The District 5 View

Serving AA in Pierce, Pepin, Buffalo, Eau Claire and Trempealeau counties, and portions of Saint Croix, Dunn and Chippewa counties

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District 5 Meetings

Second Wednesday, 6:45 p.m. 1412 6th Street E Menomonie, WI

Zoom ID: 716-081-9669 Password: 300255

The District Meeting is where you can serve AA.

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Alcoholic Anonymous

Box 459, Grand Central Station, New York, NY 10163

District 05

New PO Box 1902, Eau Claire WI, 54702



Primer on how AA is structured

A.A. GROUPS

GROUP GSRs

You are here, in District 5 DISTRICTS

And here, Area 74

ASSEMBLIES

DESCRIPTION OF THE CONFERENCE

GENERAL SERVICE

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BOARD

Alcoholics Anonymous is like many organizations in its use of language shortcuts among its members to convey information quickly. For the uninitiated, however, the acronyms can be bewildering. Here's some help.

For an explanation of the history and structure of AA, see here.

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In this edition:

- District 5 is hosting the Area 74 Fall Conference in Eau Claire. Flyer attached.
- September Calendar of Events
- News from AA districts, area and General Services Office

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 $Step\ 9$ Make direct amends to such people wherever possible, except to do so would injure them or others.

Updates available at www.district05.org

Send your updates to: webmaster@district05.org / thedistrictview@gmail.com

Special Events See attached flyers

Area 74 Fall Conference, Sept. 11, 12 and 13 Recovery on the River Virtual Jamboree,

Oct. 2-4

Lifting the Curtain on AA: Sept. 28, 7 p.m.

All are welcome to learn about Alcoholics Anonymous

Zoom ID: 871-4338-4299 Password: 268 588

September 2020

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Tradition 9 A.A., as such, ought never be organized, but we may create service boards or committees directly responsible to those they serve.

News from AA districts, area and General Service Office

- How are things going in your home district? Read about it the August District 5's committee minutes.
- Here district chairman Shane S. shares the minutes from the latest Area 74 meeting. The kerfuffle about "CAB reloading" is a discussion on a survey about conducting area business. Report is attached.
- AA's General Service Office in New York is wrestling with the consequences of the pandemic. Read about the GSO response in the current edition of the organization's newsletter: Box 4-5-9
- The 2020 International Convention, a Virtual Experience continues at https://2020convention.aa.org.
- To keep up with the location of meetings in the district as well as information on which meetings you can attend online, be sure to visit district05.org.

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- If you are in Pierce, Pepin, Buffalo, Eau Claire and Trempealeau counties, or portions of Saint Croix, Dunn and Chippewa counties, you are in District 5.
- Here's a map of all Area 74 districts.
- If your meeting wishes to, it can elect a General Services Representative (GSR) who can attend and vote at District 5 meetings.
- Shane S. is the District 5 Committee Chairand leads the monthly District 5 meetings. He attends Area 74 meetings. He shares the minutes from the area meeting above. Here is a <u>list</u> of other officers and contacts in District 5.

Your District web site is here. Your Area web site is here.



9th Concept Good service leadership at all levels is indispensable for our future function and safety. Primary world service leadership, once exercised by the founders, must necessarily be assumed by the trustees.



ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

AREA 74 2020 FALL CONFERENCE

Hosted by District 5 September 11-13, 2020

All speakers will be via Zoom

FRIDAY SPEAKERS

6:30 PM – Al-Anon Speaker: Catherine T from Dallas, TX

8:00 PM – AA Speaker: Carrie B. from Oregon

SATURDAY AREA ASSEMBLY SUNDAY AREA COMMITTEE MEETING

See https://area74.org/ for details

SUNDAY AA SPEAKER

10:30 AM – Mary Jo R from Custer, South Dakota

Zoom information: Meeting ID 86762667675 Passcode 545435

The same Zoom numbers will be used for all speakers.

The Zoom meeting rooms will open 45 minutes before the start of the speaker.

DCM report for August 2020

Greetings District 05,

I hope that all of you are continuing to stay safe and healthy. As District 05 meetings continue to look at opening up to in person/hybrid meetings, safety and thinking about others is vital. Since we last met, I've attended the area 74 inventory/area committee meeting on August 1st via Zoom. Let me tell you that was a day in service work I'll never forget! The area 74 inventory has been sent back to the ad-hoc committee to look at different ways to conduct this area 74 inventory and they will be looking for new members to join their committee. They will also be looking for someone to facilitate the area inventory from outside area 74, more will be revealed and months to come.

The area committee meeting was one of the best meetings that I have been apart of in-service work. It's my opinion that our area 74 is broken spiritually with no unity currently. That afternoon I felt we came together in unity, talking about the cab reloaded, a motion from AA members from District 05 in District 06 on how area 74 could conduct business throughout the year. we set the agenda for the assembly for our fall conference and much more which we will be discussing at our next two GSR monthly meetings.

Speaking of GSR's, although I was saddened by the representation of GSR's from our district and Area as a whole for the area 74 inventory, I'd like to make a shout out to Natalie H. And Shane R. For representing your home group and your District as you shared from your hearts your concerns about what's going on at the area level and the lack of spirituality and unity. Because of Natalie's, Shane's and other GSR's from districts, their voices where heard and because of that the area 74 inventory was sent back to the committee to re-evaluate the purpose and goal of an inventory. As the DCM that facilitates the monthly DCM call, I will be inviting all GSR's from area 74 to participate at our next monthly meeting which will be held on August 25th at 7 p.m.

In closing, I'm really looking forward to these next couple of months in service work. we have much to discuss about the upcoming area 74 assembly agenda which will include; area 74 inventory, CAB Reloaded, motions, election of a Class B trustee, election of area 74 chair / alternate chair, and much more. Be safe out there district 05 as we continue to work for the alcoholic that still suffers in and out of these rooms.

In love and service

Shane Speckien Alcoholic!

Recovery on the River Virtual Jamboree!

OCTOBER 2-4, 2020

ZOOM ID: 813 0483 0371

PASSWORD: 404 451

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 2 7:00 PM CST

AA Speaker: Amy D - Louisville, KY

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4 10:00 AM CST

Al-Anon Speaker:
Bob K - Eau Claire, WI
AA Speaker:
Amy B - Eau Claire, WI

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3 6:00 PM CST

Virtual Sobriety Countdown

Al-Anon Speaker: Diane A - Nashville, TN

AA Speaker: Mike A - Nashville, TN

Ice Cream (anti) Social



Venmo: @RecoveryontheRiver www.recoveryontheriver.org

LIFTING THE CURTAIN ON ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

Do you or someone you know struggle with drinking?

Have you heard of Alcoholics Anonymous but are unsure of what it is?

We invite all members of the public to hear AA members share their journeys into recovery and answer your questions about what AA is and what AA is not.

SEPTEMBER 28, 2020 7:00-8:00 PM CST

ZOOM MEETING ID: 871 4338 4299

PASSWORD: 268 588



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