



# The District 05 View

DECEMBER 2025

Serving Pierce, Pepin, Buffalo, Eau Claire and Trempealeau & parts of Saint Croix, Dunn Chippewa counties

Tradition 12: *"Anonymity is the spiritual foundation of all our traditions, ever reminding us to place principles before personalities."*

## Message from our Pat T - District Committee Member

Hello District 05,

I attended the Area 74 Assembly and participated in the Area corrections standing committee meeting on the weekend of October 17 th and 18 th . Once again, I came away with a great sense of pride being a part of the AA fellowship. I was able to be a part of the elections process and have a better understanding of how general service is such a big part of Alcoholics Anonymous. I met the new East Central Regional Trustee. I am truly amazed at the commitment and devotion these volunteers offer our program.

The assembly draft minutes were sent out by email. District 5 AA members have many roles in the area again for 2026-2027. I will be serving as the Area 74 CPC chair. I am looking forward to what that opportunity will bring in the coming months. All but two committee roles were filled. The registrar and treatment and accessibilities positions are still vacant. Please let your groups know and reach out to me or the Area Chairman if you have interested candidates or need more information.

The District 5 motion regarding the voice and vote of past delegates will be considered again at the January Area Committee Meeting (DCM's and committee chairs are the voting members at the ACM). Please bring your group's voice to me or to the incoming DCM Brian B., so it can be heard during the discussions in January.

Again, a special shoutout to all the District 5 members that have helped bring the message to the next suffering alcoholic in the past two years and the incoming that will carry on for the next two years.

Thank you for allowing me to be of service,

Pat T, DCM D05 of Area 74

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## Next District 05 of Area 74 Monthly GSR Meeting: Wednesday, December 10th @ 6:45PM

2nd Wednesday of each month. In-person and virtually.

Alano Club 12  
2926 Pomona Drive  
Eau Claire, WI 54701  
Zoom Meeting Id: 829 0126 1204 Password: district05

To learn about various agenda items and reports from Area 74, visit <http://district05.org>.

## DISTRICT 05 THE VIEW NEWSLETTER

Send an email to: [newsletter@district05.org](mailto:newsletter@district05.org) to request a digital copy in your inbox each month.

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## Happy Holidays!

Click on the link below to open your Area 74 Now & Then Newsletter

[December 2025 Electronic Version](#)

Enjoy your holidays and have a sober closure to 2025!!!

Michelle Z

Jeff C

Now & Then Co-Editors

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## Member Share - Step 12 Pam S. ~ Eau Claire

Step 12: Having had a spiritual awakening as the result of these steps, we tried to carry this message to alcoholics and to practice these principles in all our affairs. How has Step 12 looked in my life? I've had a profound spiritual awakening because I am a completely different person now than I was when I started in AA 12 ½ years ago. Back then, it was all about me—end of story. After I surrendered, I went through the Big Book with a sponsor who guided me toward a better way of living. This person not only read the book to me but also walked me through the steps, sharing how they had applied the principles in their own recovery. I listened, let go of my old ways, and did the opposite of what I'd always done.

The 5th, 9th, and 12th steps were pivotal milestones for me. I learned that I am not unique or alone in my struggles, that I could make amends for my mistakes, and that sharing my story could help others. The biggest realization was that God had always been there for me and that He would continue to help and that I would never be alone. Today, I carry the message to

other alcoholics in several ways. As the Corrections Chair for District 05, I work with fellow AA members to ensure we're providing the hand of AA to inmates. Around 10 AA members currently bring meetings into the Eau Claire County Jail each month, and I personally go in twice a month. This service work has been deeply healing for me and fills my heart with gratitude. I've been involved in Corrections since I got sober because, 12 ½ years ago, I was one of those inmates sitting in the Eau Claire County Jail. Even if my presence only plants a seed, it is the most rewarding 12th Step work I do. I strive to practice the principles of AA in all areas of my life by being open-minded, honest, and willing.

The "Spiritual Experience" section in the back of the Big Book reminds me that these traits are essential to my recovery. Of course, there are days when I think I'm right, I justify small white lies, or I feel resistance to doing the next right thing. When these moments arise, they leave me uneasy. But by recognizing that the problem lies within me, I can correct my thinking and find peace again. I never imagined my life could continue to improve in such incredible ways, but it has.

For that, I am deeply grateful to AA and to all of you.

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## District Events Calendar

Just click on an event to open the flyer for that event or visit the District 05 website for updated event listings:

<http://www.district05.org/calendar/>

- Dec 6, 2025 : Western Wisconsin Traveling Potluck, hosted by Monday Night Big Book Study Group. Location: First Congregational Church at 310 Broadway Street in Eau Claire. Fellowship 4-5 pm, Dinner 5-6 pm, Al-Anon Speaker Paula D, Eau Claire at 6 and AA speaker Jim H, Shakopee, MN to follow. Taco bar provided, bring a dish to pass!

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## ABOUT AA NEWSLETTER

*About AA* is the newsletter from the General Service Office of the U.S. and Canada for professionals in all fields who deal with alcoholics. This issue takes a look at A.A.'s "Singleness of Purpose". Thank you for subscribing to the G.S.O. Digital Delivery service! Click here for the current issue of [About AA](#).

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## Treasurer's Report

- Detailed report circulated; text or send an email if you want reimbursement:
- [treasurer@district05.org](mailto:treasurer@district05.org) | (715) 579-3350

The Treasurer's Report and the 2026 proposed budget are at the end of this PDF.

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### Carry the Message Behind the Walls – MEN'S AA Volunteers Needed

Are you—or someone you know—interested in bringing an AA meeting to incarcerated individuals? We currently have **openings for male AA volunteers** in two nearby county jails: Trempealeau County (Whitehall) and Buffalo County (Alma).

Contact Jim S. at 715-577-3432 for Trempealeau County and Kerry H. at 608-418-0308 for Buffalo County.

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**Concept 10** – The Conference shall observe the spirit of A.A. tradition, taking care that it never becomes the seat of perilous wealth or power; that sufficient operating funds and reserve be its prudent financial principle; that it place none of its members in a position of unqualified authority over others; that it reach all important decisions by discussion, vote, and, whenever possible, by substantial unanimity; that its actions never be personally punitive nor an incitement to public controversy; that it never perform acts of government, and that, like the Society it serves, it will always remain democratic in thought and action.

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Zoom ID: 829 0126 1204

PW: district05

**Opening: Serenity Prayer – GSR’S Present ( 5 in person-- 5 online) - - Welcome: Introductions, Housekeeping, New to District .... ..**

**Open Service Positions: ???**

**Reports**

(3-5 minutes each)

*Note: Email reports to secretary prior to monthly GSR meetings*

**Officers:**

**DCM (Pat T)**

- I attended the Assembly on October 18<sup>th</sup>. I also participated in the Standing Committee meetings the night before. I participated in the nomination process for the area. I accepted the chairmanship for the CPC At the area. I sent out the assembly minutes. Please review if you have any questions, feel free to reach out to me. Budget proposals are due for the GSRS to vote on in December. I requested and received \$83.41 for gas and accommodation in Rhinelander. A special shoutout to the volunteers that handled service positions both at district 05 and at area 74. And a special thanks to Nicholas for his support over the last two years at the area and district levels. Though my term will be ending in December I will be available if anyone has any questions or needs any assistance in various areas.

**Alt. DCM (Courtney R.)**

- N/A

**\*\*Confirmed potlucks for 2025 calendar year.\*\***

- November–FLIMSY
- December–Mon Night BB

**\*\*2026 calendar year\*\***

### **Secretary (Joe S)**

- As always, remember to email reports before the next meeting
- Area74.org under links has new group forms and group change forms that are fillable pdf's. Please email forms to me as well ([secretary@district05.org](mailto:secretary@district05.org)), so I can update our list.

**–Motion to approve minutes–**

**–Seconded–**

**–Vote taken–**

5-in person, and 5-online

**\*\*\*Minutes Approved Unanimously, GSR Passed\*\*\***

### **Treasurer (Kaufua)**

● Club 12 now offers WI-FI which will now be utilized versus the internet from Saturday Night Alive. I have been in contact with Saturday Night Alive's Treasurer to figure out the new monthly price and once that is figured out, Saturday Night Alive will comp back the money in which we have already paid them for the remainder of the year.

- Detailed report circulated.
- text or send an email if you want a reimbursement
- [treasurer@district05.org](mailto:treasurer@district05.org)
- (715) 579-3350

**Balances: Savings = \$615.15 Checking = \$2,467.87**

**–Motion to approve report–**

**–Seconded–**

**–Vote taken–**

??-in person, and ??-online

**\*\*\*Treasurer’s Report Approved, GSR Passed\*\*\***

## **Committees:**

### **Grapevine (Brian)**

- brought the display out
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### **Archives (Brittany K)**

- Archives has secured climate-controlled indoor storage at U-Haul on Moore Street in Eau Claire.

### **Webmaster (Weaver)**

- n/a
- updated last month

### **Newsletter (Ben G)**

- n/a

**Literature (Upcoming: Patti)**

- unable to make contact yet
- have a literature workbook

**Next Meeting: Wednesday, December 10th @ 6:45PM—**

**Reports Due:** Corrections, CPC, PI, Treatment, Special Accessibilities