

**A.A.'s Three Legacies – Our Common Solution
Delegate's Report
Area 50 – Area Committee Meeting 10/17/22**

Dear Area 50 Family-

Preparations for the 73rd GSC are in full swing – I'll say it again – it's a year-around process.

1. Members of AA have submitted 184 potential agenda items for the 73rd General Service Conference. This is on top of the standing agenda items that various Conference Committees review each year – such as workbook and kit reviews, slates of Trustees for our General Service Board and Directors for our Service Corporations (AA World Services and AA Grapevine/La Vina), and the theme and workshops for the following year.
2. This does not mean the 2023 Conference will review and discuss that many items, particularly because many are duplicate items originating from various areas in the US and Canada. The Area Delegates will be attending video conferences with the Trustees that correspond to their assigned Conference Committees in the month of October to discuss the items for their committees. This gives the fellowship input into the items that will be discussed at the Conference in 2023. As soon as I have the final file of the potential agenda items, I will ask our trusted Web Chair Servant, Justin, to place on the Delegate's Page. In the meantime, we will post the previous file, which has 180 of the 184 items.
3. Please navigate to the Delegate's Page of our Area Website www.area50wny.org often as the section on the 73rd GSC is beginning to be populated. In addition, check out the Protected Files sub-section of the Delegate's page for members only viewing of items such as background. I will be reviewing the password with everyone as much as I can over the next 6 months because this is where the background for the 2023 Conference Items will be.
4. **There is a new call for submissions from the fellowship!! This time for 2-3 minute (anonymous) video-sharing from our Young People for Public Information use. Please share with our Young Members as soon as you can as the deadline is 11/7. Guidelines for making and submitting these anonymous sharing videos can be found at:**

https://www.aa.org/sites/default/files/literature/Young_People_Project_2022_Poster_EN.pdf

5. The fall issue of About AA – A Newsletter for Professionals is available and can be accessed at: https://www.aa.org/sites/default/files/newsletters/f-13_fall2022.pdf
6. The anonymous membership survey of randomly selected groups throughout all 93 areas in the US and Canada is well underway. At this writing, at least five of the six Area 50 Groups have been selected from Area 50 have completed their surveys. This is our first anonymous survey of the groups since 2014. If you would like to see the survey results from 2014, these can be accessed at aa.org under resources, "Alcoholics Anonymous 2014 Membership Survey", which is pamphlet P-48. This valuable pamphlet helps us to know the makeup of our fellowship, and helps us talk about our fellowship with the public and with our professional friends (medicine, religion, schools, courts) so as to reach more sick and suffering alcoholics.

Reminders:

1. The anonymity-protected **Final Report of the 72nd General Service Conference** was distributed by our Corresponding Secretary via email on 9/3. The print production of hard copies is expected to be

complete by the end of October and I hope to have the reports for our November assembly. Please email me at p72delegate@area50wny.org if you did not receive the pdf of the report. Please let me know your name, group, service position and email and our Corresponding Secretary, Sandy C., and I will make sure you are added to the area mailing list as well. The pdf is also be available on the Area 50 website under Delegate's News.

2. The Conference Committee on Agenda is considering suggestions for a **theme, presentation and workshop topics for 2024**. Please let me know if you have any suggestions that you would like me to pass along. These are due to the General Service Office by 12/2/22.

3. NERAASA (Northeast Regional AA Service Assembly) is conducting its next bi-annual inventory. If you HAVE or even if you HAVE NOT been to any NERAASA at all in the past, please consider completing the pre-inventory survey electronically:

Go to Survey Monkey to answer these questions online
here: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/6YY7GCG>(English) or
here <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/T8WJMSJ> (Spanish)

4. During the Conference Report Back and at our Area Committee Meeting in August, I announced the **scheduled vacancy for the Northeast Regional Trustee position that will be voted upon at the 73rd General Service Conference in April 2023**. I have also communicated this vacancy to our Area 50 Past Delegates as well. While being a Past Delegate is not a requirement for this service position, frequently Past Delegates do serve as Area Nominees for Regional Trustee. We have not had any candidates definitively step forward, but my hope is that we can present any Area 50 candidates for Nomination at the November General Service Assembly. The announcement can be found:

https://www.aa.org/sites/default/files/literature/en_2023VacancyforClassBTrustees_0.pdf

5. FAQs about the **2025 International Convention** in Vancouver, CA can be found here:

[https://www.aa.org/sites/default/files/literature/FAQ%202025%20International%20Convention%20\(English\).pdf](https://www.aa.org/sites/default/files/literature/FAQ%202025%20International%20Convention%20(English).pdf)

6. Please continue to check the AAWS website, aa.org under "Inside AA", then "What's New" for news on:

Call for stories for the **5th Edition Big Book, Alcoholics Anonymous (English)**

Call for stories for the **4th Edition Big Book, Alcoholicos Anonimos (Spanish)**

Call for stories for updating the pamphlet **"A.A. for the Black and African-American Alcoholic" (Spanish, English or French)**

(submit now, as "time is running out brother, time ain't running in")

Let me know if you have any questions. As always, **I am willing and available to attend Group, District, Committee or Intergroup meetings to discuss the report back from the 72nd General Service Conference or any other AA or Conference topic.**

With your help, and with God's loving arms around us, let's keep doing this together, Shoulder to Shoulder. I thank you for the honor of serving A.A. and Area 50.

Yours in Love and Service,
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