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UPCOMING EVENTS

- * January 10
Mini-Conference
planning meeting
 - January 17
GSR Third
Legacy Meeting
 - February 21
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 - * February 28
Mini-Conference
planning meeting
 - March 21
GSR Third
Legacy Meeting
- * Planning Meetings are held at
Four Points Hotel Sandusky, OH
- All 3rd Legacy Meetings
and Workshops are held at:
The 12 Step Recovery Club
1480 Pearl Road
Brunswick, OH
(on State Route 42 about 1/4 mile
south of State Route 303, next to
the Bowling Alley)



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from the Delegate

Hello Northeast Ohio:

This is my first attempt at an article as your new delegate. I have read a lot of them in the past seven years I have been in Service to Area 54 so I will try to make them as informative as possible.

I consider it an honor to be asked to present your views and ideas to Alcoholics Anonymous as a whole for the next two years. This gives me the opportunity to utilize the training you have given me to be your trusted servant.

We have moved our Mini-Conference to the Sandusky area. It will be April 9th, 10th and 11th. there is a flyer enclosed with this newsletter. We moved to this area to move the Mini-Conference around the area again and also because we got such economical rates. This is a \$99 weekend package, double occupancy. Our pre-conference planning meetings will be January 10th and February 28th. They will be at the Four Points Hotel off SR 250 at 2PM. Let's carpool and turn out to get the ball rolling. Valerie O'N from the General Service Office in NY will be our featured speaker.

Again this year we will be using the some of the actual Agenda items from the Conference so that I can get your feelings on how we here in Northeast Ohio feel about the issues facing Alcoholics Anonymous. So, we really need

you to show up and support this mini-conference. We will be mailing the Conference Theme Questions as well as the Agenda Items to each of the GSR's to take to their groups for their feedback. Bring this information with you to the conference in April.

I have also asked several of the Past Delegates to help me with reorganization of some of the larger districts as well as rejuvenation of some of the ones that have lost their drive. Hopefully this will create more service opportunities for us here in Area 54.

Again, I am grateful for the opportunity to serve you as your Delegate. I look forward to the challenges of what God has in store for me in the coming years.

In Love and Service,

Rob Sebastian
Delegate, Panel 49

**NE Ohio General Service
Mini Conference Planning
Meetings will be Jan. 10
and Feb. 28 at 2 P.M.
Four Points Hotel
1119 Sandusky Mall Blvd
Sandusky, Ohio**

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NE Ohio Area 54 Committee Reports

Archives

The Archives Committee has been meeting on a regular basis to establish goals for 1999. They are:

1. Vigorously seeking NE Ohio's historical records, classifying and storing them.
2. Developing a pamphlet to explain AA archives.
3. Creating traveling displays for the NE Ohio Mini Conference and the Ohio State Conventions.
4. Gathering oral histories from AA members in NE Ohio.

Bob McKimm
Archives Chair,
Past Delegate, Panel 47, Area 54

Public Information

Hello Northeast Ohio!!!

I have received letters from Eva at the GSO in New York and the topic is still 'anonymity'.

In Bill See's It: a letter from 1949 reads: "while the so-called public meeting is questioned by many A.A. members, I favor it myself providing only that anonymity is respected in press reports and that we ask nothing for ourselves except understanding."

I am grateful to have had the opportunity to be the PI Chairperson these past two years and I'm honored to be a part of Alcoholics Anonymous.

Love and Service
Carol Tolson, Past PI Chair



*When anyone one, anywhere reaches out
for help - I want the hand of AA to be
there - for that I am Responsible*

Grapevine

Dear Northeast Ohio,

As your Grapevine Committee Chairman the first thing I'm going to do is buy some purple material to cover the Grapevine Literature table. I have already inventoried the materials I received from John B. and given my totals to the Area Treasurer. I hope to order a lot more material soon and have the newest and latest material available for you to purchase.

I would like some volunteers to help make "Get the Vine in '99" signs for Founder's Day and other functions that the Grapevine Literature will be available.

I ask you to inquire with your home groups to see if they have group subscriptions and a Grapevine representative (GVR).

Your cooperation, guidance and help will be appreciated. Thank you, and thank you, Rob Sebastian for appointing me!

Mary Ann 'Mo' Mosyjowski
Grapevine Chair

The Grapevine has created 3 Focus Groups as corporate 10th Step. The areas selected include New York, San Francisco and Cleveland.

The Grapevine will conduct a mailing at the end of January. The Cleveland District Office has offered their meeting room for the eventual group meeting.

District News

District 50

Happy Holidays!! I am grateful to have had the opportunity to be the DCM for District 50 for the last 2 years. It involved helping the groups elect their GSR's and getting them active with General Service. It is always an Honor to be in service work and give back what has been given to me to help me stay sober and happy, joyous, and free.

The new DCM is Jerry Fox, who served as Alternate DCM for District 50 with me. He is looking forward to serving the groups and getting the GSR's active with our Akron Mutli-District 1,2,3,4, and 50 and NE Ohio Area 54.

Carol Tolson, Past DCM 50

Plan Ahead International Conv. 2000

We are currently developing plans for busing to the International Convention in Milwaukee. There will be several pickup points in NE Ohio and Toledo.

Talley Management, AA World Services' Convention Coordinator, will arrange the housing.

If you want details as the plans develop, I will have a sign-up sheet at our next few area assembly meetings. Also, you can write me. My address on the last page of this newsletter.

Bob McKimm
Past Delegate, Panel 47

From the Editor:

I would like to thank Rob Sebastian for the opportunity to act as Editor for the next couple of 'One Day At A Times'.

I am appealing to all right up front. This is your newsletter, not mine. If I am not informed, NE Ohio will not be informed either.

All contributions can be e-mailed or mailed to me. I will be setting deadlines approximately 2 weeks in advance of printing. So let's work together!

Yours In Service,
Dan Mix, Editor

NE Ohio Area 54 Officer's Reports

Dear NE Ohio,

I really wish to thank all of you for trusting me to be your trusted servant. The past two years as recording secretary has been delightful, rewarding and spiritually fulfilling. Working with Panel 47 was an experience that was mixed with hard work, diligence, gratitude and humor. The humor especially kept us bound together as one with our primary purpose being to serve each NE Ohio to the best of our ability.

Now I am looking forward to the next two years as Alternate Delegate. My aim is to be more diligent then the past couple years.

I thank you from the bottom of my heart for being there for me and aiding in my growth as a recovering alcoholic. I look forward to working with the new Area officers, and sharing our experience, strength and hope and giving our all to Area 54.

In Love and Service,
Tina Hobson
Alternate Delegate

Hello Northeast Ohio!

I am very grateful for the opportunity to be your new ~~mailing secretary~~ ~~mailing secretary~~. I am your Trusted ~~Servant~~ and it is an honor to serve on this panel.

Ten years ago I had a dream of being on the panel, when I was a GSR for my old home group in Akron. Thanks to all of you in Area 54 and God, my dream is being fulfilled. I have 8 years of sobriety and 4 of those years have been in service work.

I started out by being a GSR, and Intergroup Representative for my home group. Then I was elected the DCM in District 50. I served as Treasurer for the Akron Area Multi-District during that time.

My service sponsor then got me more active. I was appointed the Treasurer for the Mini-Conference last year. I am excited about the new location, Sandusky.

ATTENTION DCM's !! Please have all group and GSR's updates by January 17th. I am looking forward to working with all of you. Let's make this a working TEAM and get our updates in early.

In Love and Service,
Carol Tolson
Mailing Secretary

My fellow members,

I seized the moment to challenge for the position of Treasurer of our great fellowship. Realizing this position would require my time, dedication and responsibility, I felt it would be the opportunity of a lifetime, as well as beneficial towards my recovery.

Guess what? I won through our 3rd Legacy voting procedure. I appreciate your confidence and would like to thank everyone for putting your faith in me.

As the Holiday's are upon us, may I extend blessings to you, your family and friends for a safe, healthy and happy holiday season.

Yours truly,
Emmett Spears,
Treasurer

Greetings Area 54,

As this ~~New Year begins~~, I would like to ~~briefly look back~~ and personally thank all those that helped to make Gratitude Sunday such a memorable day for all of Area 54. Thank you especially for allowing me to be a part of the wonderful day and fellowship.

I would also like to thank you for the trust you placed in me and the others of Panel 49 by electing us to serve you for the next two years. As with others on the panel, I will try to the best of my ability, to represent you and your wishes.

We will however, need you!! Those elected in General Service have shown their Home Groups and Districts the ability and willingness to be responsible and it is my sincere hope that we will all use these next two years as a stepping stone in our sobriety by continuing to grow together through service. Each job has new responsibilities and more to learn. We all know what we know but don't know what we don't know and now is the time to be open to learn and be teachable to those who proceeded us.

We need your input and ability at the Area level. Let us meet together and exercise the ability our Higher Power has given us to work together to execute the group conscience of those that have elected us to serve. The best we can do is to be *willing* and *trust our Higher Power* to help us develop those skills that will make that possible.

We *will* grow together. There is a lot of work to do and we need you. If you were elected, please come to the meetings

and participate.

Yours in Love and Service,
Helen Kowalski
Chairperson

NE Ohio General Service Mini-Conference Planning Meetings Four Points Hotel 1119 Sandusky Mall Blvd. Sandusky, Ohio

The 1999 NE Ohio Mini Conference Planning Meetings will be held January 10th and February 28th at 2 P.M. at the Four Points Hotel in Sandusky.

At the first meeting we will review the schedule of events, assign the chairman of the committees, and assign all participants for the meetings.

To get to the hotel, exit the Ohio Turnpike at US Rt. 250. Follow US Rt. 250 north for 7 miles to Sandusky Mall Blvd. (Bob Evan's Restaurant is on the left - Big Boy Restaurant is on the right) Turn right onto Sandusky Mall Blvd. The hotel is on the left side of the road about 4/10 of a mile.



RECOVERY, UNITY AND SERVICE

These are the Three Legacies of our AA experience. Our leaders are but trusted servants, they do not govern. God, as He may speak in our group conscience, is our sole Authority. World Service is the heart of our Third Legacy. Our meetings are informative and educational. They are held so that the Committee Members, GSR's and all interested members may be better equipped to carry the message of World Service back to their home groups and individual members, thus giving a better understanding to our purpose, our

Your Trusted Servants Committee 49

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