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July 12th-13th, 2025 | Grand Island, NE

Grand Island Quality Inn and Conference

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Area, Regional, & International Dates:

Online Concepts Workshop	Every 3rd Wed. 2025	Area41 events calendar for details
Area 41 Reunion	June 6-8 2025	Grand Island, NE
International Convention	Jul. 3-6 2025	Vancouver, BC, CA
Area 41 Business Meeting	July 12-13 2025	Grand Island, NE
WCR Forum	Sept. 19-21 2025	Omaha, NE
Area41 Business Meeting	Oct. 11-12 2025	Grand Island, NE

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- Meeting ID and Passcode.

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 - On desktop or mobile: Click/tap the microphone icon in the bottom-left corner.
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 - Depending on meeting security settings, Zoom host may need to ask you to unmute first.
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 - During Committee Meetings and GSR Workshop/Area Committee, breakout rooms will be utilized. Each in person breakout will need a device connected to the Zoom meeting.

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- Before joining a Zoom meeting, visit zoom.us/download in your web browser and install Zoom.
- Open the Zoom desktop app.
- Join a meeting using one of these methods:
 - If you want to join a meeting without signing in, click **Join a Meeting**.
 - If you want to join a meeting by signing in first:
 1. Sign in to the desktop app.
 2. Click the **Home** tab.
 3. Click **Join**.
- Enter the meeting ID and your display name.
 - If you're signed in, change your name if you don't want your default name to appear.
 - If you're not signed in, enter a display name.
- Select if you would like to connect audio and/or video.
- Click **Join**.

• On the Zoom mobile app (phone or tablet):

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 - Open the Zoom mobile app.
 - Join a meeting using one of these methods:
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 - If you're not signed in, enter a display name.
 - Select if you would like to connect audio and/or video and tap **Join Meeting**.
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- Call the number provided in your invite.
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 - Phone controls for participants:
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Saturday, July 12, 2025

* Please check with your DCM, area41.org, or email chairperson@area41.org for updated information, as agenda information could be subject to change.

8:00 AM- 8:45 AM	First Timers Orientation	Important for all 1st Time Attendees
9:00 AM- 12:00 PM	<u>AREA COMMITTEE MEETINGS</u>	
Committee	Chairperson	DCM
Agenda/Workshop	Cara G/ Cat O.	26/23/28
Archives/Archivist	Char S./ Colleen P.	5/4/11
Cooperation with the Professional Community/Public Information	Jeff W.	2/31/32
Corrections	Marsha S.	1/12/20
Finance	Brian R.	25/9/30
Grapevine	Chuck S.	16/22/8
Literature	Mark S.	24/7/6
Report & Charter/Newsletter/Taper/Registrar	Erin O./ Brock H./ Dan W. / Zach I.	19/3/18
Treatment/Accessibilities & Accommodations/ Remote Communities	Dean G.	29/10/15
Technology & Communication	Sarah R.	13/14/21

All GSR's are strongly encouraged to attend the committee meeting (above) of their choice

12:00 PM - 2:00 PM	Lunch *On Your Own*	Practice Safe Snacking
2:00 PM- 3:30PM	Agenda Committee Communication Workshop	All Members!!
3:45PM - 5:30 PM	DELEGATES REPORT	Anyone and Everyone!
5:30 PM-8:00 PM	Dinner *On your Own*	Friends Don't Let Friends Go Hungry
8:00 PM- 8:45 PM	GSR Workshop	GSRs & Aspiring Learners
8:00 PM- 8:45 PM	Area Committee Coffee	DCMs/Area Committee & Enthusiasts
9:00PM- 10:00 PM	DCM Highlights	All Members!!

Sunday, July 13, 2025

8:00 AM- 8:45 AM	Open A.A. Breakfast Meeting	All Members Welcome!
9:00 AM- 10:45 AM	Officer/ Committee Highlights - clarify agenda items after each committee report	All Members!!
11:00 AM- 1:00ish PM	<u>Area 41 Business Meeting</u> -Roll Call -Old Business/New Business -Agenda Items Moved to Vote -New Agenda Items Presented	All Members!!

OLD BUSINESS: Voting Items (4)

(Vote)

EMERGENCY ITEM:

Agenda Item: 2025-07-12 023: Select a host district for the 2026 reunion.

Background: The area selects a district to host the reunion every year. Guidelines for hosting the reunion are found in the area 41 handbook.

(VOTE)

2022-04-02 005 (b) Agenda Item FUNCTION Ad Hoc: Replace GSR & DCM Workshops with Service Workshop(s). The passing of this item will repeal the GSR Workshop and alternate GSR Workshop positions. This would begin in Jan 2026.

- ❖ Allow all Area attendees the choice to attend whichever topic based workshop(s) that they want to.
- ❖ The separation of GSR's & DCM's at Area 41 is a remnant of a time when GSR's didn't vote i.e. it is a structural leftover.
- ❖ The topics currently covered in the GSR workshops can be useful for all area positions.
- ❖ Multiple topics could give more people chances to participate in workshop planning. Area Chair and/or Agenda Committee will plan workshops or delegate workshop planning.
- ❖ Topics could include, but not be limited to: training & education of GSR's, DCM's, Area Chairs; 3rd Legacy; Orientations; Group Consciences; dealing with difficult situations in service; self-support; chairing meetings; etc.

(VOTE)

2022-04-02 005 (c) Agenda Item FUNCTION Ad Hoc: The (newly elected) Area Chair is to appoint committee chair and service positions from a pool of interested candidates, nominations, and anyone else that they may identify as a suitable candidate. The final slate of candidates to be approved by the Area by a 2/3 vote. This would begin in Oct/Jan 2026.

BACKGROUND: We are losing people in rotation change. Many qualified people choose not to stand that would be willing to serve if asked. These people have been some of our Groups, Districts, and Area's greatest assets. Appointments could encourage these future leaders to serve when they might otherwise balk. Having the Area Chair appoint committee chairs and service positions could also provide the Area with better rotation. Too often positions have been filled by acclamation because only one person was willing to stand at elections. Elections by acclamation are not "obtaining the best talent we can find," as per Concept 9. Selecting candidates beyond those willing to stand will allow for greater rotation. Building leadership for the future is also a concern, but Concept 9 lays it out pretty clearly:

- *"Good leadership cannot function well in a poorly designed structure. But weak leadership can hardly function at all, even in the best of structures. But once we have created a basically sound structure, that job is finished, except for occasional refinements. With leadership we shall have a continuous problem. Good leadership can be here today and gone tomorrow. Furnishing our service structure with able and willing workers has to be a continuous activity. It is therefore a problem that in its very nature cannot be permanently solved. We must continuously find the right people for our many service tasks." It will continuously be difficult & we must continuously FIND the right people.*

- *"Fortunately our Society is blessed with any amount of real leadership - the active people of today and the potential leaders of tomorrow as each new generation of able members swarms in. We have an abundance of men and women whose dedication, stability, vision, and special skills make them capable of dealing with every possible service assignment. **We have only to seek these folks out and trust them to serve us,**"*

• *"We shall be in continual need of these same attributes: tolerance, responsibility, flexibility, and vision among our leaders of A.A. services at all levels. The principles of leadership will be the same whatever the size of the operation. Maybe this seems like an attempt to stake out a specially privileged and superior type of A.A. member. But it really is not so. We simply are recognizing that our talents vary greatly. The conductor of an orchestra is not necessarily good at finance or foresight. And it is quite unlikely that a fine banker could be a great musical performer. So when we talk about A.A. leadership we only declare that we ought to **select that leadership on the basis of obtaining the best talent we can find.**"*

If passed, the current chairs and service positions would stay in their current role until the next rotation, as per usual. At first passage, the current chair will develop a trial process that works best for Area 41. At the next election, the new chair will implement the new process.

Note: this agenda item only applies to committee chairs and service positions- NOT to the officer positions.

(Vote)

2022-04-02 005 (d) Agenda Item FUNction Ad Hoc: Area 41 should invite a speaker once per year from another Area, at the purview of the Area Chair.

- ❖ Currently, our budget only affords the opportunity to have our West Central Regional Trustee visit once per rotation, usually at our Elections. Having another yearly guest visitor/presenter/speaker, who is from outside our Area or even Region, or even from the General Service Office or a Trustee, would provide broader service experience.
- ❖ Finance information to follow.

New Agenda Items Assigned To Committee (4)

Agenda Item 2025-07-12 019 Finance: Temporary Increase in Funded Attendance for the Archivist

Background:

Area 41 is working to digitize important historical documents from the Area, Districts, and Groups so they can be added to our new website. These materials help preserve our history and make it more accessible to the Fellowship. Right now, the Archivist is only funded to attend one Area 41 business meeting each year. Since most of the documents are hard copies that need to be transferred in person—and because the Archivist lives in Omaha and the Archives Chairperson lives in North Platte—it would help to have the Archivist attend more than once to transfer items back and forth, safely preserving the historical documents.

I'm asking for a temporary increase to two funded meetings per year for the Archivist, through the end of this rotation (December 31, 2025). This would add only one additional night of hotel stay and mileage reimbursement per year to the budget. When the new rotation starts, they can decide if continued funding is still needed. This would support the digitization project without committing future leadership to a long-term change.

Agenda Item 2025-07-12 020 Finance: Establish a Dedicated Archivist Supplies Budget:

Background:

To support the ongoing efforts of the Archives Committee, propose increasing the annual Archives Committee budget by \$200, specifically designated for Archivist supplies. This would create a clear spending boundary for materials such as preservation tools, storage supplies, and labeling items, ensuring they do not reduce the general operating funds for the Archives Committee.

This adjustment is intended to proactively support the essential work of the Archivist without requiring unexpected reimbursements or impacting other committee needs

Agenda Item 2025-07-12 021 Finance: Area 41 select location for the 2027-2028 Area 41 Assemblies and Reunion from the following proposals:

Grand Island; Norfolk; Kearney; North Platte; Broken Bow

Background:

One Box Convention Center Broken Bow- 2027 & 2028

Convention Center and Hotel Meeting Room- \$2,050.00

Includes sound system, with Podium and Microphone.

Saturday lunch would be on our own.

Sleeping Room Rate- \$144.00

(Includes complimentary breakfast)

North Platte Ramada by Wyndham- 2027 & 2028

Convention Center and Meeting Rooms- \$2,750.00

Includes all audio/visual equipment, screens and projectors.

Sleeping Room rates-

Single King Bed- \$99.00

Double Queen Bed- \$119.00

Suite- \$129.00

(Includes complimentary breakfast)

Saturday lunch would be on our own.

Grand Island Quality Inn- 2027 & 2028

Convention Center, Meeting Rooms, \$900.00

Includes- Coffee, Water, 2 LCD Projectors, Audio/Visual Equip.

Sleeping Room Rate- \$99.00 (includes complimentary breakfast)

(This is the same price as our current contract)

Saturday lunch would be the same as we currently have it.

One complimentary room for every 10 rooms booked.

Kearney Holiday Inn-

Convention Center, Meeting Rooms-

2027- \$1700.00 minus \$500.00 from Kearney Visitors Bureau to be paid to Area 41 after the completion of each meeting. \$1200.00

Includes- Projectors and Audio/Visual Equip.

Sleeping Room Rate- \$144.95. (includes complimentary breakfast)

2028- \$1900.00 minus \$500.00 from Kearney Visitors Bureau to be paid to Area 41 after the completion of each meeting. \$1400.00

Includes- Projectors, and Audio/Visual Equip.

Sleeping Room Rate- \$149.95. (Includes complimentary breakfast)
Saturday lunch would be on our own

Norfolk Lodge and Suites and Convention Center

2027- One time convention center and meeting room fee \$900.00

The Norfolk Visitors Bureau will sponsor \$250.00 toward each of our events. As well as assist with on site registration, name badges, and assist with event coordination, (if requested)

\$900.00 minus \$250.00= \$650.00 Includes- coffee, water, all audio-visual equipment, projectors, microphones.

Sleeping Room Rate- \$125.00 (includes complimentary breakfast) and will also do 8 complimentary rooms up to 2 nights each.

2028- The Convention Center and Meeting Rooms would be the same as 2027. The only difference is a Room Rate of \$130.00

“Only Grand Island Quality Inn; and Norfolk Lodge and Suites will provide complimentary coffee.”

Agenda Item 2025-07012 022 Finance: Area 41 fund the 2026-27 Area 41 Corrections Chair to attend the 8th National Corrections Conference in Nashville, Tennessee for November 7 - 9, 2025

Background: Funding shall include mileage at standard Area 41 rate, hotel and registration expenses. Conference Registration is \$200. Room block is \$159 per night. The 2024-25 Area 41 Corrections Chair attended the conference in 2023 and feels it has assisted in her role as committee chair.

ITEMS STILL IN COMMITTEE (8)...

-Agenda Item 2025 Report and Charter 04-05 018: Transition Newsletter Printing Responsibility to Districts

-Agenda Item 2024-01-06 003 Report & Charter: Area 41 to form a new Area committee tasked with hosting the area reunions.

-Agenda Item 2022-10-09 014 Technology & Communication: To create an Email Subscription Service

-Agenda Item 2023-04-15 008b Technology and Communications: Create guidelines and answer Traditions questions for future Area 41 purchases of electronic equipment. Determine who Area 41 should purchase electronic equipment for, how the items should be handled, used, protected, stored or passed along. Address questions of ongoing costs (subscriptions, maintenance, etc.) have not been addressed.

-Agenda Item 2025 Report and Charter 01-11 016: Name Change for the “Reunion” to “Delegate’s Report & Service Summit”

-Agenda Item 2024-07-13 008 Report & Character (AATRC/Tech & Comm): Explore offering Spanish translation for all Area 41 events including 4-corners workshops and assemblies.

-2022-04-02 005 (a3) Agenda Item FUNction Ad Hoc: For a trial run of 3 rotations, pause the 4-Corners workshops and its requisite service position at Area 41, if the agenda item voting to hold one day service assemblies in a separate city than the Area 41 Business Meeting passes. The passing of this agenda item shall suspend: April 1990 Motion for the Area to sponsor having a minimum of 1 and a maximum of 4 one day workshops per year by any Area Committee that is asked for the four corners of the State utilizing Area funds.

-2022-04-02 005 (e) Agenda Item FUNction Ad Hoc: Keeping in mind the always existing right of decision of the area chair and agenda committee, and that sometimes special circumstances arise, the fellowship would like it known that they appreciate efforts to attempt business meetings on Saturdays.

Business Meeting April 6th:

Opened the meeting and roll call was taken with 87 voting members present.

Agenda 2024-04-06 002 Technology & Communications (with consultation of Report & Charter): Dissolve the Taper service position and create a new Audio-Visual service position in its place. Because this position requires

special skills and continuity, it will remain a six-year appointment. Area Chairperson to appoint. The service position would be overseen by the Technology and Communications Committee.

Scope:

• Ensure proper storage and adequate security of applicable equipment, and timely delivery and setup for Area assemblies.

• Manage the microphones/sound systems.

• Ensure that Area assemblies are audio-recorded, and that recordings are provided to the Chairperson and Secretary, and to the Archives.

○ Provide audio recording of other Area functions as requested by Chairperson, subject to the availability of the Audio-Visual servant.

• Make sure the projectors are working.

• Assist with slide sharing, logistics and/or hosting for virtual or hybrid assemblies.

Amend budget to move Taper position lodging, mileage, and “Area Taping” expense lines from Secretary to Technology and Communications Committee, and rename appropriately. Update lodging to be for two nights per assembly, to allow servant to arrive on Friday with equipment. Amend the Area 41 Service Handbook to appropriately reflect these changes, and sunset any past actions in conflict.

Thoughts in favor included expansion in technology, and like the budget for 2 night. Some concerns were the certainty of the recording quality and cost was reviewed. Concerns were addressed, it would be 4 additional nights budgeted at the current rate of 104.70 per night since the taper is currently budgeted at 1 night stay 4 times a year. Last rotation they did a trial run of recording via zoom and it was of a good quality. Clarification was asked on if this would be a voting position, and it was concluded that it was replacing the taper which is a non voting position and this would follow suit. Vote was taken 75 in favor 6 opposed. Minority voice was heard to continue taper until next rotation. Motion passes.

AGENDA ITEM 2025 Corrections 01-11 017: The Area 41 Correctional Facilities Committee recommends the name of the committee be changed to Corrections. The name change would mirror the General Service Board (GSB) service structure and reflect what Area 41 currently calls the committee.

No discussion at the microphone. 85 in favor 0 opposed no minority voice to speak, item passes

2022-04-02 006 Agenda Item Report & Charter: Update the scope of the Area Secretary (Area 41 Service Handbook page 11) to add item iv, “Send out an electronic Area 41 highlights communication to the Fellowship, suggested within two weeks of each Assembly, to include but not limited to, the results of the voting items and the voting items for the upcoming Assembly.”

No discussion at the microphone. 82-1 motion passes no minority voice spoken. Item passes.

2022-04-02 005 (a1) Agenda Item FUNction Ad Hoc: Have a (voting) Business Meeting at 3 of our 4 Area 41 assemblies each year. Business Meetings would take place in April, October, and January. July would be a one day Service Assembly focused on workshops, fellowship, helping to educate our members and trusted servants, and may or may not include committee meetings. Any changes would begin after any current Area 41 hotel contract. If contract negotiations are taking place, those plans supersede the timing of this Agenda item. The passing of this agenda item shall suspend: AGENDA ITEM 2011-09-17 013 Agenda Area 41 consider scheduling Area 41 Business Meetings in January, March, July, and October with reunion meeting date to remain in June.

There was thoughtful discussion around the recent proposal, with several members expressing concerns about its potential impact on emergency agenda items and the need for a clearer process to handle such situations. While the proposal has promising aspects, many felt it might be too soon to introduce another major change, especially following the recent adoption of the hybrid meeting format. The group appreciated AA’s tradition of moving slowly and deliberately, and there was a desire to allow more time for the hybrid model to take root before making further adjustments. Financial concerns were also noted, with members pointing out that maintaining five events would likely result in similar overall costs, meaning the proposal might not significantly ease financial strain. Logistical challenges were highlighted as well—June and July are difficult months for securing hotel contracts, and January presents complications due to the start of the fiscal year and potential delays in budget approval. Additionally, members are noticing longer agendas and raised concerns

about how much more business can realistically be handled. Although some felt the proposal seemed rushed, there was widespread appreciation for the committee's efforts and outreach to the fellowship. Ultimately, the first vote passed with 55 in favor 30 opposed, after motion to reconsideration passed 58 in favor, 18 opposed, the final vote on the item did not pass, with 21 in favor and 59 opposed.

~~2022-04-02-005 (a2) Agenda Item FUNction Ad Hoc: Vary the location of Area 41 Assembly meeting(s) that are NOT conducting a formal Business Meeting. Non-Business Assemblies, known as "Service Assemblies" in this Agenda Item, would ideally move to a different city than the "Business Assemblies," either rotating around the state or being in a permanent fixed location outside the city that hosts the Business meetings. Any changes would begin after any current Area 41 hotel contract. If contract negotiations are taking place, those plans supersede the timing of this Agenda item. Area 41 will secure a meeting space suitable for a day to host workshops and fellowship. The passing of this agenda item shall suspend: Jan. 2006 Motion that Area 41 Standing Committee meetings scheduled to run concurrently on Saturday morning of all Area meetings for 9am—noon, with appropriate breaks as determined within each committee~~

Previous item failed so the committee has requested this item has been pulled.

Emergency Item:

04-06-2025 Proposed Agenda Item

West Central Regional Forum

Area 41 to fund Literature, Grapevine, and Archives Chairs to attend the West Central Regional Forum in Omaha, September 19-21, 2025.

Cost for Archives: \$274 Hotel + \$169.12 mileage = \$443.12

Cost for Grapevine: \$274 Hotel + \$169.12 mileage = \$443.12

Cost for Literature: \$274 Hotel + \$40.49 = \$314.49

Additionally, Area 41 to fund seed money in the amount of \$250 for a self-supporting Ice Cream Social at the 2025 West Central Regional Forum. All money collected by 7th Tradition during the Ice Cream Social will be returned to Area 41.

TOTAL: \$1450.73

This item was considered an emergency because GSO needs a decision before the next Area meeting, and the Forum Committee requires confirmation on funding to proceed. There was concern about not having time to gather a full group conscience from the fellowship, but urgency is necessary if we want to create our own displays. Committee chairs also need clarity for scheduling.

The vote to hear the item as an emergency passed 70–5.

The host region has the final say, and while total costs will be lower should this pass, the total potential cost was shared for transparency. Also the 7th tradition at the ice cream social will come back to the area. Discussion included whether GSO or the host should manage the display. Hosting it ourselves offers benefits like sales at the forum, opportunities for fellowship, and showcasing Nebraska's archives, and we only have this opportunity to host once every 16 years. If GSO manages the displays there won't be any items for sale at the forum. The area wouldn't be responsible directly financially if GSO provides the displays it would be paid by GSB with 7th tradition contributions. Concerns over finance were calmed by the Treasure stating we can afford it. There was strong support for highlighting Nebraska's history, with a reminder that "GSO is us, not them." Vote was 77 in favor and 3 opposed, motion passes.

Emergency Item:

Motion for our Delegate to make a floor action at the General Service Conference to censure the General Service Board for a consistent failure to communicate effectively & perpetuating an environment that is not conducive to retention of trusted servants.

There seems to be a Lack of transparency, Overstepping of multiple warranties and years of toxic culture on the board For whatever the individual reasons, in the last 24 months six Trustees and or Directors have been removed from the slate, resigned, or asked to resign. This is highly unusual based on the history of our three boards. The

Area feels that the Trustees based on their Tradition 9 responsibility should be censured for creating this environment and ask them to perform more inventory in order to better focus on serving the AA groups.

An emergency motion was brought forward regarding a potential censure of the General Service Board, as the Area will not meet again before the 75th General Service Conference. The motion to hear the item as an emergency passed with a vote of 75 in favor and 3 opposed. The need for accountability was emphasized, especially with trusted servants nearing rotation. A district within Area 41 had previously submitted a Proposed Agenda Item (PAI) related to this issue, which was declined for inclusion on this year's agenda; however, the district continues to support a censure.

Discussion included concerns about the broad and non-specific nature of the censure, with references to AA principles such as "restraint of tongue and pen." Some felt that while concerns have been raised and discussed previously at the General Service Conference and General Sharing Sessions, no improvements have been made, and further inaction risks continued harm to AA's traditions. If passed at the Conference, the censure would become a formal advisory action, documented in the Final Report, and reported by delegates like any other decision. It was noted that several letters of concern have been submitted, and portions of resignation letters from trustees were read during the meeting.

Opponents of the motion expressed concern that the censure was too broad, potentially affecting individuals unfairly, including Class A trustees such as Al Mooney and Sister Judith, and newly appointed board members. There were also concerns about how such actions might affect the willingness of future trusted servants to serve. Others emphasized that this issue has persisted over time, and taking action is necessary to uphold accountability. Some viewed this motion as a first step toward reorganizing the board, while others believed the issues may be systemic and suggested allowing recent changes to take effect before taking further action. It was also noted that voting in favor would open the conversation at the Conference, which was seen as a valuable step. Area 41 was not alone in submitting a PAI on this topic—all were declined. Additional discussion highlighted concerns with the new floor action procedures and overall Conference process.

The final vote was 65 in favor and 4 opposed. No minority opinion was voiced. The motion passed.

OFFICER REPORTS:

Delegate:

By the time you're reading this, I'll be at or have just left the 75th General Service Conference! At the Assembly, I shared an off-the-cuff report with what I was reflecting on over the weekend with recent events happening with the General Service Board and Conference preparation. Below is the written report I was planning on sharing and below that is a rough report of what I said at the Assembly. Thank you to every member that participated in one of the pre-conference sharing sessions. Concept I is alive and your participation has helped prepare me to serve at the Conference. A big thank you to all of our Area Committee Chairs and Past Delegates for helping facilitate the breakout sessions this weekend. I'm particularly grateful to Scott H., our General Service Board Chair, for travelling to be with us from Canada, speaking last night, and answering all of our questions in the ask-it basket last night. Also, a thank you to Nathan E. for hosting Scott this weekend. Soon the Conference will be here and, on that note, it's not too early to start scheduling report backs! If your group or district would like a delegate report from the Conference, please reach out! We can tailor it to whatever amount of time or topics you're interested in.

This quarter has been full of activity. Since the January Assembly, I shared on GSO resources for CPC/PI work at the 4 Corners Workshop in St Paul. Thank you to District 12 for hosting a terrific workshop. The next week, I traveled to NYC for the General Service Board meeting. Conference Committee Chairs are invited to attend and participate in their corresponding committee. It was great to spend time with my fellows and to see the GSB function. It was challenging to participate after the GSB Chair decided to not share background information with the delegates for our committees. There's a board policy that says the delegate chair should receive the committee background when the trustees do so they can prepare for the meeting. We ended up getting the background the night before with about 12 hours to prepare. My experience was largely very "managed". Just about every trustee kept asking how my experience was, but in practice, we were seen and not heard.

In February, I enjoyed getting to be with members of District 13 at their annual breakfast in Grant and at the District 31 workshop in Omaha. General Service Conference background information started to come and a big thank you to Sarah R. and the Tech Committee for their work to make a way simpler process for posting and updating background. Area 41 was well represented in Casper, WY at the West Central Region A.A. Service Conference! Thank you to Cherri and Beth, DCMs from Districts 2 and 7 for helping facilitate our Area's workshop. If you weren't able to make it to Casper

in-person or on Zoom, I highly encourage you to come next year. It's an awesome weekend filled with fun, fellowship, and opportunities for sharing on all things happening in A.A.

In March, I made it to District 12 for my final 74th General Service Conference report back in Broken Bow and visited District 7 to participate in their CPC/PI workshop. We had a full room in McCook and it was great to hear about so many opportunities and enthusiasm for CPC/PI work in the local community. Flyers are available on the back table and on our website for the West Central Regional Forum in Omaha this September 19-21. Our area only hosts every 16 years, so I'm excited for us to get to welcome members from across the country to Area 41! We will need anyone willing to serve to help pull it off! Get in touch with Jenny R., the chair of the Regional Forum Host Committee for more information.

This July, the Fellowship will descend upon Vancouver, B.C., Canada for the 2025 International Convention. Come join tens of thousands of members to celebrate A.A.'s 90th birthday! See me for more information or check out www.aa.org. If you can't make it to Canada, this year there are virtual options available.

If you're free on the third Wednesday of the month at 6:30 central, join us for the Area 41 Concepts workshop! We welcome someone from around the country to share on that month's concept and then have Q&A. A big thank you to Rick, Jennifer, and Sarah for speaking at the first three workshops. We have a great lineup for April-June and flyers are available online and on the back table. If you can't make it, the workshop is recorded and available at www.area41.org. I look forward to seeing you all at the Area 41 Reunion in June 6-8 here in Grand Island! The committee has a wonderful program ready to go and I'm looking forward to being in fellowship with you. I leave for the Conference in a couple weeks. I'll take all the prayers and well wishes you have. It's such an honor to get to serve you all as your Panel 74 Delegate. The weight of the Fellowship is felt and the enormity of the privilege to serve is unforgettable. It's not too late to share your thoughts on any of the agenda items. Get in touch with me however is easiest for you before April 24 to record your thoughts in my notes. The 75th General Service Conference spans from Saturday April 26-Saturday May 3 this year.

In love and service, Nick

Here is a rough version of what I shared from the mic at the Assembly:

As I was working on my report this morning and knowing this would be my last report to you all before going to the Conference, my normal report didn't seem quite right for this morning with all that's been going on. I will still share out that typical report of all my activities this week and it will be in the Newsletter.

As I prepare to go to Conference, there are a few things on my heart and mine. First, I selfishly hope you all will send your prayers my way. I'll probably need more than what the whole room can offer. It's not a surprise, the Conference is not in the greatest of places. We have some significant challenges to solve together. I know in my recovery, I'm not a perfect example of all of our principles. You all have given me grace and literally taught me how to live. In A.A., I've literally grown up. Don't forget that your General Service Conference, except for our wonderful non-alcoholic Class A trustees, is just a group of drunks. It's not much different than this room today. We get together and figure out how to solve problems to help Alcoholics Anonymous better carry the message to those that are suffering or haven't even taken a drink yet.

We're not immune at the Conference from alcoholic problems. Just because I cross the threshold of the Conference floor doesn't mean I or any of us are immune from resentment and fear. We don't float above the floor. Bill W. wrote about the natural tension between the delegates and the trustees, and how that's largely intended in our structure. Who likes when a group of 93 people show up and say, tell us more about this? Why did you do that? What about this instead. We have a beautiful opportunity at this year's Conference to move through that tension to a place of solution.

That tension isn't always fun. I've taken some angry phone calls and emails. I stood up at a district meeting and was asked why I lied about the Plain Language Big Book because of the Board's errors. That was not fun, but it's part of serving. We're not always going to agree and you may have things to tell me that are unpleasant. It's my role to show up, answer your questions, take your feedback - the good, the bad, and the indifferent - the things I agree with and the things I disagree with. It's my job to figure out how to serve you despite our differences. You taught me that. I don't think the Fellowship is any different today than it has been in the past. We have faster access to information today. Your delegates are more connected than they used to be. So, while the ways we work may be different, or we may have more options to do the work, we still have to find solutions.

We have to do something about this resistance from the Board. I believe there are good motives in every single member. We all love A.A. and we all want what's best. We may have different ideas about how to get there and we have to keep talking about it so the group conscience can emerge. Without a willingness to have the difficult conversations we don't solve anything. If we can bring the principles in our Steps, Traditions, and Concepts to the Conference this year, I think we will be ok.

I shared information recently with you all about the changes made by the Board to How the Conference Operates - the Conference rules. The thing that I've thought about more so than any particular change was what is the point of the General Service Conference and do these changes help us achieve that point or do they make it more difficult? The Conference is where the Fellowship's voice gets to come out and we get to solve problems in Alcoholics Anonymous that a group or a district otherwise ordinarily wouldn't be able to do.

We have to remember that we don't make decisions by any one person's decision. We make them as a group. Sometimes we have lengthy discussions to get to that group conscience, but we do it as a group.

Many of you wrote to me, called me, and texted me asking what I was doing about the changes. Along with some other delegates, we wrote a letter that was circulated to the co-chairs, as well as all conference members, so it was transparent in the light of day. We outlined our concerns as it relates to the Warranties in Concept 12, and how we see the principles better operating. We haven't received a response or acknowledgement yet.

I think it's important to keep in mind sometimes it isn't only about one single change. It may just be, but in total, it's easy to also look back and see how something has shifted dramatically. And so, for me, I'm trying to keep in mind, what is the point of the Conference? Why do we send a delegate there?

On the Board resignations, I've had many questions this weekend. I intentionally had not shared anything about them this last week as the two came in. One, because I didn't think we had all of the information yet. And two, I wasn't honestly sure what to tell you all. You know, I know both of those individuals, I've served with them. And they're terrific servants to Alcoholics Anonymous. They both serve in different ways and bring different skills, but their value to the Fellowship is immense. And so I was taken aback. The first one came, and I was surprised. The second one came, and I was also surprised. What I'm thinking about is why do we continue to have these? We've had six resignations or removals from our boards in the last two years. That's unprecedented.

What do we do to help solve that? We're not going to be able to change what's happened in the past. It happened, whatever those things are. But what we can do is think about how we utilize each of our 36 principles to change things moving forward. Because all of the letters in one way or another say about the same thing. I don't think it's one issue. I think we have an obligation as a Fellowship to do better. We have an obligation to give direction to our boards to do better. We have an obligation to ourselves to do better. And through that I think we will come to a solution.

When I come back to you all to report on the 75th General Service Conference, will I be able to report to you all that we did the business of Alcoholics Anonymous? Pray for us, pray for your Fellowship. It's a beautiful honor and it's a beautiful privilege to serve you. I don't take that lightly. The weight of the Fellowship is heavy, but that's what you asked me to do. So, I will do my best to serve you.

Alternate Delegate:

Greetings Area 41!

It's a privilege to serve as your Alternate Delegate! Wow!

What a busy and fun first quarter! District 12 did a great job hosting the 4-Corners Workshop in St. Paul. Thank you Harlan! We had an awesome road trip out to Casper WY. for the WCRAASC! Area 76 did a great job hosting this event! Then it was off to McCook for the District 7 CPC/PI Workshop! Thank you to Cherri and the rest for taking Marsha and I out to eat Friday night and then a meeting! I had the privilege to facilitate the workshop along with our Delegate Nick K. We also got to attend the District 31 Workshop in Omaha! Great workshop and great food!!! Thank you to Pablo and the rest of District 31 for doing such an awesome job!

Our April Area Assembly was awesome! Our first hybrid meeting went great! Thank you to Sarah and the rest of the Technology and Communications Committee for doing such a great job! The Committee Showcase was so much fun! So many great ideas and exhibits were on display! And most of all a huge thank you to our Delegate Nick for doing such an amazing job of preparing and presenting the General Service Conference Agenda Items for discussion! I was especially pleased with the way the break-out sessions went! Really a lot of good discussion and ideas were shared! Looking forward to the Area Reunion in June!! I always love Reunion time! Grateful to be of service! Russ S.

Chair:

Good morning Area 41!

Wow what a great turnout for our first ever committee showcase! I'm pretending that is what this weekend's big draw was. I have truly enjoyed seeing what work every committee has spent the last couple years working on and how creative everyone got.

It's a fun way to show how much we've all accomplished. It was a suggestion to bring them back for the Reunion, so if someone from your committee will be here, perhaps you could set it back up then?

Over the last quarter I got to attend the workshop in St. Paul which was packed and full of so much soup. It was great information and excellent to see how many people came out to talk about how to best carry our message to professionals.

Next, I flew out to the figurative Casper Wyoming as we know that Wyoming isn't real and participated in the West Central Regional AA Service Conference. As always, it's a great time to learn, experience a group of like-minded folks and give our trustee a hard time. Remember if you want to participate in the creation of the agenda, or have a new agenda item you would like to submit, make sure you get them to me by April 16. You can send them to me at chairperson@area41.org or unicornsarereal14@yahoo.com. The agenda committee will meet at 6:30 pm at 4/17. I look forward to seeing you all at the area 41 reunion and in Vancouver at the International!

As always, thank you for continuing to allow me to grow, learn and serve with you.

Yours in Service, Cara G.

Secretary:

Hello area 41, what a fun weekend right? Thank you to Nick for our guest Scott last night, and Cara for the showcase it was so neat how creative everyone is and to see what all the committees have been working on. I attended the 4 corners workshop in January. I enjoyed the speakers and the fellowship and have yet to go to a workshop leaving hungry. I've learned a lot in the concepts workshops, thank you to Nick for putting that together. I also traveled to beautiful Casper Wyoming for WCRAASC and made some new friends, saw old friends and learned some things too. With the warmer weather hopefully around the corner I'm getting excited for some summer events. I'll be at the Jamboree in Scottsbluff next weekend, and reunion in June. I'm super excited for the forum in our state later this year. I did miss a few district reports in the newsletter last time, my apologies I was sick and trying to make the deadlines and should have asked for more help. I was excited to see a good number of people here in person and also some attendees online. Thank you to the extensive work on the tech team to get this together, on a personal level it allows my home groups GSR to attend. Reminder to send me your reports within 10 days to make it in the newsletter. You can send to either email, get me a handwritten copy, text me a copy reminder I don't have an iPhone so I can't open anything on iCloud, but happy to take reports any other means. Always a highlight anytime I get to fellowship with my AA family, thank you for allowing me to participate and be of service, Erin

Treasurer:

Good morning area 41!!

Thank you for the opportunity to serve as your area treasurer

I had the opportunity to attend the four corner work shop in St. Paul this past January, home of the bottomless soup. The workshop was fantastic. Surpassed only by the hospitality and fellowship. Thank you to all of the Members who worked so hard to put on the workshop. In March I was able to attend the west central regional aa service conference in Casper Wyoming. The scenery was breathtaking. We had some very robust and thoughtful discussions in the effort to prepare our regions delegates to serve us at the general service conference later this month. In January I had order some additional checks for a few of the accounts that were running low; hoping to distribute them at the four corner workshop. I didn't think much of it when I did not receive them in time for the event, I wish I had. I received a call from Charlie S shortly after returning - it seems the checks had been mailed to the account holder addresses as they were in 2021. A stop pay was issued on the impacted check numbers as I tried to track down where the checks had been sent. Unable to track down the checks for the Secretary account, that account was requested to be closed and new account opened. I had expected that process to take a day or three and be able to give The Secretary and alternate delegate their checks in Casper. As a reminder that things do not happen on my time and in my order. Erin and Russ got their new checkbooks yesterday.

Now on to the numbers

After funding all accounts for second quarter;

Main account has 18,636.39

Prudent Reserve has 18,029.10

Our projected expenses for first quarter after adjusting for the mileage costs for the four corner workshop were 17,420.99

Our actual expenses were 14,813.43

We were under budget by 2607.56

Our contributions for the quarter were 10,292.86

There were 86 unique contributors

The average contribution was 115.32

The median contribution was 77.50

32 contributions were under 50. Thank you to all of the small groups which make all this possible.

Thank you for allowing me to serve.

Brian R, Area 41 Treasurer

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Ad Hoc FUNCTION:

Hey Area 41,

We haven't formally voted, so I cannot speak for the whole committee, but I believe that the ad hoc is looking forward to retirement. We still have some agenda items in committee, and have some final topics to discuss & still submit...but we are, fingers crossed, looking toward the finish line. We may be moving more agenda items out for next Area!? It was brought to my attention that as a currently existing ad hoc, we should have a big board at the committee show thingy this weekend to explain what an ad hoc is. As always, you can contact us at: area41nebraska@gmail.com.

2022-04-02 005 (cc) Agenda Item FUNCTION Ad Hoc: Committee Comments

The Area 41 FUNCTION ad hoc committee has spent much time and research, and could continue to do much more ad infinitum. We do not claim that these recommendations are the best, as there are many great options. We do, however, agree that these recommendations are highly likely to be better, that change is necessary, and that we are honoring what we have been asked to do: **“2022-04-02 005 Agenda Item Agenda: Review current practices and recommend changes, if necessary, to improve how Area 41 functions in order to best serve groups and individuals in the Area.** We are taking ourselves too seriously. We spend too much time arguing semantics, rules, and wordsmithing. Let's spend more time studying the concepts of AA, training future leaders, and enjoying ourselves, rather than spending too much time arguing about business.

We believe that, as an Area, we need to change ourselves to be of maximum service to those around us. Many things that we do use up time that could be better used elsewhere. We have outlasted our previous structure & it is time for change. According to Concept 9, “If an idea looks like a good bet, we try it on — experimentally when that is possible.” Some of these changes will need adjustments. As we all know, growing pains never really stop, but our current situation with hotel costs are becoming unsupportable, and we as a fellowship don't go out west together, and our newsletter cannot technically be done early enough, and we're missing a lot of groups voices at Area, and our stuff is out of date, and sometimes we have a lot of long boring stuff, which don't get us wrong, sometimes is necessary, but a lot of it might not be.

Items in Committee:

- **2022-04-02 005 (a3) Agenda Item FUNCTION Ad Hoc: For a trial run of 3 rotations, pause the 4-Corners workshops and its requisite service position at Area 41, if the agenda item voting to hold one day service assemblies in a separate city than the Area 41 Business Meeting passes. The passing of this agenda item shall suspend: April 1990 Motion for the Area to sponsor having a minimum of 1 and a maximum of 4 one day workshops per year by any Area Committee that is asked for the four corners of the State utilizing Area funds.**
- **2022-04-02 005 (b) Agenda Item FUNCTION Ad Hoc: Replace GSR & DCM Workshops with Topic Workshop(s).The passing of this item will repeal the GSR Workshop and alternate GSR Workshop positions.**
- **2022-04-02 005 (c) Agenda Item FUNCTION Ad Hoc: The Area Chair is to appoint committee chair and service positions from a pool of interested candidates, nominations, and anyone else that the Area Chair may identify as a suitable candidate. The final slate of candidates to be approved by the Area by a 2/3 vote.**
- **2022-04-02 005 (d) Agenda Item FUNCTION Ad Hoc: Area 41 should invite a speaker once per year from another Area, at the purview of the Area Chair.**
- **2022-04-02 005 (e) Agenda Item FUNCTION Ad Hoc: Keeping in mind the always existing right of decision of the area chair and agenda committee, and that sometimes special circumstances arise, the fellowship would like it known that they appreciate efforts to attempt business meetings on Saturdays.**
- **2022-04-02 005 (f) Agenda Item FUNCTION Ad Hoc: A Resolution.**
We, the Area Assembly of 2024-2025, acknowledge that due to the existence of an ad hoc committee and some of the decisions of the current Area Chair, there have been adjustments to the agenda and workshops, unlike what we've seen, and it has provided the ad hoc committee some valuable insights. We affirm any future area chair's right of decision, but we also wish to formally document our experiences for the record.

Our experience with extended lunch and dinner breaks has been overwhelmingly positive. With these longer breaks, we have found that attendance at post-dinner workshops has significantly improved—rising

from approximately 25%-50% to near full participation. Having topics at post dinner sharing sessions may have helped too, rather than just open sharing sessions.

Overall, we have observed reduced arguments, decreased stress, and an increase in unity and restfulness. These changes have contributed to a more generally positive outlook for our assembly.

While it is common for chairs and agenda committees to consider adjusting meal and break times, our experience suggests that the benefits of extended breaks are substantial. The relaxation and unhurried pace of meals have had a trickle-down effect, fostering greater unity and reducing unnecessary conflicts. This has led to increased engagement and attendance.

Regarding workshops, we prefer them to be shorter and more focused, with multiple presenters, and with opportunities for sharing sessions. We request that future topics be relevant and beneficial to our service positions. Thank you.

Yours In Service,

FUNction Ad Hoc Committee

Accessibilities, Accommodations, Treatment, and Remote Communities:

Greetings Area 41,

The Treatment, Accessibilities, Accommodations and Remote Communities Committee met at 9:00am with 10 people in attendance. We opened with the Serenity prayer. After introductions we read the Scope of our Committee.

The Bridging the Gap function of the Area website is up and running. We have received 6 submissions from individuals in Treatment Centers looking for an A.A. contact. Upon receiving these submissions, I locate the District that the individual will be returning to and reach out to the DCM. Every submission has been fulfilled and I want to express my gratitude to the DCM's for their assistance. In most cases I will start with an email regarding the Bridging the Gap submission but if the individual's release from treatment is imminent I will call the appropriate contacts to expedite the process.

We have also received submissions from fellows simply looking for more information. One of these submissions was from the Lincoln Central Office Bridging the Gap Chair. She was wondering if, instead of contacting the Lincoln DCM's, we could refer all future submissions to their Bridging the Gap Committee. Our Committee agreed with this and I will let her know we will do this moving forward. I also plan to reach out to see if Omaha would like to do the same.

We are also planning to print our own Bridging the Gap pamphlet that is more relevant to Nebraska than the GSO pamphlet. These can be utilized with any Treatment centers that reply to our mailings or any number of other places.

There are no Agenda items assigned to our committee at this time. Thank you for allowing me to serve.

Dean G., T.A.A.R.C. Chair

Agenda:

We began with a reading and introductions. We then discussed how the previous 4 corners workshop event went. We went over any changes or things that were required for the current assembly agenda. We discussed our plans for the next assembly's inventory and workshop process. A meeting was scheduled for April 17th to assign agenda items submitted for the next assembly. All our remaining time was spent in preparation for the committee showcase.

Archives:

Archives Committee opened at 908am with a moment of silence for the still suffering alcoholic followed by the Serenity Prayer.

Last quarters Committee Report was read by Donna J-Secretary.

Our Area 41 Archivist reported that she had been busy digitizing group histories, which she then was able to organize by District.

I reported that I had attended the 4-Corners Workshop in St Paul and that it was good to see such a large number of AA'ers! Thanks to District 12 for the excellent hospitality and fellowship.

Next, I attended the WCRAASC in Casper, WY. Area 41 had an amazing turn out there as well. I personally learned a lot from talking to members from other Areas.

I was also able to attend the District 7 CPC/PI Workshop in McCook on March 29th. A lot of idea sharing took place and I ran into members I hadn't seen in about a decade!

We were tasked with providing a display for Area weekend, which allowed the Archives Committee to highlight a larger array of photos, historical memorabilia, and AA factoids encapsulated in plastic eggs (along with a piece of chocolate). I

hope everyone had the opportunity to get one and learn a little bit about our AA History. The timeline came directly from our AA.org website.

We moved on to discuss three potential agenda items. One was tabled and two will be submitted for the July Assembly. I'm looking forward to attending the Panhandle Jamboree in Scottsbluff and the Area 41 Reunion & Sober Float in June. We closed at 953pm with 8 members in attendance and the Responsibility Statement.

In Service, Char S

Cooperation with the Professional Community/Public Information:

Hello Area 41, We had a good and fast meeting, 11 present. First time zoom meeting went well with 2 there. Read CPC purpose.

The 1800# is going good with most of just want a meeting so they go to the area 41 website and find a meeting for the caller. Cards are working well and will have an updated batch for the next area. Talked about GSO website, so much information!!! Iowa visitors Mike ex delegate. Closed with the responsibility statement.

Yours in service,

Jeff W.

Corrections:

Greetings – I attended the District 31 Spanish Workshop on 2/09/25. A question was asked if there were any Spanish speaking meetings being taken into the Omaha area correctional facilities. There is a Spanish speaking meeting being taken into the Douglas County Correctional Facility on Tuesday nights. If there are any other Spanish speaking AA meetings in correctional facilities in the Omaha area please let us know. I attended the 4 Corners Workshop in St. Paul. What a wonderful workshop. One of the female members was able to get into the Custer County jail to talk with female inmates. I attended the CPC/PI Workshop in McCook on 3/29/25 and shared about what our committee does. It was a great workshop! We had a Zoom meeting on 3/10/25 with two people in attendance. We discussed plans for the showcase and the need for volunteers to take meetings into the Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility. We will continue to have Zoom meetings about half way between Area Assemblies. The committee meeting opened with a moment of silence and the Serenity Prayer. Introductions were made and seventeen people attended. We conducted our first hybrid meeting. Updates were added to the list of meetings. We still need volunteers and are continuing to focus on the youth facilities. We need to contact the DCM's of the counties that do not have AA meetings being taken into their County Jails. After one hour the meeting closed with the Serenity Prayer and we set up for the Showcase.

In Service – Marsha an alcoholic

Finance:

Finance committee opened at 905 with 8 in attendance

Jeff read the traditions

We began with a review and brief discussion of the hotel bids Russ had obtained for the next assembly hotel contract. We thanked Russ for all of his effort and agreed that all of the bids should be presented to the body when the item is presented to the fellowship. We reviewed the summary of our monthly meetings, which are held on the second Tuesday of each month at seven pm via zoom. The highlights included approving the literature chair to attend the district 7 workshop in McCook at a cost of 238. We then reviewed the first quarter financial summary provided by the treasurer.

We discussed and approved a funding request from the area archivist for 169.68 for postage on office supplies.

The rest of the time we spent finishing up our presentation table for the committee presentation.

Forum:

West Central Regional Forum Volunteer Host Committee

Our first official committee meeting was held on March 30, 2025 at 2:00pm. There were six members in attendance, two who joined later, and three that were unable to attend but would still like join the committee. We were grateful to be joined by our Area 41 Delegate, Nick K., who was able to provide a lot of guidance and direction on questions we had about the specifics of planning for the Forum.

The meeting ran as an informal friendly discussion. I handed out copies of the list of duties of the Volunteer Host Committee which included a rough idea of how many volunteers would be needed to staff each position. After some discussion, we came to a consensus that Aimee L. would chair the subcommittee for registration. She volunteered to create shareable Google documents for signup for all volunteers in addition to registration. It was decided that Aubrie R. would be the subcommittee chair for the Hospitality Room. We discussed the idea of having individuals, groups, and or districts bring or donate food in a potluck style.

Laurel B. volunteered to be the Greeter chair. Anthony T. and Rome G. will head up Transportation, with Anthony and Aimee both having vans that can be used. Aubrie said Tom L. from Area 41 might be willing to help with Tech.

We discussed having an ice cream social and what that might look like. We decided to ask for \$250 in seed money from the Area that would be returned through seventh tradition contributions. We decided on the creation of an Agenda Item to include this amount along with funding for the Archives, Grapevine, and Literature chairs to bring their displays. I have received the information for our hotel contact and will likely touch base in the next few weeks in hopes of scheduling a hotel walk through. My next meeting with the Regional Forum Coordinator will be toward the end of April or beginning of May.

The positions that still need to be filled are Set Up/Clean Up, Ice Cream Social, and Outreach.

Our next committee meeting will be held Sunday May 18, 2025 at 2:00pm.

Yours in Service, Jenny R. Chair

Grapevine:

Greetings Area 41,

This 1st quarter I attended the district 12 4 corners workshop in St. Paul Ne. on January 25th. I had a good time and also I was able to attend the District 7 CPC workshop in McCook on March 29th had a good time with that also. In committee we opened with the serenity prayer w 9 in attendance. Minutes were read we discussed old business and moved to new business =. We worked on and finished the show case display for the Grapevine table and closed the meeting at 10:00.

Thank you to the committee for helping with the display. Sales for the 1st quarter this year are

total \$723.09

Cash \$428.10

Card \$294.99

SQ fees \$8.25

Total of \$714.84

Current balance in checking is 2333.80

Yours in Service, Chuck S.

Literature:

The Area 41 Literature Committee meeting opened at 9:00 AM, with Joe reading the 12 Traditions. We had four attendees representing Districts 4, 5, 6, 7, 22, 24 and 29. The committee reviewed and approved the previous meetings minutes.

For the first quarter of 2025, the Literature budgeted account (Hotel & Travel) balance forward was \$129.82 and

Area 41 deposited \$333.09. Hotel & travel expenses were \$573.98 leaving an ending balance of -\$111.07. The

Literature sales account balance forward was \$585.46. Income was \$4061.88 and expenses were \$3591.31 leaving an ending balance of \$1056.03. Subtracting outstanding purchases that haven't cleared the account of \$37.60 and collected sales tax due to the state of Nebraska at \$279.87 gave us a working balance of \$738.56.

The Literature Committee discussed and voted on pamphlets to include in the upcoming month's "Pamphlet Spotlight".

We have a ton of great literature. This "Pamphlet Spotlight" will hopefully challenge us to read more of it. The pamphlets

we selected for the next four months are: May – P-29 "How A.A. Members Cooperate with Professionals"; June – P-42

"A Brief Guide to A.A."; July – P-9 "Behind the Walls: A Message of Hope". All pamphlets are free to download at aa.org - just put the pamphlet number (i.e. P-29) in the search box on the webpage and hit the "View PDF" button. They

can also be purchased at your local Central Office, online at onlineliterature.aa.org, or at your Area 41 Literature table.

We also still have plenty of Newcomer, Correction, Service, Twelves and the Spanish Paquete de Recien Llegado. If you would like a listing of the pamphlets that are in each of the packets please send me an email at literature@area41.org or stop by the literature table at the next event you see me at, and I can provide you a listing.

Last quarter I had the opportunity to attend the Area 41 4-Corners Workshop in St. Paul, the District 31 Workshop in Omaha, the Lincoln Intergroups Special Event Committee's St. Patrick's Day Celebration, and finally, the District 7 Workshop in McCook. All these workshops and events were all very informative & well attended. The calendar for the second quarter of 2025 and beyond has already got a lot of great events on the schedule. Looking forward to seeing many of you the Panhandle Jamboree in Scotts Bluff next weekend, the District 1 Workshop on the 19th of April, the District 22 Workshop on May 31st, and the Area 41 Reunion on June 6-8. Thank you for supporting the Area 41 Literature Committee through your purchases. If you haven't got me scheduled to attend your group or district event, please contact me at 402-326-0871 or email at literature@area41.org. We closed at 10:00 am.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve, Mark S.

Report and Charter:

Report and Charter report. 5 April 2025

Interim Zoom reports

The committee met on 9 February. The secretary was not present. We discussed this and Agenda Item 2024-07-13-008. Explore Spanish Translation. We believe that the report below for 23 March addresses and mirrors the content of this meeting.

We met on 16 February on Zoom to discuss Agenda Item 2024-07-13-008. Explore Spanish Translation. In attendance were 5 members of Report and Charter, also in attendance were the DCM for 31, The Chair for TAARC, the Area 41 delegate and The Tech and Comm chair for the Area. We discussed various methods of translation. We discussed Google Translate, Zoom Closed Capturing, a U.N. style with a translator and microphones and headphones, a new Area translator position and forming an Ad Hoc committee as the item might be too big for us. Nothing was decided.

We met again on 23 March. Five members were in attendance. We discussed our Showcase display for the April assembly. Zach put in a lot of work looking at past actions and newsletters. Thank you, Zach, for your effort. Dan volunteered to contact several assembly veterans to track down old Area Handbooks. Erin volunteered to print out the Area Handbook and to buy candy. We also discussed doing a poll for the Spanish Translation. There was some discussion on an upcoming agenda item. Agenda Item 2025-04-05 0018. Transition Newsletter Printing to Districts. Steve volunteered to create a poll for the Newsletter.

We next met at the Area Assembly on 5 April. The meeting started at 9:05. Nine members were in attendance, one of which was virtual. The minutes were accepted unanimously. Zach has completed a timeline for Report and Charter for the Showcase, he does state it is an incomplete timeline as the research required was quite hefty. Again, thank you Zach for your herculean efforts. Dan found the older Handbooks at home. We voted by acclamation that Zach would give the virtual showcase presentation.

2025-01-11-016 Name Change for the "Reunion" to "Delegate's Report and Service Summit". We discussed the background on this item. The motion was unanimously tabled pending the resolution of an Item related to the Reunion.

2024-07-13-008 Explore Spanish Translation. Motion was made to table pending more information (a poll). 8-1. Minority voice was heard. We discussed why it was tabled. A point of order was made and motion to reconsider. A vote was held 3-4 there was not another vote. Motion stands.

Next meeting is 13 April at 2pm CST on Zoom. Meeting closed at 9:52 with the responsibility statement.

Items still in committee:

Agenda Item 2025-01-11-016 Name Change for the "Reunion" to "Delegate's Report and Service Summit"

Agenda Item 2024-07-13-008 Explore Spanish Translation

Agenda Item 2025-04-05-018: Transition Newsletter Printing Responsibility to

Districts. Effective immediately, Area 41 will discontinue centralized printing and mailing newsletters.

Agenda Item 2024-01-06 #003 Report and Charter: Area 41 to form a new Area Committee tasked with hosting the area reunions.

Reunion:

Reunion Committee 6 April 2025.

Good morning. The 66 th Annual Reunion is coming up, June 6,7,8 th . Districts 3 and 29 are co-hosting this year. We have a flyer/registration form, a location, speakers, ice cream social and a game night. The show case this weekend was great. Committees feel free to bring your displays if attending, this is of course optional. You can register online or by mail. It's \$25 before June 1 st . \$30 the day of the show. If you have any questions, you can contact me or the other Steve. Our next meeting is 1PM April 12 at the Meeting Place in Lincoln, Nebraska, there is a zoom option. Always willing to answer questions. See you at the Reunion. Yours in service Steve S

Technology and Communications:

Good morning, Area 41,

Here are some highlights. A detailed list of items in our queue can be found in my January report.

We continue to meet monthly online, in between assemblies. Two smaller "hybrid working sessions" also occurred, plus a hybrid "dry run" two weeks ago. I have been adding our committee meetings and working sessions on the area41.org events calendar, and all members are welcome anytime.

As you see before you today, the Technology and Communications committee has worked hard to prepare for hosting a hybrid assembly, both in person and online. Thank you to countless committee members for the contribution of your time, both planning and assisting with this weekend's operations, as well as donating and transporting equipment.

Yesterday's committee meeting was more of a "huddle" as we prepared for the Committee Showcase, identifying some key website navigation tips and content requests. We had 15 in attendance, including one online.

In preparing for our hybrid setup, we are a bit behind on site content updates and should be caught up within the coming week. Committee Chairs, I'll connect with you during the remainder of April, to ensure we can get a web appropriate version of your Committee Showcase on area41.org. Thank you to those who have already emailed me regarding your table content. And kudos to my committee members who scurried around to ensure we had photos of all the tables, and to each committee for sending a member to highlight your committee to our online members.

Website Content Tips & Requests (the handout I didn't have ready for yesterday) When visiting area41.org by mobile device, you may not see text menus across top of site. Click the box with three lines at the top of the page to see the header menus. This is your website! We want your content!

Events

Submit your events using the "New Event Form" in the Events menu drop-down, or by emailing events@area41.org.

Meetings

Use the "Request a change to this listing" form at the bottom of the meeting listing, or email meetings@area41.org.

Pages/Posts

For Committees and Districts, feel free to submit your meetings, minutes, any recurring "trademark events", or where (district) contributions may be sent. At this time, please email page or post content to tech@area41.org. Please make sure content is anonymity protected.

Site Function

If you run into any trouble with site function, please email webmaster@area41.org. Subscription Feedback Request
The consensus from our recent committee meetings is to transition to using individual subscriber logins for area41.org (in place of a password protected page with a single password being shared with everyone). We hope that an individual login to see protected content will then also be tied to your ability to subscribe to notifications of content from your trusted servants—and would also populate the email mailing list for direct communications as well. I will add a form on the website, so you are free to submit your answers that way. Or feel free to email me at tech@area41.org. Here are our questions:

- Do you want email notifications of certain content or information?
- About what? When (how often)?
- Do you want to be able to choose specific categories of content about which to be notified?
- What content is a priority to you?

Items Still In Committee

- 2022-10-09 014 re. Email Subscription Service through Website, tabled to seek final feedback (now underway). Intending to take action on this by July 2025.

- 2023-04-15 08b (Tech confer with Finance): Create guidelines and answer Traditions questions for future Area 41 purchases of electronic equipment. Tabled. Committee intends to address this item in advance of proposing additional equipment for Area purchase, prior to the first year of hybrid assemblies ending.

Please feel free to contact me at tech@area41.org or 402.601.1327.

In service, Sarah R., Committee Chair

SERVICE POSITION REPORTS:

Archivist:

Greetings Area 41,

It's been a very productive last few months. Finally got most of the sorting and organizing of the District files Greetings Area 41. finished. That has been a lengthy process. Within each district file, I have made separate folders for Group Histories, Flyers, Meeting lists, and Newsletters. Group histories have all been digitized along with other cool historical documents. With folders organized as they are it should be easier to find things when needed. And the districts are all in numerical order, which they weren't before. I still have a pile of Lincoln documents that need sorted by district and then this job will be finished for now. mechno very active in trying to get people to do interviews. - District 4, received a written story from a member in that district. After reading it I am anxious to meet her and do an in- who, I have- person recorded interview. Her story is interesting with a lot of hell gone through. It's remarkable that she made it through and got sober. Especially being a woman so many years ago. Also, regarding District 4, I attended the Young People's pig roast in Fremont and they had a nice Archives and literature display. I did some research on the Report and Charter Committee for the chairperson of that committee who will be putting together some information to present at Area. It was an educational project for me. I have always known that I don't know much about the history of our fellowship, but I am learning nearly

every day. I am becoming more and more confident that if I don't know something at least I have a pretty good idea of how to find out.

I have been using up a lot of my own supplies from home to create folders, labels, copies, etc. I've run out of some of these things and have finally gone to the store. have presented receipts to the Treasurer for \$169.68 for tools and supplies that I need in the repository. Things like a decent stapler, a 3-hole paper punch, hanging folders, erasers, Sharpies, manila folders, envelopes, paper clips, etc. This also included postage to send printed material to Zach for his Report and Charter report.

I came into possession of a tall bookshelf for free and I put it in the repository to display some of our books. I reorganized the room to fit the bookshelf in and filled it with books. I really like the room a lot better now. I also hung some stuff on the walls to make it more interesting.

After the last Intergroup Archives meeting I started playing around with the special scanner/camera that will allow me to scan and digitize the newsletters that are on newsprint. I had a couple of guys help me figure out the technical side of it and I think I can handle it now. My next project is to start digitizing those old newsletters. I also confirmed with the entire committee that I have permission to use that scanner.

This last week I finally connected with Kenny N who has had our reel-to-reel tapes since Mike P died. I was able to obtain possession of those again. I talked to Kenny a lot about different things including the purchase of a reel-to-reel player and if necessary a converter so that we can listen to the tapes and digitize them. I have begun doing some research on the purchase of the player and will seek funding for that at a later date. Kenny also gave me a hard drive full of recordings from the Dicobe library. What an amazing gift. I will be purchasing a hard drive to replace the one that he gave me which I feel is only appropriate.

Yours in Service, Colleen P. Area 41 Archivist

First Timer Orientation:

Good morning Area 41,

First timers happened! We met with a good group of early birds who were excited to discuss the ways of the area assembly. Curt opened with telling us a little about the service structure, introductions and talking about how we got wrangled into doing the jobs we are currently serving in. We talked about how this assembly would run differently because our focus was to get our delegate ready for his trip to New York and prepare for the conference.

There were several great questions about how to access our newsletter, the updates to our website and how our General Service Board Trustees are elected. As we discussed different aspects of the daily schedule, the committee system and how our area operates, we all left feeling excited and educated. Thank you, Curt, for helping inspire and educate our first timers and thank you everyone who attended to make sure we had something to do! We're excited to watch these first timers continue to grow in service!

Yours in Service, Cara G.

GSR Workshop:

Greetings Area 41! We forewent our usual GSR Workshop this assembly in favor of using that time to help inform our delegate in advance of the Conference. I know we have some new GSRs and other servants here for the first time this weekend, so I would like to take a moment of my report time to ask them raise their hands so that we can welcome them here. Please help them out with the logistics of our business meeting as we go along.

In selecting the main topic of the next GSR workshop in July, we decided to talk about facilitating group business meetings with a focus on developing and reaching an informed group conscience. We look forward to the GSRs sharing their experience, strength and hope on that topic in July.

In everything, I have been ably assisted by McKenna K., our alternate GSR Workshop Chair, for whom I am very grateful. McKenna and I are privileged to serve our Area 41 GSRs through the workshop and look forward to meeting again with the GSRs at the next Area Assembly. Please feel free to contact either of us between assemblies with any questions or suggestions for future workshop topics.

Yours in service, Rebecca T., GSR Workshop Chair

Newsletter:

Greetings Area 41, my name is Brock, I am an alcoholic and I'm your newsletter chair. Thank you everyone who helped out with the survey yesterday. Report and Charter received an agenda item that concerned the newsletter, and this is the best way we could think of addressing that item. If you want to do a quick survey on the newsletter, please let me or anyone on the Report and Charter committee know, and we will help you out.

Now to the fun part. Looks like I received everything I needed to make the newsletter on January 22nd, and some more information trickled in through the 26th. I completed the first draft of the newsletter on January 28th. Edit suggestions finished around February 10th, and I completed the final draft for the English and Spanish newsletters on February 12th

and sent them to the printer. I ordered 415 English copies and 25 Spanish copies totalling \$806.32. On February 27th, the newsletters were ready for pick up, and I was able to grab them on February 28th. On March 5th, I made it to the post office and got all of the newsletters mailed out. Shipping was \$178.08.

I won't mention everyone that called and checked in with the progress of the newsletter and for all the help that was offered and received during this quarter. But it was greatly appreciated. It feels wonderful to be a part of a program that is so supportive. Thank you for this opportunity to serve and for my life. Brock.

Registrar:

Greetings Area 41,

My name is Zach, an alcoholic, and your Area 41 Registrar. The database cleanup in Fellowship Connection continues. Since I started this project, I have been in contact with every DCM but one. Seven Districts have finished updating their information. Seven more have provided me with some updates. The rest have reported they are working on it. Please reach out to me if I can help. I can build spreadsheets, download and print or email reports, talk to you on the phone, text, do a zoom call, walk you through Fellowship Connection, answer your questions, provide my experience, etc. I am here to help!! I know how much work it is, and I am grateful for your assistance.

As of this yesterday there are: 578 active listed groups, 105 unknown groups, and 720 group service positions listed in Area 41. The service positions cover a range of dates from 1977 to 2025, and the start dates breakdown as follows:

- 18 from the 70's
- 24 from the 80's
- 23 from the 90's
- 71 from the 2000's
- 321 from the 2010's
- 263 from the 2020's
- 140 Service positions have end dates

As you can see, there is still much work to be done. I look forward to any information that can be provided. Some (any) updates are better than none. And, while we strive for perfection, progress is a great place to start! I will be working with the Webmaster and the Technology Committee to update the electronic forms on area41.org. We will be implementing an opt-in option in the group change forms to allow those who choose to have their groups information shared with both the webmaster AND the Registrar. This should hopefully simplify where to send your information to ensure your group information is updated in Fellowship Connection, the website and the Meeting Guide App.

Thank you for allowing me to serve. Feel free to reach out if I can be of any assistance, or if you have any questions or information for me to register.

Yours in service, Zach I. Area 41 Registrar

Workshop:

Workshop Chair Report – Area 41

4-Corners Workshop Overview

As the new Area 41 Workshop Chair, my responsibility is to coordinate and plan Four Corners Workshops in collaboration with local host districts. The purpose of a Four Corners Workshop is to give local AA members across the state of Nebraska an opportunity to meet Area 41 Committee members and learn more about our service structure. The topic and program of each workshop are developed by the Workshop Chair in close collaboration with the host district(s) to reflect local service needs.

Each of the four state sections (West, Central, Northeast, Southeast) ideally hosts one workshop per year. If you are in a region that hasn't conducted a 4-Corners Workshop this year (2025) and would like to participate in one, please reach out to me via the online link here: <https://www.area41.org/service/officers-positions/workshop/>

Sections Defined by District

- West: 8, 9, 10, 13, 14
- Central: 7, 12, 15, 16, 26, 30, 31
- Northeast: 1, 2, 4, 11, 17, 18, 19, 24, 25
- Southeast: 3, 5, 6, 20, 21, 22, 23, 28, 29, 32

Workshops Summary

Ask / Planning in Progress

- Currently planning 2–3 more Four Corners Workshops for the remainder of 2025
- Focus will be on reaching the West and Northeast regions

Completed Four Corners Workshop

- January 25th, 2025: Saint Paul, NE (District 12)

Topic: CPC/PI – Getting Information about AA to our Communities

Other Completed District Workshops

- February 9th, 2025: Los Tres Legados (The Three Legacies) Conference – Omaha, NE
- March 29th, 2025: District 7 Workshop – CPC/PI – McCook, NE

Upcoming Workshops/Events

- May 31st, 2025: District 22 Workshop on Workshops (1–4 PM)
- June 6th–8th, 2025: Area 41 Reunion – Grand Island (Hybrid, hosted by Districts 3 and 29)

Webmaster:

Greetings Area 41!

The time the Tech and Comm Committee has spent between now and the last Area Assembly has been busy, but productive. Work on the website has switched from emphasis on the main design to streamlining current features and figuring out bugs.

Thanks for all your support with feedback, suggestions, and keeping an eye on the website and the meeting list (both on the website and the meeting guide app) so we can address issues before they become problems (hopefully).

Many thanks to the other members of the Tech and Comm committee for all their very hard and meticulous work!

Yours in Service, Loren R.

DCM REPORTS:

District 1:

Greetings Area 41,

District 1 is alive and well, we had 12 people present in our last meeting and all positions are filled. We have a workshop planned for April 19th, topic being The freedom gained by working steps 4 and 5 at River of Life Located Lutheran Church from 1140-130 in Omaha. Lunch will be provided, we hope to see you all there.

Yours in Service, Jason

District 2:

Greetings,

District 2/ south west Omaha has been moving and grooving. Our workshop on Step 11 went great and about 100 people showed up. We have our next workshop in the works. We had 13 people present. Need the following positions filled: Grapevine, Institutions/Bridging the Gap, and Newsletter/Technology

District 3:

District 3 report. 6 April 2025

Good Morning, from District 3. business as usual at District 3. We are looking forward to co-hosting the 66 th Area Reunion and sponsoring a hospitality table. Later in June, District 3 is planning our annual Founder's Day event and commemorating AA's 90 th birthday. Bill O will be speaking followed by Corey E. Look forward to a flyer after our next District meeting.

District 4:

Hello Area 41, my name is Bob and I am the DCM for District 4. As DCM, I have been working diligently to encourage groups to get involved at the district level. I am also reaching out to groups without General Service Representatives (GSR) to appoint one and am in the process of updating the contact list. My objective is to have an updated list of meetings in our district ready to have an accurate count by July area meeting.

With elections coming up in October I am encouraging people to stand up for service positions for the next rotation. As I mentioned in my last report my goal is to have all the positions filled. I will retire from my job at the end of May and will be able to devote more time to this endeavor.

March 2nd was the young peoples hog roast in Fremont it was well attend and we put up a literature and Archives display. We switched our district meetings to every 2 months instead of 3, the main reason being to get more people involved in service work. For our August district meeting we will be putting on a service workshop it will also be a meet and greet and potluck. Flyers will be out soon. Our next district meeting is June, 8 2:00 in Fremont. Thank you for allowing me to be of service.

District 5: No Report

District 6:

Hello Area 41,

We are all glad to say it has been a good quarter. We are having our last breakfast for this year. We will be having our picnic in June. Everything else is going about the same.

Yours in service, Wayne W.

District 7:

Hello Area 41,

My name is Cheri I am an alcoholic. District 7 has been busy since our last area with some members going to Casper. Helping with Nick and Beth district 2, in service of one of the breakfast sessions; going to the St. Paul 4 corners workshop and also having a successful workshop our selves on CPC/PI. Thank you especially Nick and Russ, to all those who helped make it successful. Our district meetings have 10-15 people. The next one is in Gothenburg on June 22. Our meetings in district 7 are about the same. 8-30 people, 30 of there is food involved. Friday/Saturday night alive celebrated 45 years March 15th. Thank you for allowing me to be of service.

Cheri F.

District 8:

Greetings Area 41, District 8 celebrated a wonderful St. Patrick's Day with food and around 30 other sober fellows. In the last couple of months, two new groups have started. The first is a late-night 10:00 pm meeting and an early morning meeting at 7:00 am, allowing our fellowship more options to reach the newcomer. Our 4th Street Group will be meeting on April 21,st to decide whether they will be closing their doors. We only have one GSR in our district and are looking into ways to address this by hosting a workshop teaching our fellows the importance in singleness of purpose and legacy of service. This workshop will be hosted on May 17th with guest speakers Area 41 Delegate Nick K. and West Central Regional Trustee Charlie H.! We are also very excited to be reviving our annual 4th of July camping trip at Lake Maloney in North Platte, where we will be hosting a watch party for the 90th International AA Convention. Both events will be on the Area 41 website very soon. See you all there! Yours in Service, Jaiden

District 9:

District 9 has filled a couple of service positions, but still have a couple more to go. We were able to send our alternate DCM to the WCRAASC in Casper and get a report back.

We have ordered an assortment of books from Mark to get our literature supply back where it should be. We could use a few more attendees at our district meetings and will be working on getting more people involved!

Yours in service, Rex S. District 9 DCM

District 10: No Report**District 11:**

Greetings Area 41,

I'm Donna alcoholic, DCM district 11 since we last met we are thrilled to witness the growth in attendance across our meetings.

This past month we celebrated 7 sobriety birthdays in 3 different towns. These celebrations serve as powerful reminders of the hope and transformation that AA brings to our lives.

We're getting ready for some upcoming events in our district: in May the Stanton Change of Pace Group will be celebrating 22 years of meetings. In July the Wayne Wednesday Night Group will be celebrating 80 years of AA there are fliers on the back table with all the details.

Yours in Service, Donna J.

District 12:

Greetings Area 41, It is with a sad heart that I report the passing of two members of our fellowship. Tom O. from the Loup City group and Guy M. from the Ansley/Loup City group. Tom O. passed with 39 years of sobriety and Guy M. passed away with 62 years and would have celebrated 63 years this month. Both served District 12 and Alcoholics Anonymous extremely well. As well as making a huge contribution to my sobriety.

Last Month we had our District meeting in Broken Bow. Nick, our Area 41 Delegate gave a report on his trip to New York and gave us some feedback on some voting agendas as we conducted our meeting. It was a great opportunity for the fellowship who didn't come to Area to meet their Delegate.

February 8th I was invited to attend the Perkins County AA feed in Grant. The food was amazing as well as the speaker. It was great to meet new friends from the fellowship.

January 25th District 12 hosted a four corners workshop. We had around 60 members of the fellowship that attended. The food was amazing. Thank you to the four corners workshop chair as well as the Officers that attended and shared. As the focus was on finding the solution I felt there were a lot of great conversations and questions. Thank you to District 12 for helping to make this event a huge success.

Yours in service, Harlan A. Dcm District 12

District 13:

Hello Area 41, my name is Bill M. and I am an alcoholic, DCM for District 13. The district had a busy fall and winter. Grant had a breakfast for dinner (48 in attendance) with a speaker meeting after lunch. THE Friendship group had a New

Years Eve party and the Sidney North Star and New Beginnings groups had a joint Round Robin (47 in attendance). The Friendship group has a Round Robin scheduled for June 1st at Arteburn Youth Center 305 W 10th st Ogallala starts at 11 (flyers coming soon)

We held our district meeting in Ogallala March 15th. There was an AA meeting at 11, pot luck lunch at 12 and district meeting at 1. We had 40+ in attendance and covered all the group GSR reports. I covered the old business and asked for group participation on the new business. I also discussed the new hybrid meeting procedure and handed out the page from the newsletter that gave step by step instructions on the hybrid meeting process.

I have encouraged all GSR'S and others to attend the upcoming Area 41 business meeting.

Yours in Service,

Bill M.

District 14:

Hello Area 41 Our district has been holding steady. Our groups attendance has been between three and ten, We had stopped having birthday night sometime ago but now have restarted it for the last week of the month going all out with cake. I personally enjoy celebrating ones recovery knowing one has made it another year. Its a wonderful feeling knowing that if they can do this recovery so can we. Looking forward to the upcoming reunion always an enjoyable time. Of course I must remind you of the upcoming annual Sober Float mid June. Both events are great time for fellowship.

Yours in Service Jody S District 14

District 15:

My name is Ashley and I am an alcoholic. Grand Island, district 15 has had great attendance to our meetings. The treatment centers have been active in their participation in their recovery, Jail meetings are up and rolling again. Unfortunately our "Young People's" meeting did not make it due to attendance. We have a bit of fun in the last couple of months. I had the opportunity to go to Casper Wyoming and learn more about the workings of A.A. We had a group celebrate 78 years in February and several members celebrated 30+ years along with a couple with 50 years which is living proof that it really does work if you want it.

Yours in Service, Ashley

District 16:No Report

District 18:

DCM Report for District 18 – Mike B.

Greetings to Area 41 from District 18, NW Omaha, Elkhorn, Waterloo and Valley. No big news from the past quarter, other than a report back from the national archive events our chair was able to attend in Des Moines. Our next event: SPRING PICNIC! Join us for food, fellowship and fun - at Ta-Ha-Zouka Park, 905 Elkhorn Drive, Elkhorn NE – on Saturday May 17 th from 10 am – 2 pm. We're providing fried chicken, hot dogs and drinks. We want you to bring family and friends, lawn chairs and a dish to share. Meeting from Meeting at 10:30, lunch at 11:30. New this year – Cornhole Tournament – with prizes.

Yours in service, Mike B.

District 19:

Greetings Area 41, My name is Alex and I am an alcoholic. Our District is doing well but falling to the issue of filling positions for our district. We are still working to expand the interest of Service Work and see where we can help the groups

Our next District meeting is January 14th at 7pm. We are located at Hanscom Park United Methodist Church at 4444 Frances St. Omaha, NE, 68105 in the basement.

Thank you for allowing me to serve, Alex P. DCM District 19

District 20:

Greetings Area 41,

The Bellevue Anniversary in January had an uptick in attendance with two quality speakers. All meetings in the district have been updated in the where and when with their new locations. I believe our district is up to date in the fellowship connection, thank you to Zach for your guidance. Feast, Fun and Fellowship last month served 124 meals and the proceeds supplied a case of big books to the Sarpy County Jail. District 20 has two open positions, literature and bridging the gap. June 20-23 is Pockets of Enthusiasm at Mahoney State Park. The cabins are filled but there are rooms available at the hotel.

District 21:

Greetings, Area 41 !

I have been busy these last few months helping our Registrar with information on the current status and service structure of meetings in my district. It's been great to visit so many meetings and meet so many new AA folks. Still trying to track down information on a few "mystery meetings", which keeps things interesting.

We are discussing creating QR codes to share information about 7th tradition contributions at different levels in AA.

We are happy to have our core group of attendees at our monthly District meetings, but we are discussing ways to attract new people to fill our service positions. We have also been discussing how best to support districts 3 and 29 as they prepare to host the annual Reunion.

Getting the word out to our district meetings about the need for 7th tradition at the district level continues to be a challenge, and we are trying to come up with some creative solutions. Looking forwards to our annual Unity Picnic this fall. Yours in love and service, Lisa V. District 21 DCM

District 22:

Greetings Area 41, I'm happy to report that we have all service positions filled now! Summer B (who's also the Area Grapevine Secretary) is our new Treasurer and Ali Y. is our new Intergroup rep. We have also had a few other new people attending to get a feel for how service operates on the District level. We are also working on the final details for our upcoming "Workshop on Workshops" which will be on May 31st at St. Matthews Church, 24th and Sewell in Lincoln, NE. Brandy N., our Alt DCM is doing an amazing job putting this together! We will have an exciting panel of people that will be sharing their experiences on various workshops. Other than that I have been experimenting with some new formats and organized agendas to help our district meeting run more efficiently. Huge thanks to Nick, Cara, and Erika for listening to my frustrations and giving me guidance on how to be a more effective DCM.

Yours in Service, McKenna K.

District 23:

Greetings Area 41 from District 23

Again this Spring, District 23 has been busy planning service and fellowship activities.

We are sponsoring another "Free" Mini Workshop and Luncheon this weekend on April 6, from 1:00 PM to 3:PM.

We are holding our Spring Service and Fellowship event May 3 featuring AA service and sponsor speakers and a round of AA Bingo! Of course the fellowship activities include a great home made meal.

District 24:

Greetings Area 41 I'm Jim a alcoholic we are starting to work on our district picnic. I have made my rounds to all the groups in the district everything went very good in my travels.

Yours in service Jim S from district 24

District 25: No Report

District 26:

Greetings Area 41 District 26 is doing well. We had our quarterly business meeting on March 22 in Aurora with seven in attendance (the most we've had in quite some time). We discussed finances, upcoming area voting items and pre planning for our second summer picnic. I have been trying to make my rounds to as many groups as my schedule allows. They all seem to be well attended and holding steady. Although we have more GSR's than when I was one, I am still trying to get more interest from the other groups as to what's happening at the district and the state level, that their voice matters and that "we are not a glum lot" even though they are business meetings. The new 12 and 12 step meeting has been going for at least six months now and is now on our new meeting list cards. Thank you for letting me be of service.

Yours in service JAY

District 28:

Area 41, Our Winter Gathering on February 8th provided a family reunion of sorts. Bob F. inspired us with his story on recovery in AA. Bay Hills came through with an excellent meal and the weather cooperated for those traveling. District meetings in both Bellevue and Plattsmouth remain active and available to those wishing to abstain from alcohol. Central Office here in Omaha is very helpful with literature and a variety of "chips" for anniversary birthdays. Thank you for the emails. Doug L. District 28

District 29:

Greeting area! We are still holding district every second Thursday of the month in ashland. We have been working with district 3 on getting the reunion all lined up! We had 2 people register this weekend and I believe we have two online. So let's get registered! I would like to thank sara with technology and communication for doing such an amazing job on helping us with the technology side of the reunion! Thanks Sara! Your in service Steve

District 30:

Greetings Area 41,

Good Morning We are having about 18 people to Birthday night, it on the last Wednesday of the month we are growing at over the hill gang there was 46 years 5 years a90 days it was a good celebration. We had are district 30 st pattys day gathering with ruben sandwiches and 3 good speakers we started the potluck, we had are twelve by twelve meeting then we had sharon K from Kearney. Then we had Charlie B, speaker next we had special speaker Chris H from Fremon he spoke hour and 15 minutes. All speakers did a great jon. there were 5 people we all jumped into the van we went to Casper Wyoming to West central regional service conference I have to say we made it to service conference. There is always a lot to learn. It was so much Sober fun.

Love, Service, Jeff DCM 30

District 31:

Mcd's, Coordinators, Area Committee Area Table Delegate of our area. This report makes known the activities and work of District #31 of this area. The district has 12 groups of which most attend the scheduled meetings, District 31 was present at the regional conference in Wyoming. It was a lot of learning for we. The agenda for the 75th General Service Conference was revised and we agree on some points: which are in Literature, D, J, k, Report and Charter, #3, B District 31 is grateful for the participation of comrades Nick and Erika in our workshop, In our district the PI continues to work. Bringing information was handed out in the church of the Guadeloupe The winery committee continues to encourage literature and subscriptions as well as application. The My First Experience group invites you to its 34th anniversary on April 26 at 5:00 pm at 321 E. 10th st Schuyler NE. 68661. The Renaissance Group invites you to its 22nd anniversary on May 17th at 5:00pm at 5001 S. 23rd St Omaha NE. 68107. The New Dawn group invites you to your anniversary on June 21st at 5:00pm at 947 South Baltimore ave, Hasting Ne 68901. Our AA Hispanic Convention will be held on July 18, 19 and 20, 2025 at 1616 Dodge St Omaha Ne. 68102. for reservations 402-346-7600 key; XVIII. WE ARE READY FOR THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION. With no other business to report I thank GOD for the opportunity to serve in this responsibility and wishing you a happy 24 hours of sobriety, love and gratitude. Fraternally Service: A Legacy of the New Generations

Pablo A. Mcd of District 31 of Area 41 Alternate: Lauro

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District 32:

Hello Area 41. We here at District 32 are doing pretty decent. Attendance is down a bit. We've had a few newcomers. We continue to have some type of event once every other month. We have a potluck coming up on 4/25/25 at living word church we are also having a speaker that NIGHT.

Yours in service Terry.

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Friday, June 6

5 PM: Registration Opens

Meet and Greet Reunion Committee

7:30 PM: AA speaker Mark B., Bellevue NE

9 PM: Ice Cream Social

Saturday, June 7

7 AM: Early Bird AA Mtg hosted by District 3

8 AM: Registration Opens

8:30 AM: Ask it Basket Charlie H

9:30 AM: AA Speaker Sasha O. Lincoln NE

10:30 AM: AA Speaker Connie K., Lincoln NE

12-1 PM: Lunch: on your own hospitality rooms

1:30 PM: AA Speaker Beth B., Bellevue NE

Saturday, June 7

3 PM: Delegate's Report, Nick K., Omaha NE

5 PM: Supper Break: On your own/Hospitality Rooms Open

7 PM: AFG Speaker Rucha C., Omaha NE

8 PM: AA Speaker Steve M., Area 76 Delegate WY

9 PM: Event TBD

10 PM: Late Night AA meeting District 29

Sunday, June 8

7 AM: Early Bird AA Mtg District

8 AM: Registration Opens

9 AM: AA speaker

11 AM: Panel “undisciplined in AA”

12 PM: Closing

REGISTRATION DETAILS		AA or AFG	Attending	Email to Receive
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