

THE AA TIMES!

68th Ohio State Convention of A.A. Hosted by Ohio General Service

“Our Great Responsibility”

August 23-25, 2024

DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Cleveland 6200 Quarry Lane, Independence OH 44131

Room Rate \$131.60/night inclusive 216-345-2770 use code “Ohio State General Group” before

August 1, 2024

Registration Form

Print your name as you would like it to appear on your I.D. Badge _____

Name _____

City, State _____

Registration: _____ \$40

Banquet choice: (deadline for banquet 8/14)

Hunan Stir Fry, Crisp Oriental Vegetables & White Rice..... \$28

Grilled Pork Loin with Apple Glaze..... \$34

Lightly Herb Breaded Chicken Breast with Baby Greens..... \$36

TOTAL..... \$ _____

Register Before August 1 Online: www.area54.org/event/68th-ohio-state-convention/

2024 Ohio State
Convention of A.A.



Registration

Or Register By Mail: make checks payable and mail to: NEOH

General Service OSC

PO Box 91384

Cleveland OH 44101-3384

Speakers, Roundtables and Fellowship!

Reports from Trustee and GSO staff

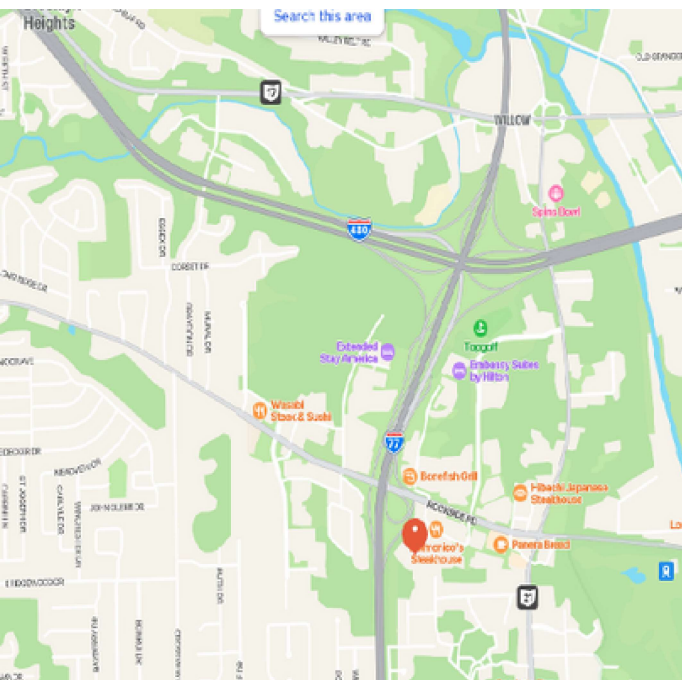
All members of AA are Encouraged to Attend this Conference!

Information for NE Ohio General Service is located at www.area54.org

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DoubleTree by Hilton Independence OH

Directions

From I-90 and Points North-East: Take I-77 South to Rockside Rd. Turn left and follow to Quarry Lane, turn right and go up the hill.

From Downtown Cleveland: Take I-77 South to Rockside Rd. Turn left and follow to Quarry Lane, turn right and go up the hill.

From Points East: Take the Ohio Turnpike (I-80) West to I-77 North to Rockside Rd. Turn right and follow to Quarry Lane, turn right and go up the hill.

From Points West: Take the Ohio Turnpike (I-80) East to I-77 North to Rockside Rd. Turn right and follow to Quarry Lane, turn right and go up the hill.

From Points South: Take to I-77 North to Rockside Rd. Turn right and follow to Quarry Lane, turn right and go up the hill.

Amenities at the Hilton Hotel

Featured amenities include a 24-hour business center, express check-out, and complimentary newspapers in the lobby. Planning an event in Independence? This hotel has 101536 square feet (9433 square meters) of space consisting of a conference center and meeting rooms. Free self parking is available onsite. Recreational amenities including an indoor pool and a 24-hour fitness center. Make yourself at home in one of the 192 guestrooms featuring refrigerators and flat-screen televisions. Complimentary wireless internet access keeps you connected, and cable programming is available for your entertainment. Private bathrooms with shower/tub combinations feature complimentary toiletries and hair dryers. Conveniences include phones, as well as safes and desks.

Purpose of the Ohio State Convention

The Ohio State Convention of Alcoholics Anonymous is an open, annual service convention hosted on a rotating schedule by one of the four Ohio Service Areas. The purpose of the convention is to carry the spirit of the General Service Conference to the districts and groups in Ohio. It fosters cooperation among the four Ohio Areas, highlights General Service in these Areas and shares experience on AA's Three Legacies. The goal of the convention is to support and strengthen the General Service Conference structure in Ohio, helping us to stay sober and to help other alcoholics achieve sobriety.

Why do I have to pay?

Most associations like to hold conferences/conventions. But in AA, a conference or convention is an important opportunity to share the AA experience in a broad way. There are many AA conferences held throughout Ohio. One of the most common misconceptions of these gatherings is that they are AA meetings, and since "There are no dues or fees for AA membership..." there should be no fees to attend. Conventions and conferences are special events, not regular meetings. They require months of planning, preparation, and money to present. Since most events are held in hotels/convention centers, there is a charge for the use of the facility. Along with the Facility's charge, the hotel/convention center will require that the group purchase coffee and food. Other expenses include travel and lodging for conference speakers (they are never paid a fee for speaking), printing of flyers, schedules, badges, plus postage and supplies. A large event requires a substantial amount of money to present. The Ohio State Convention is self-supporting. No group monies are used to pay for the event. The cost of the event is paid through registration fees, No baskets are passed. The ideal event is to break even; therefore, the registration fee is nominal compared to a weekend's worth of entertainment anywhere else.

Attendance is voluntary and as responsible AA members we pay our own way.

Thank you for coming!