be arranging for phone calls to be made to these facilities.

Speaker Seeker

- Connor is getting speakers from outside District 15 to share their experience, strength and hope. The District open speaker meeting is on the first Saturday of each month at 7 PM.

The District finished off the year with a workshop in November on the Promises at Central Office with a turnout of 35.

In 2013 we are planning 5th annual District 16 picnic. It will be held Saturday, June 1st in Greenfield Parking – Picnic Area 5. Food at noon, speaker at one, myself. Flyers on back table.

16 Mark V.

In addition we are considering a joint workshop with Districts 14 and 27 in late summer.

We have some open committee chairs: CPC, Corrections, Special Needs

Our treatment chair goes to VA the second Tuesday of the month for introduction to AA for the vets.

		District 16 meets on the first Wednesday of the month at Faith United Methodist Church at 7:00pm.
17	Ted B.	Not present.
19	John M.	<p>Distict 19 covers Richland and Sauk counties. Major cities within the district include: Richland Center, LaValle, Wisconsin Dells, Lake Delton, Baraboo, Reedsburg, and Spring Green. There are 31 meetings in District 19. Since the last Area report we have three new groups: Women's 'Keep It Simple Sisters' 10:00am Sunday mornings at St. Clare Hospital Baraboo, Read & Lead Group Tuesday 10:00am Christ Lutheran Church Spring Green, and 12 Steps & 12 Traditions Friday 6:30pm Christ Lutheran Church Spring Green. One meeting closed, Monday Women's Meeting Richland Center.</p> <p>May 2012 the District sponsored a workshop on "Sponsorship - Home Group - Service". The Women's Group "Keep It Simple Sisters" hosted the event. Delegate Nancy H spoke to the group about service and other AA members formed panels to discuss each topic. Diane from MAICO brought her terrific road show of material. Lunch was served. Approximately 70 people were in attendance. It was a very good day for all who attended.</p> <p>May 11 this year, District 19 is sponsoring a "Mini conference" hosted by the Prairie du Sac Group. There will be three panels discussing the theme "Came to Believe". They will concentrate on "I can't - He can - I'll Let Him". A pulled pork lunch will be served. Location is Prairie du Sac Town Hall. S9903 Hwy 12 Prairie du Sac, WI. Flyers are on back table. We want to make this an annual event.</p> <p>The District is currently looking at a fall workshop. The topic or topics have yet to be determined.</p> <p>Our Bridging the Gap works with the St. Clare Center in Barbaoo - we are at the center every Wednesday and Saturday from 4:30 - 5:30 pm.</p>
20	Sean McC.	<p>Our district meeting is held on the last Tuesday of every month, starting at 6:30pm and usually runs around an hour. We meet at St. Stephens Church which is located at 5700 Pheasant Hill, in Monona. There are right around thirty groups regularly represented by GSRs, or their alternate, though I'm certain we've more groups than that in our district. As part of outreach, part of our district inventory questions include, "how can we better inform and encourage service in general throughout our district" has been raised (workshops, presentations, pockets of enthusiasm?)</p> <p>We currently have all standing committee positions filled and many of the chairs have jumped in with both feet since January when their rotation started. Some of the highlights include, a request from MMHI (Mendota Mental Health Institution) for Alcoholics Anonymous representation within their medium security program at Goodland Hall. Almost two years ago I received a call from our central office which led to meeting with administrators of MMHI as our treatment chari at the time. Long story short, we've had a very successful Big</p>

Book Study going for a little under a year now in their minimum security building “Stoval Hall” and the message of hope found in our twelfth suggestion “Having had a spiritual awakening as the result of these steps” is being carried in Saturday evenings at 6:30pm by a group of very dedicated and enthusiastic members of our fellowship.

Our Bridging the Gap chair has a committee of volunteers to rival just about anything I’ve seen, a group of trusted servants doing BTG presentations and using attraction rather than promotion as their principle and motivation.

Archives has recently proposed to start digitizing old speaker tapes and converting them to mp3 format. And though no formal proposal has been made concerning their future dissemination, we hope that all who might benefit would have access.

PI is diligently drumming up support and bringing new vigor to the position.

Corrections is business as usual, the coordinating between BTG, outside contacts, updating eligibility status for those who would be of service.

Honestly I’ve left an awful lot out, but know that so far, I am quite fortunate to be surrounded by the fellowship I crave, and just how blessed I am to trudge this road with fellow travelers like our Alt. DCM who thus far has helped to steer this ship in the right direction, and God willing we’ll not need to get back on track, we’ll just stay where we are – moving forward – together.

23 Not present.

24 Larry M. Not present.

25 Les M. Our District is located in Fond du Lac County. Meeting is 2nd Tuesday of the month.
All the committees are filled at this time. But we need to fill the secretary position due to stepping down, due to a job change. Also we are working on a Workshop of 3 Legacy’s.
We will have Bob M. past East Central Regional Trustee presenting AA structure, AAWS & Grapevine Board, as our District had several questions about how the structure works.
Panels, & GSR School. Also working on updating the Group information info.
AA has been invited to Marian College for a health fair. We have our CPC committee member and other AA’s attending the event. Our donations were very low because of personality problems. Since we changed District committee people, the financial backing has come back. I started getting out to groups in my district. We’re having about 12 to 15 attending our District meeting.

27 Jay R. Not present.

28 James U. Not present.

29 Scott L. Not present.

30 Sue M. My name is Sue M. and I am an alcoholic. I am also the DCM for District 30 in

northern Rock County which includes the cities of Janesville, Milton, Edgerton and Evansville.

At this time our District:

- Will be hosting the 62nd Area 75 Conference next month. Joel B. is our Chairperson and will be giving his report later today.
- Is creating a District Handbook in hopes that it will make the transition of Committee Chairs from one rotation to the next easier.
- Has voted to have a Mini-Conference this fall hosted by our District's Committee chairs and GSRs.
- We currently hold an Alkathon for 24 hours on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day and we are discussing whether we want to also include a 12 hour New Year's Eve Alkathon.
- Our Corrections Committee, both male and female are very active. There are regularly scheduled AA meetings on Wednesday and Thursdays at the Rock County Jail.
- Our Treatment Committee has regular scheduled Speakers to carry the AA message at Mercy Options twice a week on Wednesday and Fridays.
- We are waiting to get more information on a new program; Alcohol Court. They are asking for AA's participation in sharing experience, strength and hope on Wednesday's at 4pm, once a month, and want those persons in recovery who have had multiple drunk driving convictions.
- We are in the midst of our District Inventory.
- All Committee positions are filled.

In closing I believe attendance and participation at the District level continues to grow and I am enjoying learning and growing with it. I want to thank you all for allowing me to be of service to you.

Hello, my name is Charlie and I am an alcoholic and DCM for District 31, which is basically Columbia County. Our district committee meets on the third Sunday of the month at 6:30pm at the Pardeeville library in Pardeeville. Last month we had a visit from the Delegate, Randy R. who shared his experience on service work. I want to thank Randy again for all you do. The Delegate's visit seemed to have created more interest in service work. We have 14 registered groups in our district including the group in the correctional facility in Portage. We are looking for volunteers for Corrections and Bridging the Gap. We have some committee chair positions open and have had some interest from some people willing to look into filling them.

31 Charles M.

At our next district meeting on April 21st, we will have a visit from Ken and Nancy G. to give us an overview on GSR work. I want to thank them for finding the time to come visit us. We will be having some GSR changes in some groups coming soon and been encouraging people who are interested in GSR work to come to the next meeting and bring questions with them. We also have been encouraging people to attend area functions and see how our service structure works and help participate. We have a fall workshop every year in September and hopefully forming a committee to start working on that this summer. I want

		to personally thank all trusted servants in Area 75 for their commitment to carrying the message. Thank you!
32	John W.	<p>My name is John W. and I am an alcoholic, also the District 32 DCM. Our District held its own workshop in November of last year on the 12x12 with panelist sharing their experience and hope with both the step and the tradition. It was well attended and enjoyed by all.</p> <p>In January we were involved with the tri-district workshop with districts 34 and 13. It too was well attended.</p> <p>We have been looking for a new place to meet for our district meetings; and it now looks like we will be meeting on the 4th Tuesday of the month at 6:30 P.M. at the Bethlehem Lutheran Church, Wales, WI. Starting in May.</p> <p>The new location is more centrally located in the district, and the day is more suitable to the majority of our GSR's.</p>
34	Tony S.	<p>Meet 1st Tuesday of the month at 6:30pm at the Good Sheppard Church in Menomonee Falls/Menomonee Falls Brookfield Area. District 34 is in North Eas Waukesha County. Happy to announce that all committee positions are filled, clean up and group information sheets are done. Treatment and PI are very busy within our district. Also networking with neighboring districts and Area 75 focusing on Bridging the Gap.</p> <p>District 34 has bid to host the 2016 Conference. We held a conference last year on an Interpretation of the Lord's Prayer as related to the 12 steps of AA.</p> <p>District 34 pocket meeting is available and can be modified for your district. Contact me by email: tonysardo0922@gmail.com</p>
35	Bob L.	Not present.
36	Peter W.	<p>Hello everybody, my name is Pete W. and I'm an alcoholic. Currently serving the Area as your Alt Treasurer, and your District 36 DCM. In December 2012 we held elections. We never needed a ballot as only one person stood for any position. Brenda G. is our new Secretary. Past DCM Barb W. is our new Treasurer. Past DCM Dennis L. is our new Corrections Chair. Past DCM Linda T. is our new Grapevine Chair and RACO Representative. Past DCM Mike D. is our new Special Needs Chair. Sarah T. is our new Workshop Chair. Unfortunately no one stood for DCM or Alt DCM. After some contemplation I agreed to continue as the DCM for 1 year, therefore allowing us to have a staggered rotation. I also continue to compile the District Archives. Our combined PI/CPC position is vacant although Dennis L. continues to update the newspaper meeting list. We have 4-6 GSR's attending our District meeting. We are updating our When & Where's as needed and are very happy with how that project has turned out. We also have a Meeting list for public display that we have recently printed and distributed. Corrections continues to be a central focus for our District and we are grateful to have Dennis as our Corrections Chair. We continue to receive generous donations to the corrections cans from several meetings in our District. We supply a lot of Literature to RCI and The Ellsworth Women's Facility.</p>

We hope to put on a workshop this summer possibly with a picnic setting to attract people. We would like it to be a service workshop. Financially the District is in as good a shape as it has been for a long time. We made a contribution to Raco last month as we felt we had the means to do so. All in all for a somewhat rural District we have been doing well. My concern is finding someone to step up to be the DCM this fall. As was noted earlier in this report, most of our positions are held by past DCM's and they continue to do the heavy lifting. From conversations I have had with others in service, I know our situation is not unique. So we continue to do the best we can to serve the fellowship, and the rest lies in the hands of him who has all power. Thank You.

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Not present.

MAICO – Grant N.

I. Financials

A. Credit Card – MAICO continues to monitor closely the effect of credit card implementation on sales. In general, sales continue to be up and credit card processing has opened up a number of new possible customers, including the VA hospital, which only uses credit cards for purchasing.

B. Budget and Expenses – MAICO also implemented a budget this past year. In general, MAICO's numbers continue to be quite close to that original budget and MAICO continues to operate in the black and maintain a sufficient prudent reserve according to its bylaws.

C. Internal Audit – At the recommendation of the previous Steering Committee, MAICO has also planned for an internal audit to be performed by previous Steering Committee Treasurer, Nancy G., and overseen by the current Steering Committee.

II. Events

A. MAICO Reps Winter Workshop – On Feb. 23, the MAICO Reps hosted a winter workshop on the history of AA, with a particular focus on its history in Wisconsin. Attendance was strong and the event proved to be a success.

B. MAICO Reps Spring Breakfast – The Reps will be hosting a breakfast event on June 1 at Trinity Lutheran in Madison. Theme TBA.

C. MAICO Reps Summer Picnic – The Reps will be hosting a picnic even on August 24 at the VFW Park in Prairie du Sac. Theme TBA.

III. Updating website – MAICO is still awaiting an offer from a volunteer to redesign MAICO's website at no charge. At its next meeting on April 9, the Steering Committee will (hopefully) be shown what that volunteer proposes and will consider its possible implementation.

Winnebago Land Central Office – Doug

1. The Winnebego Land Central Office of Fond Du Lac will be having a Book Fair on June 8th, 2013 at the Gratitude Club. The Book Fair will be from 9:00am – 3:00pm. The items that will be for sale are medallions, pamphlets, books, book covers, and book markers, etc.
2. The Winnebego Land Central Office Hotline is in need of volunteers.
3. The Winnebego Land Central Office number is 920-922-7512

4. The Chairman of the Board of Directors is Doug M., and he can be reached at home (920)921-5542

Milwaukee Central Office – No written report.

Racine Area Central Office – No written report.

Conference Advisory Report - Vacant position
No written report.

Spring 2013 Conference Report – Joel B.

The upcoming 2013 Area 75 annual conference is being held on May 17th thru the 19th at the Holiday Inn Express in Janesville, Wisconsin. Everything is going well and we are meeting again as a conference committee next Saturday at 5:30pm in the Wellington Room at the hotel. The following Monday, April 15th we are meeting with the hotel staff to finalize the conference layout. The donations from district groups are coming in along with volunteer sign-up sheets. Remember, if you're booking your room online at the Janesville Holiday Inn Express website, you need to enter the group code "SWI" for the conference room block and to be available. Otherwise the hotel will appear to be sold out. You can instead call and reserve your room by mentioning "Southern Wisconsin Area 75".

We were up to 95 registrations as of last week ago so if you've been patiently waiting to register until you weren't at risk of losing the drawing for a set of free conference audio recordings, you're in luck and your time is now! I can accept your registrations right here today and save you the expense of a stamp and envelope.

We're excited to be hosting this year's Area conference and looking forward to seeing you all!

Spring 2014 Conference Report – Steve N.

My name is Steve and I'm an alcoholic, from Racine District 17. I am not the chair for the 2014 Annual Conference Planning Committee, I am the Treasurer. Our Chair is John K. he couldn't be here today. Please don't hold that against him. He is doing an excellent job of conducting our meetings and keeping us on track and on schedule. Along with the expert guidance from our Area Advisor, Bob S. who has been keeping us "between the ditches" as we....

Trudge the Road of Happy Destiny.

This Conference is being hosted by Districts 17, 7, 6, and 36. So that's the southeast corner of Area 75. Coming from La Crosse? The nearest airports are Batten International in Racine, Waukegan Regional and Sylvania Crop-duster Landing Strip.

The 2014 Area 75 Annual Conference will take place on May 16, 17, 18 2014. The location will be the Racine Marriot Hotel and Conference Center. That's on Hiway 20 right across from Case High School and Racine Harley Davidson. The site walkthrough was conducted on February 3rd 2013 with the Marriot Sale Manager. She has been there for many years and has retained the file from the last Area 75 Conference held there. We have secured a room rate of \$112.00.

The Save The Date Flyer is out. The tri fold registration form is in the draft stage with the same logo as the S.T.D. Our main speaker is Robbie W. from Ocean City, NJ. The Sunday AM Brunch speakers will be our own Ken G. and Nancy G. from Madison. We are considering skits for entertainment

during the Ice Cream Social. We reviewed the menu options and settled on plated meals. Very similar to the last three conferences that I have attended.

As treasurer I will be giving an annual financial report at our next planning meeting. Our April Planning Meeting was supposed to have been held today at the Kenosha Alano Club. So we have moved the time and place to next Sunday April 14 2013 at 2:00 PM. Location: Racine Area Central Office. This will be following the District 17 Business Meeting. Thus far we have been holding our meetings on the first Sunday of each month with the locations rotating between the Racine Grove Club, Kenosha Alano Club, Burlington 12X12 Club, and the Delavan Alano Club.

Hope to see you all there, It's gonna be GREAT!

Spring 2015 Conference Report – Chris S.

Nothing new to report at this time. Hotel booked, chairs filled and our next meeting is on June 2nd at 1pm at the Gratitude Club in Fond Du Lac. We will be selecting the theme for the conference then.

New Business:

1. Coffee Volunteer for Summer Service Assembly – June 23rd
 - a. Tara H.
2. Greeters for Conference
 - a. Nancy and Drew
3. Greeters for Summer Service Assembly
 - a. Matt and Brent
4. Bids to host 2016 65th Annual 75 Conference
 - a. Tony S., District 34 will submit bid to Conference Committee
 - b. Motion to approve District 34's 'bid' to host the 2016 Conference
 - i. Seconded, motion carries with majority
5. Announcements
 - a. Joel B. – pick up Conference Registration forms for your District/Intergroup
 - b. Tom R. – Founder's Day in Akron on June 7 – 9; 78th Anniversary of AA
 - i. invitation to camp on a fellow's land if interested in attending
 - c. Fiona G. – WICYPAA turns 21 this year
 - i. in Madison for 2014
 - ii. need bidders for new cities to host this State conference
 - iii. April 27th – Bonfire meeting at Hoyt Park in Madison

Upcoming dates:

4/21/12—4/27/13—General Service Conference, NY
5/17/13—5/19/13—Area 75 Conference, Janesville
6/23/13—Summer Service Assembly
7/19/13—7/21/13—ECR Conference, Appleton
10/20/13—Fall Service Assembly
11/15/13—11/17/13—ECR Forum, Fort Wayne, IN

Closed with Responsibility Declaration at 11:28 am.