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A Word From Our Delegate

Delegate's Report June 2025

The General Service Conference was an awesome experience. We arrived in New York City at 5:00PM; arriving at the Hilton Midtown (Manhattan). Starting Monday, the April 28th from 8:00am - 10:00pm each day to May 3rd. We met to conduct AA's business. My committee is CPC (Cooperation with the Professional Committee). We received the assistance from William/Publishing, Sandra, GSO Staff, Julie, GSOIT Staff, and Carolyn, GSO Staff. We were advised by these GSO Staff Members to make an informed group conscience decision. We processed 120 Agenda Items and 12 Floor Actions. Here are items I found of most interest to Area 54: Page 2-6 have abbreviated items.

VI Literature -K ; VI- Literature J- ;VI-F Literature; VI-E - Literature; VI-D -Literature ; Grapevine/Lavina ; Grapevine/Lavina Pamphlet ; Finance IV - Retrofit; Finance IV G; Finance - V C; Corrections - III E; CPC - II-B -CPC II-A ; CPC II- D-; Agenda I-A ; Agenda I ; Agenda - IE - Policy/Admn - VII/C.

I would like to say "Thank You" to Area 54, for this opportunity to serve.

Very Sincerely, Beverly F. - Delegate - A54/P75

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Military Veteran's Interview Project

This project invites A.A. members who are veterans of the United States or Canadian Armed Forces to participate in a unique opportunity to share their experiences. The goal of this effort is to enhance A.A. outreach efforts specifically tailored to military veterans in the U.S. and Canada.

A key component will be the creation of several audio interviews, in which anonymity-protected A.A. members who are military veterans share their experience, strength, and hope — focusing on the intersection of military service and recovery in A.A.

If you are an A.A. member and would like to learn more about this project or volunteer for an interview, please reach out to the U.S. and Canadian points of contact via email at: militaryoutreach@aa.org. The anonymity of all participants will be rigorously protected.

Treasurer's Report

Hello, Area 54. My name is Candy L., and I am a recovered alcoholic. As a result, I

have been blessed with the opportunity to serve as your Treasurer on Panel 75. This position is of significant importance to our Area, and I will not take it lightly. Yet this service is a small way of giving back to Alcoholic Anonymous for its part in the restoration and transformation of my life. Without God, the fellowship, and the Twelve Steps, I would never be fit for such a blessing. For that, I am forever grateful.

It is important that as members you know the basic responsibilities of the Treasurer. The full description and responsibilities can be found on our website, Area54.org. My basic task is to function as the fiscal officer, the person who oversees the financial duties of the Area. These duties include: maintaining income and expenses records, accepting contributions, paying expenses, and creating and presenting reports to the Assembly and others. An unwritten yet important task is to support the other committee officers and committee chairs as they work to fulfill their service commitments.

Now, a little about the process of following the Tradition of being **self-supporting**. This means that as a fellowship, we are designed to be financially responsible through our own voluntary contributions from the members, and from the sale of approved literature. This is to prevent the group, the districts, the areas, and GSO from depending on outside funding or endorsement which could ruin our autonomy and cloud our primary purpose.

It is important for us all to share in the financial commitment necessary to keep our groups and the wider fellowship of AA **self-supporting**. As we assess the financial standing of our groups, we must keep in mind the whole of Alcoholics Anonymous, not just our specific group. It is recommended that the following contribution guidelines be followed: 50% to our central offices/intergroups, 30% to the General Service Office, 10% to our Area, and 10% to our group's District. These portions can be sent monthly, quarterly, weekly, or yearly, whatever is best for the group.

As the Area 54 financial unit, the Treasurer, Finance Chair, and Finance Committee wants to thrive and grow into our best. We are looking at ways to increase contributions, particularly those not already contributing, without burdening members. There will be more to share as we move forward.

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Editor's Note: The Delegate's report refers to the Conference Report that is listed on the following pages of the Recorder. As a past delegate I agreed at the Mini Conference to inform the Area 54 members of the actions in New York in 2025. The following pages seem to be most concise and easiest way to inform. Space for Trustees and International Conference/Regional Forums was limited.



LOVE & SERVICE: I am DeVona and I am an alcoholic, I'm your Area 54 Panel 75 Chair. It's an honor to stand before you tonight to reflect on two cornerstones of our program, two words that resonate deeply within the heart of Alcoholics Anonymous: ****Love and Service**** These aren't just abstract concepts; they are the lifeblood that flows through our rooms, the principles that bind us together, and the very foundation upon which lasting sobriety is built. Think about it. What brought many of us here in the first place? Was it fear? Desperation? Perhaps. But what ***keeps*** us here? What compels us to return, meeting after meeting, year after year? I believe it's the ****love**** we find within these walls. A love that transcends judgement, a love that embraces us in our brokenness, a love that says, "You are not alone. We understand." This love is expressed in a thousand different ways: the understanding nods, the shared experiences, the quiet empathy, and the outstretched hand offering support in times of need. It's in the phone calls at 3 AM, the rides to meetings, and the unwavering belief in our capacity to recover, even when we doubt it ourselves. But love, in its truest form, isn't passive. It's active. It ****DOES****. And that's where ****SERVICE**** comes in. Service is love in action. It's the practical application of our principles, the tangible expression of our gratitude for the gift of sobriety. Service takes many forms in AA. It's brewing the coffee, setting up the chairs, answering the phone, sponsoring a newcomer, sharing our story, or simply listening with an open heart. It's taking on commitments, big or small, to ensure that the fellowship thrives. Service is not about obligation, it's about opportunity. It's an opportunity to step outside of ourselves, to shift our focus from our own struggles to the needs of others. It's in giving we receive, and in serving that we find true meaning and purpose. Because ultimately, love and service are intertwined. They are two sides of the same coin, inseparable and essential. They are the pillars that support our individual recoveries and the strength of our collective fellowship. As we continue our journey together, let us remember the power of these two simple words. Let us embrace love in our interactions and service in our actions. For in doing so, we not only strengthen our own sobriety but also create a haven of hope and healing for those who are still suffering. Thank you.

75th General Service Condensed Conference Report

| # | Committee | Item | Item Text | Voting Results | | |
|-----|-------------|------|---|----------------|---------|-----------|
| | | | | In favor | Opposed | # for 2/3 |
| I | Agenda | A. | Review suggestions for the theme of the 2026 General Service Conference. The committee recommended the following theme for the 2026 General Service. Conference: "Humility in Action." | 125 | 8 | 89 |
| I | Agenda | B. | Review presentation/discussion topic ideas for the 2026 General Service Conference. The committee recommended the following presentation topics for the 2026 General Service Conference : 1. "Restoration and Discovering Grace, Unity and Fellowship" 2. "Gossip vs Facts: Examining the Health of Our Own Communications " 3. "Finding Common Ground" | 115 | 17 | 88 |
| I | Agenda | C. | Discuss workshop topic ideas for the 2026 General Service Conference. The committee recommended the following workshop topic for the 2026 General Service Conference: "Keeping Our Own House in Order." | 119 | 6 | 84 |
| I | Agenda | J. | Consider a proposed pilot for a Harmony and Effectiveness Session. (New Item) | | | |
| I | Agenda | NB | The committee recommended that on a quarterly basis, the General Service Office provide a grid of proposed agenda items and their disposition status to reaffirm the 2016 Advisory Action, "The General Service Office post to the Conference dashboard, and regularly update information concerning the status of the proposed Conference agenda items." | 104 | 29 | 89 |
| II | CPC | A. | Review progress report on AAWS LinkedIn page. The committee recommended that, on a one-year trial basis, AAWS subscribe to a LinkedIn premium account at a cost not to exceed \$1,000 per year, and to bring back a report on the effectiveness of the upgraded account to the 2026 Conference Committee on Cooperation with the Professional Community. | 110 | 19 | 86 |
| II | CPC | B. | Review progress report on the development of outward facing pamphlet for mental health professionals. The committee recommended that the project for the development of an outward facing pamphlet for mental health professionals be redirected, utilizing existing content in the current draft and reformatted in a quad-fold layout. The committee requests that a draft pamphlet or progress report be brought back to the 2026 Conference Committee on Cooperation with the Professional Community. | 114 | 19 | 89 |
| II | CPC | D. | Review progress report on the effective use of CPC videos on aa.org. The committee recommended that the trustees' Cooperation with the Professional Community/Treatment and Accessibilities Committee replace the three existing videos — "A.A. Video for Healthcare Professionals," "A.A. Video for Legal and Corrections Professionals," and "A.A. Video for Employment/Human Resources Professionals" — with a new video, in English, Spanish, and French. The video should be developed with a format and message that can reach all professionals with multipurpose applications which can be delivered across multiple platforms. The committee requests that a progress report or draft video be brought to the 2026 Conference Committee on Cooperation with the Professional Community. | 77 | 53 | 87 |
| II | CPC | E. | Discuss shared experience in informing professionals how A.A. can serve as a resource for unhoused and neurodivergent alcoholics. | | | |
| III | Corrections | E. | Consider request to update Appendix IV in the book Alcoholics Anonymous to include other awards and commendations received by AA since 1951. (PAI 65) * (EDW) | | | |

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| IV | Finance | A. | Consider a request to reaffirm the 1975 Advisory Action that delegates emphasize to the groups the effect that inflation has had on the contribution of dollar and the necessity for adjusting contributions accordingly, to support services provided by the General Service Board. [Floor Action from the 74th General Service Conference]. | | | |
| IV | Finance | B. | Review suggested area contribution for delegate expense for the Conference. The committee recommended that the suggested area contribution for delegate expense for the Conference be removed and that the full estimated amount be provided so that each area can determine what amount they can contribute. | 58 | 75 | 89 |
| IV | Finance | C. | Review the Conference-approved level of \$10,000 for individual bequests to the General Service Board from A.A. members. The committee recommended that the Conference-approved level of \$10,000 for individual bequests to the General Service Board from A.A. members be raised to \$12,500. | 107 | 25 | 88 |
| IV | Finance | D. | Review the Conference-approved maximum annual contribution of \$7,500 to the General Service Board from an individual A.A. member. | | | |
| IV | Finance | NB | The committee recommended that the General Service Board Quarterly Financial Report include supplemental reporting on current capital projects and current and estimated future associated maintenance costs. | 103 | 28 | 88 |
| IV | Finance | NB | The committee recommended pausing the retrofit of the General Service Office until the Trustees Finance & Budgetary Committee develops a plan to replenish the reserve fund to a minimum of nine months and bring back a progress report to the 76th General Service Conference. | 22 | 105 | 85 |
| V | GVLV | C. | Review the 5-year financial plan for La Viña. The committee recommended that the Grapevine Board develop a revised La Viña five-year plan covering years 2026-2030 to be brought back to the 2026 Conference Committee on the AA Grapevine and La Viña. The revised plan should reflect a focus on actionable, realistic and achievable goals, and the background materials should include at least five years of financial history that substantiates its projections. | 50 | 82 | 88 |
| V | GVLV | D. | Review the progress report on a plan for a more effective La Viña subscription procedure, fulfillment process and customer service experience. | | | |
| V | GVLV | NB | The committee recommended that five-year plans for both Grapevine and La Viña be reviewed annually by the Conference Committee on the AA Grapevine and La Viña. The background materials for both plans should include at least five years of financial history and any relevant historical and/or strategic narrative that supports their projections. | 101 | 29 | 87 |
| V | GVLV | NB | The committee recommended that the Grapevine Board obtain feedback from the Fellowship by conducting a survey of the membership to identify relevance, usefulness and financial viability of products and services provided by Grapevine, such as the magazine, books (print, digital, and audio), podcast and social media (Instagram and YouTube), with a progress report to be brought back to the 2026 Conference Committee on AA Grapevine and La Viña, and a final report be provided to the 2027 committee. The committee will provide a memo to the Board with suggestions for the content of the survey within 60 days. | 123 | 12 | 90 |

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| VI | Liter- | A. | Annual review of recovery literature matrix. | | | |
| VI | Liter- ature | B. | Review draft of the revised pamphlet "The Twelve Steps Illustrated." The committee recommended that the revised pamphlet "The Twelve Steps Illustrated" be approved. | 104 | 28 | 88 |
| VI | Liter- ature | C. | Review draft of the revised pamphlet "A.A. for the Native North American." The committee recommended that the revised pamphlet "A.A. for the Native North American" (Retitled "Indigenous People in A.A.") be approved. | 126 | 5 | 88 |
| VI | Liter- ature | D. | Review progress report on the development of the Fourth Edition of the book Alcohólicos Anónimos - Spanish. The committee had a robust discussion about the progress report and project timeline for the development of the Fourth Edition of the book Alcohólicos Anónimos (Spanish). The committee requested that a manuscript or progress report be brought back to the 2026 Conference Committee on Literature. | | | |
| VI | Liter- ature | E. | Review progress report of the Fifth Edition of the book Alcoholics Anonymous. The committee had a thoughtful discussion about the progress report and project timeline for the development of a Fifth Edition of the book Alcoholics Anonymous. The committee requested that a manuscript or progress report be brought back to the 2026 Conference Committee on Literature. | | | |
| VI | Liter- ature | F. | Review draft of the developed video animation of the pamphlet "The Twelve Concepts Illustrated." The committee recommended that the developed video animation of the pamphlet "The Twelve Concepts Illustrated" be approved with minor edits . | 131 | 2 | 89 |
| VI | Liter- ature | I. | Consider request that the terms "Indian and Eskimo" be removed from the February 19th entry in Daily Reflections. (PAI 11) Item was withdrawn since change requested in the PAI was applied in March 2022. | | | |
| VI | Liter- ature | J. | Consider request that the Twelve Concepts for World Service and essays on the Twelve Concepts for World Service be included in the current publication, Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions. (PAI 23). The committee recommended that the current publication Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions be expanded to include the Twelve Concepts for World Service and essays on the Twelve Concepts for World Service. | 69 | 61 | 87 |
| VI | Liter- ature | K. | Consider request to update the book Living Sober. (PAIs 34, 64, 106, 90, 92, 121,122) The committee recommended that the trustees' Literature Committee update the language and content of the book Living Sober with a progress report or draft manuscript to be delivered to the 2026 Conference Committee on Literature. | 94 | 37 | 88 |
| VI | Liter- ature | L. | Discuss Plain Language Big Book review process. The committee recommended that proposals to rescind or revise the Plain Language Big Book be collected and deferred until the 77th General Service Conference to allow for a wider Fellowship experience. | 120 | 11 | 88 |
| VI | Liter- ature | L. | Discuss Plain Language Big Book review process. The committee recommended the development of a process within the trustees' Literature Committee for receiving, assessing and forwarding proposed changes to the Plain Language Big Book to the Conference Committee on Literature. | 112 | 20 | 88 |
| VII | Policy / Admis- sions | D. | Discuss the process of Simple Majority Items. The committee recommended rescinding the 1986 Advisory Action on simple majority items which reads as follows: "If a committee recommendation does not receive the two-thirds vote required to become a Conference Advisory Action, but has a majority of votes, it automatically becomes a suggestion and be duly noted in the Conference Report." (Report and Charter) And that it be replaced with the following clarifying language: "Recommendations achieving simple majority, but not substantial unanimity, are not suggestions to the General Service Board to take action but should be memorialized in the Conference Final Report to be informational and to provide historical context." | 93 | 38 | 88 |
| VII | Policy / Admis- sions | E. | Consider request that a Super Majority of voting members be required to change or amend Founders Literature. (PAI 36, 93, 96) | | | |
| VII | Policy / Admis- sions | F. | Consider a request to develop guidelines for the roles and responsibilities of temporary replacement delegates. (New Item) The committee recommended that following the General Service Conference that the temporary replacement Area delegate may maintain access to the Onboard platform at the discretion of the sitting Area delegate, through the end of that year. | 118 | 13 | 88 |
| VII | Policy / Admis- sions | G. | Consider request to prioritize a list of selection criteria to inform the committee selection process.(New Item) | | | |

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| VIII | Public Information | A. | Review the 2025 Public Information Comprehensive Media Plan. The committee recommended that the A.A. World Services social media policy currently under review be brought back to the 2026 Conference Committee on Public Information for approval prior to implementation. | 22 | 110 | 88 |
| VIII | Public Information | 1a. | Review the 2025 report on the "Relevance and Usefulness of Audio and Video PSAs." The committee recommended that the trustees' PI Committee review of video Public Service Announcements (PSAs) be changed to a review cadence of five years from the release date of each video. The review of audio PSAs should follow a similar cadence. | 90 | 38 | 86 |
| VIII | Public Information | 3 | Consider suggestion to develop new video PSA. (New Item) The committee recommended that three videos produced by the General Service Board of Alcoholics Anonymous Australia ("Are you risking your job?" "Are you a danger to your family?" "Cham-pain") be adapted by AAWS for use on media platforms in the U.S. and Canada. | 114 | 18 | 88 |
| VIII | Public Information | J. | Review progress report on developing communications to address anonymity and social media. The committee recommended that the pamphlet "Understanding Anonymity" (P-47) be revised to address anonymity and social media and looks forward to a draft or an update report to be brought to the 2026 Conference Committee on Public Information. | 118 | 8 | 84 |
| VIII | Public Information | L. | Review progress report on communicating with young people. The committee recommended that a new Service Card, postcard sized or smaller, aimed at young people, be created and that it be made available digitally and for purchase and for inclusion in the PI Service Kit. | 72 | 63 | 90 |
| VIII | Public Information | N. | Review report from the A.A. Membership Survey working group. The committee recommended that the trustees' Public Information Committee develop a plan for a 2026 A.A. Membership Survey utilizing random sampling methodology. The committee requested that the plan for the 2026 Membership Survey be brought to the 2026 Conference Committee on Public Information | 52 | 78 | 87 |
| VIII | Public Information | P. | The committee recommended that the trustees' Public Information Committee develop a plan to accept user-generated content from members under the age of 18, with the understanding that questions of legal responsibility or liability may need to be explored. The committee requested that an update report or draft plan be brought back to the 2026 Conference Committee on Public Information. | 34 | 96 | 87 |
| VIII | Public Information | NB | The committee recommended that in addition to the Membership Survey conducted using random sampling, the trustee's Public Information Committee conduct a Convenience Sample Membership Survey in 2026. | 97 | 32 | 86 |
| VIII | Public Information | NB | The committee recommended that the General Service Board, keeping in mind A.A.'s Twelve Traditions, develop a strategy and vision for digital communications including social media and increase resources for these tools to enhance efforts to carry the message. | 82 | 51 | 89 |
| VIII | Public Information | NB | The committee recommended that the video "A Group of People Just Like Me" be discontinued. | 122 | 9 | 88 |
| VIII | Public Information | NB | The committee recommended that the video A.A. "On the Beach" be discontinued. | 123 | 5 | 86 |
| VIII | Public Information | NB | The committee recommended that the young people video "Alcoholics Anonymous" be discontinued. | 125 | 3 | 86 |
| VIII | Public Information | NB | The committee recommended that the video "25 and Under" be discontinued. | 127 | 4 | 88 |
| VIII | Public Information | NB | The committee recommended that the video "Young and Sober in AA from Drinking to Recovery" be discontinued. | 127 | 4 | 88 |
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| VIII | Public Information | | The committee recommended that efforts to collect user-generated young people videos be discontinued. | 117 | 14 | 88 |
| VIII | Public Information | NB | The committee recommended that the General Service Conference add an agenda item to the 2026 agenda for the Policy and Admissions Committee to explore creation of a new conference committee to which some of the Public Information agenda could be assigned. | 61 | 72 | 89 |
| IX | Report & Charter | 2 | Review progress report on the development of a new section. "Amendments" to be added to the Twelve Concepts for World Service. | | | |
| IX | Report & Charter | NB 4 | Consider a request to remove the word "woman" from the Concept IV essay. (PAI 75,124) The committee recommended that the word "woman" be removed from the Concept Four essay, so that: "New volunteer corporate directors will ask why any paid woman staff member should also be a corporate director and thereby have a vote as good as their own." Be changed to: "New volunteer corporate directors will ask why any paid staff member should also be a corporate director and thereby have a vote as good as their own." | 108 | 20 | 86 |
| IX | Report & Charter | B. | Consider a request to expand Article Three in the Conference Charter to protect the co-Founders' writings. (PAIs 81,15, 26 and 109) The committee recommended that the General Service Board classify all AAWS and AA Grapevine literature written prior to 1971 as Recovery, Service, or Archival/ Historical; review existing policies and consider proposing additional policies as appropriate for updating each classification, and that a progress report be provided to the 2026 General Service Conference. | 109 | 20 | 86 |
| X | Treatment & Accessibilities | E. | Review revision of the conference-approved flyer "Where do I go from here" (F-4). The committee recommended the update to the flyer "Where do I go From Here?" (F-4) to be approved with the following change: The sentence which currently reads: "This mutual understanding gave them the strength each desperately needed to pass up the first drink that had always paved the way to disaster." Be replaced with the following sentence: "This mutual understanding and program of recovery gave them the strength each desperately needed to pass up the first drink that had always paved the way to disaster." Amendment: (Failed) "Very gradually their new strength restored their hope for life and a future. They survived to share their experience with other so-called hopeless alcoholics" "Very gradually their new strength and program of recovery restored their hope for life and a future. They survived to share their experience with other so-called hopeless alcoholics" | 98 | 29 | 85 |
| X | Treatment & Accessibilities | F. | Review contents and format of Treatment Kit and Workbook. | | | |
| X | Treatment & Accessibilities | G. | Review contents and format of Accessibilities Kit and Workbook. | | | |
| X | Treatment & Accessibilities | H. | Review resource lists for Remote Communities and Cooperation with Elder Community. | | | |
| XI | Trustees | | Review resumes of candidates for: Southeast Regional Trustee, East Central Regional Trustee, Trustee-at-Large/U.S. | | | |
| XI | Trustees | A. | Review slate of trustees and officers of the General Service Board of Alcoholics Anonymous, Inc. | 124 | 8 | 88 |
| XI | Trustees | B. | Review Conference Committee of Trustees | 128 | 5 | 89 |
| XI | Trustees | B. | Review slate of directors of A.A. World Services, Inc. | 128 | 5 | 89 |
| XI | Trustees | C. | Review slate of directors of AA Grapevine, Inc. | 124 | 6 | 87 |
| XI | Trustees | D. | Review progress report of the revised pamphlet "Do You Think You're Different?" + The committee recommended the pamphlet "Do You Think You're Different?" be retired. | 38 | 94 | 88 |
| XI | Trustees | E. | Review Censure Process Proposal.(New Item) | | | |
| XI | Trustees | F. | Consider the request to include the version of A.A. Comes of Age, Lasker Award text in the book, Alcoholics Anonymous.(PAI 24 and 63) * (EDW) | | | |
| XI | Trustees | NB | The committee recommended that motions to censure or reorganize the General Service Board be sent directly to the Conference Committee on Trustees, for committee eyes only. | | | |
| XII | Archives | A. | Review content and format of Archives Workbook. | | | |
| XIII | ICRF | A. | Discuss the upcoming 2025 International Convention. | | | |
| XIII | ICRF | B. | Review progress report on the development of new declaration to be adopted at the 2030 International Convention. | | | |
| XIII | ICRF | C. | Consider that all Sovereign States flags be a part of the Flag Ceremony at an Intrn'l Convention. (PAI 10) | | | |
| XIII | ICRF | D. | Discuss ways to encourage interest and participation at Regional Forums. | | | |
| XIII | ICRF | E. | Review Final Report of the Subcommittee on Regional Forums Improvements. | | | |
| XIII | ICRF | F | The committee recommended adding the following language to the IC/RF Composition, Scope and Procedure under the composition section: "The new Chairperson and alternate chairperson are elected by written ballot at the final committee meeting during the conference session from the first-year panel members and take office immediately following the Conference | 127 | 2 | 86 |

RECOVERY, UNITY AND SERVICE

These are the Three Legacies of our A.A. experience. Our leaders are but trusted servants, they do not govern. God, expressed through 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, GSRs 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 hopes, and our work. **Confidential Contact**

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UPCOMING DATES & NEWS

NOTE THE DATES

2025-6 AREA 54 EVENTS

June 22 Area Open House Picnic
Host by District 61 *Bring a Dish to Share*

July 20 Hybrid Area Assembly Gv & Lit

August 2 Penn-Ohio Family Fun Day
Waldameer Park, Erie, PA

August 8-10 The 69th Ohio State
Convention Hosted by Area 55
Delta Hotels b y Marriott, Toledo, OH

August 17: Hybrid Area General Service
Workshop & Potluck Gv Lit

August 22-24 East Central Regional,
Marriott Indy Place, Indianapolis IN
Free Registration AA.org

September 12-14 Ohio Young People in
AA, OYPAAA Convention, Columbus OH

September 21 Hybrid Area Assembly

October 19 Hybrid Area Assembly Gv Lit

November 16 Gratitude Sunday Gv

February 13-15, 2026 Present
& Past Delgates Conference
East Central Region
Benton Harbor, MI 49022

EXCEPT AS NOTED, Area Assemblies & Workshops begin at 2:00 pm and are held at The 12 Step Recovery Club, 1480 Pearl Rd. (in Brunswick Plaza), Brunswick, OH 44212. The club is on US Route 42, about 1/4 mile south of State Route 303.
Phone: (330) 273-7216

Gv = Grapevine Sale days & Lit = Literature Sale Days



Have you all seen or heard what OYPAA is up to these days? They are creative, energized, and ready to serve the still suffering alcoholic. And their events are super affordable where everyone is welcome – “young people” is a spirit, not an age! Check out the 42nd (XLII)

State Conference in Columbus Sept 12-14 here:

<https://www.oypaa42.org>



Founders Day

The weekend of June 6-8 marked the 90th Founder's Day where ~10,000 visitors from around the world gathered to remember and honor the legacy our co-founders have left us. From 1941 to present day, Akron has been celebrating Founder's Day; with the first memorial for Dr. Bob in 1961. Recordings of the weekend can be purchased at <https://leestapesandcds.com>

Mark your calendar for 2026 – June 12-14.

And did you know 2025 is the 34th year Founder's Day was celebrated in Tallahassee, FL? That's right, with live music and speakers representing the entire family: A.A., Alateen, and Alanon (AFG-Alanon Family Group). They expected appx. 500 people the weekend of June 13. Details here: <https://www.foundersdayflorida.org>

International Convention 2025, Vancouver British-Columbia, Canada, July 3-6 2025

Can't take the trip to Vancouver offering over 250 meetings with speakers having up to 50+ years sober? **NO WORRIES**, how about a **GROUP VIRTUAL WATCH PARTY**? You might not get the exact same vibe, or the snacks and coffee in 20+ hospitality rooms, but what a great way to enjoy the conference with your home group or support network. This is a **new option requested by Intergroups/Central Offices, Areas, Districts, and local groups**. The pricing is a tiered structure based on your party size; for example, of group of 6-20 attendees is \$200 USD. Visit <https://2025ic.wufoo.com/forms/z3724db1c8ztax/> to register for a watch party. **Other individual options** are to purchase a virtual session program track, or purchase video/audio recordings at <https://www.aa.org/international-convention> for more details.

Editor's Note

40th International Past Delegates Reunion **July 1—3, Vancouver, B. C, Canada**

Old Friends... Sharing New and Old Experiences Open to all past and present members of any General Service Conference: AAWS/GV Directors, Trustees GSO staff worldwide and World Service Delegates. As a member of the "Committee," I want to share that we have a past delegate from Japan attending this year. This reunion is hosted by a US & Canadian Committee. Our own-Beverly F is registered and attending.. Next year it is in Florida. All past Delegates welcomed.