



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...

G.S.R. Resources



Virtual
Coffee
Hour





TRADITION 4 –

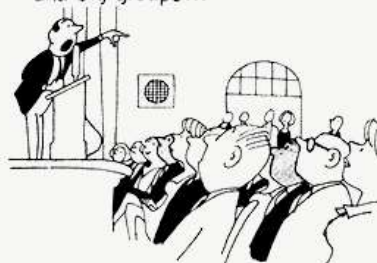
The Fourth Tradition

Each group should be autonomous except in matters affecting other groups or A.A. as a whole.

There are all kinds of groups...
Little groups...



and big groups...



and off-beat groups...



But wherever two or more alcoholics are gathered together to practice A.A. principles, it is an A.A. group if they say it is.



And you are a member if you say you are!



TRADITION OF THE MONTH

Principle:
AUTONOMY

Overriding Idea:
Our decisions
affect others





TRADITION 4 – cont.

LONG FORM : With respect to its own affairs, each A.A. group should be responsible to no other authority than its own conscience. But when its plans concern the welfare of neighboring groups also, those groups ought to be consulted. And no group, regional committee, or individual should ever take an action that might greatly affect A.A. as a whole without conferring with the trustees of the General Service Board. On such issues our common welfare is paramount.

“We had been given the courage to declare each A.A. group an individual entity, strictly reliant on its own conscience as a guide to action. In charting this enormous expanse of freedom, we found it necessary to post only two storm signals: A group ought not do anything which would greatly injure A.A. as a whole, nor ought it affiliate itself with anything or anybody else. There would be real danger should we commence to call some groups “wet” others “dry,” still others “Republican” or “Communist,” and yet others “Catholic” or “Protestant.” The A.A. group would have to stick to its course or be hopelessly lost. Sobriety had to be its sole objective. In all other respects there was perfect freedom of will and action. Every group had a right to be wrong.”

-Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions



**PRE-CON
2025**

APRIL 2025

**AREA 50
CURRENT EVENTS**



WHAT'S HAPPENING?



Thank you to everyone who has been participating!!

What Happens At The General Service Conference?



The delegate represents Area 50
and every home group's
conscience

AGENDA

Agenda items get discussed
and voted on



Decisions are made



Each area delate shares Area
highlights for 3-5 minutes



VOTING AT THE GENERAL SERVICE CONFERENCE

CONFERENCE MEMBERSHIP

Voting Members

Each year, there are approximately 135 voting members of the General Service Conference acting together as guardians of A.A. and of the Steps and Traditions. They are composed generally as follows:

- 93 area delegates (who make up at least two-thirds of the Conference body)
- 21 or 22 trustees of the General Service Board
- 6 nontrustee directors from AAWS and Grapevine
- 15 A.A. Staff at the General Service Office (AAWS, Grapevine and La Viña)

One Person, One Vote

Each Conference member has one vote, even if they attend in more than one capacity (for example, a trustee who serves as a director of AAWS or Grapevine as well as on the General Service Board).

General Service Manual pg 40 (both red and blue)

LOCAL EVENTS

If you missed Agenda Week...don't worry...we got you!

Why? To help home groups get familiar with agenda items that will be discussed at the 75th General Service Conference

What? 7 items were selected by our delegate and alternate delegate, Steve J and Ryan L

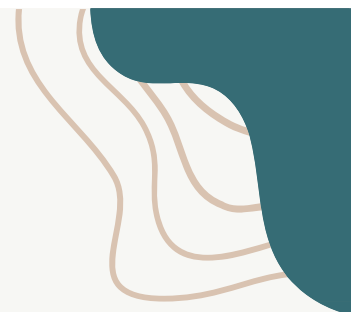
Who? 7 volunteers, Monday-Friday, shared their research and the background information provided for each agenda item

Amanda C was one of those volunteers and this was her presentation from Agenda Week



MOCK AGENDA WEEK

featuring: Amanda C



FROM THE SERVICE COMMITTEE AT THE GENERAL SERVICE OFFICE

- I. Consider the request to suspend oral presentations of all Area Service Highlights and continue printing highlights in the final report. (PAIs 20 and 32)

FROM OUR DELEGATE – TOPIC SUMMARY

Conference Committee: Agenda — Item I

Agenda Topic	Consider Request to suspend oral presentations of all Area Service Highlights and continue printing highlights in the final report
Historical Context; Why is it on the <u>Agenda</u> ?	For the last two conferences floor actions have been made to suspend the Area highlights so the conference members can use the time to discuss issues that more directly affect the fellowship. In both years this motion ultimately failed. Area Highlights take up approximately 180 minutes of time at the conference.
What does the Delegate need to know?	Does your group think it is important for all members of the conference to hear highlights from other areas?

Delegate's Questionnaire

Why? To help Area 50 have an informed group conscience at the 75th General Service Conference

What? Voices from home groups in Area 50 are gathered

Who? our delegate is a sponge for responses and feedback from your home group

How? complete the questionnaire with QR code or link from Area 50 website (under Delegate's News)

When? anytime before the General Service Conference (starts April 27th)



RESULTS!

Panel 75
Area Delegate
Steve J





AREA 50 WNY

**DELEGATE'S
QUESTIONNAIRE
IS NOW AVAILABLE**

**GO TO
DELEGATE'S
NEWS
PROTECTED FILES**



**Teaser:
Mock Conference
at the next
Service Assembly**





Coming Up...!

Pre-Con General Service Assembly

Info:

<https://area50wny.org/events>

When:

April 12, 2025
9:30a-2p

Where:

Gratwick Fire Hose #6,
110 Ward Rd, North Tonawanda, NY 14120

AREA 50 WNY

**LET YOUR
VOICE BE
HEARD**

*Pre
Conference
Assembly*

**APRIL 12TH
GRATWICK HOSE NO. 6
110 WARD RD
NORTH TONAWANDA,
NY 14120**

**HOST BY
DISTRICT 3
AND
NIAGARA
INTERGROUP**

**COFFEE SNACK
AND
LUNCH WILL BE SERVED**

On Line Information
Meeting ID: 993 4272 4284
Passcode: 026826



See you there!



Coming Up...!

2026 International Women's Conference

Info:

<https://internationalwomensconference.org/>

Next Meeting:

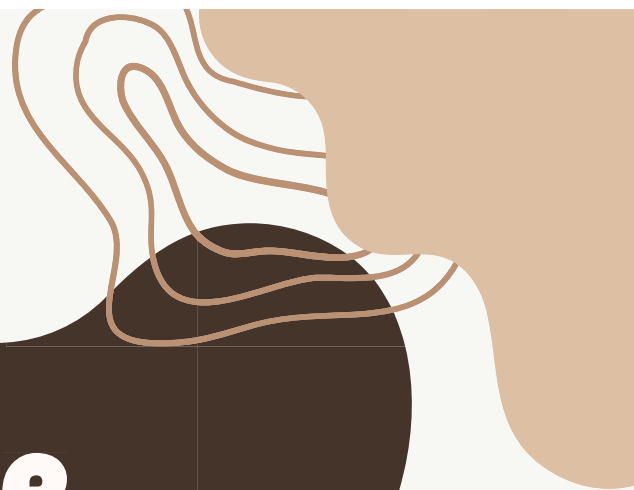
February 12-15, 2026

Where:

Des Moines, Iowa



2027 Host - Buffalo, NY!



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.**





Thank You!

**Questions? Concerns?
Comments?
Email us!**

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