

# The District View

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District 05 meeting in Menomonie Wisconsin! 1412 6th Street E Menomonie, WI 54751-3331 11/13/2013 at 6:45pm

If you have or know of an alcoholic with the willingness to serve at the district level, this is the chance and time to do so! You can't keep what you have unless you give it away.

\*Always looking for experience, strength and hope experiences to add to future newsletters. Submissions can be made to The District View email at the top of this page.

# **Step 11**

Sought through prayer and meditation to improve our conscious contact with God as we understood Him, praying only for knowledge of His will for us and the power to carry that out.

## **Tradition 11**

Our public relations policy is based on attraction rather than promotion; we need always maintain personal anonymity at the level of press, radio and films.

## Concept 11

The trustees should always have the best possible committees, corporate service directors, executives, staffs, and consultants. Composition, qualification, induction procedures, and rights and duties will always be matters of serious concern. The definition of this concept is that our program takes seriously all responsible members of each committee and the duties they perform.

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### **AA Area 74 Service Structure**

Delegate Marty L.
Area Chair Mary Jo R.
Secretary Kim R.
Treasurer Mike McG.

#### **AA District 05**

DCM Gary S.
Alt. DCM Cheryl L.
Secretary Renee W.
Treasurer Jaynee W.

#### **AA District 05 Committees**

Archives Dick P.
Corrections Jacki B.
CPC Mike S.
Grapevine Bob W.
Literature Ed F.
Newsletter Ron S.
Public Info Andy W.
Treatment Craig H.
Webmaster Jason L.

#### **DISTRICT 05 ELECTIONS**

Elections were held during our October 9th monthly meeting. I would like to thank everyone who participated in the election process. We had 23 eligible voters consisting of GSR's or alternates, district officers, and committee chairs. The following newly elected persons will be serving district 5 for 2014 and 2015:

DCM: Cheryl L.

Alternate DCM: Paul H.

Treasurer: Ron S. Secretary: Bob W.

Treatment Facilities Chair: Nicholas S., Corrections Chair: Molly M.,

Public Info: Myron M.,

Literature Chair: Wayne W., CPC Chair: Jim P., Archives Chair: Derek B., Grapevine

Chair: Gary S.

We used the third legacy procedure when electing our new district officers and a simple majority vote for all the other positions. District 5 is blessed with an amazing group of servants to continue the critical work of reaching out to the still suffering alcoholic. Please join me in congratulating our new district servants and please give them your support. I would also ask that you let your home group members know that our committees can always use more people to be part of this vital service work.

Gary Savall

DCM-District 05

Hosted by District 05

# "Recovery, Unity, Service Our Three Legacies— Vital in our Changing World" Area 74 2014 FALL CONFERENCE SEPTEMBER 26 – 28, 2014

#### The Plaza Hotel & Suites

1202 W Clairemont Ave, Eau Claire, WI 54701

Rooms: \$99 + tax (Includes Continental Breakfast)

Reservations: 715-834-3181 (Reference: 2014 FALL CONFERENCE)

Friday Night Open Speaker Meeting

Saturday Night Banquet & Speaker

Sunday Morning Speaker

Area Assembly AA & ALANON Speakers Alkathon Hospitality Room Panels

#### REGISTRATION FORM – ONE FORM PER PERSON Registration ONLY ..... \$ 15.00 Address Banquet, ADD \$22.00 ..... \$ TOTAL ENCLOSED ...... \$ City Phone ( Email PLEASE CHECK FOR VEGETARIAN DINNER

Make Checks Payable to: "Area 74 Fall Conference 2014" P.O. Box 664 Eau Claire, WI 54702

For More Information Call: Cheryl L. 715-210-2262

ADDITIONAL LODGING OPTIONS NEARBY THE PLAZA America's Best Value Inn Best Western Plus Trail Lodge

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Comfort Inn Days Inn Campus 715-833-9798 715-839-9905 2305 Craig Rd. 3117 Craig Rd. Eau Claire, WI Eau Claire, WI

Hampton Inn 715-833-0003 2622 Craig Rd. Eau Claire.WI

#### **District 5 Meeting Minutes October 9, 2013**

The meeting opened with the Responsibility Statement.

Introductions: 32 people present Secretary's Report: Was accepted.

Treasurers Report: The beginning savings account balance was \$453.73 with .06 interest leaving the ending balance at \$453.79. Checking account beginning balance was \$1362.22 with (2 groups) contribution of \$70.00, disbursements of \$124.42 for DCM of \$60.92, Administration Sept. rent for \$13.50 & \$50 gas for Delagate traveling to speak to our group for an ending balance of \$1307.80. Report was read and approved. Committee budgets through the 1st 3 quarters was also provided and will be reviewed next month. Also Group contributions for the 1st 3 quarters were provided. DCM Report: Gary reviewed the elections from the area 74 fall conference. Mary Jo. was elected the Delegate. Derek T. was elected the Treasurer, Scott K. Secretary, Archive Chair, Gloria O., Corrections chair WI-Terri B and MI-no candidates. CPC chair - James M., Literature chair, Jim S., PI-Gary K., Treatment Chair - Gary S., Grapevine-Marty L., Co-editor of N&T and Newsletter - Bob M. will remain and bring a co-editor to October meeting in Three Lakes. Finance Committee-Michelle Z., and Bob D. Structures and Guidelines - Kim K., Joel S., and Barb K. were elected. Requested reimbursement for \$279.21 for fall conference for Meals, lodging, and gas. Approved.

Groups & Meetings Updates: New Meeting - Wed. Closed AA at 1st Bapist church at 416 Niagrah Street in Eau Claire at 7PM called the Flimsy Reed. New Womens meeting at 6:30 in Spring Valley at 1st Congregational church - 217 West 3rd Street. Closed 12 PM Grape Vine meeting in Menomonie on Friday's. Fall Conference for 2014 are available online at website.

Workshop reports: None currently planned

Old Business: None

New business: Elections for the new 2 year term will held. 23 people could vote. Cheryl L. was elected as the new DCM. (Yea and she will be awesome as Gary was!) 2 others were nominated and declined. Alternate DCM-Paul H. won. 9 declines. Treasury - Jaynee offered to service again. Ron S. and Jaynee were both nominated and Ron S. won 2nd round of voting. Secretary - 5 declines and 3 accepts. Voted 4 times and went to the hat and Bob W. won above Jaynee and Pete W. Corrections chair - Molly M. was endorsed by the commit and was voted in by the District body. Treatment Chair - Nicholas S. and Mary B. accepted and Nicholas S. won. PI - Myron and Craig H. were nominated and Myron won. CPC chair Jim P., Mary B., Pete W. were nominated and Jim P. won. He was indorsed by the committee. Literature Chair - Pete W. and Wayne W were nominated and Wayne W. won. Archive - Derek B was indorsed by the committee and voted in by the district. Grapevine Chair - Gary S. was swept into position. Newsletter - Ron S. started mid year and will continue and was voted in. Webmaster - Jason will continue on in the position. Thank you all for your continued service and future service. Good Elections.

Quarterly Reports:

Archive: No one here to report.

CPC: Report provided - Requested \$20 in rent for August and October meetings and was approved. The committee currently has no Big Books or 12X12. They talking in their meeting about what the committee will do over the next 2 years. Efforts may include contacting district 5 school counselors to see if they want literature and or presentations. Also contacting medical/legal/business professionals for the same.

Treatment: No report and a request for \$59.50 in expenses and approved.

GSR Input and Questions: None

Concept 10 - Kimmy next month and Concept 11? Tradition 10 Myron next month and 11? Meeting was closed with the serenity prayer.

## GSR Experience at Area 74 Assembly 10/19/2013

I had the pleasure to serve my home group – Tuesday 8pm River Falls Alano Club at the Area 74 Fall Assembly. The collection of seventy-five or so alcoholics working to be of service to God and the alcoholic that still suffers was an awe inspiring gathering. The collective years of sobriety may have reached 500! Being the first such AA assembly that I had attended, I was curious to see the business side of service and to meet people I had only met through email or reference. Turns out the magic fades a bit as regular Area 74 business is almost as mundane as the various other committees and groups one would come across in their regular work. But of interest to my group and their conscience was an Area 74 motion to change the voting by-laws that would essentially remove the authority for Past Delegates to vote on Area 74 business matters. Of primary concern to my group was violation of tradition 2 "... our leaders are but trusted servants; they do not govern." I can think of no greater governing interest than to provide an individual with lifetime vote. Past delegates do not represent a group such as a GSR. Comparing that one single past delegate vote had the same weight as the eight AA members in my home group; I was proud to convey their conscience and registered a yes vote supporting the motion. In the end after much comment and drama the motion was defeated 34-30. My impression is that the voice of District 5 was heard and we had many GSRs in attendance. Please take time to consider becoming a GSR in our district. I enjoyed the assembly and will continue to attend as is possible. I look forward to discussing district and area issues with my group and providing their input. In Service Ron S.

## AA Quiz – Area 74 AA Meetings

### **QUESTION**

How many registered AA meetings are there in Area 74?

- A. 61
- B. 661
- C. 6661
- D. 66661

The District View is a nonprofit newsletter published by District 5 in Area 74 for the purpose of providing local communication between the district committee, groups within the district, and individual AA members.

It is published monthly for members of the AA fellowship. Electronic subscription to The District View is free.

Print subscriptions are available at the cost of \$10 per year but members are urged to use the electronic option. Approved AA related fliers may be inserted into the District View for a nominal fee, contact the editor for more information.

The District View PO Box 261 Eau Claire, WI 54702-0261 Monthly District 05 Events: District 05 Monthly GSR Meeting is held at 6:45pm, on the second Wednesday of each month, at the Leisure Center, 1412 Sixth St., Menomonie, WI. Any members are welcome to attend.

District 05 Committees offer AA service opportunities for alcoholics who want to help carry the AA message. <u>Unless otherwise noted, committees meet at Alano Club 12, 2926 Pomona Dr. in Eau Claire.</u>

**Treatment Facilities Committee** meets at 6:45pm on the 2nd Monday of every month.

**Corrections Committee** meets QUARTERLY (Jan, Apr,Jul, Oct) at 7:45pm on the 1st Wednesday of the month.

**Cooperation with the Professional Community Committee** meets at 6:45pm on the 2nd Monday of even months.

**Public Information Committee** meets on the ODD months (Jan, Mar, May, etc.) at 6:30pm on the 3rd Wednesday of the month at River Falls Alano club

**Chippewa Valley Intergroup** meets at 6:30pm on the 4th Wednesday of each month.

\*\* Care is taken to include all events. If your event is not listed we regret the er ror. To list your group's event please contact your GSR, any district officer, or the newsletter editor before the 20th of the month preceding the event.

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