



AREA 11 DELEGATE'S REPORT

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Area 11 General Service Committee

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Save the Date!

The Area 11 Fall Assembly will be held on **Sunday, November 5**. It will be a hybrid event with the in-person portion held at the Pitkin Center in Wethersfield.

2021-2023 A.A. Service Manual

View as a PDF [here](#), or scan the QR Code



73rd G.S.C. Activity

Report and Charter: The Conference Committee on Report and Charter will be meeting with the chairperson of the Trustees' Committee on the General Service Conference prior to the October Board Weekend to discuss items of interest to the members of the Committee on behalf of the Fellowship and to request that progress reports be brought back following Board Weekend.

It is hard to believe I have entered the last quarter of my first year of rotation. This year has flown by and I remain as grateful now as I was the first day of the year. As we continue the process of reporting out and following up on the work we did at the 73rd General Service Conference, we also begin the work of preparing for the 74th General Service Conference.

In the coming weeks, we will begin to hear about potential agenda items, hot-button issues, progress reports, and general themes for the Conference to come. I am already getting excited for the Pre-Conference Assembly and I can't wait to meet with the members from Area 11 as I get informed and prepare! **Save the date of Saturday, April 6, 2024**, and keep an eye out for details!!

Looking for Theme and Topics Suggestions for the 75th General Service Conference

The 2024 Conference Committee on Agenda will consider these suggestions for a theme, presentation, and workshop topics for the 75th General Service Conference in 2025:

- To be discussed by delegates during the week of the Conference.
- Should revolve around basic principles of A.A.
- Allows A.A. members to discuss the topics in their area.
- For past themes, presentations, and workshop topics, click [here](#).

Please send any suggestions to delegate@ct-aa.org by October 23, 2023.

The 73rd GSC Final Conference Report is now available!

As per an Advisory Action passed at this year's 73rd General Service Conference, an anonymity-protected copy of the Final Conference Report is now available for download on AA.org! You can access it by clicking [here](#).

Trustees' Literature Committee is looking for stories for a revised version of the pamphlet "Do You Think You're Different?"

The Trustees' Literature Committee is seeking stories from AA members with diverse backgrounds. This is in response to the 2022 Conference Advisory Action that the trustees' Literature Committee revised the pamphlet "Do You Think You're Different?" to update the stories to represent greater diversity. The Trustees' Literature Committee requested consideration be given to stories from multicultural populations, stories from A.A. members whose experience reflects multiple factors, and those from diverse populations not addressed in other current A.A. literature. The deadline for submission is April 30, 2024. For more information and the submission form, please click [here](#).

Highlights from The Quarterly Report

- The Trustees' Committee on the Conference has gathered questions for the GSB Inventory. Potential facilitators are being considered. The inventory will take place during the January Board weekend and a final report and presentation will take place during the 74th General Service Conference.
- A progress report from the Trustees' Literature Committee included a draft of the updated pamphlet, with a new title, "Black in A.A. Experience, Strength and Hope."
- With the addition of an Editorial Project Manager in March, AAWS has been able to return nearly 100 items that were stalled back into production
- Grapevine's podcast now has more than 530,000 downloads

Conference Activities: Proposed Agenda Items (PAIs) that were submitted for the 74th General Service Conference are currently being reviewed and disposition will be determined. Items may be addressed immediately, moved to a Trustees' Committee for review and may ultimately make it to the agenda of the GSC. For more on the pathway of an agenda item, click [here](#).

G.S.B., A.A.W.S./G.S.O., & G.V./LV Updates

Regional/International Events

Northeast Regional A.A. Service Assembly (NERAASA)

February 22-25, 2024

Hershey, PA

For registration flyer, click [here](#)

Information on NERAASA can be found here:

<https://www.neraasa.org/>

2025 International Convention!

July 3-6, 2025

Vancouver, BC Canada

Find up-to-date information [here](#).

SCHEDULED EVENTS IN AREA 11:

64th Annual Area 11 Convention

“The Journey Continues”

October 13-15, 2023

Sheraton Hartford Hotel at Bradley Windsor Locks, CT

For more information, including the program and how to book your room, click [here](#)

Click [here](#) to register for the event

Connecticut State Convention for Young People in AA (CSCYPAA) 38

November 24-26, 2023

Registration is now open! Click [here](#) for more information, including how to register and book your room!

General Service Board Updates

Updated Financial reports: One of the topics that came up at the Conference this year is the need for more transparency in financial reporting, increased frequency in these reports and easier to understand formatting for the Fellowship as a whole. While this continues to be a topic of great interest among members of the Conference and at gatherings, such as regional service events and forums, there seem to be ongoing barriers to producing and providing these reports. With that said, click [here](#) for the most recent financial reports that were provided to the Conference members in advance of our recent Sharing session.

A.A.W.S./G.S.O. Updates

New feature on AA.org: We've taken more than 100 of your most frequently asked questions and developed a central resource where you can access them, their answers, and links to related information. Over time this list will grow to include even more helpful, searchable information. [A link to the FAQs](#) is available in the footer of every page on aa.org.

Public Information Update: We have developed a [Digital A.A. Press Kit](#) that includes information about Alcoholics Anonymous in the U.S./Canada Service Structure, now available for use for the media, professionals, and the general public.

Publishing update: Completely revised and redesigned pamphlet “Young People and A.A.” (Item P-4) This revised item of General Service Conference-approved literature features new stories by seven young A.A. members, and we follow their experience, strength and hope as they share: how it was, what happened, and what it is like now on their sober journeys as members of our Fellowship. It is now available for ordering in English and Spanish with availability in French soon.

The list price is \$.40. To order this as well as other items of literature from the A.A.W.S. webstore, click [here](#).

Corrections Desk activity update: Eileen A., Corrections Coordinator at GSO, has been hard at work and she has put together some highlights of the exciting opportunities and resources to help in carrying the message to our members inside the walls. Please click [here](#) to read about these updates!

A.A. Grapevine/La Viña Updates

Grapevine and La Viña app update:

The apps are live!!! Download the apps for free from the Apple App Store for iPhone, or from Google Play for Android. Subscribe to the digital magazine and archive for \$2.99 per month, or \$29.99 per year. With a subscription, you'll be able to read the new magazine each month, explore the Grapevine or La Viña archive, send stories to friends, listen to the audio of each article in the magazine, listen to the podcast, enter your own sobriety date for a daily calculation, build your own spiritual maintenance daily checklist, and much more. For more information, click [here](#). Grapevine and La Viña staff have also created an FAQ to help answer many of the questions that have arisen. You can access that by clicking [here](#).

New Book Available: ORACIÓN Y MEDITACIÓN (Prayer and Meditation now available in Spanish) Features stories from members of Alcoholics Anonymous about the many ways they practice prayer and meditation in their daily lives. The stories collected in this book show how members began to pray and meditate and then branched out to develop very personal and often creative practices. To order, click [here](#).

Grapevine News: For the latest updates, click [here](#).

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