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Conference Final Report: The Final Report of the 74th General Service Conference is now available! It may be accessed digitally on [aa.org](#) or by clicking [here](#). This report contains a written accounting of the GSC, including reports that were given, keynote addresses, financial reports, and Advisory Actions and Committee Considerations from each of the Conference Committees. There is also information about the Conference members and support staff.

International Convention Updates

The International Convention will be held in Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada from July 3-6, 2025. Registration for the event opened on September 10, 2024, and the response was overwhelming! 13,154 registrations were processed on the first day alone, which is amazing! It is unsurprising that so many members are eager to gather together again, as this will be our first in-person International Convention since 2015 in Atlanta.

Despite all the preparation that has been done by the staff and consultants working on this event, there were still some challenges given the large volume of members trying to register and book housing simultaneously, and the process was not without difficulties. Many members experienced long wait times, getting booted out of the system, and long delays in receiving confirmation emails, among other frustrations. Some changes have been made to the system, and Patrick C., the 2025 International Convention Coordinator at GSO, has provided an update, which you can read in full by clicking [here](#).

If you plan on attending the IC and have not yet registered or booked housing, do not panic! It is not too late! You can find all the information on the process by visiting [aa.org](#) or clicking [here](#). If you were able to register but were not able to book housing, there are several suggestions for how to secure a place to stay:

- You can check availability regularly and book hotel rooms through your registration record online if any rooms become available.
- There are currently alternative housing options still available, such as dorm rooms or Airbnb. These can also be

accessed through your registration record online.

- You can secure housing on your own directly through hotels or third-party vendors. This would be completely independent of any negotiated rates or contracts involving the International Convention.

Fall Assembly: Save the Date!

The Area 11 Fall Assembly will be held on Saturday, November 2. This is a voting assembly, and the Area Officers (Delegate, Alternate Delegate, Area Chair, Area Treasurer, Alternate Treasurer, Area Recording Secretary, Area Registrar) to serve for Panel 75 (2025-2026) will be selected. Area 11's nominee for Trustee-At-Large US will also be elected during this assembly. **All voting members of the Area Assembly should attend;** observers and visitors are welcome to attend. It will be held online, with details to come.

Exciting news from your Area 11 Alternate Delegate!

The Area 11 GSO Bus Trip is back! Mike R., your Area 11 Alternate Delegate, has planned an awesome trip to GSO in New York City on Friday, September 27. Join in on the fun and fellowship! The bus will have two pick-up points in CT (Wallingford and Westport). You will have an opportunity to attend the weekly AA meeting that is held at GSO, followed by a tour of the office that is the hub of AA's vital services. Meet the special workers responsible for ensuring that the Fellowship's needs are met and that all who seek this program can find us. Registration is \$50. Space is limited, so register early! Click [here](#) or visit [ct-aa.org](#) for more information.

Conference Activities: The Conference held a sharing session on August 20 with the topic "The Importance of the Group Conscience". This was our GSC Sharing Session with the new Chair of the General Service Board. These sharing sessions were introduced as a result of an Advisory Action from the 73rd GSC and the format and the agenda for them continues to evolve as we determine what is most useful to the Fellowship.

Regional/International Events

Northeast Regional A.A. Service Assembly (NERAASA)

February 21-23, 2025

Save the Date!

This event will be held online and hosted by Area 45, Southern New Jersey.

Registration is \$35 and is now open!

For more information or to register, visit

<https://area45snjaa.org/neraasa-2025/>

2025 International Convention!

July 3-6, 2025

Vancouver, BC Canada

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

Northeast Regional Forum 2025

Save the Date!!!

December 5-7, 2025

Omni Providence Hotel

Providence, Rhode Island

SCHEDULED EVENTS IN AREA 11:

Connecticut State

Convention for Young

People in AA (CSCYPAA) 39

November 29-December 1, 2024

Mystic Marriott in Groton, CT

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

General Service Board Updates

Theme and Topics Suggestions are needed for the 76th General Service Conference: If you have an idea for the theme of the 76th GSC or for a topic of a presentation or workshop to be held at the 76th GSC, please email them to delegate@ct-aa.org by October 10, 2024. For a list of previous themes and topics, please click [here](#).

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

Public Information Update: Audio interviews featuring U.S. and Canadian military members in recovery from alcoholism are now available on the A.A. website and the A.A. YouTube channel. Conducted between 2020 and 2022, the interviews explore the unique challenges of serving in the military while navigating recovery. To read more about this project, click [here](#). To access these audio recordings, click [here](#).

Treatment and Accessibilities Update: The revised pamphlet “**Bridging the Gap**” ([P-49](#)) is now available in English – the Spanish and French versions are to follow. The Bridging the Gap service flyers [F-183](#) and [F-184](#) have also been updated on [aa.org](#).

Thanks to some incredible shared experience from neurodivergent A.A. members, the staff at GSO is currently updating the flyer “Serving All Alcoholics: Making the A.A. Message Accessible” ([F-107](#)) with suggestions for meetings and sponsorship to better support those in the Fellowship who are neurodivergent.

For more updates from the Treatment and Accessibilities Desk at GSO, please click [here](#).

Individual/Group Contribution

Reporting Issue update: An enhancement has been made to the records and accounting system at GSO, and as of July 1, 2024, Seventh Tradition group contributions made online from a member’s account are now being correctly recorded as “group” contributions. The next step in the process is redesigning the quarterly Contributions Statements. This work is underway, and another update will be provided later this year. Please click [here](#) to read the complete communication.

CPC Desk Activity Update: CPC and PI Service Cards are available for local committees to print and distribute. They can be downloaded and customized for use by local service committees. Please click [here](#) for links to these and more updates from the CPC desk at GSO.

Literature Update:

The process of developing the Fifth Edition of the book *Alcoholics Anonymous* is ongoing. There is no release date currently, and the earliest it could be brought to the General Service Conference for approval would be in April 2025 if the manuscript has been completed by then. Updates will be provided as the work on this project continues.

The creation of the draft of the Fourth Edition *Alcoholicos Anónimos* is being guided by an Appointed Committee Member (ACM) of the trustees’ Literature Committee and a working group of Hispanic A.A. members. Updated chapter translations are being provided by the Language Services department on a bi-monthly basis. The intent of the review of the existing translation is not to change the wording in the first 168 pages but to ensure that the translation accurately reflects the content from the source language (English). The working group is also continuing the selection process for personal stories.

For more updates from the Literature Desk at GSO, including progress on other projects, please click [here](#).

Corrections Update:

Corrections Correspondence Service (CCS) is currently seeking A.A. members to correspond with members in custody who:

- Are Spanish speaking men
- Identify as Transgender or Non-binary

For more updates from the Corrections Desk at GSO, please click [here](#).

A.A. Grapevine/La Viña Updates

Grapevine News: Please click [here](#) for all the latest news and announcements from AA Grapevine.