# A Declaration of Unity

This we owe to A.A.'s future; to place our common welfare first; to keep our Fellowship united. For on A.A. unity depend our lives, and the lives of those to come.

### Area 50, Panel 74 Presents...

# GISIR. Resources



### Website Updates! Be sure to check area50wny.org for the latest newsletters & slides! Area Resources > GSR Resources > GSR School

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- 50	GSR Coffee Hour meets the first Thursday of every month at 7pm.	Panel 74 Newsl
VIRTUAL GSR office Honor First THURSDAY	Login Info:	1-GSR Coffee Hour Newsletter
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		June 2023
		August 2023
more GSR information, including the GSR Coffee Hour slides, please visit GSR School!		September 2023





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### "By choosing its most qualified member as G.S.R., a group helps secure its own future — and the future of A.A. as a whole." -Bill W.

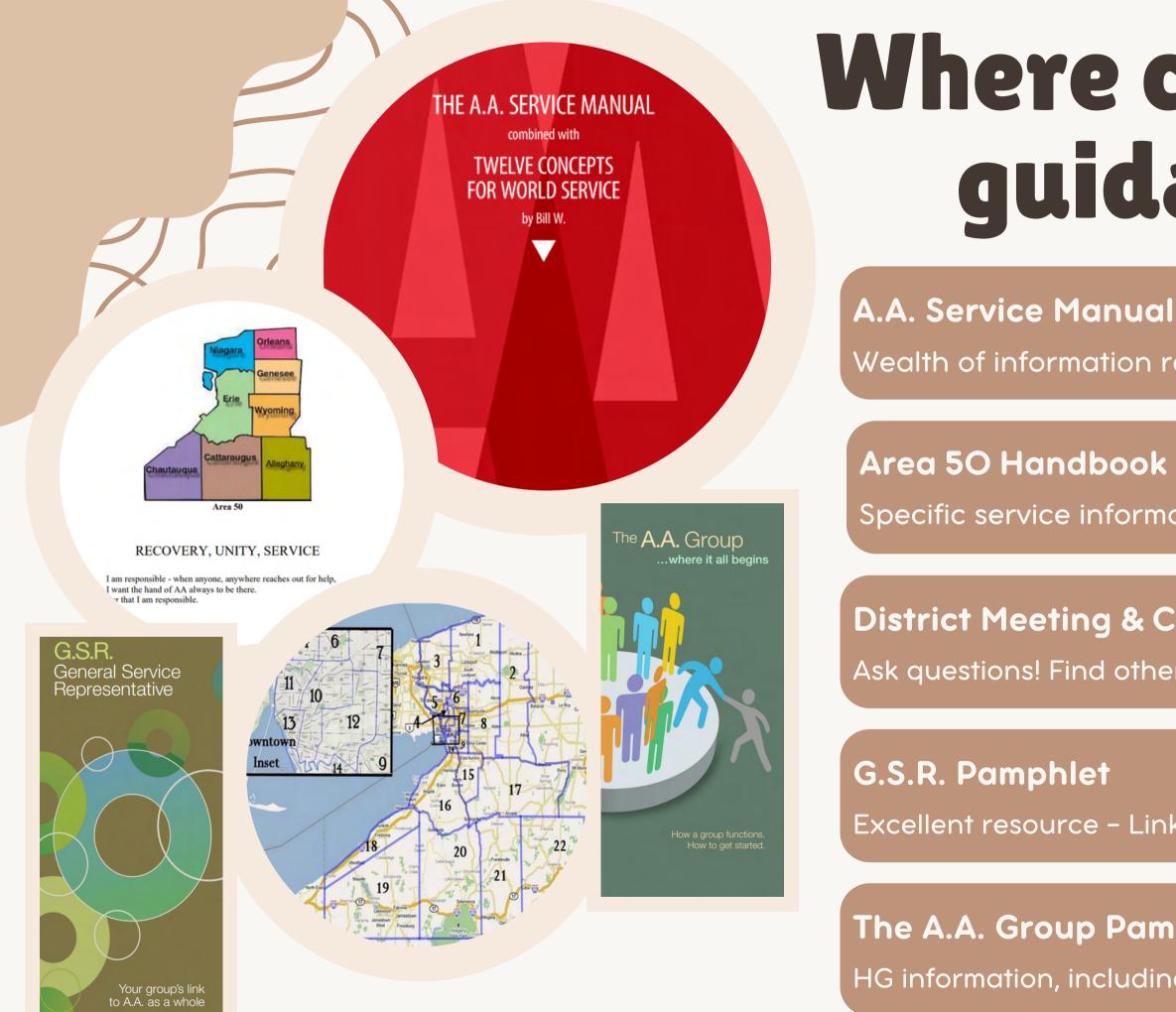
**Be the bridge!** "You are linking your home group with the whole of A.A."

As G.S.R., you have the very important role of exchanging up-to-date information between individual groups and G.S.O. An even bigger responsibility: You also get to transmit the ideas, opinions, & facts from your group, and through you, your group's conscience becomes a part of the "collective conscience of our whole Fellowship"



You also become the "group contact" for G.S.O.

Your contact information from the Group Change Form gets entered into the "Fellowship Connection" (G.S.O.'s contact database)



Ask questions! Find others in your district & connect

G.S.R. Pamphlet

The A.A. Group Pamphlet HG information, including having committee reps

### Where can I find guidance?

Wealth of information regarding all things service



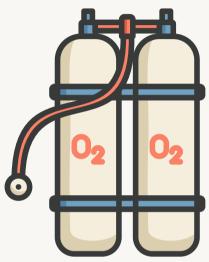
Specific service information within our Area

### **District Meeting & Coffee Hours!**

Excellent resource - Link on GSR Resources Page



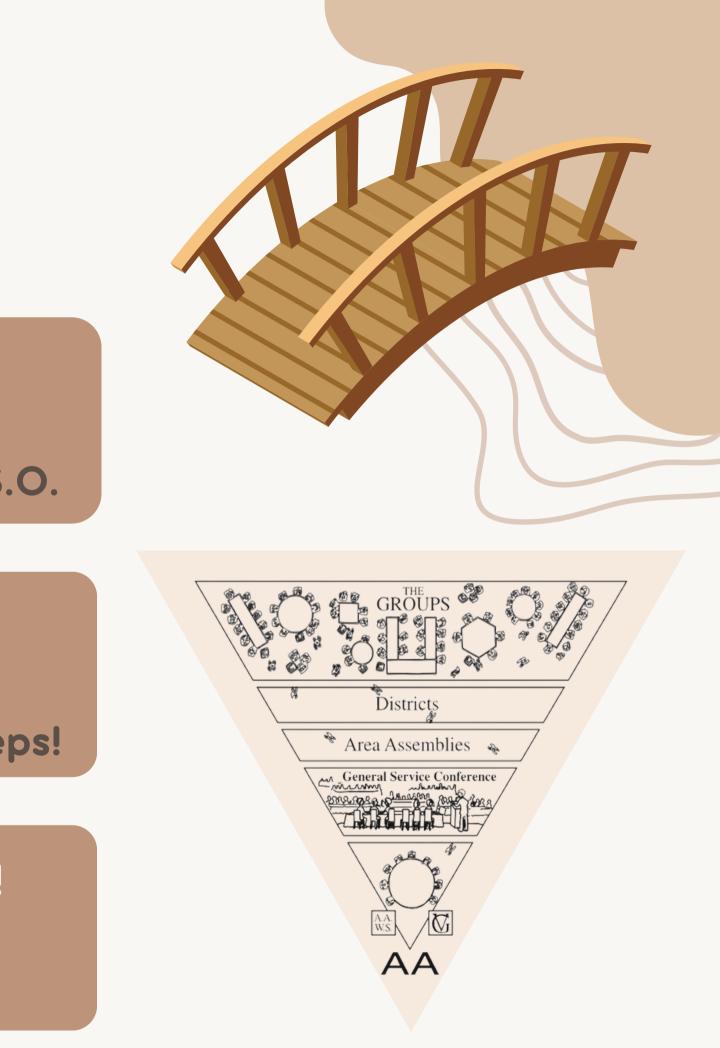
## Be the BRIDGE of Communication!



G.S.R. is the two-way oxygen mask! Between the home group and the rest of the upside down triangle, all the way down to G.S.O.

### G.S.R.s carry the service message! Inform HGs about committee meetings at Intergroup/District/Area levels – committee reps!

Being informed helps others get involved! Half the battle of getting connected is knowing where and when committees meet



### **Tradition 5** Step 12 Carrying the message...

#### **Tradition 5**

A co-founder of Alcoholics Anonymous tells how members recover and how the society functions.

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STEPS

AND

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TRADITIONS

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS WORLD SERVICES, INC.

"Each group has but one primary purpose - to carry its message to the alcoholic who still suffers."

#### The A.A. Group Pamphlet, pg 25

Excellent resource regarding HGs having service committee chairs (treatment, corrections, etc.), which is an excellent way for Tradition 5/Step 12 to be carried out - home groups carrying the message!

More to come on this with the "Vision From You" report!







#### **Step 12**

"Having had a spiritual awakening as a result of these steps, we tried to carry this message to alcoholics, and to practice these principles in all of our affairs."

# **Committee Meeting** Information

#### **Accessibilities**

Third Monday each month 7:15pm - 8:15pm Next Meeting: 2/19 Meeting ID: 824 9121 5337 Passcode: 193 555

#### Corrections

Second Thursday each month 8pm - 9pm Next Meeting: 2/8 Meeting ID:838 6237 4614 Passcode: 500 649

#### **Treatment**

Third Thursday each month 7pm - 8pm Next Meeting: 2/15 Meeting ID:873 1613 8260 Passcode: treatment

### **Archives**

Fourth Wed. each month 6pm Next Meeting: 2/28 111 Crocker St, Sloan NY and Meeting ID: 331 417 2122 Passcode: Area50

#### **Finance**

Last Friday each month 6pm - 7pm Next Meeting: 2/23

If interested, contact Sue B. at p74financechair@area5Owny.org for information

#### Web/Tech

First Wed. each month 7pm-8pm Next Meeting: 2/7 Meeting ID: 825 3492 7785 Passcode: 4918O3

### **CPC/PIC**

Last Tuesday each month 7pm - 8pm Next Meeting: 2/27 Meeting ID:949 621 400 Passcode: 164

#### Area Committee Meeting

Changes Monthly Next Meeting: 2/17 @ 10am Meeting ID:993 4272 4284 Passcode: O26826 ALL are welcome to attend!

## How to be the Bridge: Reports!

You've attended an event like the GSA or a district meeting ...now what?

- G.S.R.s are bridges of information with **two-way** traffic:

   One way is taking the group conscience to the rest of A.A.
   The other is *reporting* back to the group the on-goings of A.A.
- Materials collected at events become tools to help build reports
   Service Manual suggestions pgs 10–11
- Suggestions include:
  - Verbally announcing report of three main highlights/takeaways from the event
  - $\circ\,$  Email out full report after business meeting to HG members
  - $\circ\,$  Archive paper copy in a "Service Folder" for the group



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### Service Folder? What's that? Simple!

A tool to help be a point of reference for home group members...

### SERVICE FOLDER CHECKLIST

- Home Group Member List
- Reports from prior business meetings
- Events Calendar
  - Business Meeting/Group Conscience
  - District Meetings
  - Area Assemblies
  - GSR Coffee Hour
    - Slides
    - Newsletter
  - 🗆 Other
- Event Flyers
- Service Positions (filled and vacant)
- A Vision From You



### Sample GSR Report

### 1/7/24

I represented us at the Area 50 General Service Assembly on January 6th and sat with others from our district. There were more than 100 people present, which is the highest attendance since pre-COVID assemblies. Here are three main highlights of the event;

- 1) A Vision From You was introduced which is the results of the Area 50 inventory that was complete during 2023. All the inventory responses received by the area were compiled into a plan suggested to Panel 74 as a way to build unity and carrying the message to other alcoholics (Step 12, Tradition 5, Concept 1).
- 2) General service opportunities are available and a part of how we carry the message to our community. GSR were reminded that they are suggested to be at Area Committee Members and be a part of a service committee. All the service committees were lining the perimeter of the Assembly room and the Chairs were available to share information and invite people to their monthly meetings.
- 3) The Pre-Conference Assembly is on April 6th! Our Panel 74 Delegate, Steve, is asking for every home group to share their voice after discussing and developing a group conscience around expected agenda items to be voted on in NY City. The founder's writings, the simple language translation of the big book and the GrapeVine app are popular discussions among all areas of AA. Our home group is asked to complete a survey specifically around the founder's writings being changed in the AA Big Book and also the Twelve and Twelve.



### Having issues with reporting to your group? Ask for help!

Please email: p74gsrorientation@area5Owny.org with any requests for help!

If you express interest in having any of us in service come to your business meeting, we can make that happen!



## Its almost that time... Pre-Conference!

## Pre-Con Timeline, Agenda, & **Communicating with HGs**

Presented by JoAnn T. **GSA Education Chair** 





# **Coming Up...** NERAASA!!

### Northeast Regional Alcoholics Anonymous Service Assembly

February 22nd-25th, 2024 Hershey Lodge

325 University Dr Hershey, PA 17033





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## Coming Up... Pre-Conference G.S.A. The next G.S.A. where we will be covering

hot ticket items on the Agenda.

Presentations given by G.S.R.s on various items from the Delegate's Questionnaire.

### When?: Saturday April 6th, 10am-2pm Where?: Windom Church, 3766 Abbott Rd, OP Hosted by the Tuesday Men's Group

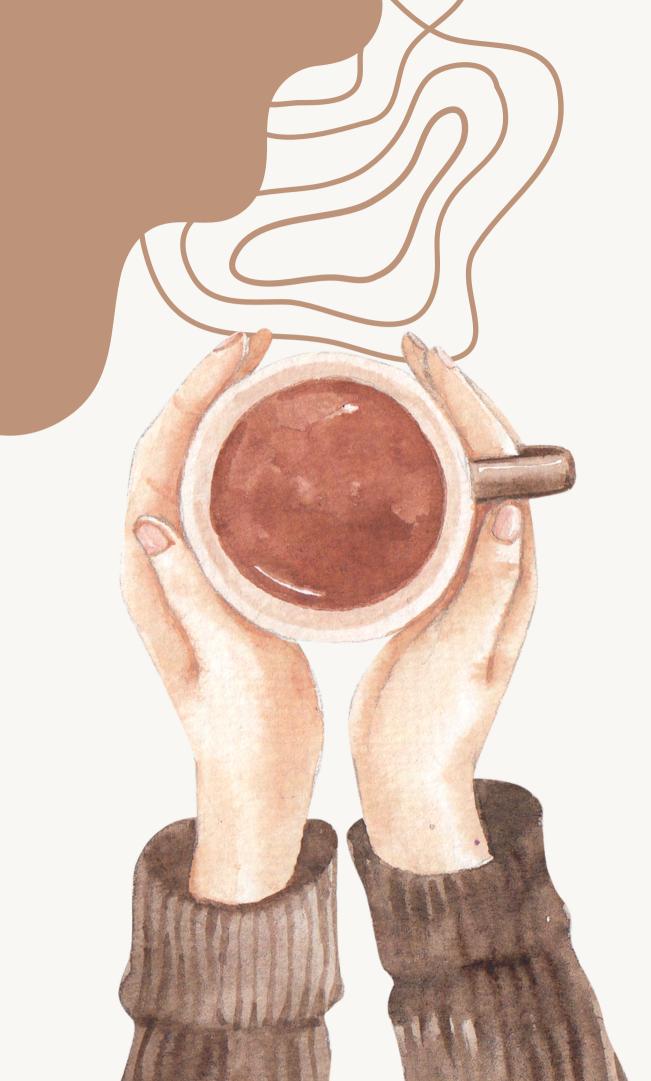


# Coming Up... GrapeFest!!

A Grapevine themed Day of Sharing... Hosted by District 16







## Thank Your Questions? Concerns? **Comments?** Email us!





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# I Am Responsible...

When anyone, anywhere, reaches out for help, I want the hand of A.A. always to be there. And for that: I am responsible.