



Area 55 Delegate Report

December 15, 2024
General Service Assembly



Panel Officer Happenings

- Quiet month - business as usual
- Many thanks to outgoing Registrar for continued support during transition
- Looking to reschedule monthly touch base meetings due to frequent scheduling conflicts

Delegate Debrief

- Report and Charter Committee
 - [2024-2026 Edition of the A.A. Service Manual Combined with the Twelve Concepts for World Service](#) is now **available online**
 - Print edition coming early next year
 - Received 76 page history of the Report and Charter Committee
- Attended Accessibilities and Corrections Committee meetings
- International Convention short on speakers - requested additional nominations. Speak to the Area Delegate if you are planning to attend the International Convention.
- General Service Conference sharing session Nov. 22: "The Integrity of the Conference Process"
 - Some tensions existed re: handling of PLBB and other issues
 - Very cool ending to meeting with 125 people waving to each other
- Ad hoc committee discussed last month will be formed before conclusion of 2024, with report ready to present by end of Q1, 2025
- Meeting with committee chairs on 12/15/24 to discuss Mini Conference, Google Drive, etc.

Updates from the General Service Office

- [AA Grapevine Podcast](#) has exceeded 1,000,000 downloads!
- 75th General Service Conference preparations are underway
 - Report and Charter will meet 3 times at the GSC. Current agenda items:
 - A) Discuss the A.A. Service Manual, 2026-2028 Edition
 - 1. Review list of editorial updates.
 - 2. Review progress report on the development of a new section “Amendments” to be added to the Twelve Concepts for World Service.
 - 3. Consider a request to remove the phrase, “A group may also decline to hear reports from a GSR at all” from page 10 in the A.A. Service Manual.
 - 4. Consider a request to remove the word “woman” from the Concept IV essay.
 - B) Consider a request to expand Article Three in the Conference Charter to protect the co-Founders’ writings.
 - C) Review progress report on exploring the creation of a corresponding Trustees’ committee for Report and Charter
 - D) Discuss General Service Conference Final Report.

Updates from the General Service Office

- [International Convention](#): July 3 - 6, 2025 in Vancouver, BC, Canada
 - Additional housing now available at University of British Columbia (Housing Option #5)
- Plain Language Big Book
 - First printing of just over 70,000 copies sold out
 - *Previous report included erroneous information on print count*
 - Second printing of 100,000 has been approved, should be available for purchase in early January

Plain Language Big Book - Update

- Letter sent from Scott H., Chair of the General Service Board on Nov. 24
 - The 74th General Service Conference passed an Advisory Action to remove references to “alcohol addiction” (in preference of term “alcoholism”)
 - Initial printing did not reflect these changes
 - Five changes will be made in all subsequent printings
 - Additional change to the back flap of the PLBB to reflect the Conference process that was followed in creation of the book

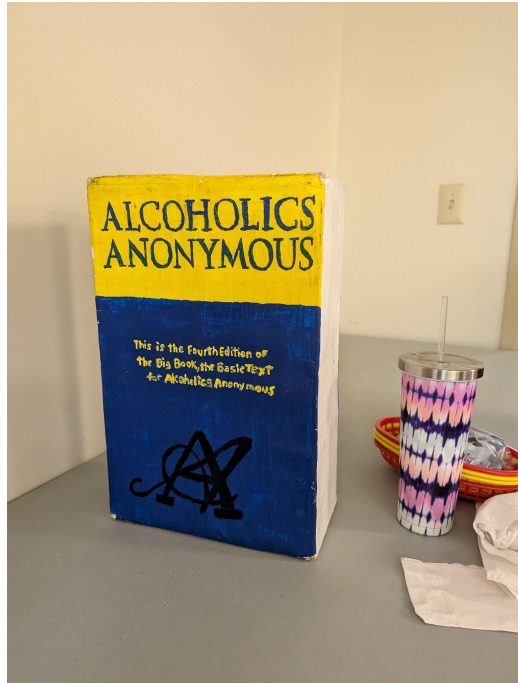
69th Ohio State Convention of AA... Hosted by Area 55

- **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
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- Theme: Attraction By Action
 - Next planning meeting: Saturday, January 18th, 10:30am - Noon at Central Office (3328 Glanzman Rd)

2025 Area 55 Mini Conference

- The moved date is in conflict with another area - exploring options to accommodate spirit of statewide unity. See area55aa.org for updates
- Upcoming planning meetings. All Mini Conference planning meetings will be held at 10am at Central Office
 - December 28
 - January 11
 - January 25
 - February 15
 - March 1

Broad Highway - Area Outreach Trips



Nine members of Area 55 joined for an outreach trip to District 6 (Monroe, MI) on Dec. 7. The Big Book helped to guide us to our first meeting, while a kid's birthday party kept us from our last. Food and fellowship enjoyed by all.

Broad Highway - Area Outreach Trips

- **Saturday, January 4**
- Pre-outreach fellowship at Kommon Kraving, 416 W Main St, Montpelier
 - 10:30ish
- Montpelier Common Bond (District 8)
 - Noon
 - 210 W. Main Street, Montpelier, OH
- Defiance Too Late for Lunch (District 9)
 - 2:00pm
 - Defiance Fellowship Club, 901 Deatrick Street, Defiance, OH
- Findlay Happy Hour (District 11)
 - 5:30pm
 - St. Andrew United Methodist Annex, 214 W Sandusky Street, Findlay, OH

Other Updates / Reminders

- We are now at the midway point for Panel 74
 - Panel 74 ends December 2024
- Panel 75 areas have elected new officers

Action Items – Opportunities to Engage in Service

- 69th Ohio State Convention — join the planning committee
 - **Next meeting to be held on January 18th, 10:30am - Noon, Central Office (3328 Glanzman Rd)**
- Mini Conference planning: next meeting December 28, 10am, Central Office
- Share information from this report at your next group conscience
- Connect with your district
- Connect with Corrections committee to discuss opportunities to get involved
- Encourage your group to discuss the possibility of “adopting” someone on the accessibility list
- Mini Conference + State Convention = lots of ways to dive in

 **Gratitude Slide** 

Thank you to our Area GSRs, DCMs, committee chairs, alternates, committee members, past delegates, panel officers, liaisons, and other trusted servants for your service this year!

Where to find these reports?

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

Questions?

- Reach out to delegate@area55aa.org

Respectfully submitted,

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