Area 55 Delegate Report

September 2024 General Service Assembly

Panel Happenings

- Monthly video chat to review communication, workflow, offer support, problem solve, and connect as friends on 9/14/24.
- Welcoming Larry B. to the panel as new Alternate Delegate
- Attended 68th Ohio State Convention along with others from our area. Area 55 members remained active in service at the convention, and panel officers attended State Convention Meeting Sunday Morning.
- Folding parties for mailings

Delegate Debrief

- General Service Conference virtual sharing session August 20
 - Importance of the Group Conscience
 - My highlights:
 - realtime French \rightarrow English translation allowed me/others to hear a share in French
 - "Slow is fast and fast is slow"
- Waffle Wednesday for East Central Region delegates
 - Unable to attend September meeting will receive minutes
- District 5 workshop September 14: Circles of Love & Service and Communication Throughout the Structure
- Report and Charter Committee meeting on October 16th to discuss proposed agenda items (PAIs)

Treatment & Accessibilities Activity Update

- Updated <u>Treatment Committee Kit List</u> (includes Committee Workbook, updated guidelines on sharing the message with alcoholics who are deaf/hard of hearing, order forms, and other resources)
- The Military Outreach Project new page on aa.org
 - 20 audio stories of A.A. members in the military + additional stories on Grapevine podcast, Grapevine Archives, and Grapevine YouTube
- <u>Accessibility Resources List</u> compendium of braille, audio, large print, American Sign Language, "easy to read", resources with ESH from members with accessibility issues, and other service material + resources
- Bridging the Gap (connects people about to be discharged from incarceration to A.A.) <u>pamphlet</u> and fliers (<u>for those incarcerated</u> and <u>for those interested in volunteering</u>) updated
- Deaf Alcoholic Vodcast project on <u>AA Grapevine YouTube</u>

AA Grapevine Updates

• One year anniversary of AA Grapevine and La Viña <u>apps</u>!

iPhone

Android





AA Grapevine Updates Cont.

- Special Offer: Starting October 8, buy a gift one-year print subscription and get another for only \$16
- <u>AA Grapevine Podcast</u>, including the Half-Hour Variety Hour
- Calls for stories
 - Young and Sober (due October 15)
 - Annual Prison Issue (looking for stories from sober incarcerated women serving long sentences)
 - Other upcoming topics: atheists/agnostics in AA, Technology in AA, Remote Communities, and Gratitude
 - Also looking for Jokes (How do you get a drunk onto a roof?)
 - To submit visit <u>aagrapevine.org/share</u>
- Grapevine financial difficulties need for active support

BREAKING NEWS

Ohio General Service invites you to

Save the Date

for the

69TH OHIO STATE CONVENTION OF A.A.

August 8 - 10, 2025

Held at the Delta Hotels by Marriott Toledo (\$129/night)

Registration, room booking, and other information will be available soon at area55aa.org, aaohio.org, and through your Area General Service Structure

69th Ohio State Convention of AA... Hosted by Area 55

- **Who**: A.A. members from Area 55, other Ohio areas, and Al-Anon / Alateen participation. Me, you, your sponsor, your sponsees
- What: A weekend of Fellowship, Unity, Service, and Recovery
- When: August 8 10, 2025
- Where: Delta Hotels Toledo
- **How (much):** Rooms for \$129/night; registration TBD

• Next planning meeting: Saturday, September 21st, 10:30am - Noon at Central Office (3328 Glanzman Rd)

State Convention Planning Meeting

Saturday, September 21

10:30am - Noon

Central Office, 3328 Glanzman Rd

Hybrid Info: Zoom ID- 919 9397 1458

Password: 5569

Join us to

Select a theme for the convention, set a meeting schedule, fill open positions, and experience the joy of service!

> Questions? Delegate@area55aa.org

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Action Items — Opportunities to Engage in Service

- Submit a Proposed Agenda Item for next year's General Service Conference by September 30. <u>Click here</u> to view submission forms.
- 69th Ohio State Convention join the planning committee
 - Next meeting to be held on September 21st, 10:30am Noon, Central Office (3328 Glanzman Rd)
- Share information from this report at your next group conscience
- Connect with your district
- Consider: working with your group / district to select an alternate for your position over the next few months
- Discuss with your home group: How can we best support our archives / archivist?

A.A. PSA Video

- Follow-up on CPC/PI committee report with ideas for PSAs
- <u>https://www.aa.org/downloadable-videos</u>

Where to find these reports?

- Delegate reports will be uploaded to <u>area55aa.org/delegate-report/</u>
- Links/attachments of reports will be included in the following month's digital mailing

Questions?

• Reach out to <u>delegate@area55aa.org</u>

Respectfully submitted,

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