

# 50<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL AREA 54 NORTHEAST OHIO **GENERAL SERVICE MINI-CONFERENCE** March 28-30, 2025

# "Working Together, Increasing Trust"

All MEMBERS of A.A. are encouraged to attend this conference!

#### SPEAKER TBD

(Open AA Meeting)
Banquet

Trustee's Report

### Registration

Friday: 2 - 7 PM Saturday: 8 - Noon

# Hospitality Suite Opens Friday at 4 PM

**Conference Begins** Friday: 7:00 PM

Come Have Your Group's Voice Heard in New York

# **SCHEDULE**

- > Friday -
- ➤ History of Mini-Conference
- Introductions
- General Service Experience
- General Sharing Session
- > Saturday -
- Early-Bird A.A. meeting
- Conference Committee
   Sessions
- Presentations of Committee Reports
- Voting on Agenda Items
- Banquet & Speaker Meeting
- Sunday –
- Early Bird A.A. Meeting
- GSC 75 Topics Discussed
- Ask-It Basket

# **LOCATION**

Best Western Plus 15471 Royalton Rd Strongsville OH 44136 Phone:440-238-8800 \$109 per night (Plus State & Local Tax) Incudes breakfast buffet

Reserve your room by March 6, 2025 (3 weeks before event)

Ref: Northeast Ohio Mini-Conference

# **Handicap Accessible**

## **For More Information Contact**

Chair Ellen W 440-327-8812 or Delegate Bev F. 216-624-9610 Conference Chair Tim H. 440-415-2960

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION 2025				
NAME	As you would like it on your name badge			
ADDRESS				
CITY	STATE	ZIP	PHONE	
Registration	x \$TBA = \$			
Saturday (Buffet) Banquet	x \$TBA = \$	Request for Special Needs		
(Banquet prepaid only)	Total = \$			
Please make checks payable to NE Ohio General Service/In Memo MiniConference Mail to Area 54 Mini-Conference, PO Box 91384, Cleveland, OH 44101-3384 Email inquiries to: <a href="mailto:delegate@area54.org">delegate@area54.org</a> or miniconference.org Postmark No Later <a href="mailto:MARCH 20">MARCH 20</a> , 2025 to guarantee a banquet OR pay by SQUARE or register in person at the Conference Registration until Sat at noon (no banquet reserved after 3/23/2025				

#### **Directions To Doubletree by Hilton Westlake**

From Erie and Points North East: Take I-90 West to Cleveland. Take I271 South then Follow I-480 West. Travel West on I-480 to I-71 South toward Columbus Approx 8 miles to Strongsville Exit 11 Use right 2 lanes to take Exit 231A for OH-82 E. Royalton Rd. Turn Right on the Royalton Rd Approx 450 ft turn right into Best Western Plus Strongsville, Cleveland (15471 Royalton Rd) The hotel will be on your right.

**From Downtown Cleveland:** Follow I-71 South. Take Exit 231A for OH-82 E. Royalton Rd. Turn Right on the Royalton Rd Approx 450 ft turn right into Best Western Plus Strongsville, Cleveland (15471 Royalton Rd) The hotel will be on your right.

From Youngstown or Pittsburgh PA and Points East: Continue on I-680 N. Take I-80 West to Cleveland (toll road) (\$3 approx) Exit I-80 at toward Cleveland. Take Exit 161 for I-71 toward Cleveland/Columbus. Slight right onto the ramp to I-71 South. Next take Exit 231A for OH-82E/Royalton Rd. Use the right land to turn right onto OH-82 E Royalton Rd. Turn Right in approx 450 Ft Turn Right at 15471 Royalton Rd Best Western Plus Hotel.



From Cincinnati, Columbus, and Points South: Take I-71 North toward Cleveland. Approx 122 miles North from Columbus Take Exit 231 for OH -82/ Royalton Rd. Turn Right onto OH 82/Royalton Rd in approx 400 ft Turn Right into 15471 Royalton Rd, Best Western Plus, Strongsville OH.

From Dayton Take I-70 East to Columbus. Take I-71 North towards Cleveland. Follow I-71 North Take Exit 231 for OH -82/ Royalton Rd. Turn Right onto OH 82/ Royalton Rd in approx 400 ft Turn Right into 15471 Royalton Rd, Best Western Plus, Strongsville OH.

From West (Toledo) Take I 80./90 Exit onto I-480 East To I-71 Exit 161 for I-71South toward Cleveland/Columbus. Slight right onto the ramp to I-71 South. Next take Exit 231A for OH-82E/Royalton Rd. Use the right land to turn right onto OH-82 E Royalton Rd. Turn Right in approx 450 Ft Turn Right at 15471 Royalton Rd Best Western Plus Hotel.

#### What is the purpose of the Area 54 Mini-Conference?

This Mini-Conference was developed to give our Delegate the informed conscience of the groups in Area 54— Northeast Ohio - on some of the agenda items that will be addressed at the General Service Conference. Due to time constraints, it is not possible to address all of the agenda of the General Service Conference. The selected agenda is mailed to the registered General Service Representatives (GSRs) of the groups in advance. The group can discuss the issues and send their group's conscience to the Mini-Conference via their GSR. At the Mini-Conference the issues are discussed with GSRs from many groups throughout Area 54. Using the committee system and voting procedures described in the AA Service Manual, a consensus is reached. This consensus is taken to the General Service Conference by our delegate, who still maintains the right of decision described in the Twelve Concepts.

The Mini-Conference will also feature displays and information provided by the Area 54 Standing Committees and a variety of ways for a GSR to share with others committed to their service to others. GSRs can meet a General Service Board trustee, a staff member from the General Service Office and the Area Committee. There are also sharing sessions for GSRs and an Ask-it-basket hosted by past delegates, the trustee and GSO staff member.

#### Why do I have to pay?

While there are no dues or fees for membership in AA, it is the practice of Area 54 General Service that each individual event be self-supporting. This conference requires months of planning, preparation and money to present. Our expenses include printing of the background material and purchase of literature relevant to the agenda that will be discussed, printing of flyers and schedules, mailing costs and registration supplies. We do not pay our speakers, but we do provide for their expenses to attend the conference. At times we have snack or beverage expenses. The hospitality rooms are self-supporting of themselves. The Saturday Night Speaker is an open A.A. Meeting and is the only function that will not require attendees to be registered.

All members of A.A. are encouraged to attend!

Name badges must be worn at all times!