

GSR News

Coffee Hour Recap

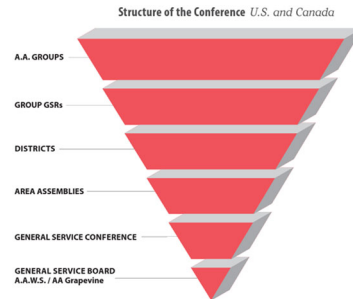
January 2023

*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.*



Welcome!

This month we welcomed a few new GSR's and had a few return for the coffee hour. The coffee hour is a great resource for new GSR's as well as those who have been serving for a while.



Special points of interest:

- ◆ Welcome!
- ◆ General Assemblies
- ◆ GSR Reporting
- ◆ NERAASA
- ◆ **Next Coffee Hour**

February 6th, 7 pm

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Password: service

Resources:

- Area50WNY.org
- AA.org
- *Service Manual*
- *Buffalo Intergroup*
BuffaloAAAny.org
- *Gen-Wyoming*
genesee-wyomingcountyaa.org
- *Niagara Falls Intergroup*
niagarafallsnyaameetings.com
- *NY-PENN Intergroup*
nypennintergroup.org

AA Service Structure-Attending Assemblies

We viewed a presentation on the AA Service Structure and how we as GSR's are the voice of our home group and the link to AA as a whole.

The inverted triangle puts AA members at the top of the service structure. Two tyrannies are described by Bill W. in the Twelve Concepts. The two risks are the tyranny of the majority as well as the tyranny of the minority. The group conscience with our right of participation and the voice of the minority prevents the threat of a minority within AA having their rights trampled on. As well, special interest groups can't railroad the agenda of AA as a whole.

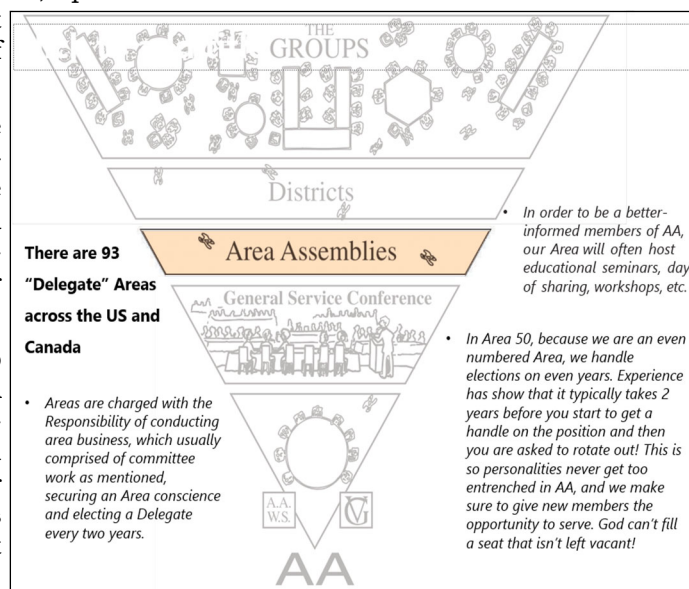
With the GSR as the voice of the group conscience, this structure insures that our trusted servants act in responsibility and service rather than as governors of AA.

When decisions are to be made that affect AA as a whole, we as members let our trusted servants know our thoughts and opinions by attending our district

meetings and Area Assemblies.

If a vote is taken on any issue, you get a voice! You vote as the voice of your group to the best of your ability. If you are not sure how your group would vote, listen to the discussion and ask for more information. You may vote with your conscience and report back to your group with the reasons you voted the way you did. In this way, we trust our servants to practice the principles of responsibility and transparency.

The presentation is available on Area50WNY.org



Next General Assembly:

Saturday April 1st,

10 am- 2 pm

Hosted by NY-PENN

Location to be

announced

Reporting Back to your Home Group

We had a short discussion on reporting back to your home group. What does that look like?

As we discussed, the flow of information is from the individual AA members by way of group conscience to AA as a whole as well and the other way around.

In AA, the members are the “driving the bus” so to speak. The members in service positions further down the triangle are there to serve and have responsibility rather than authority. The ultimate authority is a loving God as expressed through the group conscience.

As your group’s GSR you are also tasked with keeping your home group informed. Some of us give a verbal report, some print and distribute a report.

One suggestion was to visit the Area website, Area50WNY.org and print out the calendar of events so group members know when service events are taking place.

4 DCM Sue B

p72district4@Area50WNY.org
2nd Tuesday of each month 6:30pm
Join us on Zoom:
ID 863 7353 3658
Passcode 230403

5 DCM Nancy P.

p72dirtic5@Area50WNY.org
Last Monday of Every Month at 8PM online
Join Zoom Meeting
Meeting ID: 876 0092 8731
Passcode: District5

11 DCM Joe C.

jocoyne1957@gmail.com
3rd Monday each month
5:15 pm in person @ St. George’s
2 Nottingham Terrace, Buffalo NY 14216

14 DCM Tony N. p70disict14@Area50WNY.org

Last Monday of ODD numbered months
6pm in person and online
Every other month on the last Monday of odd numbered months from 6:00 – 7:00pm at 1866 Seneca St and virtually.
Google Meet joining info:
Video call link: <https://meet.google.com/hrx-wvqj-bro>

3 DCM Sue B. ralphsmom@me.com

2nd Wednesday of each month 6 pm in person
Join us at 6pm at St. Paul’s Episcopal Church, 800 Ridge St., Lewiston NY – Come One Come All – Laughter Guaranteed on the second Wednesday of each month!

1 DCM Lynn Ph (716) 380-9093)

6/7 NO DCM

3rd Monday of every month at 6:00 pm online
Zoom meeting information:
Meeting ID: 202 813 2738
password: district6

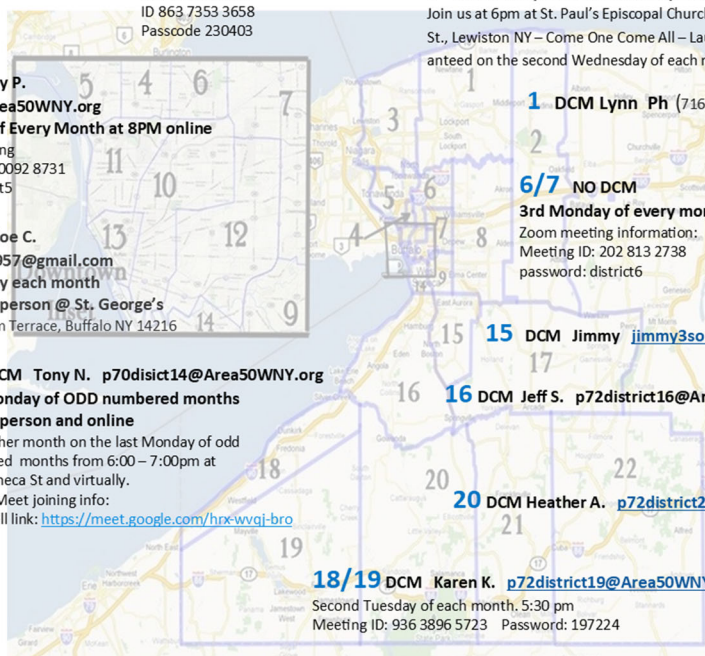
15 DCM Jimmy jimmy3sons@aol.com

16 DCM Jeff S. p72district16@Area50WNY.org

20 DCM Heather A. p72district20@Area50WNY.org

18/19 DCM Karen K. p72district19@Area50WNY.org

Second Tuesday of each month. 5:30 pm
Meeting ID: 936 3896 5723 Password: 197224



It is also important to attend your district meeting and report back on events and news of what is taking place in your local district. If your district does not have an active monthly business meeting your are encouraged

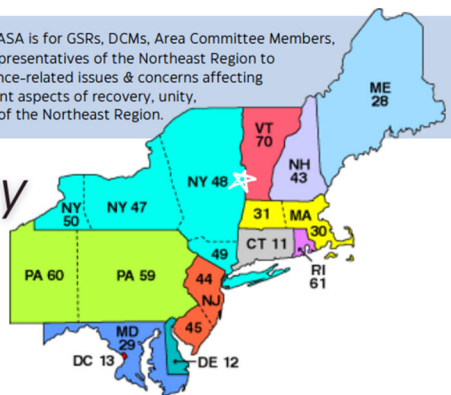
2023 NERAASA

Northeast Regional AA Service Assembly

PURPOSE The purpose of NERAASA is for GSRs, DCMs, Area Committee Members, & Intergroup / Central Office Representatives of the Northeast Region to discuss General Service Conference-related issues & concerns affecting AA as a whole, as well as pertinent aspects of recovery, unity, & service common to the Areas of the Northeast Region.

February
23-26

Hosted by
NENY Area 48
Albany, NY



Hotel Rooms: \$139/night + tax (use code **NER** for group rate). Book rooms directly through The Desmond Hotel / Crowne Plaza @ **518-869-8100** or visit www.neraasa.org/register to register & book a room



Just 5.5 miles from Albany Rural Cemetery, burial place of Ebby Thatcher, and 64 miles from the Wilson House, East Dorset, Vermont!

Upcoming Topics

• **Districts**

What are they, where are they, what do they do?

• **The Service Structure**

What is Area and what is Intergroup?

• **Area Committees**

What are they and how can you your group get involved?

• **The 7th Tradition**

Where does the money come from for service and who decides how it is spent?

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