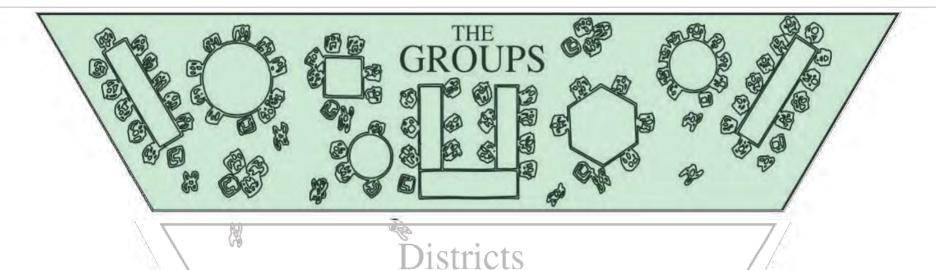
# G.S.R. GENERAL SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE

G.S.R. Resources-

MAY BE THE MOST IMPORTANT JOB IN A.A.

Districts
Area 50 WNY



We Have **Approximately** 500 Meetings in **Western New York** (Area 50)

Area Assemblies

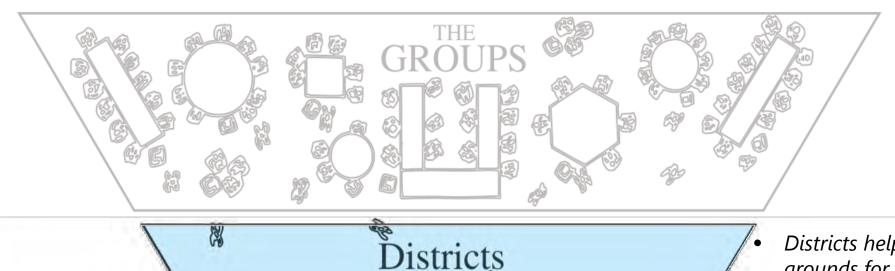






Éach Group is allowed 1 voice and 1 vote.

- Your Group has entrusted you to help carry out their group conscience and vote on their behalf.
- If you are not sure how your group would feel, its best to table a motion to give time to bring it back and discuss with your group members.
- AA's whole structure rests within God's voice as expressed in the informed Group Conscience.



We have 22

**Districts in** 

Area 50.

**Most Districts** 

have 20-30

meetings within

each District

Area Assemblies

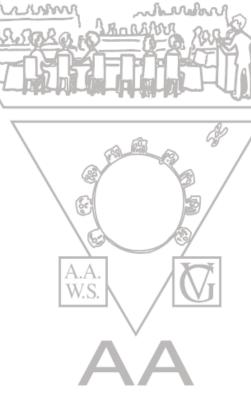


General Service Conference

Districts help to act as the grounds for additional group support, service opportunities and information.

The purpose of a "DCM" or District Committee Member is to remain in regular contact with the groups they serve. They are often the ones responsible for helping to inform the groups about the importance of having a GSR and getting involved in service.

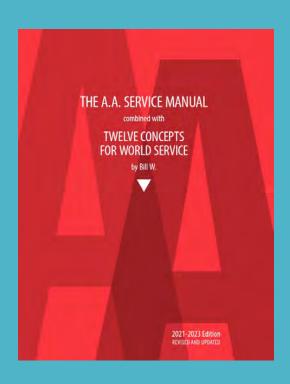
They work on trying to obtain the conscience of the district and help to inform the Delegate of the district conscience.



Area 50 District Map visit https://sites.google.com/site/area50maps/ for an interactive version!

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# What is an Intergroup?



#### W APPENDIX S:

#### GENERAL SERVICE AND INTERGROUP/CENTRAL OFFICES

#### WHAT IS A CENTRAL OR INTERGROUP OFFICE?

A central or intergroup office is an A.A. service office that involves partnership among groups in a community—just as A.A. groups themselves are partnerships of individuals. An intergroup/central office is established to carry out certain functions common to all the groups—functions that are best handled by a centralized office—and it is usually maintained, supervised and supported by these groups in their general interest. It exists to aid the groups in their common purpose of carrying the A.A. message to the alcoholic who still suffers.

#### FUNCTIONS OF AN INTERGROUP/CENTRAL OFFICE

- A.A. Inquiries
- 2. Office facilities
- 3. Meeting Lists and Other Literature
- 4. Information Exchange
- 5. Local Committees on Public Information (P.I.) and Cooperation with the Professional Community (C.P.C.) in cooperation with district and area P.I. and C.P.C. committees
- A.A. in Correctional and Treatment facilities
- 7. Local A.A. events
- 8. A.A. Bulletin or Newsletter
- 9. Accessibilities

Appendix S



### Area 50

Area 50 is responsible to help serve all of Western New York. We reach as far Northwest as Niagara County, As far Northeast as Orleans County, as Far Southwest as Chautauqua County and as far Southeast as Allegheny County.

## The Map to the left shows the size and scope of what Area 50 Covers:

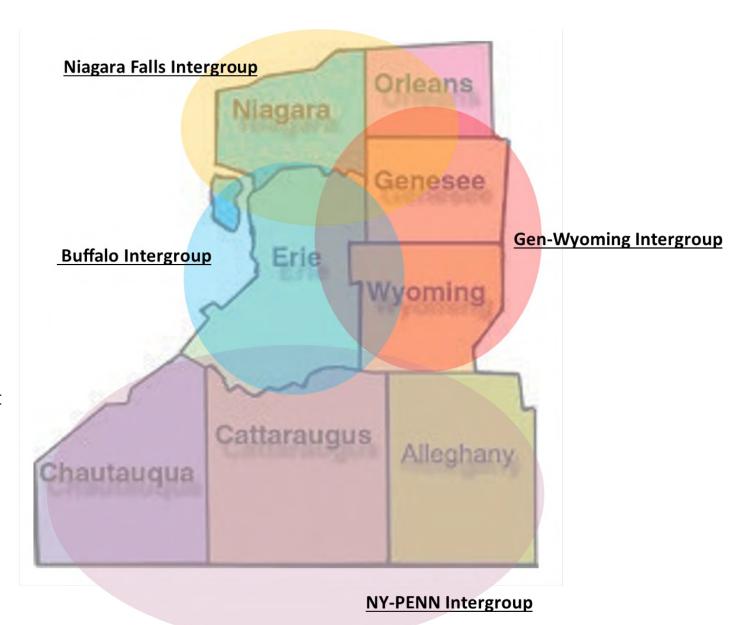
It may be helpful to think of Area 50 as a geographical area and a collection of people responsible for different service tasks within that geographical area. These people assemble at locations throughout the area at General Assemblies. Often a district will "host" an Assembly so members can travel to different parts of the Area.

# Intergroup/Central Offices

There are 4 Intergroups also known as "Central Offices" within the borders of Area 50.

The Map to the right shows the names of the 4 offices and the geographical areas they serve.

It may be helpful to think of Intergroups and physical places. While they also have a collection of people responsible for different service tasks within that geographical area, the tasks are somewhat different. They may also assemble, but at the physical office. Buffalo Intergroup meets at Buffalo Central Office and calls these Central Committee meetings.



#### WORKING WITH LOCAL INTERGROUP/CENTRAL OFFICES

Traditionally, general service committees and intergroup/central offices perform different functions. Intergroup/central offices provide local services, while general service committees maintain the link between A.A. groups and the General Service Board by means of the Conference. (Some parts of the U.S./Canada structure may not have an intergroup/central office.)

These two autonomous but vital service structures coexist in many areas, All of A.A. benefits when intergroup/central offices and general service work together in mutual cooperation. A.A. groups may elect a representative to their local intergroup/central office.

Many areas find that a liaison between the intergroup/central offices and the area committee is very helpful in maintaining good relations and communication. In some areas the liaison has a vote at the assembly; in others, a voice, but no vote.

More information on working together is available through G.S.O. and in the pamphlets "The A.A. Group" and "Self-Support: Where Money and Spirituality Mix," as well as in the Guidelines on Central or Intergroup Offices (with excerpts found in Appendix S).

# Intergroup/ Central Offices

# While the Intergroup is responsible for keeping A.A members connected to local meetings, schedules, literature and events-



The Area is responsible for keeping A.A members connected to A.A. as a whole. The GSR is an important part of the direct link between A.A. groups and the rest of Alcoholic Anonymous.

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. 4 6
p72dirict5@Area50WNY.org
Last Monday of Every Month at 8PM online

Join Zoom Meeting Meeting ID: 876 0092 8731 Passcode: District5

11 DCM Joe C.

joecoyne1957@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
2<sup>nd</sup> 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
1st Tuesday of each month 6:30 pm in person
St. John's Lutheran Church, 4536 South Buffalo St., Orchard
Park 14127

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

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# What do I need to do right now?



When anything is unclear to you, ask a question at any time.



If your current sponsor does not have experience with general service, it may be wise to get a 'service sponsor' someone who can help you grow in the service structure.



If you have not already, please send a change form to the Registrar, Dave G. and make sure your group gets registered and updated. You'll get free stuff!



Grab a copy of the service manual (It is to general service, what the big book is to recovery) Read it, ask someone to help you go through it and the concepts!



Find out who your DCM is and when they meet and what they are doing, we can help you get connected.