



# Area 55 Delegate Report

April 13, 2025  
General Service Assembly



# Panel Officer Happenings

- Ashley L. has convened the Technology Needs ad hoc committee, which has met multiple times. They will present a final report at the May assembly.
- Larry B. attended the four Ohio mini conferences, and still found time to attend the recent Broad Highway Trip!
- Everyone worked diligently to get the mailing out on time for this month's early assembly
- "Working Together, Increasing Trust"

# Delegate Debrief

- Attended the four Ohio Mini Conferences last month - building stronger connections with Ohio's other trusted servants
  - **Overwhelmingly positive** feedback from the out of town guests at the Area 55 Mini Conference
- Joint Report and Charter + Policy and Admissions committee meeting to discuss the two "changes to Founders' writings" agenda items
- Report and Charter housekeeping pre-conference meeting, Delegates only meeting, Waffle Wednesday, and more
- Preparing for GSC April 26 - May 3... still lots of reading to complete!

# Updates from the General Service Office

- Corrections Desk Update

- Edovo tablet literature has added Box 4-5-9, Sharing from Behind the Walls, and the PLBB. 39,280 unique A.A. e-book starts from Feb. '22 - Nov. '24, with 19,494 completed
- How can you help?
  - “Please share the Corrections Correspondence Service sign-up forms with your home group, at the various correctional settings you visit and any other A.A. event you attend.” **Sign-up form:** [Click here](#)
- Weekly Corrections Online meeting: Meeting ID: 841 1036 5604 (no password needed). The first and last Sunday of the month meets at 6pm (EST) all other Sundays meet at 11am (EST).

- Public Information Desk Update

- PI Ideas:
  - Sharing literature with local libraries
  - Encouraging Areas to air PSAs on TV and radio
- New videos for International Convention and Young People in A.A.

# Updates from the General Service Office

- [Box 4-5-9](#) Winter 2025
  - History of Plain Language Big Book
  - Inside A.A. Finances: Contributions
  - International Convention updates
  - Calendar of upcoming A.A. events
- Early Bird Pricing for International Convention ends April 15
- [Quarterly GSO Report](#)
  - Grapevine subscriptions are up 10% compared to last year, La Viña subscriptions are up 9.1%
  - Grapevine podcast: 980,000 downloads, with roughly 869 downloads per day
- [AAWS Highlights](#)
  - Workload audit underway at GSO: “intent of determining a plan to reduce the workload in each of these areas, allowing for a better work-life balance for employees and all trusted servants while fostering a more effective approach that supports higher-quality work and outcomes.”

# “Special Workers” - GSO Job Application

- GSO is updating its database of interested applicants for job openings at the General Service Office
- 6 years of sobriety required. Knowledge of Steps, Traditions, Concepts, service structure; skilled in communication, task management, etc.
- Hybrid work schedule: 3 days in office, 2 remote
- Starting pay of \$107,000 with comprehensive benefits package
- For full responsibilities, requirements, and information, view the application [here](#).
- Application deadline: May 31, 2025

# 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 + Tax; registration \$40
- Registration and additional information available at [www.area55aa.org/ohio-state-convention](http://www.area55aa.org/ohio-state-convention)
  
- Theme: Attraction By Action
- Next planning meeting: Saturday, May 17, 10:00am - Noon at Delta Hotels Toledo

# Broad Highway

## Area Outreach Trips

Event details can be found at

[area55aa.org/calendar](http://area55aa.org/calendar)

# Broad Highway



### **Saturday May 3rd- Districts 8 and 9**

Wauseon Saturday Noon  
Fulton County Alano Club  
222 S Brunell St  
Wauseon, OH 43567  
12:00-1:00pm

Defiance Too Late for Lunch  
Defiance Fellowship Club  
901 Deatrick St.  
Defiance, OH 43512  
2:00- 3:00pm

#### **Dinner**

Bryan Discussion  
Trinity Lutheran Church  
509 Center Street  
Bryan, OH 43506  
7:30- 8:30



# Join Us!



# Area 55 Mini Conference



Thoughts on GSC...

# Feedback Needed for Delegate

How would members of Area 55 best like for information from the General Service Conference to be shared within our area following the conference?

# Action Items – Opportunities to Engage in Service

- 69th Ohio State Convention — join the planning committee
  - **Next meeting to be held on May 17, 10:00am - Noon, Delta Hotels Toledo**
- Share information from this report at your next group conscience
- State Convention = lots of ways to dive in
  - What: **Statewide OSC Planning Meeting (held twice annually)**
  - When: **Saturday, May 10, 11:00am**
  - Where: **Lord of Life Lutheran Church, 2480 W. Dublin-Granville Rd, Columbus, Ohio, 43235**
- Register for the Ohio State Convention at [area55aa.org/ohio-state-convention](https://area55aa.org/ohio-state-convention)

# Where to find these reports?

- Delegate reports will be uploaded to [area55aa.org/delegate-report/](https://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](mailto:delegate@area55aa.org)

Respectfully submitted,

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