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July 11-12, 2026 | Grand Island, NE

Grand Island Quality Inn and Conference

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308-210-2124

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Area, Regional, & International Dates:

Area 41 State Convention	Jun. 5-7	2026	Grand Island, NE
Area 41 Assembly	Jul. 11-12	2026	Grand Island, NE
Area 41 Assembly	Oct. 10-11	2026	Grand Island, NE
Area 41 Assembly	Jan. 9-10	2027	Grand Island, NE
Area 41 Assembly	Apr. 3-4	2027	Grand Island, NE

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HOW TO JOIN ONLINE

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The following guidance is also available—and may be expanded upon—at area41.org/hybrid or by scanning the pictured QR code.

Starting April 2025, Area 41 Assemblies and Business Meetings will be held in a hybrid format (in person and online). The Zoom meeting will open 15 minutes before the first scheduled activity.

There is no cost to join a Zoom meeting, and no account is required. However, you may find it convenient to create an account or install the Zoom app on your device.

What You Need

- A device with a camera and microphone (smartphone, tablet, or computer) is recommended. You may also dial in by phone.
- A stable internet or Wi-Fi connection, or an unlimited data plan if joining on mobile.
- The Meeting ID and Passcode.

Common Actions

- **Display Name:**
 - If you'd like, set your Display Name to include: *Name, Position or Home Group, District*. (You may also message a Zoom Host for help.)
 - To change your name during a meeting (desktop or mobile): open the Participants list, select your name, and choose **Rename**.
 - During Business Meetings (voting), Zoom Hosts will set participant names, and you will not be able to rename yourself.
- **Speaking Order:**
 - To join the speaking line, raise your virtual hand:
 - *Desktop or mobile:* Select **React** → **Raise Hand** (or **Lower Hand**).
 - *Telephone:* Press *9 to raise/lower your hand.
 - Hosts will be notified, and a volunteer will track the speaking order for in-person and online members. You'll be prompted to unmute when it's your turn.
- **Mute/Unmute:**
 - *Desktop or mobile:* Click/tap the microphone icon (bottom-left).
 - *Telephone:* Press *6 to toggle mute/unmute.
 - *Note:* Depending on meeting security settings, the host may need to prompt you to unmute first.
- **Simultaneous Meetings:**
 - For Committee Meetings and Workshops, breakout rooms will be used. Each in-person breakout will need its own device connected to Zoom.
- **On mobile device:**
 - Tap the screen once to show the toolbar (menus).
 - To switch views: swipe left for Gallery View (multiple videos) and right to return to Speaker View.

Translated Captions

- Confirm your **Speaking Language** when you join the meeting.
- *To turn on captions:* On the toolbar, click/tap **Show Captions** (or **CC** icon).
- Select **Translated Captions**.
- Choose your **preferred language** from the dropdown.
 - Captions will appear on screen in your chosen language.

Common Ways to Join a Zoom Meeting

- **On the Zoom desktop app (computer):**
 - Install Zoom at zoom.us/download.
 - Open the desktop app.
 - Choose one of these options:
 - *Without signing in:* Click **Join a Meeting**.
 - *Signed in:* Sign in → **Home** tab → **Join**.
 - Enter the **Meeting ID** and your **Display Name**.
 - *Signed in:* edit your name if you don't want the default.
 - *Not signed in:* type in a display name.
 - Select audio/video preferences and click **Join**.
- **On the Zoom mobile app (phone or tablet):**
 - Install Zoom at zoom.us/go or your app store.
 - Open the app.
 - Choose one of these options:
 - *Without signing in:* Tap **Join a Meeting**.
 - *Signed in:* Sign in → **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 audio/video preferences and tap **Join Meeting**.
- **By telephone:**
 - Dial the phone number in your invite.
 - Enter the **Meeting ID** (9–11 digits) followed by #.
 - Enter the **Participant ID** (if also joining on computer/mobile) or press # to skip.
 - Enter the **Meeting Passcode** (if required) followed by #.
 - *To link your phone and computer/mobile session, enter #Participant ID# once in the meeting.*
 - Phone controls:
 - *6 - Mute/unmute
 - *9 - Raise/lower hand

MEETING DOCUMENTS

area41.org/business



Applicable documents and electronic versions of any in-person handouts will be made available at area41.org/business or by scanning the pictured QR code.

MEETING ID

Zoom Meeting ID: 885 2043 9892

Passcode: Rule62

Dial-in: +1 312 626 6799

Dial-in Passcode: 929644

Please do not post Zoom Meeting details on any social media.

Support

Contact the Technology and Communications Committee at area41.org/tech for further assistance, or to be a hybrid volunteer (remote or in person).

Saturday, July 11, 2026


Please reach out to the Area Chair at chairperson@area41.org if you have any questions about the agenda. The agenda is subject to change! Sessions with *(H)* below will be available hybrid.

8:00 – 8:45 AM	First Timers' Orientation <i>(H)</i>	Important for First Time Attendees!
9:00 – 12:00 PM	<u>Area Committee Meetings</u> <i>(H)</i>	
Committee / (Service Position)	Chairperson	DCMs Assigned
Accessibilities, Accommodations, Treatment, & Remote Communities	Mckenna K.	7/14/28
Agenda / (Workshop)	Nick K. (Lisa V.)	6/21/30
Archives / (Archivist)	Charles C. (Brian R.)	9/10/18
Cooperation with the Professional Community & Public Information	Brandy N.	1/16/22
Corrections	Aubrie R.	3/20/24
Finance	Char S.	19/26/29
Grapevine	Steve S.	5/13/23
Literature	Jenny R.	2/11/12
Report & Charter (Newsletter, Registrar)	Zach I. (Jaiden W., Mark S)	4/8/32
Technology & Communications (Audio/Visual, Webmaster)	Ann R. (Cory E., Sarah R.)	15/25/31

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

12:00 – 2:00 PM	Lunch *On Your Own*	No Motion Required, Just Hunger!
2:00 – 3:30 PM	Delegate Report <i>(H)</i> 76 th General Service Conference	Latest updates from A.A. as a whole to bring back to your group.
3:30 – 4:00 PM	Area 41 Budget Presentation <i>(H)</i>	What local services do our contributions make possible?
4:15 – 5:30 PM	Workshop – Anonymous and Accountable <i>(H)</i> : The Spiritual Balance of Humility in Service	
	Workshop – Power of the Purse <i>(H)</i> : How Groups Influence Service Through Support	
	Workshop – DCM Lifeline: Practical Support for DCMs Serving their Districts	
5:30 – 8:00 PM	Dinner *On Your Own*	Regroup, Refuel, Return!
8:00 – 9:30 PM	Speaker Meeting and Q&A – Marita R., Mesquite, NV <i>(H)</i>	

Sunday, July 12, 2026

7:30 – 8:20 AM	Open A.A. Breakfast Meeting	Rise and Shine
8:30 – 10:30 AM <i>Wordly interpretation available</i>	<u>Reports and Q&A (H)</u> -District Committee Members (DCMs) -Officers -Area Committees - including additional committee considerations for agenda items still in committee -Service Positions -Ask it Basket	Ask It Basket QR Code  SCAN ME
10:45 AM – 1:00 PM ish <i>Wordly interpretation available</i>	<u>Area 41 Business Meeting (H)</u> -Roll Call -Old Business -Agenda Items Moved to Vote -New Agenda Items Presented	Participate in the group conscience!

OLD BUSINESS: Voting Items (5)

(VOTE) Agenda Item 2026-01-10 005 Floor Action from January 2026 Assembly (Report and Charter): That past Delegates be granted lifetime voting privileges at Area Assemblies, effective immediately upon completion of their service term as Delegate.

Background: The Report & Charter committee took no action on this agenda item. When this happens, the submitter can make a motion for a non-emergency floor action. If this motion passes, the full Assembly will discuss the agenda item at the next business meeting. The submitter made the motion, and it passed at the April 2026 Assembly, making this a voting item at the July 2026 Business Meeting.

Tradition 2 – The Area decides through its informed group conscience who is eligible to vote. The Area most recently changed this procedure in 2014 when GSRs were allowed to vote again.

Concept 4 – Voting representation in proportion to their responsibility that each must discharge. While past delegates are not part of the Area 41 Committee, they are asked to serve in various ways – chair First Timers’ Orientation, chair ad-hoc committees, facilitate elections, and continue to attend Assemblys to provide institutional memory and be elder statesmen.

The submitter conducted a survey of 60 Areas and found 30 allow past delegates to vote.

(VOTE) Agenda Item 2026-04-11 001 (Agenda): Elect the host district for the 2027 Area 41 State Convention

Background: Each year, Area 41 selects a host district for the annual state convention. The responsibilities of the State Convention host committee are found in the Area 41 Service Handbook.

(VOTE) Agenda Item 2022-04-02 005g (Agenda - from FUNction Ad Hoc): Remove the requirement that the Area Chair hold committee meetings on Saturday morning from 9am-12pm.

Background: A past action requires the Area Chair to schedule committee meetings on Saturday morning. The FUNction Ad-Hoc Committee suggested eliminating this requirement to allow the Area Chair flexibility when setting the assembly agenda. Historically, at the April Assembly, committees typically meet for a shorter period at some point due to General Service Conference preparation.

(VOTE) Agenda Item 2026-04-11 002 (Finance): Send contribution acknowledgements to groups or members that contribute to Area 41 and provide an email address.

Background: Area 41 previously sent contribution acknowledgements to groups and members as an expression of gratitude and accountability for funds received. This practice is no longer followed. At the General Service Board level, the GSB continues to send contribution acknowledgements through the GSB Treasurer.

A.A.'s service structure is built on gratitude, responsibility, and trust. Tradition Seven reminds us that contributions are both a spiritual practice and an expression of group conscience. Acknowledging contributions affirms stewardship, reinforces transparency, and strengthens the relationship between the Area and the Fellowship it serves.

To balance this practice with responsible use of Area funds, the adoption of email acknowledgements is proposed as a cost-effective alternative when a current email address is available.

(VOTE) Agenda Item 2026-01-10 002 (Report and Charter): Proposed Newsletter Chair Scope and Responsibilities

- 1. Serve as a point of contact for items to be published in the Newsletter, following guidelines set by the Area 41 Report and Charter Committee. The focus is on sharing Area 41 information with members to help them reach an informed group conscience.**
- 2. Assist the secretary in maintaining a current list of all Area Officers, Area Committee Chairpersons, District Committee Members, and past Delegates.**
- 3. Remove last names, make necessary grammatical edits, and create a Spanish-language translation of the Newsletter.**
- 4. Deliver materials to the printer for publication and provide a digital copy of the Newsletter to the secretary. Publish and distribute the Newsletter within six weeks of an Assembly, in a cost-effective manner.**

Background: In keeping with Concept X, we need to clearly define the scope of all service positions. Currently, there is no defined scope for the Newsletter Chair. Establishing one will clarify the responsibilities of the role, and ensure that the authority given is appropriately matched to the responsibilities the fellowship has entrusted to this position.

New Agenda Items Assigned To Committee (6)

Agenda Item 2026-07-11 001 (Agenda): If the infeasibility of paying for or otherwise providing food and/or beverages is a barrier to a district's sponsorship of a Four Corners Workshop that would otherwise be scheduled by the Area, the Area Workshop Chair, in consultation with the Agenda Committee and with notice to the Treasurer, has the discretion to spend up to \$60 per Workshop for the purchase of food and/or beverages for the workshop. If the exercise of that discretion would necessitate an increase in the Workshop Chair's budget, prior approval of the Treasurer must be obtained.

Background: The purpose of the Four Corners Workshops is to bring the Area to more locations in Nebraska—especially those parts of Nebraska that are geographically separated from the largest population centers where multiple districts are located in close proximity to each other. Host districts and the Area collaborate to plan these workshops. The Area pays for the venue cost. Cost of food and beverages for workshops is borne by the sponsoring district(s). The goal of this agenda item is to get workshops to more parts of the Area even when a willing district's limited resources make providing sufficient food and beverages infeasible. This item would provide discretion to determine whether this additional support is needed to fulfill the purpose of the workshop. This is discretion the Workshop Chair currently does not have.

Agenda Item 2026-07-11 002 (Literature and Finance): Establish Cash on Hand, Inventory, and Operating Balance Guidelines for the Literature Committee

Background: The Literature Committee manages funds, cash on hand, and, where applicable, inventory in support of its ongoing responsibilities. At times, these amounts can fluctuate without clearly defined parameters, which may increase the risk of holding excess cash, funds, or inventory beyond what is reasonably needed for quarterly operations.

This proposal is not intended to limit the committee's ability to carry out its work, but rather to provide reasonable guardrails that support accountability, financial clarity, and the responsible stewardship of Area 41 funds and assets. Establishing defined thresholds for cash on hand, inventory reporting, and bank balances aligned with quarterly operational needs will help ensure consistency in reporting and reduce potential liability associated with holding unchecked funds or inventory.

Agenda Item 2026-07-11 003 (Grapevine/La Viña and Finance): Establish Cash on Hand, Inventory, and Operating Balance Guidelines for the Grapevine / La Viña Committee

Background: The Grapevine / La Viña Committee manages funds, cash on hand, and, where applicable, inventory in support of its ongoing responsibilities. At times, these amounts can fluctuate without clearly defined parameters, which may increase the risk of holding excess cash, funds, or inventory beyond what is reasonably needed for quarterly operations.

This proposal is not intended to limit the committee's ability to carry out its work, but rather to provide reasonable guardrails that support accountability, financial clarity, and the responsible stewardship of Area 41 funds and assets. Establishing defined thresholds for cash on hand, inventory reporting, and bank balances aligned with quarterly operational needs will help ensure consistency in reporting and reduce potential liability associated with holding unchecked funds or inventory.

Agenda Item 2026-07-11 004 (Cooperation with the Professional Community & Public Information): Amend the Area 41 Website Guidelines by adding a new paragraph immediately after paragraph 3.g.2:

h. For the purpose of defining Area 41's agreed-upon anonymity protection for the website, all documents published on the area41.org server shall be clear of members' last names and/or likenesses, including last names contained in email addresses. The Technology and Communications Committee and Webmaster may redact any last name found in a document provided for the website prior to uploading. Because even "closed" or "private" online spaces may reveal an individual's identity, Area 41 requests that all documents hosted on the website remain anonymity protected whether located in public or restricted sections of the website.

Background: Paragraph 3.d.1 of the Area 41 Website Guidelines states: "An anonymity protected version of the Area 41 Newsletter shall be available on the website within 14 days of receipt from the Area 41 Newsletter Committee chair." Recent newsletters provided for posting have included members' last names within personal email addresses. This agenda item asks the Area to exercise its group conscience to further define what constitutes an "anonymity-protected" document for the purposes of posting on the Area website.

A similar practice has previously been applied to event flyers posted on the website, where last names and email addresses containing last names are redacted prior to posting. This practice appears in Website Committee reports dating back at least to 2007.

A.A. literature does not state that a last name within an email address alone constitutes an anonymity break. However, the concern arises when an email address containing a member's last name appears in a document connected with A.A. membership or service identity.

Paragraph 3.f.2.iii of the Area 41 Website Guidelines also states that restricted pages must remain anonymity protected. The full text of 3.f.2 reads as follows:

"2. Area 41 Website Restricted Pages

- i. These pages are available from the password protected page accessed through the "Members services" menu on the Area 41 websites home page.*
- ii. If desired, each officer, committee, and district may work with the Area 41 Website Committee to design a web page to assist that officer, committee, or district in doing its work within the Area 41 service structure.*
- iii. These restricted pages must still be anonymity protected. When needed, access to members contact information can be provided from the database; it cannot be part of the HTML page."*

This motion seeks to clarify the Area's shared understanding so that website documents may be prepared and posted consistently, and so that web servants are not placed in the position of interpreting anonymity protections when documents received for posting do not align with the anonymity principles of Tradition Eleven.

Agenda Item 2026-07-11 005 (Agenda): That Area 41 to review the current level of participation at the General Service Conference, ensuring that the Area's continued involvement is contingent upon a service environment that adheres to A.A. principles and safety standards.

Background: In alignment with the Twelve Concepts for World Service, Area 41 recognizes its fundamental role in the A.A. service structure. This agenda item is brought forward to address the ongoing necessity of active participation in the General Service Conference, weighed against the primary responsibility of Area 41 to:

- *Exercise Group Conscience: Act as the vital link between local groups and the Conference, ensuring the collective voice of our membership remains the guiding authority.*
- *Safeguard the Trust of the Fellowship: Maintain transparency and accountability, honoring the trust placed in the Area by individual members and groups.*
- *Ensure Safety and Well-being: Provide a supportive environment that protects the spiritual, physical, and emotional safety of its trusted servants.*

Serious Concerns Reported: This consideration is necessitated by feedback from past General Service Conference members within Area 41. These members have shared serious concerns regarding the Conference environment. These reports suggest a climate that may compromise the safety and well-being of our trusted servants, potentially hindering their ability to perform their duties and maintain their personal recovery.

Agenda Item 2026-07-11 006 (Agenda): That Area 41 determines whether to send a Delegate to the upcoming General Service Conference Panel 77, based on an evaluation of the Conference environment and its alignment with our Area’s spiritual principles, safety responsibilities, and the strategic exercise of our collective power.

Background: In alignment with the Twelve Concepts for World Service, Area 41 recognizes its fundamental role in the A.A. service structure. This agenda item is brought forward to address the necessity of active participation in the General Service Conference, weighed against the primary responsibility of Area 41 to:

- *Exercise Informed Group Conscience: Protect the autonomy of local groups by ensuring their collective voice remains the guiding authority for A.A. as a whole.*
- *Address Concerns Over GSC/GSB Actions: Evaluate recent departures from traditional procedures, including controversial literature changes and budget allocations that may not reflect the fellowship's intent.*
- *Ensure Safety and Well-being: Safeguard the spiritual, physical, and emotional safety of its trusted servants. Following past Conferences, members within Area 41 have reported serious concerns.*

Agenda Items Still In Committee (15)

Agenda Item 2026-05-22 004 Report & Charter: Allow for the option to vote electronically with virtual platforms during all area voting.

Agenda Item 2026-04-11 005 Finance: Approve the 2027 Area 41 Budget

Agenda Item 2026-04-11 006 Report & Charter and consult Technology & Communications: Review recent changes to Area 41 service material and documentation posted on www.area41.org without requiring logging into Member Services, and create a policy for what requires logging in vs being publicly available.

Agenda Item 2022-04-02 005m Accessibilities, Accommodations, Treatment, and Remote Communities (from FUNction Ad Hoc): That Area 41 establish a procedure to ensure that all shared Area documentation, publications, and communications are translated into Spanish.

Agenda Item 2022-04-02 005h Agenda (from FUNction Ad Hoc): Area 41 shall have an Orientation Workshop at the Election Assembly for all new Officers, Area Committee Chairs, and Service Positions to learn about their new service responsibilities.

Agenda Item 2022-04-02 005i Agenda (from FUNction Ad Hoc): Area 41 shall have a 3rd Legacy Workshop in July preceding the Elections.

Agenda Item 2022-04-02 005k Agenda (with consult from Delegate from FUNction Ad Hoc): That the Area 41 Chairperson, either personally or through delegation to the Agenda Committee or another appropriate servant, ensure that the fellowship is provided with a yearly or rotational (two-year) flyer or PDF listing Area and Region-wide events. This schedule should include: 1) Dates, locations, and brief descriptions of events, and 2) Information on where to find additional or updated details (such as the Area 41 website). The flyer should be printable and easy to include in the newsletter or post at meetings or online. *This item is not intended to include events with short notice or frequent changes (e.g., Four-Corners Workshops or similar).*

Agenda Item 2026-01-10 008 Agenda: Amend the Scope of the Agenda Committee in the Area 41 Guidelines and Service Manual to Include a Defined Inventory Process

Agenda Item 2026-01-10 004 Finance: Review Area 41 bank account structure and consider a change to consolidate bank accounts with the Area Treasurer handling Area 41 bill payments and reimbursements instead of each officer and committee chair having an individual bank account.

Agenda Item 2022-04-02 005j Report and Charter (from FUNction Ad Hoc): All documents distributed at or by Area 41 should have a revision date on them.

Agenda Item 2022-04-02 005n Report and Charter (from FUNction Ad Hoc): That Area 41 make District Committee Member (DCM) reports available on the Area 41 website rather than printing them in the Newsletter.

Agenda Item 2022-10-09 014 Technology & Communications: 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 2026-01-10 007 Technology & Communications (and consult with Finance): Purchase of Additional Hybrid Meeting Equipment. Area 41 will purchase additional equipment to support hybrid meetings and events, which allow for both virtual and in-person participation, in an amount up to \$2,500 including tax.

Proposed Equipment:

- Two projectors, one laptop, one small amplifier, six additional webcams with tripods, and cases for audio equipment storage and transport

The AV Servant will be responsible for oversight, management, and storage of this equipment.

Agenda Item 2026-01-10 003 Finance: To remove any "Sponsorships or Incentive" payments from outside venues when considering hotel bids, Area 41 will not accept such offers.

Business Meeting Minutes: April 11, 2026

The April business meeting opened at 10:45 am. There were 81 voting members including 10 virtual.

The first item of business was **Agenda Item 2026-01-10 009: Area 41 submit a proposed agenda item for the 77th General Service Conference to consider changing the policy for how the Conference agenda is set to give Conference committees the ability to have a formal role in setting their agenda. Instead of the General Service Board having exclusive authority to set the General Service Conference agenda.** Surprise was expressed that Delegates do not already have a say. The item passed with a unanimous vote of 76-0.

The second item was Agenda Item 2026-01-10 001 Finance: Amend Area 41's Financial Guidelines to update the dollar amounts set for what expenses can be approved by the treasurer. from \$100 to \$150 and the Finance Committee, from \$400 to \$500 as outlined in Section 4, paragraph 1, sections a. b. and c. A clarification was asked about the percentages because they did not match the members' numbers on inflation. The committee chair responded that the item was taken at face value and did not investigate the numbers. Support was expressed on the scale between the Treasurer and the committee. Finance guidelines were read. The item passed with a vote of 77-1 with no minority voice.

Agenda Item 2026-01-10 003 Finance: To remove any "Sponsorships or Incentive" payments from outside venues when considering hotel bids, Area 41 will not accept such offers. A vigorous discussion was had. It included reading the GSB's current policy and the history behind it, incentives are a common practice, it is arrogant to say no when we are struggling monetarily, the free coffee and comped rooms we currently receive are incentives, and we should trust our trusted servants. Questions included why we are seeking bids if we do not accept them, could the wording be changed to have the incentive go to the hotel instead of Area 41, and are Google ads not the same? Concerns were raised about potentially being seen as affiliated to businesses if we take incentives and possible Tradition violations. A member explained that regardless

of taking incentives or not local business will know Area 41 is looking to meet there. A motion to recommit was made and seconded asking for clarity and a potential rewording. **A vote of 62-18.** The item is recommitted to finance.

Agenda Item 2026-01-10 010: Area 41 submit a proposed agenda item for the 77th General Service Conference to consider requiring candidates for new Non-Trustee Director and General Service Trustee positions to have been rotated out for at least one year from previous Conference or Board-level service. Discussion included what is the current procedure, what would this do, what is the intent, experience from an elder statesman, double standards (Area 41 does not do this), loss of institutional knowledge, current practices can enable pet projects to be pursued, and a break can give time for growth. **A vote of 63-8.** Minority voice was heard wanting this implemented here if we are going to send this on. Item passes.

Next the Chair explained the procedure for emergency actions. The first emergency item was **Immediate Consideration of Area 41's Participation in the Upcoming General Service Conference.** With a motion and a second, discussion began on whether or not to hear the item. Comments included this is too big a deal to consider as an emergency item without a larger group conscience, the Area elected to send a Delegate, and how do we block this two weeks prior to the GSC? **A vote of 2-72.** A minority voice was heard that it is an emergency item due to the conference being this month and that the item should have the opportunity to be heard. The motion failed.

The second emergency item was **The Area respectfully requests that our Delegate make a motion at the Conference to allow the Conference body an opportunity to discuss, and approve the procedures by which the Conference operates prior to the final confirmation and approval of the rules.** A motion was made and seconded to hear the item. Discussion ensued about whether this was an emergency, why request our Delegate instead of instruct, Right of Decision, what emergency means and why having the body's support could be helpful. **A vote of 18-50.** Minority voice was heard stating concern about removing the Conference's ability to approve the rules, the Board dictating, not having a voice, and the ability to share our group conscience. There was a motion to reconsider that failed 36-38. The motion failed.

Next, a non-emergency floor action, **Agenda Item 2026-01-10 005 Report and Charter: That past Delegates be granted lifetime voting privileges at Area Assemblies, effective immediately upon completion of their service term as Delegate.** was made. There was a motion and second to discuss it. Discussion included trust our trusted servants' decision, groups would like a vote and say on this, this affects Area as a whole, and we would not be the first Area to do this. **A vote of 40-34.** The floor action passed. The agenda item will be put on the July agenda for a vote. A motion to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 12:32.

Officer Reports:

Delegate:

Greetings Area 41! It is a privilege to serve as your Panel 76 Delegate! In February I was invited to the Round Robin in Sidney! What a great event! Thank you to Bill and Ginny M. for allowing us to stay with them! And thanks to Matt N. for giving us a tour around Sidney! Another great AA event out in the beautiful Panhandle of Nebraska!

The end of February we attended the WCRAASC in Cedar Rapids, IA. It was very well attended. Area 24 and their Panel 75 Delegate Dan P. did a fantastic job of hosting this event! Our 2 Area 41 presenters, Patsy G. and Zach G. did a great job on the topic, "Restoration and Discovering Grace, Unity and Fellowship". Thank you Patsy and Zach! One of our Class A Trustees attended as well, Kerry M. of Minneapolis, MN.

I have received confirmation from Member Services on 5 new Groups in Area 41. They are in Districts 2,4,5,6, and 18. Thank you to Corey, Ann, and Sarah for all of their help with the Pre Conference Sharing Sessions! We held 2 of these in March and will hold one more on April 15th before the GSC.

After we return from the Conference, I am looking forward to coming to Groups and or Districts to give the Delegates report. I have 3 appointments set at this time. So please contact me so we can set up a time!

Thank you again to the Area 41 Fellowship for giving me this opportunity! It's been very busy, it's amazing to get to work with the staff at GSO! We have such wonderful trusted servants. They are so helpful in coordinating all of these events that go on during the Conference!

Looking forward to seeing all of you at the STATE CONVENTION in June!! Gods Blessings to you all! Grateful to Serve, Russ S. Panel 76 Delegate

Alternate Delegate:

Happy Sunday,

It has been a great first quarter. I have been attending the North American Alternate Delegate (NAAD) meetings and have started forming relationships with other alternate delegates across the U.S. and Canada. I am learning that the alternate delegate roles vary from area to area, some areas combine chair and alternate delegate roles, and it's interesting to hear how other areas operate. Our West Central Region will be presenting at the NAAD meeting on June 1st, and I look forward to it.

I have also been attending regional meetings with the Delegates and the Trustee. Additionally, I attended the WCRAASC, which provided valuable insight into how groups across the region feel about various agenda items. For those who have not attended before, I encourage you to join us next year in Breezy Point, MN March 5th-7th. I also participated in the Round Robin in Sidney and the breakfast in Grant, where Nick did an excellent job as the speaker.

I am looking forward to the state convention. I have been attending the Zoom committee meetings. The committee is coming up with creative ideas, and I hope you have all registered to attend. I also joined the joint committee meetings for Finance and Tech and Communications.

For the April Assembly, we had 52 rooms booked under our block with 5 comped rooms. I have some questions regarding our contract; if we receive one comped room for every eight nights, we should have 6 rooms. I will follow up with the hotel to clarify. As a reminder, please book under the room block whenever possible so the region receives proper credit. I find it helpful to book before I leave for the next assembly so I am sure to get it under our block.

Lastly, please let me know if the conference room temperature needs adjustment or if we need more coffee or water. We want to stay hydrated and caffeinated. I am happy to be of service. Thank you for allowing me to participate in my recovery and to give back to the fellowship.

Erin O.

Chair:

Good morning Area 41,

What a great weekend we've already had! Thank you to everyone for your participation yesterday in the pre-Conference sharing sessions to help prepare our Delegate for the 76th General Service Conference.

Since the Assembly voted in January to implement text translation and audio interpretation for the business meetings, I convened a working group of the Secretary, Treasurer, Technology & Communications Chair, and AV servant to work on implementation. I wrote to the Area last weekend with an update on the work done to implement Wordly. See that update or the Secretary's report for more information. One highlight is the motion from January requires a review of the effectiveness and a recommendation on how to proceed after this trial period to be provided to the Area no later than next April. I will convene an ad hoc committee after the July Assembly to conduct the review and provide a recommendation to the Assembly. If you're interested in serving on this committee, please let me know.

There was an agenda item that was moved to a vote in January that I did not put on the voting agenda this weekend. There was confusion between the two committees working on it about the status of the item. I worked with the chairs of both committees to resolve this, and the committees met together twice since the January assembly to resolve the confusion. Thank you to both committees for working to ensure effective communication.

I traveled to Cedar Rapids, IA, in February for the 2026 West Central Region A.A. Service Conference. I enjoyed hearing the rich sharing from members across the region about current issues in our Fellowship. The relationships I've made with other members attending this event each year are priceless, and I always underestimate how much it will mean to me to go to this event each year. If you have never attended, I highly encourage you to get in the car for next year's event being hosted in Northern Minnesota the first weekend in March!

If you have a new Area agenda item to submit, please have it to me in writing by Wednesday, April 22nd. Remember, an agenda item can come from anyone - a member, group, or a district! If you have an idea on how to improve Area 41 or something in A.A. as a whole, submit it as an agenda item! You can submit an agenda item after this date, but it will be held until the October Assembly. This timeframe ensures the Area newsletter can be assembled and distributed promptly.

I am still preparing a Zoom workshop series similar to last year's Concepts Workshop. Based on feedback from you all, I am looking at Sunday evening instead of Wednesday, and the topics will include the Traditions, Concepts, and other Service Material. If you didn't make one of the workshops last year, we had a great time each month getting to hear sharing from a member outside of the Area on a particular concept. I especially enjoyed the Q&A we had with the speaker, and everyone getting to engage. A flyer will be coming soon - I hope to see you there!

Last year, the Assembly voted to ask the Area Chair to invite a speaker from outside the Area to come to an Assembly. I extended a loving invitation to Marita R., from Nevada, to join us in July. She will speak Saturday night and possibly do a workshop. A flyer will be available soon. You won't want to miss Marita!

It has been a joy being in contact with members of the Area Committee since the last Assembly. If I can help support you, your committee, or your district in any way, please let me know. Thank you for allowing me to be of service.

In love and service, Nick

Secretary:

Greetings Area 41,

I am Zach, an alcoholic and your Secretary. The last few months have been busy, exciting and humbling. I have learned a lot and have had plenty of opportunities for growth! I have a feeling there are more to come.

January and February brought my first time through the newsletter process. I am confident Jaiden and I have developed a system that will work well moving forward. I appreciate the timeliness of the reports being sent in. I had many in my inbox to start the day. Thank you all! Thank you to Nick for your formatting assistance, and thank you to Jaiden for doing such a great job, and such excellent communication.

In February I attended West Central in Cedar Rapids Iowa. I have previously attended a couple of these conferences via Zoom. It was quite an experience to be there in person. It was nice to meet other members of the West Central region I had previously seen on camera, and to learn more about our principles, processes and help prepare our Delegate for the General Service Conference. I had the privilege to be one of the speakers in the first general sharing sessions. It was an exciting and nerve wracking experience. Thank you, Russ, for the opportunity. It was a privilege to represent and serve Area 41!

I attended and helped put on the Breakfast meeting in Grant. It was well attended with plenty of fellowship and recovery. Thank you to all who attended and Nick for speaking.

I also helped set up our translation and interpretation. I am excited to report that Area 41's business meetings are now bilingual in audio as well as written. As has been previously communicated, we decided to go with Wordly. Area 41 has contracted for two years. We have a total of 28 hours to use. The total cost was \$2270.50. This figure includes the one time \$500.00 onboarding fee and a \$25.00 online convenience fee. Area 41 was able to secure a 10% discount as a nonprofit and the reduced hourly rate of \$71.25 due to purchasing a larger number of hours up front. We have the ability to purchase more hours if we need to. I was also able to confirm that the 50 user limit is a soft number. There should be no issues if more people than that log on. I would like to point out that the two year cost is under what was budgeted for just one year. The agenda item requires reporting back next April on the effectiveness and a recommendation of how to proceed. I would welcome and appreciate any feedback you have (call, text, talk, email. Whatever works for you!). If you have any technical difficulties, please reach out to Cory, our Audio/Video servant. Thank you to the previous rotation's Report and Charter committee for all of their hard work on this, and to Nick, Char, Ann and Cory. I look forward to seeing this move forward, and I am grateful to witness our principles in action and see all of our members have the ability to participate fully in our business meetings.

I have had a few opportunities now to chair Report and Charter committee meetings. I am learning that being in a committee and chairing one is slightly different. The committee has been patient and extremely helpful. We are working well together and are off to a great start. I am excited to get to know the members of the committee better, and to see what we will accomplish this rotation in service to you, Area 41.

Yesterday, I helped facilitate the breakout discussion for Report and Charter. It was an interesting discussion. I am always humbled to see our process in action, and I truly feel grateful being able to serve and participate. Thank you, Russ, for all the information in preparation for the breakout session and encouragement.

As a reminder, I am using the email: secretary@area41.org Please forward any changes to your contact information to me. If you want to receive the Highlights or the newsletter digitally, please let me know. Committee, officer and DCM reports will need to be submitted to me for inclusion in the newsletter no later than a week from today. Please reach out if

you have any questions or concerns or if I can be of assistance. Thank you for the opportunity to serve Area 41. I am grateful for the opportunity to serve

Yours in service, Zach I., Area 41 Secretary

Treasurer:

This quarter I was able to attend the Round Robin in Sidney on Valentine's Day, then I hurried and drove back to North Platte and had dinner with 14 members of District 7 who drove up from the McCook area. Breakfast Speaker Meeting in Grant and the WCRAASC in Cedar Rapids, IA. Four of us western NE trusted servants carpooled to the event-what happens in the car, stays in the car! Always grateful for the opportunity to stay connected and engaged with the fellowship. FYI-all 2nd Quarter accts have been funded.

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Respectfully submitted, Char S.

Committee Reports:

Accessibilities, Accommodations, Treatment, and Remote Communities:

Greetings Area 41,

Folks, we have a secretary! Jo has graciously accepted being semi bullied into the permanent secretary position. Thanks Jo! It was brought to our attention that a treatment facility in Omaha does not have any AA literature. Toni has offered to reach out to see if we can get some big books, plain language big books and a few twelve and twelve to them. We are going to be reaching out to the treatment centers in Nebraska again to see if we can be of any assistance to them. We also discussed reaching out to nursing homes to see if they have a need for a meeting to be brought in. We have decided to postpone our Workshop that was originally scheduled for September. Not postponing indefinitely as we will have one, however it will be at a later date with more info to come . We did have great discussion about what our committee really embodies and some focal points that we want to focus on when we do have the workshop and as we move forward. I'm going to be reaching out to several other area committee chairs that took a lot of action during their last rotation for some other suggestions. During our discussion we realize there are so many directions we can go and we want to make sure we are using our time efficiently. We do have an item still in committee, Agenda item 2022-04-02 005m: that area 41 established a procedure to ensure that all shared area documentation publications and Communications are translated into Spanish. We received more information about this and will begin moving forward with ideas on how to best complete this. we hope to have solutions by the next assembly.

Yours in Service, McKenna K.

Agenda:

The Agenda committee started at 3:50pm with five members in attendance, a moment of silence, and the Serenity Prayer. The committee adopted the agenda prepared.

The Workshop Chair wasn't able to attend due to a death in the family, but submitted a report to the committee.

The Chair gave a report to the committee, and the committee discussed two items from the report - if time limits were needed for reports and how to prioritize hearing from DCMs on the health of the Fellowship.

The committee made a plan for the evening's speaker meeting and scheduled a time to meet, April 23rd at 5pm via Zoom, to review the agenda and assign new items.

The Treasurer sent a call asking if committees needed any additional funds for committee work. The committee discussed that additional funds for flyers for the July assembly would be helpful, and if the Area would consider updating the Four Corners Workshop guidelines to have the Area cover food costs if a district is unable. A member will submit an agenda item on the topic.

Next, the committee brainstormed workshop topics for future assemblies - anonymity; how DCMs serve the groups, how to put on a workshop in your district & possible topics; the power of the purse; the AA Group; 12 Step Calls; and how to

develop a group conscience. Members are encouraged to provide suggestions to the committee if there's a workshop topic you'd like to see on a future assembly agenda.

The committee discussed adding a key to the agenda to designate which sessions would be available in the hybrid format and which would have interpretation available. The committee asked the Chair to continue working with the Tech Team when developing the agenda to make as much as possible hybrid, and to send a survey to the Area to get feedback.

The committee moved Agenda Item 2026-04-11 001: Elect the host district for the 2027 Area 41 State Convention to vote. The committee requests that each district consider if they would be interested in hosting the Convention and express their interest in July.

The Area inventory happens each October in even years. The committee discussed the inventory plan from the prior rotation and agreed to implement a similar plan, updating the workshop to be a sharing session instead. Any member who has a topic or question they'd like to see covered in the inventory is encouraged to share that with the committee.

Last, the committee discussed Agenda Item 2022-04-02 005g Remove the requirement that committees meet on Saturday morning from 9a-12p. The committee revised the item to read - remove the requirement that the area chair hold committee meetings on Saturday from 9a-12p and moved the item to vote.

The committee adjourned at 5:15pm.

Archives:

Greetings Area 41,

Attendance at the Archives Committee meeting was the committee chair, one GSR, a substitute DCM, and Ken B., who joined for the second half of the meeting.

A number of topics were discussed, primarily focused on the current state of the Area archives, future goals, and identifying gaps in structure and process. The Area 41 Service Handbook was reviewed in an effort to locate any existing archives policy. No clear or formal policy was identified during this review. As a next step, past Area actions will be reviewed to determine whether any policy has previously been established. If none is found, work will begin on developing a basic framework for an archives policy to present to the Area, with particular attention given to the handling and sharing of digital archives.

Discussion also included what materials should be collected and preserved. It was identified that financial reports from the State Convention should be provided to the archivist, along with materials from State Convention activities and Four Corners workshops. At this time, no upcoming Four Corners workshop has been identified. As committee chair, I want to make sure I do not miss attending it, so please let me know if one is currently being planned.

The Archives Workbook was reviewed, and additional copies will be obtained so that each committee member has access to the material moving forward. Coordination will also take place with the Area archivist to review the current repository and evaluate opportunities to improve organization and presentation, particularly for use in displays at Area events.

In addition, a meeting will be scheduled with a past delegate to review materials from their panel and determine what items would be appropriate and valuable for inclusion in the archives.

An invitation has been extended and accepted to participate in the State Convention. An archives display will be set up and available Friday through Sunday.

In service, Charles C.

Cooperation with the Professional Community & Public Information:

Good morning area 41 my name is Brandy and I'm an alcoholic.

Your public information and cooperation with the professional community committee met once in February to continue exploring ways we can be of service to our communities. We discussed contributing to the Rainbow Group to help fund their booth at Pride in June. After an email vote we unanimously agreed to provide \$50 for that purpose.

We have been able to reach out to various entities in an effort to continue our work with the still suffering alcoholic.

One of our members got information to Keith County and Perkins County Hospitals.

We are currently working with Doane College in an effort to start a group on campus, and provide them with the resources.

Yesterday, during our meeting we discussed ways getting literature in our local libraries and putting our cards on bulletin boards whenever possible. If you are in need of contact cards, please let me know. We will be ordering a new supply shortly.

In researching workshops, and/or places where we can see the general public, I've found them most of the places we would be able to display at, have no charge to us other than our supplies, literature, etc., that we would have available for

the general public, I was hoping we could use that workshop money for literature as opposed to workshop fees. I will be requesting a change in that allocation.

We met during our allotted time yesterday and were able to continue discussion on several topics primarily libraries and other ways to reach out.

Kevin from Omaha is the new PICPC chair for the Omaha area and they already have nine events to participate in. We will be reaching out to support them in their efforts.

Thank you area 41 for continuing to allow me to serve. Have a great day and safe travels

Corrections:

Hi, Area 41. My name is Jim, and I'm an alcoholic. I'm giving this report on behalf of Aubrie R., who was unable to attend.

The Corrections Committee meeting opened at 3:55 p.m., with 13 members in attendance and Marsha facilitating. We opened with a moment of silence, followed by the Serenity Prayer. Introductions were made, and members shared updates on their Corrections service experiences:

- Ken shared that he and Aubrie have been in contact with the new Community Engagement Coordinator at Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, and that the idea of AA service work was well-received.
- Saunders County: Gail reported that he has been e-mailing with Tecumseh State Correctional Institute about taking a meeting in, which would be the first time since the pandemic that a meeting has been allowed in.
- Lancaster County: Jim reported lukewarm interest in the Corrections Prerelease Contact Program from inmates at the city-county jail, where male and female volunteers are still needed to take meeting in, though several new volunteers have been approved by the facility and some have finished orientation. Also, the Lincoln Corrections Committee has a workshop planned in Lincoln on August 22, 2026. More information will be forthcoming.
- Platte County: Jerry reported that they have begun a women's meeting at the jail, and they are working on starting a men's meeting.
- Red Willow County: Sherry reported that the former NDCS Work Ethic Camp in McCook is now an ICE facility, and no meetings are being allowed. Women's meetings in the county jail are taking place, but no men's meetings.
- Cass County: Marsha reported that twice-monthly jail meetings are held on the first and third Tuesdays, but it's unknown if the meetings are for men, women, or both.
- Douglas County: Per Aubrie, the Nebraska Corrections Youth Facility in Omaha is closing down. Inmates will be transferred to Lincoln facilities.
- Hall County: Ashley reported that twice-weekly men's meetings are taking place, but there are no female volunteers. Ashley also reported that jail inmates now have tablets.

A short discussion on the previous idea of a workshop at an assembly occurred, but no action was taken.

Jim motioned to close, and Eric seconded.

Closed with the Responsibility Statement and meeting adjourned at 4:39 p.m.

In grateful service, Jim H.

Finance:

The Area 41 Finance Committee met on April 11, 2026, with 10 members present and zero members via Zoom. The meeting opened with the Serenity Prayer, and the previous minutes were approved unanimously. Shout out to our Area 41 Delegate who was able to drop in and watch the show!

We recapped the action that Finance Committee took with the following agenda item:

Agenda Item 2026-01-10 007 Technology & Communications (and consult with Finance): Purchase of Additional Hybrid Meeting Equipment. Area 41 will purchase additional equipment to support hybrid meetings and events, which allow for both virtual and in-person participation, in an amount up to \$2,500 including tax.

The committee reviewed the above item that had been discussed jointly with the Tech Committee during two Zoom meetings. Initial estimates were reduced following further evaluation.

Further discussion highlighted a lack of clarity regarding whether Finance was acting in a consultative role or had ownership of the item. The Treasurer was tasked with defining "consultation" and clarifying responsibility for action. (Updated with clarification: we were acting in a consultive role per the Area 41 Handbook, ownership remains with Tech/Comm Committee.)

The item remains with the Tech/ Communications Committee for further development.

(New) Agenda Item 2026-04-11 002 (Finance) Send contribution acknowledgements to groups or members that contribute to Area 41.

The committee discussed the Agenda Item. The Treasurer reported sending mailed acknowledgements, with 90+ group contributions received and \$78 in postage incurred.

Members expressed support for confirmations as a matter of accountability, while also raising concerns about ongoing costs.

After discussion, the committee approved (9-1) an amendment to send contribution acknowledgements to groups or members who provide a current email address. There was some continued discussion regarding how this language may impact the Treasurer's discretion to send mailed confirmations. *The amended item was unanimously advanced to the Area for consideration.*

(New) Agenda Item 2026-04-11 003 (Finance) Update the Finance Guidelines to require a more detailed financial report to be given each quarter to the Assembly to ensure the Fellowship has the information needed to achieve a fully informed group conscience on area business.

The committee discussed the Agenda Item. The Treasurer confirmed that full financial records are maintained and available.

Discussion centered on whether more detailed reporting, including budget-to-actual comparisons, should be regularly shared in newsletters or online. Opinions varied on the appropriate level of detail.

A motion to take no action on updating the guidelines was made and passed.

****Additional Notes****

The Treasurer requested that committee chairs submit anticipated expense needs to support more effective budgeting and reduce potential agenda items.

Zoom Meeting was scheduled for April 19th, at 5PM CST, 4PM MST

Motion to close was joyfully made and seconded, following the Lord's Prayer, we adjourned at 11:05am.

Grateful to Serve, Char S

Grapevine:

Good morning Area 41. We opened with the meditation ohmm. There were 5 in attendance, one being on Zoom. Good News: Grapevine and la Vina isn't shutdown, we're still here. o Starting Balance: \$1999.63 Expenses: \$272.74, Purchases: \$1213.99, Gross Sales: \$457.50, Ending balance: \$1139.57. Minutes were accepted. We discussed the new Grapevine weekly meeting from AAGrapevine and how it is a beneficial tool in the 5 year plan and the overall discussion and presence of AAGrapevine. News from the Grapevine: there is still a call for input for the Asian/asian-american and Trans pamphlets. There is a call for audio stories. You can find more information in the monthly news on AAGrapevine.org. The committee then listened to the new Weekly AAGrapevine weekly meeting on YouTube, paying attention to the format. We then visited the question of whether this appeared to be promotion. The committee felt that it was just a meeting with AA news. It was then questioned whether the AA Grapevine meeting was any less promotion than the Big Book. Creating and keeping the discussion of the Grapevine is each and everyone of our responsibilities. See you all at the Panhandle Jamboree. Stop being a loner, get into Service.

Literature:

The meeting started at approximately 3:50pm with 7 in attendance from 7 different districts.

We were all exhausted from the informative and extensive discussion on the General Service Conference Agenda items, so we had a very casual committee meeting,

We continued our discussion from our January meeting about reviving some of the old Area 41 packets and possibly creating some new ones.

We decided Newcomer packets are the first priority and spent time digging into all of the pamphlets we have available to get an idea of which we would like to include and came up with a few yeses and some maybes. We also talked about what other types of packets might be most useful to individuals, groups, and committees in carrying the message. If anyone from the fellowship has recommendations for the pamphlets they find most useful, please feel free to share with any member of the literature committee.

We also continued an ongoing discussion on the Everything AA App, which is an amazing app used widely by the fellowship but that does not actually belong to AA. More to come on that as we do some more research.

I did have a significant amount of difficulty with my technology in the morning and apologize for those who experienced it taking a very long time when purchasing literature. Some of those issues have been resolved. I used the mobile hotspot on my phone to avoid the buffering internet from the Quality Inn, I got tap to pay to finally start working on my phone (yay!), and Mark S. helped set up a second device on the Square account that he was willing to loan us as a second cash register. Hopefully the checkout process will continue to get faster.

As a last note, the literature I have available right now is still at the old price. I will not raise the prices on items until I have to reorder. And don't forget, the reprint of the 1st Edition is still available for around \$2.00 a piece. I have 18 left at that price.

Yours in Service, Jenny R

Report and Charter:

Greetings Area 41,

Report and Charter met February 15th with six in attendance. We opened with the Serenity prayer. The minutes were read and approved. The Newsletter Chair and Registrar gave their reports. After discussion, a motion was made and passed to make the edits needed to update the English and Spanish Handbook. The committee then discussed the past actions and agreed to the proposed changes and to update the document. The translation item was assigned to R&C to determine what method to use. After discussion, the committee agreed to trying Wordly and having the Secretary start the process of setting it up. No report from the subcommittee for the State Convention Item. **Agenda Item 2026-01-10 002**, the Proposed Newsletter Scope was next discussed. There was discussion on what role the newsletter person needs to take in maintaining area 41 contact lists and the verbiage regarding "make necessary grammatical edits". The consensus was this does not allow editing the content of people's reports. The committee voted unanimously to recommend the item to the Area 41 committee for vote. Next, **Agenda item 2026-01-10 005 Report and Charter: That past Delegates be granted lifetime voting privileges at Area Assemblies, effective immediately upon completion of their service term as Delegate was discussed.** Discussion included: granting lifetime voting privileges to past delegates could potentially conflict with Tradition 9, Concept 4, the responsibility past delegates have to Area 41, and Concept 12 among others. After research and discussion, the committee unanimously decided to take no action. **Agenda Item 2022-04-02 005 (j) All documents distributed at or by Area 41 should have a revision date on them was next discussed briefly.** More research and discussion will be needed. This and the rest of the items were tabled.

Report and Charter next met on March 22nd with four in attendance. The minutes were read and approved. The Newsletter Chair and Registrar gave their reports. The subcommittee for **Agenda Item 2024-01-06 003 Area 41 to form a new Area committee tasked with hosting the area reunions** did not meet. They agreed to meet via Zoom to discuss this item. The committee then discussed the Newsletter agenda items: **2026-01-10 006 Agenda Item Change the Area 41 Newsletter distribution process so that the standard printed copies just include the agenda, voting items, business meeting minutes, new agenda items, agenda items still in committee, contact list, and the Officer reports.** Printed copies of the additional reports will only be printed as requested on demand from the Area Secretary and **2022-04-02 005 (n) That Area 41 make District Committee Member (DCM) reports available on the Area 41 website rather than printing them in the Newsletter.** What each item would remove was discussed along with questions related to how this relates to our Traditions, how much will actually be cut, would costs potentially increase per page if we print less, how to ensure we maintain transparency and access, and will this create barriers? It was noted that shopping around can greatly reduce costs along with the large number of leftover newsletters along with the observation that people are already cutting back on the number of newsletter orders or opting for the digital copy - change is happening currently. All items were tabled until the next meeting.

Report and Charter meet April 11th with 9 in attendance including two first timers. The minutes were read and approved. The Newsletter Chair and Registrar gave their reports. The subcommittee met and discussed **Agenda Item 2024-01-06 003 Area 41 to form a new Area committee tasked with hosting the State Convention.** They recommended that the Report and Charter take no action. Report and Charter accepted the recommendation and voted unanimously to take no action. **Agenda item 2026-01-10 006 Change the Area 41 Newsletter distribution process so that the standard printed copies just include the agenda, voting items, business meeting minutes, new agenda items, agenda items still in committee, contact list, and the Officer reports. Printed copies of the additional reports will only be printed as requested on demand from the Area Secretary** was next discussed. It was noted additional items would be excluded as the item is currently written. Along with this, concerns were brought up about transparency, access, where the excluded reports would be on the website, and the importance of funded positions to report back to the body. The committee voted unanimously to take no action. **Agenda item 2022-04-02 005 (n) That Area 41 make District Committee Member (DCM) reports available on the Area 41 website rather than printing them in the Newsletter** was briefly discussed next. The committee set the date for the next meeting at noon CST on March 17th via Zoom. A motion was made to close the meeting and approve unanimously. Thank you to all who attended! Thank you for allowing me to serve.

Yours in service, Zach I., Area 41 Secretary

Technology and Communications:

1. Opening: Serenity Prayer, Welcome & Introductions, Update contact list
2. Review & Approval of Previous Minutes: January 10, 2026 Committee Meeting, January 31 & February 15, 2026 Joint Tech/Finance Meetings
3. Committee Purpose & Scope (Brief Review): Maintain Area 41 website, Support Area technology needs, Assist with hybrid assemblies, Serve as research/support body to Area
4. Reports (if any): Webmaster, A/V Servant
5. Old Business / Continuing Items: Email Subscription Service – revisit and determine next steps, Additional question on emails, do we need to submit a voting item to area Changed email hosts – original framework servant sent out email, Wanted to send from an area.org, Implement a distribution list via a google admin console of google workspace (ie to newsletter subscriber or a delegate subscriber), Need to allow external members, Restrict spam, AA: Sarah says she will set a test group using our committee and we will review the next meeting Hybrid Equipment Purchase – review quotes, scope, and budget considerations – tabled – do we table for good or?, Area finances are tight – Finance committee does not have \$2500 for purchase, We are able to host today successfully because of the truncated requirements (1 meeting room, GSC only), We could not get a second breakout room hybrid given our current tech items we own (i.e. July Area – Alanon uses current room, there will be breakout), Corey is providing support to Reunion (so he is busy that weekend), Wordly implementation also changed requirements (low vs. high fidelity text on screens) Corey made a motion to meet with Agenda committee next month to ensure we get the AV coverage/equipment right as well as Wordly performance diagnostic – passed AA: Ann reaches out to Nick to set the meeting Equipment Guidelines & Insurance – inventory, responsibility, and coverage, Area has a general liability insurance but provides no coverage for transit, Tabled until we know what equipment we will need insured
6. New Business: Meeting Update Form (TSML-aligned) – discuss scope, fields, and routing Sarah wants to update plugin on website, AA: Sarah will implement new plugin as described Contact Page Landing Page – improve user direction before submissions, i.e. Omaha website contact us form, Sarah wants to implement for Area 41 – choice of meeting, event, chairperson, etc. make that more clear, AA: Sarah will make routing email contact form/submissions etc., Contact Form Categories & Routing – implement categorized submissions and notifications, Adding a subject category to a submission AA: Sarah will add a subject category to online submission, Create anonymous video shorts on Canva with CPCPI on steps and traditions/PSA, could be added to Area 41 website, D23 and me website has these little videos already, we could ask permission to use, Also good to do a joint project with CPCPI, AA: Ann reaches to CPCPI chair to schedule joint meetings for second meeting between Area
7. Planning & Action Items: Assign responsibilities, Set timelines, Identify items to move forward to Area
8. Schedule: Confirmed next meeting date May 17th 1PM CST, 90 minutes, Invite Agenda committee, Agenda has to be out 2 weeks after assy, needs to be set by 4/23/26, Nick is going to reach to Tech Comm/AV, There is still some question about AV needs/wants for the future, they do want 2 rooms hybrid, Determine subcommittee needs
9. Closing: Announcements, Gratitude for service, Serenity Prayer

2026 Area 41 State Convention: No Report

Service Position Reports:

Archivist:

Hello Area 41!! Thank you for the opportunity to serve.

This quarter I have been given the opportunity to research some past actions relating to the history of voting members at the area assemblies and the creation and development of the area newsletter. I was able to pull up some of the minutes from the various discussions we have had on these topics over the years. Some of the hand writing I was even able to decipher. It is a good reminder that we are always a work in progress when you get to see that some of the obstacles we face today on these issues have been similar to the discussions had in the past. It also emphasized the importance of making sure that as much of our shared history is as readily available to all of our fellowship as is possible. The materials we have stored are getting a bit up there in age and it sometimes makes the digitization process a bit tedious and cumbersome.

Speaking of tedious and cumbersome, I started digitizing some of the 7mm reel to reel tapes we have and ran into a few issues. After getting the software to actually save the recordings – only got to listen to the first speaker four times to figure that part out; I thought I had a good system in place. As I was digitizing the second side of the tape, I was cocky enough to step away for about ten minutes. When I came back, I was presented with a tennis ball sized tangle of the tape

as a reminder that I need to be more prudent and deliberate in the digitizing process. A fair number of hours later and the tape is almost back on the reel. Although, I may set that particular reel aside for a time.

I have also been working with the Omaha Area Archives committee. We are working together to update our acquisitions and contributions tracking systems as we feel that the history of the items in our respective holdings is something that needs to be recorded and preserved along with the items themselves. The forms will help us understand where the item has been and the role it has played in our shared history. The Omaha Area committee and I are also sharing each other's experience with the digitization process and what obstacles we both face. The largest issues are the time the process takes and how best to catalog the digital holdings. I have been interacting with Archives committees in other regions and with GSO – it seems this is just another example of all of us being works in progress.

The Omaha Area Committee is also updating their public display at the Omaha Central Office and has agreed to allocate a section of the display to AA History in Nebraska as a whole. We plan to showcase how AA moved throughout the state from our first group in 1943.

If you have any questions or just some curiosity about our shared history, please let me know and I will try to see what I can find to help answer your inquiry and/or satiate your curiosity. I hope to be able to start making some of the holdings searchable in the not too distant future.

Yours in service, Brian R., Area 41 Archivist, archivist@area41.org

Audio/Visual:

these are the meetings that are recorded and the zoom attendance:

General Service Conference Breakout Discussions - 7 zoom attendees

General Service Conference Large Group Sharing -

9 zoom attendees

Area Committee Meetings - 5 zoom attendees

Workshop: Area 41 Budget Feedback -

5 zoom attendees who also

attended the General Service Conference Large Group Sharing

Speaker - 2 zoom attendees

Those sessions are recorded and ready to be posted and archived.

Business Reports - 7 members attending on zoom.

Business Meeting - 13 members on zoom

Wordly - the spanish translation app - was set up with the area chair and secretary.

Getting ready for State Convention in June

Cory

First Timer Orientation:

We had approximately 20 members join for their First or Second Timer Orientation. We had a rousing conversation on the functions of the Area and how this assembly is unique with its purpose to prepare the Delegate for the General Service Conference. We reviewed the agenda for the weekend, how to participate, and resources available, including on the Area 41 website.

Newsletter:

Hello Area 41,

On February 13, I sent the newsletters into the printer in North Platte. While they initially quoted a one-week turnaround time to get the printed newsletters, it ultimately took two weeks to receive them.

I want to thank everyone who reduced the number of newsletters they ordered for their districts. This adjustment lowered our total from 400 English to 325 English and 25 Spanish newsletters, 100 of which were simply extras for Area itself.

The total printing cost for the 350 newsletters was \$270.70. For a comparison the cost of the January newsletters exceeded \$800 dollars.

The newsletters were picked up on February 26, they were sent out the following day with the postage totalling \$182.06. If anyone needs to update their mailing address, received a printed newsletter and does not want one next time, or did not receive one and would like to this next time, please come see me so I can make this right for you. I am still missing

information for a few districts regarding how many newsletters they would like, so please touch base with me if you have not done so already or would like to confirm your request.

Please feel free to email me at newsletter@area41.org to update any information. Thank you again to all who have helped reduce the number of newsletters so we can help our Area budget. Your efforts are greatly appreciated.

Yours in service, Jaiden W.

Registrar:

Greetings Area 41, my name is Mark and I am an Alcoholic and your Area 41 Registrar. All group & district changes that I received up to yesterday (Saturday) at noon have been updated in Fellowship Connection. Remember you can fill out the Group/District change form digitally on the Area 41 website or fill out one of the paper copies we have available here today. Keeping our group and district records up to date is essential to helping us to better communicate throughout our service structure. District Committee Members, over the upcoming quarter I will be reaching out for your help in updating your groups Fellowship Connection records. If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to me via email at registrar@area41.org or phone at 402-326-0871. Look forward to seeing many of you at the upcoming Area State Convention in June.

Yours in Service, Mark S.

Webmaster:

Since the last Assembly, I've completed a large amount of general website maintenance and updates. From what I remembered to log, I've added roughly 70 events and made well over 100 updates to meetings and group listings, plus a large inactive-meeting cleanup (~50 listings); organized and posted GSC agenda materials; have supported State Convention registrations; and continued building out district pages. The intended baseline layout for district pages includes a button linking to your District's meetings, a contact form, plus dynamic sections for latest posts and upcoming events. I do have a backlog of district updates that I'm actively working through.

I attended WCRAASC virtually and have also attended Lincoln Intergroup, Omaha Technology Committee, and State Convention Committee meetings.

We did experience a brief site outage in March. I believe this lasted less than 24 hours and appears to have been caused by a temporary conflict between a plugin and our site's theme.

I've continued cleaning up and standardizing meeting list data between our list and the Lincoln and Omaha intergroups. This has been a significant effort, and I appreciate the help I've received so far. Lincoln Intergroup and Central Office sites now link to filtered views of our Area 41 meeting list instead of hosting duplicate lists, so we should not see any further conflicts regarding Lincoln area meeting data in the Meeting Guide App. Omaha meeting list QC working towards conversion into a shared feed is still in progress. I invite continued quality assistance from all DCMs—if it helps, I can generate printed reports of your district's meetings from the area list.

Thank you to everyone helping improve the meeting list data and website content. Without your content, our website would be a hollow skeleton. Your content and data carry the message by helping Nebraska alcoholics find meetings, fellowship, and service opportunities.

I'm still working through some requests from the January Assembly, where I had jotted down hand-written notes. Going forward, it would help me greatly if verbal requests are also emailed to me at webmaster@area41.org, so I can better track them and resolve in the order received when possible. I am still working through all emails and notes in my possession but also invite a friendly nudge if you are still waiting on me for something!

I also want to briefly speak to an anonymity concern.

I was recently asked to post a newsletter that included two members' last names within email addresses. That put me in an uncomfortable position.

Our Website Guidelines state that newsletters posted online must be anonymity protected, and that content in both public and restricted sections of the site should be anonymity protected. Our Area documentation indicates that the Newsletter service position will "remove last names" from the newsletter, but does not specifically define how to handle last names contained within an email address. I was informed that this lack of specificity falls outside of the Technology and Communications committee's scope within the Website Guidelines to determine the content of the website. Therefore, I will submit an agenda item to help clarify what Area considers an anonymity break in digital documents. I welcome a fresh Area conscience on this, so we can move forward with clear and consistent guidance.

In love and service, Sarah R.

Workshop:

Greetings, Area 41 !

Since being selected for this position, I have been fortunate to hear from Districts interested in hosting a workshop. In March, I attended the District 5 business meeting to discuss having them host a workshop this fall. Several topics were discussed, and we will have a format, time and date soon. Thanks so much to Brody and District 5 for offering to host, and making me feel so welcome at their meeting.

I have also heard from District 14 about interest in hosting, and will be working with them to determine possible dates. We are still hoping to have a summer Workshop, and I'm looking for districts that might be open to planning something in the next few weeks. Please let me know if you feel you might be willing to help with this, though I know it is a short planning period.

With two workshops in the planning stages, we still have room on the calendar for more. As soon as we have the details for District 5's event, I will be reaching out to DCM's to see if there is interest in helping with other dates and times. Thanks to everyone who has helped me with my first steps as Workshop Chair, and to their patience with my steep learning curve !

Again, if the groups in your District have an interest in holding a workshop this year, I would love to work with you. There are many topics that can be covered, and it's a great way to support the three legacies in your part of the state. Yours in service, Lisa V., Area 41 Workshop Chair

DCM Reports:

District 1:

Hello Area 41. District 1 meets the first Tuesday of the Month at the River of Life Church at 7 p.m. These last couple of months have brought in new faces and I am excited to say that we now have 3 more positions filled, Mark H. for Intergroup; Dustin P for Workshop and Doug M for Alcahthon. We still have Bridging the Gap CPC/PI, Grapevine and Christmas Party positions available. Our Alt DCM will be reaching out to our club houses in our area to see if we can attract further group participation at the District and Area levels.

Our new workshop chair has an "AA Grapevine: Writing Your Story" workshop scheduled for May 30, 2026 @ The Heart Ministry Center on 24th & Binney. Flyers coming out soon.

District 1 is also very involved with bringing meetings into many of our correctional facilities; we received a request via Ken B and Aubrie R after meeting a liaison coordinator of the Nebraska Department of Correctional Services and we were willing and able to donate a case of Plain Language Big Books to them.

I'm looking forward to seeing how Area prepares our Delegate to attend the 76th General Service Conference.

In Service, Shelly L.

District 2:

District 2 has had a strong start this rotation. With 77 meetings, I've been getting out to the groups to build relationships, strengthen communication, and connect on ideas for future workshops. The response has been very positive, and there's a real sense of willingness to grow and stay connected.

Our first workshop is scheduled for April 25 at 6:00 PM. It will be a GSR workshop with food, a speaker, and fellowship. One thing I've noticed is that many groups either don't have a GSR or may not fully understand the role—so this is a great opportunity to strengthen our foundation. I'll also be bringing GSR pamphlets out to the groups to help support that effort.

I've been connecting with neighboring districts around Omaha, and there's been strong openness to collaboration, including the possibility of joint workshops to increase participation.

We're also working on building a district website, launching a monthly newsletter, and exploring additional contribution options.

We've been averaging just over 20 people at district each month, which is a great start—and I believe we'll continue to build on that momentum moving forward.

District 3:

Greetings Area 41,

District 3 is alive and well! We are getting into a groove and the swing of things with our new members. It has been a minute (over 20 years) since I have been involved in Area service. If you want to hear a story about a higher power showing off, ask me how I ended up as DCM for a District that I hadn't attended. (thanks Steve S). We are meeting monthly, have a few groups attending, a new intergroup rep, secretary and treasurer.

District 3 is hosting a Founders Day Celebration on Saturday evening, June 13, in Lincoln, NE at The Meeting Place. Details fourth coming...there may be a costume contest involved as well as honoring our history and stories/the ripple impact of one drunk talking to another.

In Service, Ali

District 4:

Greetings area 41 my name is Alex I am the newly elected DCM for district 4.

We had our district meeting March 1st at 7:00 it was better attended than when we did it in the afternoon.

9 meetings in our district were reported on.

We have been busy getting contact information on all the groups in the district. We have most of them and our district secretary has been reaching out with all the updates on district 4. We discussed the agenda items. All in all it was a good district meeting. Our next one is Sunday June 14 at 7:00 p.m. chapter 5 and I was hoping that maybe Russ would be willing to give his delegates report.

On a sad note a long time member of AA in our district

Tim N from Oakland passed away recently. He will be greatly missed.

We still have a lot of service positions to be filled Hopefully our June meeting will fill some of them

The young people put on their annual hog roast in March. It was well attended.

As the newly elected DCM I plan on attending several of the meetings in my district and make them aware of what the district does.

The Washington county jail meeting is going well for both the men and the women. I am looking forward to attending meetings there as well.

Thanks for allowing me to be of service

Alex H DCM district 4

District 5:

I'm Brody, District 5 DCM.

Things are starting to get busy this Spring. There are multiple gatherings going on throughout the district over the next few months. Cortland County Line Wild Bunch Celebrates 30 years on the 17th this month. Nebraska City celebrates 79 years of AA later this month on the 25th. Beatrice has their Annual Summer Family AA Picnic on June 14th. Flyers can be found on the District 5 page of the Area 41 website. Our Groups/Members are starting to get familiar with the District 5 page on the Area 41 website. This has proved to be very useful to get information to a lot of people at once. Area 41 Webmaster, Sarah, has been very helpful in getting me up to speed on all of that.

Area Workshop Chair, Lisa, attended our last district meeting in March to discuss a 4-Corners workshop in our District. The response was great. Multiple people stepped up, willing to help. I'm looking forward to our District helping put on a good 4-Corners workshop. I've had some success getting new GSRs for meetings that didn't have one before. And continue to be active in trying to keep our meeting list updated in District 5. Area Registrar, Mark, has been a help in getting some issues figured out with a few meetings.

Overall, meetings seem to be strong around our district, with attendance on the rise.

Thank you for letting me serve,

Brody H, District 5 DCM

District 6: No Report

District 7:

Greetings Area 41, I am Eddie alternate DCM

The rooms have been full in Gothenburg. We celebrate birthdays often and have good membership, the group is alive and well. Contributions have been good to fund the group with all our needs.

The Stratton group just celebrated 4 years and had a great birthday event. Usually 10-20 members are in attendance in our small town.

Friday Saturday Night Alive group is going great with usually 10-20 members. On March 14th we celebrated the group's birthday with a great event and tons of fellowship.

The Uptown group in McCook has been full with 11 meetings per week. Noon meetings are very popular. The evening meetings are full with a lot of new members.

The Saturday morning Serenity Seekers women's group is always growing; they stay on topic with lots of recovery. There are usually 6-15 in attendance with new members regularly.

Yours in Service,
Eddie P, ALT DCM

District 8:

Good morning, Area 41,

My name is Yvonne C, and I serve as the DCM for District 8, which encompasses North Platte, a portion of Gothenburg, Sutherland, Stapleton, and Wallace. Our district currently includes a dedicated team consisting of a DCM, Secretary, Treasurer, two GSRs, and a CPC/PI Chair.

At present, our team is focused on organizing updated meeting schedules and preparing Area 41 contact cards to share with our community. Additionally, we are reaching out to the local police station to confirm whether AA meetings are still being brought into the jail. As we clarify these requirements, we remain committed to supporting and participating in these important meetings.

Looking ahead, District 8 has enthusiastically agreed to facilitate the July 4th Campout at Lake Maloney in 2026, and we have already started planning the event's details.

As always, weather permitting, I am eager to attend AA meetings throughout our district, upholding our First Tradition and fostering a unified fellowship.

Thank you, Area 41, for the opportunity to help ensure that Alcoholics Anonymous remains available for generations to come.

In service, Yvonne C

District 9:

Hello. Groups continue to offer an average of 45 AA meetings a week throughout District 9. A group is also starting a Plain Language Big Book study available on zoom. The Panhandle Jamboree, April 24-26 in Scottsbluff is upcoming and pre-registration is healthy! -Jessica

District 10: No Report

District 11:

Greetings Area 41,

I'm Donna alcoholic DCM, Dist 11. Our district is doing well overall. Attendance is steady, our groups are doing well. We're preparing for some upcoming events; at our Friday night South Sioux City group Neal K. will be celebrating 35 yrs on April 24th. In May, our Stanton Change of Pace group on Sunday 17th will be celebrating 23 yrs (there's a flyer on back table). Just last month one of our former DCM's Travis H. celebrated 13 yrs. Coming up in July, our Wayne Wed Night group will be celebrating 81 years of AA up in Northeast NE on the 11th. With the participation from our 14 meetings throughout the district, we are truly grateful for all our members who continue to show up & serve.

Yours In Service, Donna J.

District 12:

Greetings from District 12

Litchfield group hosted the business meeting on March 29th with 8 members present representing 7 groups. All groups present reported good attendance at meetings. Topic was brought up about how to handle problems in meetings.

Also discussed was if the district has ever sent donations to Area. No treasurer present so this was tabled.

Next business meeting will be in Burwell on June 28th hosted by Burwell and Taylor groups. I have reached out to Area 41 delegate to attend and present his report from the General Service Conference!

Yours in Service, David B

District 13:

Hi Area, 41, I'm Hondo F. Alcoholic and district 13 DCM

Our district met on March 21st at the Ogallala club house. Before the business meeting was the open AA meeting and then the normally scheduled potluck with Ogallala's Friendship group providing spiraled ham for the main dish. Thanks John E! There were 20 members present for the business meeting. 6 of our 8 groups were represented by a GSR, Alt GSR or GSR report.

Our 2 Sidney groups hosted a round robin with chuck V reporting 45 people in attendance. Grant meeting hosted their annual breakfast feed at their new meeting location of 500 Warren Ave at the Methodist church. Also reporting 45 people in attendance. Thanks to everyone that came to these making them great events!

District 13 events coming up include Ogallala camp out and round robin May 15-17 & Enders campout mid-June around the summer solstice.

Yours in service, Hondo

District 14:

My name is Larry, I'm an alcoholic, and DCM of District 14. Meetings are going good in our district. Bassett and Ainsworth groups have had up to 20 people attending meetings. Valentine groups have had 3 newcomers since last Area. Thedford has 3 members and Cody has 3-5 members attending their meetings. No activities to report. In district meetings we've discussed the upcoming voting items for Area 41.

District 15: No Report

District 16:

6:45 Allitude Adjustment Mtg celebrated 40 years April 6, 2026 with a breakfast meeting with 30 in attendance. A bowling party was held with almost 30 in attendance in March for members of district 16 and 303 Madison. We've held 3 meetings to work on the upcoming State Convention in June with wonderful help from many state members. Finally the Spring Classic April 18th 9:00

District 17: No Report

District 18: No Report

District 19: No Report

District 20:

Greetings Area 41! We continue to have great participation from both our committees and our GSRs. I am happy to report that all of our committee chairs are still filled and the committee chairs are working diligently to fill their committees.

District 20 is looking forward to the 40th Annual Pockets of Enthusiasm being held June 19th – June 21st at Eugene T. Mahoney State Park in Ashland, NE.

Yours in Service, Gail K

District 21:

Greetings Area 41! District 21, which encompasses the southwest quadrant of Lincoln and the surrounding area, has been active this year. We are still seeking an alternate DCM.

Our next planned event will be our annual Unity picnic in the fall. Between now and then, we will be visiting the groups in the District and inviting them to let us know how we can support them in carrying the AA message.

As DCM, I continue serving on the Area Agenda Committee and our GSRs will be contributing to the work of the committees of their choice. We will also continue to collaborate with the Lincoln Intergroup.

Yours in service,
Rebecca T., District 21 DCM

District 23:

Good Morning. All is well at District 23. Our annual Sponsorship and Service Workshop will be held on May 9th in Ralston, Nebraska. Please visit our website d23ne.org for more information.

Nancy M. District 23's Institutions/Bridging the Gap Chair has been working on a Detox Essential Program. This program would prepare kits to give to area detox/treatment centers in District 23 and Omaha. These kits would include basic hygiene products and an AA "business card" with the cost of each kit around \$5.00. Nancy has discussed with the City Institutions/Bridging the Gap Committee and they are supportive. We have researched this and find that this will not break any of the Traditions since the business card is for informational purposes only. Other area Districts in the Omaha area are also thinking about starting this program. If your District is interested please contact Nancy M. on the District 23 website or me.

District 23 hosts Mini Workshops throughout the year. Usually every other month. Please visit our website at d23ne.org for more information.

Thank you for allowing me to serve. Lori B.

District 24:

Greetings from District 24, we have meetings in Albion, David City, Fullerton, Genoa, Schuyler, and in Columbus at the 12x12, St. Luke's Church, and Trinity Lutheran Church. Attendance is good at district meetings; we now send texts out to GSRs & Alternates one week before the meeting and again on the morning of the meeting. Some ladies began taking a meeting to the Platte County Detention Facility. We will be having a picnic this fall, in August or September. Attendance is up with several new members at our Friday night meeting and the Wednesday meeting in Schuyler is growing too. Our SOS treatment center has been bringing people to our Tuesday night meeting again; they are a welcome addition.

Thank you, Jerry M.

District 25:

Greetings Area 41! District 25 is starting to grow! We have filled almost all of our committees and for the last couple of months have had well attended District meetings. We even have had a couple of new groups send representatives (Dead Serious and Centered Ladies) to the meetings as of late. We have elected a new treasurer and I am grateful. This last month District 25 was able to donate 12 Plain Language BIG Books to the Douglas County Corrections. Looking forward to what we can continue to accomplish this year.

Yours in Service, Ed L.

District 26:

Good morning Area 41. District 26 in central Nebraska is doing doing ok...no peaks and valleys. While District still searches for a willing DCM, serving by committee is an effective, temporary solution. Groups are growing and experiencing the attendant growing pains. We're sticking together through it and continuing to carry the message to the next suffering alcoholic...it's kinda what we're supposed to be doing anyway.

In Service

Tim S Alt DCM26

District 28:

Greetings Area 41, my name is Jamie B. District 28 DCM and I am an alcoholic. We had our Annual AA District 28 Winter Social February 21, 2026 at Bay Hills Golf Course Club House in Plattsmouth. We had an amazing turn out of fellows who attended. We enjoyed dinner that was catered from Bay Hills and socializing with one another, had a raffle where we raffled off 14 AA approved literature books. David from Plattsmouth was our speaker who shared his experience, strength and hope with all of us. I am happy to announce that District 28 in February has also started having AA meetings 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month in the Cass County Jail. The jail has not had meetings in the jail since COVID. There has been an amazing amount of inmates who have attended and participate in the meeting. This could not have happened had we not had an incredible amount of fellows volunteering, I am grateful for the help from others to make this possible. District 28 meetings are still going strong and well. We are also working on organizing our District 28 Summer AA picnic for June 6, 2026. Thank you all for allowing me to serve as DCM.

Jamie B. Alcoholic

District 29:

Mark C. alcoholic, DCM for District 29

I have been trying to get to as many of the Meetings in our District as possible to introduce myself and encourage their groups to have a voice in AA as a whole. So far I have been to 14 of the groups and will continue.

As of last month we changed location for our District meeting. We had been meeting in Ashland. We are now meeting the second Thursday of the month at 6 PM at
 Bethany Christian Church
 1645 N Cotner
 Lincoln NE

The hope for this move is to encourage participation by making it more convenient for the bulk of groups in the district. District 29 consists of basically northeast Lincoln, stretching out east to Eagle and northeast up to Gretna.

We usually have 5 or 6 Groups represented at the District meeting. The main emphasis has been on Area discussion and the GSC. I would like to thank Russ for his constant updates as this helps me keep the GSR's informed. All I have to do then is pass this information on.

I would like to thank District 29 for allowing me to serve.

District 31:

District 31 extends its warmest greetings to all of Area 41 and the AA community at large, wishing you blessed 24 hours of sobriety. District 31 hereby informs you that it will continue to meet on the second Sunday of each month, except when it conflicts with the Area 41 assembly, in which case the meeting is moved to the third Sunday of the month. At the March 8 meeting held at the Sobriedad group in Norfolk, Brother Manuel from the Mi Primera Experiencia group in Schuyler was elected as District Secretary, as the previously elected member was no longer able to continue in the role due to personal circumstances. We continue to encourage unity and service, as we still have vacancies in the district to fill. District 31 thanks Area 41 for the action taken regarding the assembly translation with Wordy, as in my personal case it will help me better understand what is happening at the assembly and, in the same way, better communicate and express the sentiments of District 31. The Mi Primera Experiencia group invites you to celebrate its 35th anniversary on April 11 of this year, starting at 4 p.m., with a public event at Deleon's Hall, located at 321 E 10th St, Schuyler, NE 68661. The Rescate Group invites you to celebrate its 33rd anniversary on April 18 starting at 5 p.m. at the Guadalupe Hall located at 5005 S 23rd St, Omaha, NE 68107, with a public information session. The Renacimiento Group invites you to celebrate its 23rd anniversary on May 16 at 5 p.m. in the San Francisco Hall located at 4512 S 32nd St, Omaha, NE 68107, with a public information session, District 31 will celebrate its 22nd anniversary on June 14 at 12 pm and onwards at the meeting place of the Tres Legados group, 2748 S 3rd St, 3rd floor, Lincoln, NE 68503, with a sharing of Chapter 2 of the AA Service Manual by the GSRs. We also inform Area 41 that we continue to work on organizing the 53rd AA Hispanic Convention for the U.S. and Canada, to be held on September 4, 5, and 6, 2026, at the Hilton Hotel located at 1001 Cass St, Omaha, NE 68102. Room reservations are currently at 33%. The agenda is currently being developed. We would like to inform you that there will be a room available on Friday, the 4th, and Saturday, the 5th, for English-speaking meetings, and one for Alateen. In my July report, I will provide more detailed information regarding schedules and room assignments for each group. We will also have space available for the literature and vineyard committees, and we cordially invite members of those committees to attend. That is all for now. Sincerely,
 Cesar M 531 203 3510 or cesarmoranfunes@gmail.com DCM of Distrito 31

District 32:

Here at District 32 we continue to have various types of events. We had a pot luck in February with a speaker. We just had a pie Friday two weeks ago. Meetings are going pretty good. We continue to have our business meetings on the 1st Monday of the month. We are planning a spring picnic on 6/13/26.

Yours in service Terry K District 32 DCM.

Seventh Tradition	
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The Responsibility Statement

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

1965 A.A. International Convention in Toronto, Canada

Area 41 Financial Report

1/1/26 through 3/31/26

General Fund - Main Account and Officer/Chair Accounts

Beginning Balances **\$35,665.98**

First Quarter Revenue	
Group Contributions	8,657.38
State Convention Registration	108.93
Literature	1,822.73
Grapevine	469.95
Total Revenue	11,058.99

First Quarter Expenses	
Delegate	4,050.32
Alternate Delegate	1,847.1
Chair	686.1
Secretary	2,740.81
Treasurer	909.65
Accessibilities, Accommodations, Treatment & Remote Communities	167.4
Archives	796.46
CPC/PI	163.59
Corrections	0
Grapevine	1,486.71
Literature	2,018.73
Registrar	159.8
Newsletter	647.71
Tech/Communications	273.8
Workshop	109
Total Expenses	16,057.18

Net Loss **-4,998.19**

2025 Sales Tax Payment **913.23**

Outstanding Checks from 1st Quarter **461.73**

Ending Balances **32,042.75**

Prudent Reserve

Beginning Balance **18,097.1**

Interest Earned 22.78

Ending Balance **18,119.41**

***Group contributions should be made to Area 41 Assembly*

***Please include Group Name, Group Number and District Number*

Respectfully submitted,

Char S.

Area 41 Treasurer

Area 41 Financial Report
Budget-to-Actuals by Officer/Committee
1/1/2026 to 3/1/2026

Delegate			
<i>Q1 2026</i>			
Expenses	Actual	Budget	Under/(Over) Budget
Area Meeting Hotel	0.00	0.00	0.00
Area Meeting Mileage	68.44	71.92	3.48
Four Corners Workshop	0.00	75.00	75.00
Postage/Printing/Office Supplies	0.00	15.00	15.00
Delegates Report Mileage	104.00	500.00	396.00
WCRAASC Hotel/Parking	644.59	1,144.88	500.29
WCRAASC Presenters	233.29	500.00	266.71
Regional Forum	0.00	0.00	0.00
General Service Conference	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00
GSC Transportation	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Expenses	4,050.32	5,306.80	1,256.48

Chair			
<i>Q1 2026</i>			
Expenses	Actual	Budget	Under/(Over) Budget
Area Meeting Hotel	0.00	0.00	0.00
Area Meeting Mileage	84.68	87.00	2.32
Four Corners Workshop	0.00	75.00	75.00
Postage/Printing/Office Supplies	0.00	6.00	6.00
WCRAASC Hotel/Parking	343.16	300.00	(43.16)
WCRAASC Mileage/Registration	189.50	154.86	(34.64)
First Timer Orientation	0.00	25.00	25.00
Zoom Account	68.76	60.00	(8.76)
Additional Disbursement	0.00	30.00	30.00
Total Expenses	686.10	647.86	(38.24)

Treasurer			
<i>Q1 2026</i>			
Expenses	Actual	Budget	Under/(Over) Budget
Area Meeting Hotel	0.00	0.00	0.00
Area Meeting Mileage	84.00	84.10	0.10
Four Corners Workshop	0.00	75.00	75.00
Postage/Printing/Office Supplies	78.00	6.00	(72.00)
WCRAASC Hotel/Parking	343.16	450.00	106.84
WCRAASC Mileage/Registration	116.01	312.62	196.61
Bank Fees/Filing Fees	0.00	15.00	15.00
Hotline	288.48	0.00	(288.48)
Total Expenses	909.65	942.72	33.07

Archives			
<i>Q1 2026</i>			
Expenses	Actual	Budget	Under/(Over) Budget
Area Meeting Hotel	54.70	109.40	54.70
Area Meeting Mileage	41.76	85.84	44.08
Four Corners Workshop	0.00	75.00	75.00
Postage/Printing/Office Supplies	0.00	6.00	6.00
Archivist Supplies	0.00	50.00	50.00
Archives Rent	700.00	0.00	(700.00)
Total Expenses	796.46	326.24	(470.22)

Corrections			
<i>Q1 2026</i>			
Expenses	Actual	Budget	Under/(Over) Budget
Area Meeting Hotel	0.00	109.40	109.40
Area Meeting Mileage	0.00	84.68	84.68
Bank Fees	0.00	0.00	0.00
Postage/Printing/Office Supplies	0.00	10.00	10.00
Four Corners Workshop	0.00	75.00	75.00
Committee Literature	0.00	50.00	50.00
Total Expenses	0.00	329.08	329.08

Grapevine			
<i>Q1 2026</i>			
Revenue	Actual		
Grapevine Sales	469.95		
Expenses	Actual	Budget	Under/(Over) Budget
Area Meeting Hotel	218.80	218.80	0.00
Area Meeting Mileage	53.94	58.58	4.64
Four Corners Workshop	0.00	75.00	75.00
Postage/Printing/Office Supplies	0.00	6.00	6.00
Grapevine Literature	1,213.97		
Total Expenses	1,486.71	358.38	85.64

Alternate Delegate			
<i>Q1 2026</i>			
Expenses	Actual	Budget	Under/(Over) Budget
Area Meeting Hotel	109.40	0.00	(109.40)
Area Meeting Mileage	172.26	172.26	0.00
Four Corners Workshop	0.00	75.00	75.00
Postage/Printing/Office Supplies	0.00	6.00	6.00
WCRAASC Hotel/Parking	466.59	450.00	(16.59)
WCRAASC Mileage/Registration	198.85	397.88	199.03
Regional Forum	0.00	0.00	0.00
Area Meeting Facility	900.00	900.00	0.00
Insurance	0.00	275.00	275.00
Total Expenses	1,847.10	2,276.14	429.04

Secretary			
<i>Q1 2026</i>			
Expenses	Actual	Budget	Under/(Over) Budget
Area Meeting Hotel	109.40	109.40	0.00
Area Meeting Mileage	0.00	122.38	122.38
Four Corners Workshop	0.00	75.00	75.00
Postage/Printing/Office Supplies	0.00	6.00	6.00
Translation Services	2,270.50	2,245.50	(25.00)
WCRAASC Hotel/Parking	313.16	450.00	136.84
WCRAASC Mileage/Registration	47.75	346.84	299.09
Regional Forum	0.00	0.00	0.00
Handbook	0.00	200.00	200.00
Total Expenses	2,740.81	3,555.12	814.31

Accessibilities, Accommodations, Treatment & Remote Communities			
<i>Q1 2026</i>			
Expenses	Actual	Budget	Under/(Over) Budget
Area Meeting Hotel	109.40	109.40	0.00
Area Meeting Mileage	58.00	58.00	0.00
Four Corners Workshop	0.00	75.00	75.00
Postage/Printing/Office Supplies	0.00	6.00	6.00
Committee Literature	0.00	20.00	20.00
			0.00
			0.00
Total Expenses	167.40	268.40	101.00

CPC			
<i>Q1 2026</i>			
Expenses	Actual	Budget	Under/(Over) Budget
Area Meeting Hotel	98.35	109.40	11.05
Area Meeting Mileage	55.10	58.58	3.48
CPC Workshop	0.00	500.00	500.00
Four Corners Workshop	0.00	0.00	0.00
Postage/Printing/Office Supplies	10.14	6.00	(4.14)
Deposit		0.00	
Total Expenses	163.59	673.98	510.39

Newsletter			
<i>Q1 2026</i>			
Expenses	Actual	Budget	Under/(Over) Budget
Area Meeting Hotel	109.40	109.40	0.00
Area Meeting Mileage	72.79	75.98	3.19
Four Corners Workshop	0.00	75.00	75.00
Postage	182.06	206.00	23.94
Copies/Printing	270.27	800.00	529.73
Bank Fees	13.19	0.00	(13.19)
Total Expenses	647.71	1,266.38	618.67

Literature			
<i>Q1 2026</i>			
Revenue	Actual		
Literature Sales	1,822.73		
Expenses	Actual	Budget	Under/(Over) Budget
Area Meeting Hotel	220.00	218.80	(1.20)
Area Meeting Mileage	87.13	78.88	(8.25)
Four Corners Workshop	0.00	75.00	75.00
Postage/Printing/Office Supplies	0.00	6.00	6.00
Literature Order	1,711.60		
Total Expenses	2,018.73	378.68	71.55

Registrar			
<i>Q1 2026</i>			
Expenses	Actual	Budget	Under/(Over) Budget
Area Meeting Hotel	109.40	109.40	0.00
Area Meeting Mileage	50.40	52.78	2.38
Four Corners Workshop	0.00	75.00	75.00
Postage/Printing/Office Supplies	0.00	6.00	6.00
Total Expenses	159.80	243.18	83.38

Tech/Communications			
<i>Q1 2026</i>			
Expenses	Actual	Budget	Under/(Over) Budget
Area Meeting Hotel	218.80	328.20	109.40
Area Meeting Mileage	55.00	110.20	55.20
Four Corners Workshop	0.00	75.00	75.00
Postage/Copies/Printing	0.00	6.00	6.00
Hosting Fees	0.00	230.00	230.00
Total Expenses	273.80	749.40	475.60

State Convention - Current Year 2026			
<i>Q1 2026</i>			
Revenue	Actual		
Reunion Income	0.00		
Expenses	Actual		
Reunion Expenses	0.00		
Total Expenses	0.00		

Workshop			
<i>Q1 2026</i>			
Expenses	Actual	Budget	Under/(Over) Budget
Area Meeting Hotel	109.00	109.40	0.40
Area Meeting Mileage	0.00	58.58	58.58
Four Corners Workshop	0.00	116.00	116.00
Postage/Copies/Printing	0.00	6.00	6.00
Workshop Facility	0.00	150.00	150.00
Total Expenses	109.00	439.98	330.98