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October 10-11, 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 Assembly	Oct. 10-11	2026	Grand Island, NE
Area 41 Assembly	Jan. 9-10	2027	Grand Island, NE
WCRAASC	Mar. 5-7	2027	Breezy Point, MN
Area 41 Assembly	Apr. 3-4	2027	Grand Island, NE
General Service Conference	Apr. 10-17	2027	New York City, NY

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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

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Support

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

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Saturday, October 10, 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 (H)	Important for First Time Attendees!
9:00 – 12:00 PM	<u>Area Committee Meetings (H)</u>	
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) <i>Wordly interpretation available</i>	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 – 4:00 PM <i>Wordly interpretation available</i>	Area 41 Inventory – Process Overview and then Breakout Groups (H)	
4:15 – 5:45 PM <i>Wordly interpretation available</i>	<u>Reports and Q&A (H)</u> -District Committee Members (DCMs) -Officers -Service Positions -Ask it Basket	Ask It Basket QR Code  SCAN ME
5:45 – 8:15 PM	Dinner *On Your Own*	Regroup, Refuel, Return!
8:15 – 9:15 PM	Open A.A. Speaker Meeting	

Sunday, October 11, 2026

7:00 – 7:50 AM	Open A.A. Breakfast Meeting	Rise and Shine
8:00 – 9:00 AM <i>Wordly interpretation available</i>	<u>Reports and Q&A (H)</u> -Area Committees - including additional committee considerations for agenda items still in committee -Ask it Basket	Ask It Basket QR Code  SCAN ME
9:00 – 10:45 AM <i>Wordly interpretation available</i>	Area 41 Inventory Breakout Group Report Backs and Full Assembly Sharing (H)	
11:00 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 (3)

(VOTE) 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.

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

Background: See the Appendix for budget detail.

(VOTE) Agenda Item 2026-01-10 003 Finance: To remove any Sponsorship or Incentive payments from outside venues when considering hotel bids.

Background: 7th Tradition states "We are self-supporting, declining outside contributions." When considering hotel bids for 2027 & 2028, two hotels offered payments from their local Visitors Bureau. These were removed. In the future, any such Sponsorships or Incentives will be deleted from any hotel bids that are submitted to Area 41 for presentation to the Fellowship.

New Agenda Items Assigned To Committee (7)

Agenda Item 2026-10-10 001 (Report & Charter): Establish as policy that substantial unanimity (two-thirds vote) be required for proposals that would alter the voting membership of the Area Assembly.

Background: The Area 41 Handbook identifies the voting membership of the Area Assembly but does not currently specify the vote required for proposals that would alter the Assembly's voting membership.

Agenda Item 2026-10-10 002 (Agenda): Develop a proposed policy for the acknowledgment, routing, and communication of written correspondence from Area 41 groups regarding Area 41 business, with any proposed policy to be presented to the Area Assembly for approval.

Background: Area 41 groups occasionally submit written correspondence to Area trusted servants regarding Area 41 business. This correspondence may include questions, suggestions, expressions of appreciation, or written communications accompanying Area contributions explaining a group's decision regarding financial support ("power of the purse").

The Area 41 Handbook does not currently establish a consistent process for acknowledging, routing, or communicating such correspondence regarding Area 41 business, including guidance on what correspondence should be communicated to the Area Assembly and by what means.

Agenda Item 2026-10-10 003 (Agenda): Request that the General Service Conference establish a formal process through which the Fellowship may petition the Conference for review of significant Conference actions through the General Service structure.

Background: The General Service Conference serves as the collective group conscience of Alcoholics Anonymous in the United States and Canada. When significant Conference actions generate widespread concern within the Fellowship, many members perceive few meaningful avenues for requesting review other than reducing Seventh Tradition contributions, withholding literature purchases, or disengaging from the General Service structure.

This proposal does not seek to diminish Conference authority or require reversal of Conference actions. It requests the establishment of a defined process through which the Fellowship may request review or reconsideration of significant Conference actions while remaining fully engaged in A.A.'s trusted servant structure.

A defined review process would provide an orderly means for Conference to receive, evaluate, and respond to substantial Fellowship concerns while preserving the principles of participation, responsibility, and unity.

Agenda Item 2026-10-10 004 (Agenda): Request that the General Service Conference establish a recurring review of existing Conference actions at intervals determined by Conference.

Background: Conference actions accumulate over time. This proposal requests establishment of a recurring Conference review process to evaluate whether existing Conference actions remain relevant, effective, require clarification, or should be retired. The proposal establishes a governance process rather than addressing any individual Conference action.

Agenda Item 2026-10-10 005 (Finance): That Area 41 stops funding the Area 41 Chair, Treasurer, and Secretary to attend the West Central Regional AA Service Conference.

Background: The current, total budgeted expenditures for the Area 41 Chair, Treasurer and Secretary to attend the next West Central Regional Conference is \$2014.32. The average budgeted expenses to attend the conference for those positions from 2023-2026 are \$1600.21. Halting this funding would free up funds to be used for other expenses that could include (but are not limited to) equipment for the Technology committee, translation and interpretation services, and workshops. Note: the Delegate and Alt-Delegate would still be funded to attend to help them prepare for the GSC.

Agenda Item 2026-10-10 006 (Report & Charter): That the book The A.A. Service Manual/Twelve Concepts for World Service (BM-31), hereafter referred to as the “Service Manual,” be included in the General Service Representative (G.S.R.) Kit and the District Committee Member (D.C.M.) Kit at no cost.

“The Third Legacy Manual” published in 1955 (renamed “The AA Service Manual” in 1969) has been provided free of charge to new General Service Representatives (G.S.R.s) as part of a service kit sent by the General Service Office (G.S.O.) when the group registers. Concept I of The Twelve Concepts for World Service: “The A.A. groups today hold ultimate responsibility and final authority for our world services.” The role of the GSR and DCM is essential to ensuring that groups and districts can fulfill that responsibility. Only when a G.S.R. keeps the group informed and communicates the group conscience can the Conference truly act for A.A. as a whole.

The Service Manual was removed post-pandemic from the physical kits for budget reasons, also related to paper shortage/availability. This proposal gets the Service Manual back into the hands of the new G.S.R. and D.C.M. with no financial burden to the newly elected trusted servant, group, or their district. Some G.S.R.s get to area assemblies and have never heard of the Service Manual. Another problem this proposes to address is asking someone to do a service position with a composition and scope for their job, and by ending the two-class system of GSRs - those who can afford to purchase a manual and those who cannot.

Agenda Item 2026-10-10 007 (Agenda): Change the procedure for floor actions to mirror the General Service Conference process and not require a motion to hear the emergency and instead allow a motion to decline to consider. A motion to decline to consider would require substantial unanimity to pass.

Background: Currently, floor actions can be made but require a motion to be made and pass to hear the item. This limits the ability of the minority to have their voice heard by the Assembly. At the GSC, the procedure works the opposite. Motions are heard, but a motion to decline to consider can be made to not hear. If that motion passes by 2/3, the same threshold as calling the question, then the item is not considered. This allows the minority voice, even one member, to have their voice heard without a majority voting to allow them to be heard.

Agenda Items Still In Committee (17)

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

Agenda Item 2026-04-11 006 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 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 2026-07-11 002 (Literature and Finance): Establish Cash on Hand, Inventory, and Operating Balance Guidelines for the Literature Committee

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

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.

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.

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.

Business Meeting Minutes: July 12, 2026

The business meeting opened at 8:35 am. The Chair explained his desire to go straight to the voting items due to the large number of items. No one objected. Next was the Serenity prayer, a reading, and roll call. There were 64 voters initially with 2 virtual (later there were 64 voters with 5 online).

The first item was the Floor Action from January 2026 Assembly 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. Past minutes from Report and Charter were read. A discrepancy between the published background and Report and Charters minutes on which areas allow past Delegates to vote was noted, and clarification was asked for. The originator explains how they researched (reaching out to every area) and that the Traditions and Warranties have a lot of grey areas that can be interpreted in various ways. The Report and Charter Chair apologized for the incorrect information in their minutes and for not doing proper due diligence on this and agreed that our principles can be interpreted in different ways. A member pointed out that as written any past Delegates and members of the GSC can vote. Other opinions included having past Delegates vote could sway others, sobriety is the reward, substantial unanimity should be the bar for this vote, and that past delegates are not representing anyone but themselves. The Chair explained their reasoning for not changing the voting threshold from majority. A motion was made and seconded to add “of Area 41” to the item. **The motion passed 55-4.** The minority voice stated this seemed to just be dragging out the inevitable. **A vote of 8-51.** The item failed with no minority voice.

The next item was 2026-04-11 001 (Agenda): Elect the host district for the 2027 Area 41 State Convention. District 12 put in their bid to host. It was mentioned that District 24 might join in co-hosting once a group conscience from the district was obtained. It was pointed out that Area 41 has a set procedure requiring a vote on who is to host the State Convention. With this in mind, the Chair first called for a vote on District 12 hosting the convention, and **they were voted to host unanimously.** Next the Chair asked if the Body was willing to allow District 24 to co-host if the district was willing. **The vote was unanimous for this.** District 12 will host and District 24 may co-host.

The third 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. Discussion included changes to scheduling could make it difficult for groups and districts to plan, an explanation of the current scheduling restraints on the Area Chair, and how removing this restraint would allow the Chair to be more flexible. **The item passed with a vote of 46-11** with no minority voice.

2026-04-11 002 (Finance): Send contribution acknowledgements to groups or members that contribute to Area 41 and provide an email address was the fourth item of business. The Treasurer stated that past treasurers were still getting 7th Tradition contributions. These delays can keep the contributions from being received when group bank accounts are closed. It is hoped the included address of the Treasurer might help address these issues. There is also the hope that these letters may encourage contributions. **A vote of 51-4. The item passed.**

Next up was 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. The discussion included newsletter should not be capitalized, why the newsletter position would assist in the contact list, the position is not a chair because there is no committee, is this a reaction to past events, this is a good start, having a scope allows servants to know what is expected when they stand for a position, is it official practice to vote on the scope when a committee oversees it, and the Report and Charter committee should be empowered to set the scope. A motion was made to recommit. The Report and Charter Chair was not sure there would be significant changes since this was approved by two committees. It was asked if the committee had looked into whether they could resolve this within committee instead of by Area vote, and the committee chair thought it was probably briefly discussed. Having buy-in from the Area body because it is a funded position and the sole means of communication was also mentioned. Another member was opposed to recommitting the item because the Area Chair appoints the slate, including the newsletter position, and the Area body votes to approve the slate. **A vote of 7-50 to recommit failed. A vote of 54-4, and the item passed.**

The Area Chair reviewed the procedure and process for emergency items. The first emergency item was Area 41 approve request from District 31 to provide resources to support that district's hosting of the 53rd Annual International Hispanic Convention to be held in Omaha in September 2026. Resources are expected to include use of the Area's Wordly account for English interpretation (approx 10 hours) and travel expenses at normal Area 41 rates for coverage of

Area 41 Literature and Grapevine/La Viña booths. Estimated cost is \$1,500. After a motion and a second to hear the item, there was a **vote of 57-2 to hear the item.**

Discussion started off with Area 41 having been invited to this event, the translation and interpretation was for the English speakers attending. The Treasurer stated the \$1500.00 is available. Questions about location and frequency were asked; this will be only the second time this convention has been held in Omaha in 30 years. The Grapevine Chair read their scope. Attending this was within their scope, and they can attend. A member inquired how the money would be allocated. Wordly would be in the \$800.00 range, the rest would be for lodging and travel. It was confirmed that the Literature Chair and Audio/Video servant would be able to attend. The Chair reaffirmed the committee for this would be empowered to figure out the details. The literature, Grapevine and LaVina materials will be provided on consignment and the Regional Trustee will return any unsold materials. **A unanimous vote of 59-0. The item passed.**

The second emergency item was Submit a Proposed Agenda Item (PAI) for the 77th General Service Conference to place a moratorium on substantive editorial revisions to the books Alcoholics Anonymous and Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions until the Conference adopts an editorial policy governing future substantive editorial revisions. A motion and a second was made to hear the item. **A vote of 45-14. The motion passed.**

It was asked and answered that yes an individual can submit this, though a larger debate on an item is preferred. A member voiced concern that the word substantial is vague. It was asked if this motion will affect the 5th edition; it will not. A member inquired into the process for changes to literature, and the multiple types of changes and resolutions were offered. Another stated this item allows us to have a voice. With **a vote of 31-11 the item passed.** The minority voice expressed concern that this agenda item implies other materials are up for change. There was no motion to reconsider.

The third emergency item was Submit a Proposed Agenda Item (PAI) for the 77th General Service Conference to adopt and publish an editorial policy governing substantive editorial revisions to the books Alcoholics Anonymous and Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions. A motion was made to hear the item and seconded. A vote of 18-38. The minority voice stated we just voted yes to pause for a policy, and now we are voting to not hear an item asking for a policy to be created, and that these were split up because two different items cannot be packed in one agenda item. There was a motion to reconsider, and **a vote of 35-20. The motion passed.**

Debate recommenced with a member commenting that maybe this will slow down the process, and it gives us a voice. Another stated this is not an emergency, and maybe we should slow down. It was asked if the policies and procedures were followed in removing the word Eskimo and the origin of the change. It was answered yes they were, though this was somewhat lost in Board rotation, and a PAI. Other comments included, editorial policy could allow AA to be current and flexible and accessible, policy would guide how often and may have financial consequences, there is value in defining a substantive change, it could allow time to do it right, and this might help avoid constant changes. **A vote of 43-19. The item passed.**

The fourth emergency item was to Submit a Proposed Agenda Item (PAI) for the 77th General Service Conference to establish a recurring review of existing Conference actions at intervals determined by Conference. After a motion to hear and a second, the **item failed on a vote of 6-43.** The minority voice asked for information from the submitter. Another stated they do not understand what this is, and it would be good to understand this before categorically voting no. There was no motion to reconsider.

The final emergency item was Authorize the purchase of an additional 25 hours of Wordly AI translation services for the current subscription to provide translation services during Area 41 Assembly committee meetings and workshops held as part of the Area 41 Assembly through the trial period this rotation. There was a motion, second and **a vote of 55-4 to hear the item.**

Discussion of the item included concern about the amount money spent without group input, that committee meetings are a part of our business, how the pricing worked, the discounts at 25 hours, where the money would come from (the general funds), how this differs from the first item, that this purchase would not extend contract, nor would a purchase next year, how purchasing worked, why and how the figure 25 hours was proposed, that this was a trial and adjustments would need to be made, what exactly this covers, that expenses were moved from next year to this year, and the cost is still under what was originally asked. It was noted that the Delegates report was not translated yesterday, but would be if this passed. **A vote of 57-1. The item passed.**

Due to the long business meeting, it was proposed to exclude reading any non-pressing reports or items at this time, and submit them for inclusion in the newsletter instead along with any Ask It Basket questions and answers. The body approved. The meeting closed at 12:50 pm.

Officer Reports

Delegate:

Greetings Area 41!! It is a privilege to serve as your Panel 76 Delegate! Since returning from the General Service Conference I've had several opportunities to go out and give my Delegates Report.

First, was attending the Area 41 State Convention! What a great event and a special thank you to District 16 for doing such a fantastic job of hosting the Convention! We were Blessed to have our West Central Region Trustee, Charlie H. attending! And also attending was the past interim GSB Chair, Mike L. who was our featured speaker Saturday night. I especially enjoyed the 3 young men from Norfolk who spoke! They were wonderful! Again, great job to District 16 and to District 16 DCM Tom T.

The following week it was off to McCook and District 7! Saturday was a busy day!! First off, Saturday morning I gave a report to the 10:00 am Womens Meeting. I've never seen so many hats!! Then that evening, we had a great meal, and I got to give my full report. Thank you to Jeff and all the rest of District 7 on a great event and making us feel so welcome!

Going out to eat Friday night was awesome!!

Then 2 weeks later I was off to the Sandhills and paid a visit to District 12! We met for the meeting in Burwell. There was great attendance. We had an awesome pot luck with barbecue chicken and ribs!! After my report there were some great questions and great discussion. Thank you David for the opportunity to come and share my report! I will be doing Report Backs at District 2 in Omaha on August 25th. District 13 on September 12th at Enders Lake camp out by Wauneta. September 20th for District 21 at the Van Dorn park shelter in Lincoln. And October 7 in Bellevue. Gods Blessings to you all! Grateful to Serve! Russ S. Panel 76 Delegate

Alternate Delegate:

Good morning Area 41,

I attended part of the panhandle jamboree, Steve did a great job attracting members so he could ask them about the grapevine and the app!

I attended the state convention here in June, and had a great time! Thank you district 16 for all your hard work! I especially enjoyed the newcomer panel.

I have been attending the monthly regional calls and the North American Alternate Delegate's or NAADS meeting, and your west central Alternate Delegate's gave a, in my biased opinion, a wonderful presentation on Alternate delegates as leaders: practicing tolerance, responsibility, flexibility and vision. Future Alternate delegates are in this room and if you get the chance to participate, take it! It was a lot of fun!

I am starting to think about bids for assemblies in 2029/2030 so if you have any ideas on where would be a great place to meet come let me know! Especially if you have an out of the box idea, could be a community center or school.

I am hoping to attend the Spanish convention in September and the workshop next month. Also starting to think about wraasc next year in breezy point MN, hope to see you all there!

In service,
Erin

Chair:

Greetings, Area 41. It has been another exciting quarter for Area Service! I've enjoyed watching our committees hard at work serving the Area and supporting 12 Step work throughout the state. I encourage all members to get involved in an area committee. When you're making plans to attend the October Assembly, I challenge you to bring at least one member new to Area service. All are welcome, regardless of service position or length of sobriety!

I attended the State Convention in June. Thank you to District 11 for hosting and for all of your hard work creating space for the Area to gather and be in fellowship.

A big thank you to Marita R., from Mesquite, NV, for accepting our loving invitation to join us this weekend. It is always great to have members from outside the Area participate and share a perspective we might not otherwise hear. When I served with Marita at the 74th and 75th General Service Conferences, she consistently embodied the kind of leadership described in Bill W.'s Concept Nine leadership essay. Her steadiness, grace, and poise shone through this weekend in the workshop she facilitated and her talk Saturday night.

I'm grateful to our past delegates for their continued participation and service this weekend. Often not seen and not recognized, they generously shared their time, experience, and support this weekend. Helping offer our shared experience, leading our First Timer Orientation, supporting committees, and even arranging for literature to be available for the Area at the upcoming International Hispanic Convention hosted by District 31 are just a few of the myriad ways their participation enhanced our work this weekend.

I hope to see you at the upcoming Four Corners Workshop in August in Nebraska City, hosted by District 5. See the Area website for the flyer and more details. Any district that is interested in hosting a workshop, please get in touch with our Workshop Chair. We'd love to bring the Area to your District and provide a workshop on whatever topic(s) would be helpful for your District.

Do you have an idea for how Area 41 can improve our services, or see something that should change? Submit an agenda item! Area agenda items can come from any member, group, or district. Submit your agenda item any time to chairperson@area41.org.

July 2026 Assembly Ask It Basket Questions

The following questions were submitted to the Ask It Basket at the July 2026 Assembly, but we ran out of time to answer them. Thank you to our Delegate and Past Delegates for answering them in writing.

In love and service, Nick K., Area 41 Chair

1. Saturdays have a lot of stuff all day; why not do more on Sunday?
 - a. Most people come in on Friday night or early Saturday morning, so there is more time to do things Saturday. Sundays we have a shorter time because people need to travel back home to get back to their lives on Monday. We've tried to switch up holding our business meetings on Saturdays.
2. Can Area 41 pass a 7th Tradition basket?
 - a. Yes, of course. The question might be: "For what purpose?" The Area is funded by the groups. If more support for Area activities is needed, the groups should be informed. If the basket is for some other purpose, that need should be explained. For instance, if an A.A. meeting is held early or late and attendees wish to "pass the hat" for contributions to the GSB, that's fine. Tradition 7 simply cautions us regarding, "...funds for no stated A.A. purpose."
3. Why are committee meetings 3 hours long?
 - a. When Area 41 adopted the General Service Conference committee system, we also adopted the idea that most of the discussion should happen in committee. Instead of trying to discuss every agenda item on the Assembly floor with the entire body, smaller committees can spend the time needed to really dig into the details, ask questions, and hear different points of view.

Another part of our process is that, with few exceptions, agenda items are published in the Newsletter first, and then voted on at a later Assembly. This gives members time to research the issue, talk with their districts, and come back with a more informed group conscience. Thorough committee work should make the job of the Assembly easier. If an item comes out of committee with only a minor issue, it doesn't always require another trip through committee. In some cases, a simple amendment on the Assembly floor can accomplish the same result, allowing the Area to continue its business while preserving an informed group conscience.

If every agenda item were discussed by the full Assembly (at first), there simply wouldn't be enough time to give each one the attention it deserves. Some committees finish well before their three hours, while others use every minute. The goal isn't to have long committee meetings—it's to make sure each agenda item gets the discussion it needs so the Assembly can make informed decisions based on an informed group conscience.

4. Why does GSB have the authority to decide what information is and is not available to the fellowship?
 - a. Wonderful question—worthy of a workshop! Without knowing specifics of the question, let's look at aspects of our structure. It is designed to allay these very sorts of questions. Concerns are to flow down through the structure, and information is to flow upward to the groups. The boards are to be responsive to members through *Box 459*, Board Minutes, the *Final Conference Report*, and other publications.

Delegates are to be informed and accessible. Regional Forums are biennial events designed to bring the bottom of the structure into direct contact with the membership. The boards, however, are legal entities, and responsible trustees ought not put their egos above responsibility to the corporation. "Work product," something that is only in discussion or incomplete, is not shared because it would constitute gossip. Personnel information is legally protected. The best answer I can offer is to elect leadership that will best display integrity and openness, not hiding behind Codes of Conduct and Confidentiality Policies.

5. For the committee/service position meetings held on the morning of Saturday, July 11, it would be helpful to have clearer signage identifying each committee's table. For example, placing a tabletop sign with the committee name at each table would make it much easier for attendees to quickly find the correct meeting.
 - a. This is a great idea! We will see what we can do for October. Please let us know if what we try is helpful or if it doesn't solve the need.
6. Is there an online/free way to access the Plain Language Big Book: A Tool for Reading Alcoholics Anonymous?
 - a. Not yet. There are pamphlets and service material online, and there has been discussion about adding the PLBB. But not yet. It's something that our Delegate will bring up and ask the Board about. The PLBB is free for folks who are incarcerated and who have access to the corrections tablets.
7. I hear that A.A.W.S. will own the "Everything AA" app. I was wondering if anyone knew when that would be taking place? One issue with the app is that it must be connected to the Internet in order to access the book materials.
 - a. A.A.W.S. did take ownership of the Everything AA App as of May 1st, 2026. There is a first round of updates to happen shortly, one of which includes getting rid of mentions of Ben S., the developer of the App. The update is taking longer than anticipated. Please see the communications sent out from our Delegate to Area 41 or contact him for more information.
8. Can we consider having a regular A.A. meeting at 8pm at the hotel on the Friday night of Area?
 - a. You are welcome to. The meeting space can be used for this, and if there is expressed interest, we can consider having this on the schedule for future assemblies.

In love and service, Nick

Secretary:

Greetings Area 41,

I am Zach, an alcoholic and your Secretary.

Jaiden and I were able to meet with Nick via zoom to get some tips and advice moving forward to continue to streamline the newsletter process. Thank you Nick for your help, and thank you Jaiden for taking ownership and doing such a great job!

I appreciate the timeliness of the reports being sent in. I had many in my inbox to start the day. Thank you all!

I attended the State Convention via zoom. While not as good as in person, everything worked well, and I am grateful we have the option to attend virtually when the need arises. Thank you Cory for doing such a good job, and thank you too District 16 for putting on a great convention. I was also able to attend a couple of the local campouts and a Round Robin in Ogallala. Attendance was very good, and, as always, the fellowship and recovery was great!

Feedback on Wordly from the April assembly was positive. As a reminder, the agenda item requires reporting back next April on the effectiveness and a recommendation of how to proceed. Your feedback is welcome and appreciated (call, text, talk, email. Whatever works for you!). If you have any technical difficulties, please reach out to Cory, our Audio/Video servant.

Chairing the Report and Charter committee continues to be a large part of my service work. I am grateful for an excellent committee that is dedicated to principled service. We have been meeting at least once a month and would welcome your participation.

I am looking forward to attending a Four Corners Workshop in Nebraska City August 8th from 1:00-5:00 pm. It sounds like Lisa and District 5 have a great workshop planned. I hope to see you there.

Please forward any changes to your contact information to myself and the Registrar, so our information and contact list can be correct. 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, 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
secretary@area41.org

Treasurer:

Area 41 Treasurer's Report – July 2026 (Q2)

Good morning Area 41!

Here comes another bunch of numbers.

Reporting Period: April 1, 2026 – June 30, 2026

Beginning Balance: \$32,042.75

Revenue

Group Contributions: \$9,545.43

State Convention Registration: \$1,876.86

Literature: \$1,999.90

Grapevine: \$1,216.57

Total Revenue: \$14,638.76

Expenses

Delegate: \$647.10

Alternate Delegate: \$1,440.22

Chair: \$862.62

Secretary: \$0.00

Treasurer: \$497.90

Accessibilities, Accommodations, Treatment & Remote Communities: \$26.00

Archives: \$219.37

CPC/PI: \$441.86

Corrections: \$84.68

Grapevine: \$272.74

Literature: \$218.80

Registrar: \$159.80

Newsletter: \$692.87

Tech/Communications: \$625.60

Workshop: \$180.25

Total Expenses: \$6,369.81

Net Gain: \$8,268.95

Ending General Fund Balance: \$40,311.70

Prudent Reserve

Beginning Balance: \$18,119.41

Interest Earned: \$22.59

Ending Prudent Reserve: \$18,142.00

This quarter I was grateful to spend time in fellowship at several different events, including an anniversary in Stratton-District 13, a wedding in District 8, the Area 41 State Convention, and the District 14 Sober Float, where I was privileged to chair the Saturday evening meeting. Wishing everyone a safe and enjoyable summer, and I look forward to seeing you all this fall.

For contributions or questions:

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Respectfully submitted,

Char S

Committee Reports

Accessibilities, Accommodations, Treatment, and Remote Communities:

Greetings Area 41,

The Area 41 AATRC, Committee yesterday with good attendance.

Our committee continues to focus on strengthening Bridging the Gap throughout Nebraska. I will forward all BTG emails to Toni G to connect with the person and hook them up with people in their areas. Since our last assembly I've had 5 BTG emails. I had a hard time getting one person hooked up with ladies but was able to connect everyone else up with someone immediately. Also, Jen M from Columbus is collecting phone numbers for BTG volunteers to start a BTG committee in their area. Please contact her if you're interested in being involved and live in that district. (Jen, will you raise your hand, jump up and down, do a dance?)

We also discussed expanding resources available at treatment facilities by utilizing newcomer packets, business cards, and QR codes that connect individuals to AA resources and Bridging the Gap volunteers.

I shared an excellent handout from the Area 51, North Carolina Accessibility Workshop on Disability Etiquette. Topics included Hard of Hearing, Mobility Impaired, Epilepsy and Neurodivergence. I do have extras if anyone's interested.

Workshop planning has been resumed! Currently planning on April 24th 2027 in Broken Bow. Dave B from District 12 is going to get boots on the ground to get pricing for potential event spaces. We have a great list started for topics that we will narrow down soon. Lots of discussion regarding financing for the workshop, Char I'll be reaching out with questions soon!

Yours in Service,
McKenna K.

Agenda:

The Agenda Committee opened at 9:04am with seven members in attendance. After a moment of silence and the Serenity Prayer, the committee agreed to the agenda provided.

The chair gave a report about his activities since the last meeting. The committee had a discussion around three items: a survey in progress to send to all groups regarding hybrid assemblies and any feedback so far. The chair will finalize the survey with the committee's feedback and disburse to the Area. The committee also discussed two items from the chair's report - considering some sort of DCM/GSR school and buddy system. The committee discussed other areas' use of a DCM and/or GSR school to help train new trusted servants and ensure they have the tools and support for their service. The committee discussed that a buddy system for new members may be a good idea, but we also want to encourage the relationship between a GSR and their DCM; perhaps old-timers could offer to be part of a buddy system and help connect members new to the Area with other newcomers.

The Workshop Chair gave a report regarding the upcoming Four Corners' Workshop in August, hosted by District 5 in Nebraska City. She has invited panelists to share on the two topics - Bridging the Gap and Service Sponsorship. One member sharing on the Bridging the Gap panel is also a professional. The committee discussed how our Traditions apply in a situation like this, and it was agreed that the member would be speaking as a professional, and not as an A.A. member. There was discussion on making the workshop hybrid and if that fell within the committee's scope to decide, or if the Area should weigh in to expand the format to include hybrid. A committee member offered to help who will already be in the local area that weekend. There is also a workshop being planned for the first quarter of 2027 by District 13. More to come.

The committee discussed a plan for the evening's speaker meeting and set July 23 at 6:30pm for an interim committee meeting to assign the new agenda items submitted and review the October Assembly agenda.

Next, the committee discussed additional budget needs and requested the chair create a flyer again for the October Assembly to highlight the upcoming Area inventory and encourage all members, regardless of service position, to join the discussion. The committee also discussed some potential costs for the inventory for copies.

The chair presented a request from District 31 to utilize the Area's Wordly subscription to provide interpretation for English-speaking members at the upcoming International Hispanic Convention hosted by District 31 in Omaha in September. The committee discussed that the request was important to allow all members to be able to participate, and

whether this was an affiliation issue. A motion was made and seconded to submit an emergency agenda item approving the use of the Area 41 Wordly Account by District 31 to assist with interpretation for their International Convention, and that Area 41 absorb the cost for the use of the hours. The committee discussed expanding the motion to include Area resources to support the other parts of the request - having Literature and Grapevine/La Viña booths. The committee discussed whether the larger motion was within its scope and agreed it was ok because of the emergency nature. The chair will finalize the text. The motion passed unanimously.

The committee discussed broad plans for the October Assembly and prefers to have a speaker meeting again, with perhaps a newer person to speak. The Chair will make an invitation. The committee also discussed doing a committee fair again, like in the previous rotation, to allow each committee to have a display sharing more about their committee and its service. The committee decided unanimously to request from the Finance Committee \$25 per committee for any materials they may need.

Next, the committee discussed if a Four Corners Workshop was possible for the fourth quarter. The committee agreed it would be great if possible. The chair and workshop chair will talk to DCMs in Omaha.

The committee discussed the upcoming Area 41 Inventory and various considerations for the inventory plan:

- Survey in advance - the committee discussed if this was a good idea or not. Factors in the discussion included getting as much feedback as possible, but also encouraging members to go to the microphone or speak up with what's on their mind. The consensus was that it was more important to get the feedback than to have it exactly in the way we wanted.
- The committee reviewed the report from the 2024 Inventory, questions used from a few other Areas, and the group inventory questions from the A.A. Group pamphlet.
- Topics important to the committee to target in the inventory include: communication up/down the triangle, encouraging new members to attend and participate in Area service, what service GSRs and DCMs need from Area, the Area's role in carrying the message, and whether the Area is doing its best to take the groups' conscience to the General Service Conference.
- For format, the committee discussed casting a wide net with a survey in advance with open-ended questions, having breakout groups to have more in-depth discussion on the topics, and then a full-Assembly sharing session. The questions will also be included in the Newsletter with the goal for GSRs to take them back to their groups for discussion in advance of October.
- The committee plans to have a preliminary report in the January newsletter, with a comprehensive report given at the January Assembly. The inventory will help inform workshop topics for the rest of the rotation.
- The committee wants to use some demographic questions - generic enough not to identify a member, but to get a sense of who is participating, current/past service positions, and what geographic area they are from, using the Four Corners Workshop quadrants.
- The chair will take the feedback from the committee and draft a detailed inventory plan for review. The committee agreed to meet again on July 16th at 6:30pm to finalize the plan.

The committee considered **Agenda Item 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.** The committee discussed the history of having food at workshops, and it has been the responsibility of the local district to date. Further discussion included that it may never be needed, but should there be a barrier to have a workshop based on financial ability when the workshop is an Area function. A motion was made and seconded to move the item to a vote. The motion passed 4-1. Minority voice was heard.

The committee returned to the discussion about having the August Four Corners' Workshop hybrid and agreed to have it hybrid as a trial. If the committee wants to have this be a regular practice, it will submit an Area agenda item to modify the Workshop Guidelines.

The committee closed at 12pm.

In love and service, Nick K., Agenda Committee Chair

Archives:

The Archives Committee had a productive meeting and identified two primary projects we'd like to focus on over the remainder of this panel.

First, we'll be developing an Area 41 history presentation. The committee believes preserving and sharing the history of Area 41 is a worthwhile project, whether it ultimately becomes a presentation at the Nebraska State Convention, a workshop at an Area Assembly, or a resource available on the Area 41 website.

Second, members of the committee will begin researching Area 41's current archives policies, along with guidance and best practices from the General Service Office, to determine whether recommendations regarding digital archives or archives management may be appropriate in the future.

To support both of these projects, the Archives Committee will tour the Area 41 Archives Repository at the Omaha Central Office on Thursday, August 20, at 6:00 p.m., located at 6831 Grover Street in Omaha. We'll be working with the Area webmaster to place the event on the Area 41 calendar and with Corey to provide a Zoom component using the Area Zoom account so members from across the Area can participate remotely. Everyone is welcome to attend either in person or by Zoom.

I'd also like to thank Area Archivist Brian R. for attending our meeting and offering his support as we move these projects forward.

We also invited Pablo from District 31, our Spanish Linguistic District, to join us because the committee had identified a gap in the Area 41 Archives regarding the history of District 31. Pablo shared some of the district's history, information about the upcoming 53rd Hispanic Convention of Alcoholics Anonymous for the United States and Canada, which will be held in Omaha over Labor Day weekend this year, and some of the archival materials their district has available.

We also appreciated Ken B. sharing his recollections of the creation of District 31. Hearing that history reminded us how important it is to preserve these stories while those who lived them are still here to tell them. The committee looks forward to working with District 31 to better document and preserve that history within the Area 41 Archives.

In Service,
Charles C.

Cooperation with the Professional Community & Public Information:

Hello Area 41,

My name is Brandy and I am an alcoholic; We had 8 people in attendance during our meeting time, we started at 9:00 with introductions, then read traditions, followed by the review of last meeting's notes.

The \$50 check to support the booth at Pride Festival in Lincoln was returned as the fee was not submitted in time to be included in the festival. That check will be deposited into our account

We spent some time discussing the agenda item in committee. Questions we have for consideration and want to review next time are: How much traffic on the website? Does the amount of traffic matter? We discussed the Tradition of Anonymity at the level of press, radio and film. DCMs/Committees/Chairs have a dedicated email address to utilize that does not include names. If an email in the newsletter is redacted- how does someone contact that person? Is this an issue that can be solved via education regarding not using personal contacts rather than the Area 41 emails as DCMs/Committees/Chairs?

In coordination with the Tech Committee, we reviewed the PSA's (from GSO) for use on the Area 41 website's Main Homepage. Questions posed: Do we want to change it Seasonally - quarterly? Every 6 months? Yearly? We Need to research Past Action stating faces cannot be included even in actor portrayal? We want to keep the PSA at or under 30 minutes We reviewed the animated options together: "Sobriety in AA: Make changes to Stop Drinking", "Opening Doors to Life Without Drinking"

We are participating in the Four Corners Workshop ○ NE City, August 9th 1-5PM, Brandy will email location
Hotline ○ Who pays? Per Treasury report \$288.48 per quarter (\$1153 per year) ○ Updated hotlines for various districts (Omaha, Southeast panhandle) We need to compile information on who is on the list for contacts, and the information in weekly emails to be organized

Libraries Lincoln committee has put Literature in all five of the local Lincoln libraries (big books, plain language, 12x12) We will continue this as we can throughout the state. Also noted the Little Free libraries are a great way to share the message with pamphlets, contact cards would be easily dispersed here.

Nursing homes, our Delegate shared with other members had given big books/12x12 and they were very grateful ○ Veterans homes ○ Community centers would also be potential locations for literature placement.

Facilities such as Boys Town, School Systems, LPS contact obtained, they are open to discussing, Brandy to pursue Kevin from Omaha PI CPC came to our meeting once again, it's always a great source of information, he invited us to Omaha's meetings.

Meets second Monday of the month @ 6PM on Zoom

Meeting ID: 810 5824 1966 PWD: 093651

They have 9 events scheduled. They are creating a list of facilities to visit. Also have Bridging the Gap packets.

Lincoln PI CPC ○ Meets second Tuesday of the month @ 6PM Highway Diner (in person)

Brandy dispersed new contact cards box provided to each committee member if wanted to take back to Districts/Groups.

We only Used roughly half the budget allotted, can order more in second quarter if necessary ● Is there Money in our budget to order Literature (Big Books, 12x12) for Libraries and other locations as requested.

Closed meeting at 11:10AM

Corrections:

Hello, Area 41. I'm Jim, and I'm an alcoholic. I was asked to facilitate this weekend's Corrections Committee meeting and to give the report.

The meeting opened at 9:00 am with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer.

Introductions around the table were made. We were please to welcome five first-time attendees to the meeting.

Betty from Dist 7 in McCook reported the women's meeting in Red Willow County jail averages 2-4 attendees.

Fred from Dist 7 in McCook reported the men's meeting in Red Willow County jail averages 4-14 attendees. He expressed a need for English- and Spanish-language Big Books. Jim H. will follow-up with Aubrie.

Gail, DCM for Dist 20 in Bellevue, reported on both women's and men's meetings in Sarpy County Jail, with average attendance of 2-10 per mod.

- Sarpy County: RESET program. Re-entry evidence-based services engagement therapy. 8 men. Weekly AA meeting as part of the program.

- Tecumseh State Correctional Institute: Gail finished the Nebraska Department of Correctional Services orientation this week and is now waiting for his badge to take in meetings for the first time since the pandemic.

Jerry, DCM for Dist 24 in Columbus, reported on difficulty finding corrections volunteers and the hardship this causes in meeting the needs of incarcerated alcoholics.

Jim, Chair of Lincoln Corrections Committee, talked about the AA Corrections Pre-Release Contact Program, in which an inmate within six months of discharge or parole can request an AA volunteer who will begin correspondence with them about the AA program and sober living. Upon release, the individual will contact the volunteer who, with another AA along, will pick up the person and get them to a meeting within 24-48 hours. The volunteer will take the person to additional meetings over a couple of weeks, introduce them to other AA's, and encourage them to get a sponsor. This is meant to ease the transition between incarceration and the start of a sober life in AA.

- The Nebraska Department of Correctional Services (NDCS) has embraced the program, and we are in the process of implementing it in all Nebraska state facilities for inmates paroling or discharging to Lincoln.

- NDCS staff have inquired about the availability of the program outside of Lincoln. Jim stated that any Districts interested in participating in this program in their communities could contact him for the NDCS staff contact.

Jim reported that the Lincoln Corrections Committee is holding a Corrections Workshop on August 22, 2026. Fliers are available.

Jim put forth a suggestion from Charlie H. that older AAs who aren't able to take meetings in to facilities could be a source of volunteers for the GSO Corrections Correspondence Program, as their years of experience could be helpful in this role. Information is available at gso.org by searching 'corrections correspondence program'.

An open discussion about Corrections volunteer recruitment ideas followed. Ideas included tapping AAs who were previously incarcerated, asking those currently doing corrections service work to suggest their sponsees join them, and the idea that one doesn't have to have incarceration experience to be of service, as inmates know how to do time, but not how to live sober when they're released.

Attending for the first time were:

- Toby, GSR for Spiritual Actions group, Dist 21 Lincoln, reported on the men's meeting at Community Corrections Center – Lincoln, where attendance fluctuates from 1-10.

- Mark, Wild Bunch group, Dist 1 Omaha.
- Chajuana, Primary Purpose Group, Dist 3 Lincoln.
- Natasha, GSR for Boiled Owls group, Dist 3 Lincoln.
- Alicia, Secretary for Boiled Owls group, Dist 3 Lincoln.

The meeting closed at 9:50 am with the 3rd Step Prayer.
In grateful service,
Jim H.

Finance:

July 11, 2026

The meeting opened with the Serenity Prayer. Finance Secretary read the minutes from last meeting. April 2026 minutes were approved unanimously. The committee reviewed business referred from the April Assembly and agenda items assigned in the July 2026 Newsletter. We had 10 members present with 2 latter arrivals.

Old Business

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.

Motion to amend agenda item to read: “To remove any Sponsorship or Incentive payments from outside venues when considering hotel bids.” Motion passed unanimously.

Motion to move agenda item to a vote. Passed unanimously.

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.

Motion to take no action passed unanimously.

New Agenda Items Assigned to Finance

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

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

***Paused Meeting to hear requests from the Literature and Agenda Committees. Discussed requests from both as well as a potential \$800 increase in 2027 for the GSC.**

Budget & Financial Actions

- Reviewed and approved the proposed **2027 Area 41 Budget** for presentation to the Assembly without increasing the Delegate GSC contribution at this time.
- Approved up to **\$500** for Grapevine/La Viña Spanish literature inventory for the Hispanic National Convention.
- Approved **\$250** (\$25 per committee) from Agenda for the Area Fair display materials.
- Discussed prudent reserve philosophy, current operating cash balances, and future stewardship opportunities while avoiding recurring obligations without sustainable funding.

Additional Business

- Discussed potential emergency funding requests expected for Assembly.
- Requested Technology evaluate electronic contribution options (including Zelle/PayPal).
- Chair requested an additional Finance Committee Zoom meeting between Assemblies to continue discussion of pending agenda items.

Meeting closed at 12:07pm with a motion to adjourn, a prayer, and a chorus of joyful noise!

In Service,
Char S

Literature:

Good morning Area 41,

We opened the meeting at 9:05 with the serenity prayer. There were six in attendance.

We discussed reviewing pamphlets that could be used for a new and updated Newcomer Packet, that could be ready to sell or distribute at a future Area. Members also discussed whether younger individuals and newcomers may prefer digital literature in addition to printed materials.

Questions were raised regarding the quantity and types of literature sold at the State Convention. The committee also noted that the new 5th edition Big Book is expected to be available toward the end of this year or beginning of next.

Upcoming events were discussed including the 4 Corners Workshop in Nebraska City on August 9th that literature would be attending.

The committee discussed making available pamphlets to distribute to districts that request them, including the possibility of providing literature to remote communities upon request.

Members shared ideas for literature display locations, including probation offices, City offices, sheriff's offices, libraries, grocery stores, and convenience stores, where cork boards are located. One number reported that they have never been turned down when asking permission to display literature.

The committee also discussed the use of Plain Language Big Book and groups and shared experiences regarding how groups have responded to it. It was reported to us that the Plain Language book is number three on the list of most sold literature books.

Our Area Chair stopped by to answer some questions about our Newcomer Packet project and let us know that the linguistic district has invited m to participate in and sell literature at the upcoming International Hispanic Convention in Omaha over Labor Day weekend. A motion was presented to participate, in our committee, and passed.

Yours in service,
Donna J.

Report and Charter:

Greetings Area 41,

Report and Charter meet four times since the April assembly. On April 19th, the Report and Charter met to prepare the background for the non-emergency floor action Agenda Item 2026-01-10 005 That past Delegates be granted lifetime voting privileges at Area Assemblies, effective immediately upon completion of their service term as Delegate. How to proceed was discussed then the background was prepared. The following is the background as submitted:

Concept 4 – Voting representation in proportion to their responsibility that each must discharge. Past delegates are not a part of the Area 41 Committee and have no official role to discharge at Area (except chair First Timers Orientation or Chairperson). Page 29 in the Service Manual lists several ways that Delegates can participate - voting is not mentioned.

According to Tradition 2, our past delegates are to be an elder statesman (pg 135 in the Twelve & Twelve).

Tradition 9 (long form) states that, "Rotating leadership is best".

Past delegates have the "right of participation" through their home group or any committee they currently serve on.

Is this just Area 41 past delegates, or any past delegates? As it is currently written, any past delegate can vote.

When voting on Area 41 agenda items, we use a simple majority (not substantial unanimity) to determine if an item passes. One vote can determine the outcome.

Concept VII – *(note: this is a typo and should have been Concept XII)*

A) Warranty One, we must recall we are protected from the calamities of too much authority by rotation.

B) Warranty Three, unqualified authority over others: voting representation equal to our responsibilities was created to protect us from absolute authority. At the end of the day, they are just drunks like the rest of us.

After research and discussion, committee members unanimously decided to take no action based on the fact this does not appear to fall in line with our traditions and concepts of AA.

On May 3rd Report and Charter met to discuss the final background that was to be published in the newsletter for Agenda Item 2026-01-10 005 That past Delegates be granted lifetime voting privileges at Area Assemblies, effective immediately upon completion of their service term as Delegate. None of the background that Report and Charter submitted was included in the final background to be published. The procedure for non-emergency floor items was read from the handbook. A member reported that a review of the past actions provided no additional information or guidance beyond what was in the handbook. Feedback that committee members had received from other fellows were discussed. The committee ultimately decided the next step was to email the Agenda Committee Chair asking for clarification on the procedure and why all of the background prepared by the Report and Charter Committee was removed.

The Report and Charter met on March 17th. The committee discussed an agenda item tracker that was built and shared with the committee to allow collaboration, and, as the name says, keep track of the items in Report and Charter. The agenda items voted on in April were discussed and the committee agreed to review and discuss via email. Next the committee discussed the response from the Agenda Committee Chair on Agenda Item 2026-01-10 005 That past Delegates be granted lifetime voting privileges at Area Assemblies, effective immediately upon completion of their

service term as Delegate. The Report and Charter Committee Chair apologized for a typo in the submitted background and a misunderstanding with the Agenda Committee Chair that complicated this matter. There was much discussion including the lack of clarity on how this procedure works, the need for more education and possibly a workshop on this. A few past trusted servants were asked their opinion and the overall consensus was this is not the typical procedure. Concern was raised that not having the background from Report and Charter could negatively impact the ability to have a fully informed group conscience - especially members and groups that do not attend Area and rely on the newsletter. Multiple options were discussed. Ultimately, the committee agreed to move on and have a member read the background Report and Charter submitted at the microphone.

Next the committee discussed Agenda Item 2022-04-02 005 (n) That Area 41 make District Committee (DCM) reports available on the Area 41 website rather than printing them in the Newsletter. The printer has not responded with the numbers for bulk pricing changes. The committee then discussed the possibility of doing a trial run of newsletters without DCM reports to be printed along with the regular newsletters. A motion was made and approved to move forward with this agenda item as a trial run.

The Report and Charter Committee next met on June 14th. Feed back on the Agenda Item tracker was positive. Agenda Item 2022-04-02 005 (j) All documents distributed at or by Area 41 should have a revision date on them was tabled due to a member that had information to report not being present. Next Agenda Item 2022-04-02 005 (n) That Area 41 make District Committee (DCM) reports available on the Area 41 website rather than printing them in the Newsletter was discussed. The financial numbers from the printer were reviewed. Also discussed was how long of a trial run, how many newsletters should be printed, who should receive them, and what the next steps are. A member volunteered to polish up the financial numbers and send an email to the Treasurer for the Finance Committee to review, and the committee agreed. Another member volunteered to reach out to the Technology Chair and Webmaster to coordinate.

Report and Charter met yesterday with five in attendance. After an opening prayer and a review of the scope and procedures, the Registrar updated the committee on his work on Fellowship Connection. An update on the past actions was discussed. It was pointed out that several agenda items were missing that were resolved by taking no action. These have been gathered and will be reviewed by the committee for approval at the next committee meeting.

Next the committee discussed agenda item 2022-04-02 005(j) All documents at or by Area 41 should have a revision date on them. The committee reviewed the research done by a member looking at the Traditions and Concepts along with the potential benefits and difficulties, what documents should be included and not driving by mandate. It was suggested this item can be placed under Suggested General Committee Procedures in the handbook. A motion was made to rewrite this agenda item and move out to the Area Body. The committee tabled this for a rewrite at the next committee meeting to allow for full committee participation.

Agenda Item 2022-04-02 005(n): 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 was discussed next. There was discussion about what options were within our scope, if we should do a trial run, the need for the body to have a say, that this keeps coming up, ensuring access, and where the reports would be located on the website. This item was tabled pending consultation with the technology committee.

Next 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 was discussed. First, the committee evaluated if it should be in our committee. After agreeing that policy matters are within our scope, the committee reviewed the past actions relating to the Technology Committee, and the items that are currently password protected. Questions were asked about what needs to be password protected, what can be public, and is there anything that is password protected that does not need to be? Further discussion and review is needed along with a joint meeting with the technology committee. This item was tabled and a member will reach out to the Tech committee to set up a meeting.

Agenda Item 2026-05-22 004 (Report & Charter): Allow for the option to vote electronically with virtual platforms during all area voting was briefly discussed next. Whether this is good and necessary was discussed along with the intent. Also asked was if this will create more complexity and delays and how to insure accuracy and verify voters. A report of potential options was presented. This item was tabled for a lack of time and need for further research.

Items tabled still in committee 2022-04-02 005 (n) That Area 41 make District Committee (DCM) reports available on the Area 41 website rather than printing them in the Newsletter. Printed copies of the additional reports will only be printed as requested. 2022-04-02 005 (j) All documents distributed at or by Area 41 should have a revision date on them. Agenda Item 2026-05-22 004 Allow for the option to vote electronically with virtual platforms during all area voting. Agenda Item 2026-04-11 006 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. Thank you for allowing me to serve.

Yours in service,
Zach I.
Area 41 Secretary

Technology and Communications:

Area 41 Technology & Communications Committee Report

The Area 41 Technology & Communications Committee met on July 11, 2026, with 10 members present. The meeting opened with the Serenity Prayer, and the June 28, 2026 meeting minutes were approved unanimously. The committee received reports from the Audio/Visual Servant and Webmaster regarding hybrid meeting support, website updates, the email distribution list, Meeting Guide synchronization, and newsletter improvements.

Agenda Item 2022-10-09 014

Create an Email Subscription Service

The committee reviewed the status of the Area email distribution list. Testing is ready to begin before public rollout.

Status: Remains with the Technology & Communications Committee.

Agenda Item 2023-04-15 008b

Develop Guidelines for Area-Owned Electronic Equipment

The committee continued work on guidelines for Area-owned electronic equipment and agreed the AV Servant will prepare a draft policy for committee review.

Status: Remains with the Technology & Communications Committee.

Agenda Item 2026-01-10 007

Hybrid Meeting Equipment

The committee reviewed the agenda item and unanimously voted to table it for continued evaluation.

Status: Remains with the Technology & Communications Committee.

Additional Committee Actions

- The committee will continue developing hybrid meeting best practices.
- The Webmaster was authorized to publish regular office hours on the Area 41 website.
- The committee approved listing the weekly Grapevine meeting on the Grapevine Committee page rather than the Area events calendar.
- Wordly Translation Support: The committee was grateful to receive an A.A. terminology glossary from a General Service Board member for use with the Wordly translation platform. Cory (AV) and Zach (Report & Charter) will work together to implement the glossary to improve translation accuracy for Area meetings. The committee extends its sincere thanks for this valuable resource.

Yours in service, Ann R.

2026 Area 41 State Convention:

Tom T. alcoholic State Convention Chair

With a lot of help from some key people Cat O. for obtaining speakers. Deb S. for treasurer and many other jobs which helped bring it together. Shannon and Sara who worked on the website Trevor B. and Trevor G. were led by Shannon for registration along with Char and Aron for their support.

Most of all a big Thank you for the speakers for their time along with everyone who attended.

Also all the others who provided support through the event. Lastly to Jeremiah and Brian for roping us into this. It was a real growing experience.

Yours in service,

Thomas T.

Service Reports:

Archivist:

Thank you Area 41 for the opportunity to serve as your Area Archivist.

This past quarter, I have managed to get our 7mm tape player cleaned up and untangled the tape from District 15. I am ready to try once again to digitize some of the tapes we have in our collection. Wish me luck!! Based on my first few attempts, I will need some.

I continue to work with the Omaha Area Archives Committee to help clean up and fill up both of our repositories. They will be devoting a portion of the public display in the Omaha Central Office to show the growth of AA through out Nebraska. We will highlight how AA moved out of Omaha to the rest of the State, and in many cases, back to Omaha.

I am also working with archivists from other areas to address some of the issues we are all experiencing during the digitization process of our repositories. These issues deal with the technology barriers we face, either through access to tools or the training in using those tools. We also have cataloging and sharing hurdles we learning to address. Many of the sharing hurdles are related to the traditions, most notably anonymity. The Archives committee has agreed to help me with addressing those concerns.

I have obtained some new holdings which I will be cataloging and digitizing. Most notably, some artifacts from the 34th Street Club in Omaha, which has now closed, and a history of AA in Lincoln. I have been able to provide some members of the fellowship with digital copies of the holdings we have related to their groups and group histories. If you would like me to research yours, please let me know. If you have a group history, please be sure to submit it. If your group needs some help in creating a group history, please let me know and I will provide whatever assistance I can.

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

Audio/Visual:

during the july assembly, the computer crashed. this was a combination of bad internet connection and an old computer.

wordly / spanish interpretation services . . .

we have about 20 hours available to use. we average about 200 minutes of usage per assembly. at that rate, that would (roughly) take us to january of 2028. an interesting observation about wordly at july's assembly: some users were people who are hard of hearing. the hotel didn't have proper amplification in the back of the room so attendees were able to hear (and read) through wordly. compared to zoom, we have more attendees utilizing wordly. at the july assembly, we had 50 attendees - i'm not sure if this could be 50 individual users or 50 logins from a few users. at the april assembly, we had 12 users on wordly.

Zoom . .

for the committee meetings, the chairs did an amazing job with logging into zoom and being prepared - 7 of the 10 chairs were ready! at the last assembly, we had members who were trying to attend committee meetings but the chair wasn't logged in. other than the 7 committee chairs, about 3 members attended the committee meetings.

for the delegate's report, 4 zoom members attended

for the speaker meeting, two zoom attendees

for the business meeting, 8 zoom attendees.

usually we get the most attendance for the business meeting and reports.

state convention had similar zoom attendance. 5 zoom attendees (give or take a few) for each state convention hybrid event. with the exception of business meetings, committee meetings, and reports, that attendance is similar to area assembly. at business meetings, we'll get over ten members on zoom.

the audio for the First Timers Orientation, Delegates Report, Finance Report, Business Meeting, Saturday Night's Speaker, and State Convention have been sent over to the Webmaster

CE

First Timer's Orientation:

Hello Area 41!

We had a great group of first timers and a couple of returners. We went through the schedule and different parts of what to expect. Several new members asked great questions about what to expect, what their role is and why their sponsor/group told them to be here. Always grateful for the opportunity to serve.

Yours in Service,
Cara G
Panel 72- Past Delegate

Newsletter:

Greetings Area 41!

The newsletters were sent to the printer on May 21st, they were picked up and mailed out on May 28th. I ordered 325 English for the April newsletter; however, this time I ordered 300 English newsletters due to the excess number of booklets leftover after the last assembly, to help keep the cost down. I also ordered the normal 25 Spanish newsletters as well. The total came to \$276.71. Postage totaled \$306.76.

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. Please feel free to email me at newsletter@area41.org to update any information.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve you all.

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 last Friday 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 better communicate throughout our service structure.

Currently, according to Fellowship Connection, there are 566 Active (Regular) groups, 137 Unknown groups and 611 Inactive groups in Area 41. I suspect we have a lot more Active groups than what Fellowship Connection indicates. Many of the Unknown groups can easily be transitioned to Active groups by updating their GSR/Mail Contact information. And not all groups listed on the Meeting Guide App are registered with GSO.

Fellowship Connection also indicates that we have 773 active service position holders in Area 41. Unfortunately, 559 of these active position holders do not have a "Service End Date" associated with them, so they will perpetually be holding a service position in Area 41. These no "Service End Date" positions holders include: 1 Area Level position; 28 District Level positions; and 530 Group Level positions (GSR 344, Alt GSR 53 & Group Contact 133). And the "Service Start Date" for these positions go as far back as September 6th, 1977. So, what's the drawback of letting these no "Service End Date" position holders persist in Fellowship Connection? At the Group Level, the number of Active groups currently listed could be grossly overstated.

In effort to help update the group statuses and close out position holder with no "Service End Date", I am working on getting a data set for each of our Districts put together to aid them in contacting their groups. Just want to remind all District Committee Members that they have access to Fellowship Connection to view their Districts records. If you are interested in a tutorial on how to use it, please let me know. I'd love to walk you through it.

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 Assembly in October.

Yours in Service,
Mark S.

Webmaster:

Since the April Assembly, I have added 8 new groups and 38 new meeting listings, updated more than 50 groups, removed 12 inactive or duplicate groups, and made changes affecting well over 150 individual meeting listings, in addition to publishing Assembly resources, newsletters, district reports, and numerous website and event updates. A major focus this quarter was continued Meeting Guide App cleanup. I coordinated with Meeting Guide Support, Lincoln Intergroup, Omaha Intergroup, and Area 76 to identify duplicate data sources, resolve geoboundary issues, and improve the accuracy of meeting information displayed in the app.

Additional service included supporting the State Convention Committee with registration data and updates to its event page; assisting districts with webpage development and reports; and publishing updated Area resources, including the 2026 Service Handbook, Agenda Items Action Listing, Expense Report, and accompanying instructions.

Items currently in my queue include posting State Convention speaker recordings, testing group email distribution, developing a new meeting listing update form, continuing to work with trusted servants to configure area41.org email accounts to their preferences, and expanding committee, district, and service position pages as requested.

If there is anything I can do to better support your service work, please email webmaster@area41.org. I'm also happy to schedule a phone or video call to discuss ways the website and other technology resources can assist your committee, district, or service position.

Grateful to serve,
Sarah R.

4-Corners Workshop:

Greetings, Area 41 friends!

It's been a busy time since our last Assembly, with one workshop happening in August and another taking shape for this February.

District 5 has graciously agreed to host the upcoming workshop, Sunday 9th in Nebraska City. We'll be meeting in the Veteran's Memorial Building. Our topics, chosen member of the District, are "Bridging the Gap" and "Service Sponsorship" We have some great panel members on both topics, so come prepared with questions. Look for more even details soon on the Area 41 webpage.

District 13 has volunteered to host a workshop in February, so stay tuned for more information on that as it becomes available.

There is room for one more workshop this year, so I will be reaching out to some DCM's to see which district, or districts, get to be the lucky hosts.

It is a privilege to collaborate with the districts to present these workshops, and I look forward to working with more of you in the months ahead.

Hope to see you all in August in Nebraska City !

Yours in service,

Lisa V.

Four Corners Workshop Chair

Area 41

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.

I attended our 1st Workshop of the year on May 30th, Writing a Grapevine article. It was a great workshop and I might actually see if I can create a "Fun in Sobriety" article to submit in October for the May 2027 Grapevine publication. We are having a follow up workshop next Saturday for those who like to continue writing their article. We are also in the process of setting up another workshop in October.

I attended business meetings with two groups this week; my home group, the Mayflower and the 10:10 One Hour Fellowship. Both groups participated in discussion and their vote on the upcoming voting agenda items. I look forward to hearing how other groups voted on the agenda items and will take this to area with me. District 1 has had 3 GSRs and DCM attend Area this year so far. We have 4 GSRs this weekend. I'm so excited. As a District we are still trying to encourage other groups to send their GSRs or any member to not only the District meetings but here to Area.

I attended the DCM workshop here yesterday and was that very informative and a fun interaction with other DCMs and GSRs just learning our way. Thank you to McKenna and Steve for hosting that workshop.

In Service, Shelly L.

Hello, Area 41!

District 2:

District 2 has had a productive quarter, and we're beginning to see the momentum we've been working toward. Our focus has been reconnecting with our groups, improving communication, and creating a district that members want to be part of.

One of our biggest successes this quarter was the GSR Workshop. More important than the attendance was the enthusiasm it generated. We've seen new GSRs step into service, more groups becoming engaged, and a growing interest in district participation.

We're also making steady progress on the district newsletter and website to improve communication and keep our groups better connected. Workshops will continue to be a priority as we create more

opportunities for members to learn, share experience, and build relationships across the district. One of the most encouraging changes has been the increased participation at our district meetings. Members are speaking up, sharing ideas, and engaging in healthy discussion. While we don't always agree, those conversations have strengthened our district and continue to generate new ideas and enthusiasm for service.

Looking ahead, we'll continue growing GSR participation, expanding our workshop schedule, and strengthening communication throughout the district. The momentum continues to build, and we truly believe the best days for District 2 are still ahead.

Grateful to be of service,

Gabriel Butolph

District Committee Member, District 2

District 3: No report

District 4: No report

District 5:

I'm Brody, Alcoholic/Addict, District 5 DCM.

Things are great in the southeast corner of the state. We've already had a handful of summer events and have a handful more on the schedule to finish out the summer. The Wildbunch group in DuBois is having their annual summer campout at Iron Horse Lake, on August 28th-29th. The Annual 4-State Picnic at Waubonsie St Park, is set for Sunday, September 13th. I've been working with Lisa getting a 4-Corners workshop set up in our District. The Workshop will be next month, Sunday, August 9th, in Nebraska City. Flyers are on the table here in the front. We're focusing on Bridging the Gap and Service Sponsorship, two areas I feel we could use a little help with, in our area. Especially with the local treatment centers and correctional facility in the district. It's getting put together quickly but coming together nicely. I'm very excited for this event and have high hopes for a great turnout. (I'm an alcoholic/addict, it's important I keep my expectations in check.) I'm continuing to get to all the groups and trying to make sure information is current. It is more demanding than I originally thought, but far more rewarding than I had imagined. I was invited to the Dubois/Pawnee City business meeting about a month ago. Their goal was to get a structure established; service positions elected and make sure they were following traditions and guidelines. I had our Alt DCM tag along. It was a great experience. The meeting has been around for awhile and been active, but they lacked structure and needed to get back on track. Because of the tools I've been given here, Area 41 was able to provide the support the group needed. I'm very grateful for that, grateful for all of you.

Thank you for allowing me to be of service,

Brody H, District 5 DCM

District 6: No report

District 7:

Hello area, District 7 has been busy with lots of participation. The Sunday morning McCook speakers meeting is going great. Reach out if you would like to share your story. Saturday Morning Women's group had a great event to celebrate 37 years. It was well attended with a tea party theme. Then later that day the Fri-Sat Night group had a potluck with our Delegate Russ S. and his wife Marsha there. Russ spoke about his amazing conference in NYC along with all the fun they had. The Uptown group is doing great with new members and vibrant meetings. It's always encouraging seeing the room full!! Big book meetings at least once a week. The Stratton meeting has anywhere from 8-30 at the meetings. Next potluck is July 30th with Sylvia celebrating one year! It's at the community building.

In service Jeff W.

District 8:

Hello Area 41,

I am Yvonne C, alcoholic and District 8 DCM.

I wish I could present this in person, but life shows up on life terms. Thank you to Chair Nick K. for asking me to share in April and thank you to the Area 41 fellowship for the love, tolerance, and acceptance. It was a free, joyful, spiritual experience that I will always remember.

District 8 Group Updates; North Platte Alano Group started June with a Founders Day Picnic and Speaker Meeting at Cody Park Pavilion. Steering committee participation is growing, and afternoon meetings are full, so early arrival helps. Night meetings continue to welcome many newcomers and use consistent greeters and chairpersons. The 4th St. Group

remains open with noon meetings and limited p.m. meetings, and the Sutherland Group is participating at the district level. Yeah!

District Activities and Outreach; District 8 committee meetings continue monthly with steady participation. We completed another 100 meeting schedules, which CPC/PI Tyson F. distributed to community professionals. District 8 Committee hosted the annual July 4th meeting at Lake Maloney. We celebrated 292 years of sobriety, including one person with 4 days. The weekend included good food, fireworks, fellowship, meeting participation, and the usual need for more coffee. Thank you to District 7, Chuck S., and Char S. for helping make the weekend a success. District 8 continues growing in responsibility, unity, and effectiveness in carrying the message to the newcomer through the 12 Traditions and 12 Concepts. We are learning to trust the group's conscience, place principles before personalities, keep sobriety first, and remember Rule 62: Don't take yourself so seriously.

Serving on the Report and Charter Committee has challenged me, helped me grow, and reminded me that my Higher Power knew where I needed to be before I did.

Thank you for allowing me to serve District 8 & Area 41. I am grateful for the continued willingness, growth, and unity in our district & Area, and I look forward to seeing many of you at the October Assembly.

Thank you,

Yvonne C., District 8 DCM

District 9: No report

District 10: No report

District 11:

Greetings area 41,

I'm Donna alcoholic, DCM District #11. Our district continues to grow and thrive, with the addition of three new meetings we now have 17 in Northeast Nebraska. As I reported last Area, we had our annual picnic in Wayne yesterday celebrating 81 years of AA in Northeast Nebraska. Lyle reported that with 26 people signed in that attended there was 555 years of continuous recovery there! We had one member get his 45 year chip during the festivities! Coming up later this month Kathy B. from our South Sioux City Friday Night Big Book Study will be celebrating 46 years on that 31st. We are very fortunate to have some great recovery in our district. Coming up in August on the 9th, one of our past DCM's Bill M. will be celebrating 24 years in New Castle and in September Lyle will be celebrating 39 years in Wayne on the 23rd. And again, truly grateful for all our members who continue to show up and serve. Yours in Service,
Donna J.

District 12: No report

District 13:

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

Our district met on June 27th at the Ogallala club house. Before the business meeting was the open AA meeting and then the normally scheduled potluck with Wauneta's just for today group providing grilled burgers for the main dish. There were 12 members present for the business meeting.

Our Ogallala Friendship group hosted a round robin and a Lake Ogallala campout this last quarter and reported over 50 people in attendance. Imperial and Grant Groups will be hosting the Autumn Enders campout on September 12 with our quarterly district meeting being held at the camp site as well. Possible speaker meeting to follow the district meeting by the campfire.

A 4 corners workshop is in the works for the first part of February with a possible topic of step 4, how to take an inventory.

District 13 is currently working on creating a grapevine representative position with a willing soul and the funds for a good starting budget.

Yours in service, Hondo

District 14:

Hello, my name is Larry D., and I am an alcoholic. I am the current DCM for District 14. Overall, the District is doing well. In April, I attended the Panhandle Jamboree, which had a strong turnout and featured excellent speakers. Several of us also attended the Sober Float over Father's Day weekend. During the event, we served 365 people at the Friday night supper and welcomed 400 attendees at the Saturday night campfire meeting. We also celebrated the one-year anniversary of a district member at Sober Float. The Thedford group has grown from three members to four. At our most recent district meeting, discussed upcoming voting items. Ainsworth started a Meeting at 12:00 CST on Monday's. They are having 5-12 attend.

District 15: No report**District 16:**

Tim T. District 16 DCM alcoholic

I stepped into a job that was over my head with the State Convention. Thankfully a small group of people who helped me out a lot.

I hope to now be able to spend time getting out through the district.

Some event that I know of are parking lot campfire meetings at 303 Madison Ave, Norfolk Nebraska. 303 is also hosting a family campout in Norfolk Nebraska Kiwanis Camp west of Norfolk on 275.

The dates for these activities campfire meetings last Saturday of the month. Family campout July Friday 24th and 25th Saturday 26th Sunday check out.

Yours and service,

Tom T.

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 the GSRs and the Committee Chairs at our District meetings! Our Committees have great momentum heading into the dog days of summer. The 40th and final Pockets of Enthusiasm Roundup was held June 19th – June 21st at Eugene T. Mahoney State Park. The Roundup went out with a bang with awesome speakers and super fun fellowship!

We are gearing up for the 49th Annual Cornhusker Roundup to be held August 14th through August 16th at the Liberty First Credit Union Arena, Ralston NE. They have great speakers lined up and the hospitality tables are legendary!

Second, we will be holding our annual District 20 Workshop on October 17th at St. Martha's Episcopal Church at 780 Pinnacle Dr. in Papillion Ne. The topic is The Traditions in Relationships and our speakers are Bryon & Rita L. from Tulsa, OK.

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 on Sunday, September 27th at VanDorn Park in Lincoln, where we will hear from our Delegate and district groups. Flyers are on the table. 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 choices. We will also continue to collaborate with the Lincoln Intergroup.

Yours in service,

Rebecca T., District 21 DCM

District 22:

Hello Area 41,

District 22 continues to meet the third Wednesday of the month while utilizing a hybrid (in person and Zoom) meeting format to increase accessibility. In May we were able to discuss the Power of Purse letter submitted by Sunday Night Workshop to the General Service Board. The letter that was sent and the response from the General Service Board was also presented.

GSR's were given the space to discuss, ask questions, and gather information to take back to their groups for further action if they see fit.

District 22 continues productive discussions and I request regular feedback from the District 22 GSR's on how to adequately serve them and their groups. To gain more insight and understanding regarding the DCM position, I attended the DCM Workshop held yesterday.

There was great discussion, however- an interpretive dance was requested to be performed by

Steve & McKenna, but they sadly did not fulfill the request. Nonetheless, it was wonderful to attend and always love an opportunity to learn more about how to serve Alcoholics Anonymous.

Yours in service,
Summer B., District 22 DCM

District 23: No report

District 24: No report

District 25:

Ed L.

Greetings Area 41! District 25 continues to fill positions. We have had decent attendance considering it's the summertime months. We currently are tight on finances however we are making due. Grateful for all that continue to participate in our District!

Yours in Service,
Ed

District 26:

Good morning Area 41 from District 26 in central Nebraska. Groups have been carrying the message successfully this quarter and continue to ebb and flow in newcomers staying. It's the same everywhere. The District hosted a potluck picnic June 27 that was well attended...good food, fellowship, games and meeting. What better way to spend a beautiful Saturday afternoon! We're excited with the willingness to serve shown by Wanda L. stepping into the DCM role. She'll do great and has a lot of support behind her. July 1st marked the end of an era in District 26 and Area 41 with the passing of Connie S of York. She was as fine an example of A.A. principles and service as any and her role as an elder statesman in our groups, district and Area will be missed. In her memory, we'll carry on "little by slowly".

District 27: No report

District 28:

Greetings Area 41, my name is Jamie B. District 28 DCM and I am an alcoholic. District 28 had another successful AA Event. On June 6, 2026 District 28 had our Annual AA picnic at Hosanna Lutheran Church. District provided sandwiches, drinks, plates and settings. The fellowship brought in side dishes and deserts to share. We had an attendance of 52 people. District also supplied sticker activities and stepping stones for kids to paint. District 28 is currently getting ready for an AA Pool Party on Sunday July 19, 2026 from 8:00pm until 10:00pm at the Twin Rivers Water Park in Plattsmouth, Nebraska. We have privately rented the Pool out for this event. Families and kids are welcome and free will donations are appreciated. All our meetings are doing well, with numbers a little lower at some of the meetings. We are still going into the Cass County Jail 1st and 3rd Tuesday of every month for male inmates to have AA meetings. Woman inmates are not needed at this time. District 28 has supplied the jail with soft cover Alcoholic Anonymous books both in English and Spanish. Along with a couple Daily Reflection books. When inmates are released from jail there is AA Books, When and Where's as well as District 28 meeting list available for them, if they request. We are working on organizing for our Fall Event at Bellevue Berry Farm in early October. The fellowship has been extremely helpful for all these events to happen and be successful. I am so grateful for all the ideas, help and support from each and every one of our fellowship members. Thank you all for allowing me to serve as DCM.
Jamie B. Alcoholic

District 29:

Mark C. DCM District 29

Greetings from District 29. We are alive and well. I continue to try and visit groups to encourage their participation in service. We have moved our district meeting to a Lincoln location to be more accessible to the majority of the group members. We now meet at Bethany Christian Church, 1645 N. Cotner, Lincoln, second Thursday of the month @ 6PM. Charlie H, WCR trustee, honored us with his presence in June to give us his informal take on the GSC and the general state of AAWS. Many Thanks to him, it was informative and entertaining. Our district meetings are usually small but are attended by dedicated servants of their groups. On June 12, the Friday Night Eagle Group celebrated its 39th anniversary with a speaker, cake and ice cream. It was an enjoyable evening but they did have to escort a bat out of the church before the festivities.

Thank you for allowing me to serve.

District 30:

Greetings Area 41

We are having 8:15am the Eye Opener meeting there has been a good turnout of new comers. And we are having 30-35. There is another good meeting in town at 8:30pm Wednesday night Over the Hill Gang. People at the 5:15 meeting is having 60 days 90 days and more people are coming in. We had our district 30 meeting. We are planning Gathering.

Alt DCM

Love service Jeff

District 31:

Greetings, Area 41

District 31 sends you its warmest greetings and wishes you many 24-hour periods of blessed sobriety. The district would like to inform you that it continues to meet on the second Sunday of each month. During our group visits, we emphasize unity and the importance of service. At our meeting on June 14, we celebrated District 31's 22nd anniversary by sharing Chapter 1 of the AA Service Manual, with the participation of the district GSRs. I would also like to inform you that we continue to work on organizing the 53rd Hispanic AA Convention for the United States and Canada, with the theme "AA: A REUNION WITH LIFE," to be held on September 4, 5, and 5 at the Hilton Hotel, 1001 Cass Street, Omaha, NE 68102. Since rooms there are sold out, a new block of rooms has been opened at the Omaha Marriott Downtown Hotel; the price per night is \$149 plus tax, with a \$10 daily parking fee. To make a reservation, call 1-800-228-9290 or 402-807-8000; use the code "Lii AA Hispanic Convention Sep2026." The deadline for reservations is August 14. The registration fee is \$20. The English-speaking meeting will be held in Meeting Room #205 on Friday, the 4th, from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., and the open house will be held in Ballroom A from 8:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m., On Saturday, the 5th, the public meeting will be in Ballroom A from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM, and the English-speaking meeting will be in Meeting Room #216 from 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM; the public meeting will be in Ballroom A from 8:00 PM to 10:00 PM. On Sunday, the 6th, from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM, the closing meeting will be held in Ballroom A, Dinner will be held in Hall E from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. (ticket price: 80), and the dance will take place in the same hall from 8:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. You are cordially invited. We also remind the literature and Grapevine committees that space will be available for them to display their materials. The "Aprendiendo Vivir" group from Grand Island will celebrate its anniversary on September 12 with a public meeting. The "Nueva Vida" and "21 de Octubre" groups will also celebrate their anniversaries in October; I will provide more details at the October meeting.

Sincerely,

Cesar M. DCM District 31

District 32:

Hello Area 41

We here at District 32 continue to have events every other month.

We recently got a collection together to purchase a case of big books for the women's prison in York. Our meetings are going well. We are planning an event in October.

Yours in service Terry

DCM District 32.

Seventh Tradition	
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Area 41 Financial Report

Budget-to-Actuals by Officer/Committee

4/1/2026 to 6/30/2026

Delegate

Q2 2026

Expenses	Actual	Budget	Under/(Over) Budget
Area Meeting Hotel	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	60.00	15.00	(45.00)
Delegates Report Mileage	229.10	500.00	270.90
State Convention Hotel	218.80	218.80	0.00
State Convention Mileage	70.76	71.92	1.16
Regional Forum			
General Service Conference			
GSC Transportation			
Total Expenses	647.10	952.64	305.54

Chair

Q2 2026

Expenses	Actual	Budget	Under/(Over) Budget
Area Meeting Hotel	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	6.00	6.00	
Westgate Transfer Fee	0.00	0.00	
Finance Committee Approval	20.00	20.00	0.00
First Timer Orientation	0.00	25.00	25.00
Zoom Account	68.76	68.76	
Additional Disbursement	683.18	750.00	66.82
Total Expenses	862.62	1,031.76	169.14

Treasurer

Q2 2026

Expenses	Actual	Budget	Under/(Over) Budget
Area Meeting Hotel	100.60	0.00	(100.60)
Area Meeting Mileage	84.00	84.10	0.10
Four Corners Workshop	0.00	75.00	75.00
Postage/Printing/Office Supplies	0.00	6.00	6.00
WCRAASC Hotel/Parking			
WCRAASC Mileage/Registration			
Bank Fees/Filing Fees			
Hotline	313.30	350.00	36.70
Total Expenses	497.90	515.10	17.20

Archives

Q2 2026

Expenses	Actual	Budget	Under/(Over) Budget
Area Meeting Hotel	109.40	109.40	
Area Meeting Mileage	83.52	85.84	2.32
Four Corners Workshop	0.00	75.00	75.00
Postage/Printing/Office Supplies	26.45	55.00	28.55
Archivist Supplies	0.00	50.00	50.00

Archives Rent			
Total Expenses	219.37	375.24	155.87

Corrections

Q2 2026

Expenses	Actual	Budget	Under/(Over) Budget
Area Meeting Hotel	0.00	109.40	109.40
Area Meeting Mileage	84.68	84.68	
Postage/Printing/Office Supplies	0.00	10.00	10.00
Four Corners Workshop			
Committee Literature	0.00	50.00	50.00
Total Expenses	84.68	254.08	169.40

Grapevine

Q2 2026

Revenue	Actual
Grapevine Sales	1,216.57

Expenses	Actual	Budget	Under/(Over) Budget
Area Meeting Hotel	218.80	218.80	
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 Debit/Credit	710.35	1,216.57	GV Purchases/Sales
Total Expenses	272.74	358.38	85.64

Registrar

Q2 2026

Expenses	Actual	Budget	Under/(Over) Budget
Area Meeting Hotel	109.40	109.40	
Area Meeting Mileage	50.40	52.78	
Four Corners Workshop			
Postage/Printing/Office Supplies	0.00	6.00	
Total Expenses	159.80	168.18	

Tech/Communications

Q2 2026

Expenses	Actual	Budget	Under/(Over) Budget
Area Meeting Hotel	0.00	109.40	
Area Meeting Mileage	0.00	58.00	
Four Corners Workshop	0.00	0.00	
Postage/Copies/Printing	0.00	6.00	
Website/Plugins Licensing Fees		80.00	
Website Hosting/Support Fees	78.00	150.00	
AV Area Hotel	218.80	218.80	
AV Area Mileage	55.00	52.20	
AV State Convention Hotel	218.80	218.80	
AV State Convention Mileage	55.00	52.20	
Total Expenses	625.60	945.40	

Alternate Delegate*Q2 2026*

Expenses	Actual	Budget	Under/(Over) Budget
Area Meeting Hotel	0.00	0.00	
Area Meeting Mileage	157.74	172.26	14.52
Four Corners Workshop	0.00	75.00	75.00
Postage/Printing/Office Supplies	0.00	6.00	6.00
State Convention Hotel	218.80	218.80	
State Convention Mileage	163.68	172.26	8.58
Regional Forum			
Area Meeting Facility	900.00	900.00	
Insurance			
Total Expenses	1,440.22	1,544.32	104.10

Secretary*Q2 2026*

Expenses	Actual	Budget	Under/(Over) Budget
Area Meeting Hotel	0.00	109.40	109.40
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			
WCRAASC Hotel/Parking			
WCRAASC Mileage/Registration			
Regional Forum			
Handbook			
Total Expenses	0.00	312.78	312.78

Accessibilities, Accommodations, Treatment & Remote Communities*Q2 2026*

Expenses	Actual	Budget	Under/(Over) Budget
Area Meeting Hotel	109.40	109.40	
Area Meeting Mileage	58.00	58.00	
Four Corners Workshop			
Postage/Printing/Office Supplies		6.00	6.00
Committee Literature		20.00	20.00
Total Expenses	167.40	193.40	26.00

CPC*Q2 2026*

Expenses	Actual	Budget	Under/(Over) Budget
Area Meeting Hotel	109.40	109.40	
Area Meeting Mileage	55.10	58.58	
CPC Workshop	227.36	550.00	
Four Corners Workshop		75.00	
Postage/Printing/Office Supplies	50.00	56.00	
Deposit	0.00	195.00	
Total Expenses	441.86	1,043.98	

Newsletter

Q2 2026

Expenses	Actual	Budget	Under/(Over) Budget
Area Meeting Hotel	109.40	109.40	
Area Meeting Mileage		75.98	
Office Supplies	42.79		
Postage	263.97		
Copies/Printing	276.71		
Newsletter Totals	583.47	1,006.00	
Total Expenses	692.87	1,191.38	

Literature**Q2 2026****Revenue****Literature Sales Actual**

1999.9

Expenses	Actual	Budget	Under/(Over) Budget
Area Meeting Hotel	218.80	218.80	
Area Meeting Mileage	0.00	78.88	
Four Corners Workshop	0.00	75.00	
Postage/Printing/Office Supplies	0.00	6.00	
Literature Order Debit/Credit	1,623.34	1,999.90	
Total Expenses	218.80	378.68	

State Convention - Current Year 2026**Q2 2026****Revenue Actual**

Reunion Income 2,535.87

Expenses	Actual	Budget	Under/(Over) Budget
Reunion Expenses	2,340.99	3,000.00	
Total Expenses	2,340.99	3,000.00	(659.01)

Workshop**Q2 2026**

Expenses	Actual	Budget	Under/(Over) Budget
Area Meeting Hotel	109.00	109.40	
Area Meeting Mileage	56.25	58.58	
Four Corners Workshop	0.00	116.00	
Postage/Copies/Printing	0.00	6.00	
Workshop Facility	0.00	150.00	
Bank Fee	15.00	0.00	
Total Expenses	180.25	439.98	

Area 41
2027 Budget
Version 26.10.21.002

Delegate Budget	Num	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Totals
Area Meeting - Hotel	0	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Area Meeting - Mileage	124	\$ 71.92	\$ 71.92	\$ 71.92	\$ 71.92	\$ 287.68
WCRAASC - Hotel	3	\$ 450.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 450.00
WCRAASC - Mileage/Travel	870	\$ 252.30	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 252.30
WCRAASC - Presenter		\$ 500.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 500.00
General Service Conference		\$ 3,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,000.00
GSC Travel		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Reunion - Hotel	2	\$ -	\$ 218.80	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 218.80
Reunion - Mileage	124	\$ -	\$ 71.92	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 71.92
WCRAA Forum - Hotel & Registration		\$ -	\$ -	\$ 300.00	\$ -	\$ 300.00
WCRAA Forum - Mileage (Norfolk)	1006	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 291.74	\$ -	\$ 291.74
4 Corners Workshop - Hotel		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4 Corners Workshop - Mileage		\$ 75.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 300.00
Delegate Report - Mileage		\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 2,000.00
Postage/Copies/Office Supplies		\$ 15.00	\$ 15.00	\$ 15.00	\$ 15.00	\$ 60.00
Delegate Totals		\$ 4,864.22	\$ 952.64	\$ 1,253.66	\$ 661.92	\$ 7,732.44

Alt Delegate Budget	Num	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Totals
Area Meeting - Hotel	0	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Area Meeting - Mileage	297	\$ 172.26	\$ 172.26	\$ 172.26	\$ 172.26	\$ 689.04
Area Meeting Space Rental		\$ 900.00	\$ 900.00	\$ 900.00	\$ 900.00	\$ 3,600.00
WCRAASC - Hotel	3	\$ 450.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 450.00
WCRAASC - Mileage/Travel	1628	\$ 472.12	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 472.12
Reunion - Hotel	2	\$ -	\$ 218.80	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 218.80
Reunion - Mileage	297	\$ -	\$ 172.26	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 172.26
WCRAA Forum - Hotel & Registration		\$ -	\$ -	\$ 300.00	\$ -	\$ 300.00
WCRAA Forum - Mileage (Kimball)	1648	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 477.92	\$ -	\$ 477.92
4 Corners Workshop - Hotel		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4 Corners Workshop - Mileage		\$ 75.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 300.00
Area 41 Insurance Policy		\$ 287.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 287.00
Postage/Copies/Office Supplies		\$ 6.00	\$ 6.00	\$ 6.00	\$ 6.00	\$ 24.00
Alt Delegate Totals		\$ 2,362.38	\$ 1,544.32	\$ 1,931.18	\$ 1,153.26	\$ 6,991.14

Chair Budget	Num	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Totals
Area Meeting - Hotel	0	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Area Meeting - Mileage	150	\$ 87.00	\$ 87.00	\$ 87.00	\$ 87.00	\$ 348.00
WCRAASC - Hotel	2	\$ 300.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 300.00
WCRAASC - Mileage/Travel	916	\$ 265.64	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 265.64
4 Corners Workshop - Hotel		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4 Corners Workshop - Mileage		\$ 75.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 300.00
WCRAA Forum - Hotel & Registration		\$ -	\$ -	\$ 300.00	\$ -	\$ 300.00
WCRAA Forum - Mileage (Bennington)	1090	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 316.10	\$ -	\$ 316.10
First Timer Orientation		\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 100.00
Postage/Copies/Office Supplies		\$ 6.00	\$ 6.00	\$ 6.00	\$ 6.00	\$ 24.00
Zoom Account		\$ 68.76	\$ 68.76	\$ 68.76	\$ 68.76	\$ 275.04
Assembly Guest Expenses			\$ 750.00			\$ 750.00
Chair Totals		\$ 827.40	\$ 1,011.76	\$ 877.86	\$ 261.76	\$ 2,978.78

Treasurer Budget	Num	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Totals
Area Meeting - Hotel	0	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Area Meeting - Mileage	145	\$ 84.10	\$ 84.10	\$ 84.10	\$ 84.10	\$ 336.40
WCRAASC - Hotel	2	\$ 300.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 300.00
WCRAASC - Mileage/Travel	1352	\$ 392.08	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 392.08
WCRAA Forum - Hotel & Registration		\$ -	\$ -	\$ 300.00	\$ -	\$ 300.00
WCRAA Forum - Mileage (North Platte)	1612	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 467.48	\$ -	\$ 467.48
4 Corners Workshop - Hotel		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4 Corners Workshop - Mileage		\$ 75.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 300.00
Hotline		\$ 350.00	\$ 350.00	\$ 350.00	\$ 350.00	\$ 1,400.00
Filing Fees		\$ 15.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 15.00
Postage/Copies/Office Supplies		\$ 78.00	\$ 78.00	\$ 78.00	\$ 78.00	\$ 312.00

Treasurer Totals		\$ 1,294.18	\$ 587.10	\$ 1,354.58	\$ 587.10	\$ 3,822.96
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Secretary Budget	Num	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Totals
Area Meeting - Hotel	1	\$ 109.40	\$ 109.40	\$ 109.40	\$ 109.40	\$ 437.60
Area Meeting - Mileage	211	\$ 122.38	\$ 122.38	\$ 122.38	\$ 122.38	\$ 489.52
WCRAASC - Hotel	2	\$ 300.00				\$ 300.00
WCRAASC - Mileage/Travel	1494	\$ 433.26	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 433.26
WCRAA Forum - Hotel & Registration		\$ -	\$ -	\$ 300.00	\$ -	\$ 300.00
WCRAA Forum - Mileage (Grant)	1470	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 426.30	\$ -	\$ 426.30
4 Corners Workshop - Hotel		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4 Corners Workshop - Mileage		\$ 75.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 300.00
Handbook			\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Wordly - 2028 (biannual billing)						
Postage/Copies/Office Supplies		\$ 6.00	\$ 6.00	\$ 6.00	\$ 6.00	\$ 24.00
Secretary Totals		\$ 1,046.04	\$ 312.78	\$ 1,039.08	\$ 312.78	\$ 2,710.68

AA/Tr/RC Budget	Num	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Totals
Area Meeting - Hotel	1	\$ 109.40	\$ 109.40	\$ 109.40	\$ 109.40	\$ 437.60
Area Meeting - Mileage	100	\$ 58.00	\$ 58.00	\$ 58.00	\$ 58.00	\$ 232.00
Committee Literature		\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 200.00
4 Corners Workshop - Hotel						\$ -
4 Corners Workshop - Mileage		\$ 75.00	\$ -	\$ 75.00	\$ -	\$ 150.00
Postage/Copies/Office Supplies		\$ 6.00	\$ 6.00	\$ 6.00	\$ 6.00	\$ 24.00
AA/Tr/RC Totals		\$ 298.40	\$ 223.40	\$ 298.40	\$ 223.40	\$ 1,043.60

Archives Budget	Num	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Totals
Area Meeting - Hotel	1	\$ 109.40	\$ 109.40	\$ 109.40	\$ 109.40	\$ 437.60
Area Meeting - Mileage	148	\$ 85.84	\$ 85.84	\$ 85.84	\$ 85.84	\$ 343.36
Archivist - Hotel	1	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 109.40	\$ -	\$ 109.40
Archivist - Mileage	130	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 75.40	\$ -	\$ 75.40
National Archives Workshop		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Archivist Supplies		\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 200.00
Archives Rent		\$ 700.00	\$ -	\$ 700.00	\$ -	\$ 1,400.00
4 Corners Workshop - Hotel						\$ -
4 Corners Workshop - Mileage		\$ 75.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 300.00
Nat'l Archives Workshop - Future Attendance						
Postage/Copies/Office Supplies		\$ 6.00	\$ 6.00	\$ 6.00	\$ 6.00	\$ 24.00
Archives Totals		\$ 1,026.24	\$ 326.24	\$ 1,211.04	\$ 326.24	\$ 2,889.76

CPC/PI Budget	Num	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Totals
Area Meeting - Hotel	1	\$ 109.40	\$ 109.40	\$ 109.40	\$ 109.40	\$ 437.60
Area Meeting - Mileage	101	\$ 58.58	\$ 58.58	\$ 58.58	\$ 58.58	\$ 234.32
Contact Cards		\$ -	\$ 350.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 350.00
CPC/PI Workshop		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 150.00	\$ 150.00
4 Corners Workshop - Hotel						\$ -
4 Corners Workshop - Mileage		\$ -	\$ 75.00	\$ 75.00	\$ -	\$ 150.00
Postage/Copies/Office Supplies		\$ 6.00	\$ 6.00	\$ 6.00	\$ 6.00	\$ 24.00
CPC/PI Totals		\$ 173.98	\$ 598.98	\$ 248.98	\$ 323.98	\$ 1,345.92

Corrections Budget	Num	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Totals
Area Meeting - Hotel	1	\$ 109.40	\$ 109.40	\$ 109.40	\$ 109.40	\$ 437.60
Area Meeting - Mileage	146	\$ 84.68	\$ 84.68	\$ 84.68	\$ 84.68	\$ 338.72
4 Corners Workshop - Hotel						\$ -
4 Corners Workshop - Mileage		\$ 75.00	\$ -	\$ 75.00	\$ -	\$ 150.00
Agenda Item - Attend Nat'l Workshop						
Committee Literature		\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 200.00
Postage/Copies/Office Supplies		\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00	\$ 40.00
Corrections Totals		\$ 329.08	\$ 254.08	\$ 329.08	\$ 254.08	\$ 1,166.32

Grapevine Budget	Num	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Totals
Area Meeting - Hotel	2	\$ 218.80	\$ 218.80	\$ 218.80	\$ 218.80	\$ 875.20
Area Meeting - Mileage	101	\$ 58.58	\$ 58.58	\$ 58.58	\$ 58.58	\$ 234.32
4 Corners Workshop - Hotel						\$ -
4 Corners Workshop - Mileage		\$ 75.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 300.00
Postage/Copies/Office Supplies		\$ 6.00	\$ 6.00	\$ 6.00	\$ 6.00	\$ 24.00
Grapevine Totals		\$ 358.38	\$ 358.38	\$ 358.38	\$ 358.38	\$ 1,433.52

Literature Budget	Num	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Totals
Area Meeting - Hotel	2	\$ 218.80	\$ 218.80	\$ 218.80	\$ 218.80	\$ 875.20
Area Meeting - Mileage	136	\$ 78.88	\$ 78.88	\$ 78.88	\$ 78.88	\$ 315.52
4 Corners Workshop - Mileage		\$ 75.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 300.00
Postage/Copies/Office Supplies		\$ 6.00	\$ 6.00	\$ 6.00	\$ 6.00	\$ 24.00
Literature Totals		\$ 378.68	\$ 378.68	\$ 378.68	\$ 378.68	\$ 1,514.72

Newsletter Budget	Num	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Totals
Area Meeting - Hotel	1	\$ 109.40	\$ 109.40	\$ 109.40	\$ 109.40	\$ 437.60
Area Meeting - Mileage	131	\$ 75.98	\$ 75.98	\$ 75.98	\$ 75.98	\$ 303.92
Newsletter Totals		\$ 600.00	\$ 600.00	\$ 600.00	\$ 600.00	\$ 2,400.00
4 Corners Workshop - Mileage		\$ 75.00	\$ -	\$ 75.00	\$ -	\$ 150.00
Postage/Copies/Office Supplies		\$ 6.00	\$ 6.00	\$ 6.00	\$ 6.00	\$ 24.00
Newsletter Totals		\$ 866.38	\$ 791.38	\$ 866.38	\$ 791.38	\$ 3,315.52

Registrar Budget	Num	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Totals
Area Meeting - Hotel	1	\$ 109.40	\$ 109.40	\$ 109.40	\$ 109.40	\$ 437.60
Area Meeting - Mileage	91	\$ 52.78	\$ 52.78	\$ 52.78	\$ 52.78	\$ 211.12
4 Corners Workshop - Mileage		\$ 75.00	\$ -	\$ 75.00	\$ -	\$ 150.00
Postage/Copies/Office Supplies		\$ 6.00	\$ 6.00	\$ 6.00	\$ 6.00	\$ 24.00
Registrar Totals		\$ 243.18	\$ 168.18	\$ 243.18	\$ 168.18	\$ 822.72

Reunion Seed Money	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Totals
Current Year	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 3,000.00
Reunion Totals	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 3,000.00

Tech & Comm Budget	Num	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Totals
Area Meeting - Hotel	0	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Area Meeting - Mileage	0	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Audio-Visual - Area Hotel	2	\$ 218.80	\$ 218.80	\$ 218.80	\$ 218.80	\$ 875.20
Audio-Visual - Area Mileage	90	\$ 52.20	\$ 52.20	\$ 52.20	\$ 52.20	\$ 208.80
Audio-Visual - Reunion Hotel	2		\$ 218.80			\$ 218.80
Audio-Visual - Reunion Mileage	90		\$ 52.20			\$ 52.20
Audio-Visual - Taper		\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00	\$ 40.00
Website Hosting/Support Fees		\$ -	\$ -	\$ 650.00	\$ -	\$ 650.00
Website/Plugins Licensing Fees		\$ -	\$ 80.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 80.00
4 Corners Workshop - Mileage		\$ 75.00	\$ -	\$ 75.00	\$ -	\$ 150.00
Postage/Copies/Office Supplies		\$ 6.00	\$ 6.00	\$ 6.00	\$ 6.00	\$ 24.00
Tech & Comm Totals		\$ 362.00	\$ 638.00	\$ 1,012.00	\$ 287.00	\$ 2,299.00

Workshop Budget	Num	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Totals
Area Meeting - Hotel	1	\$ 109.40	\$ 109.40	\$ 109.40	\$ 109.40	\$ 437.60
Area Meeting - Mileage	101	\$ 58.58	\$ 58.58	\$ 58.58	\$ 58.58	\$ 234.32
4 Corners Workshop - Hotel		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4 Corners Workshop - Mileage	200	\$ 75.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 300.00
Postage/Copies/Office Supplies		\$ 6.00	\$ 6.00	\$ 6.00	\$ 6.00	\$ 24.00
Workshop Facility		\$ 150.00	\$ 150.00	\$ 150.00	\$ 150.00	\$ 600.00
Workshop Totals		\$ 398.98	\$ 398.98	\$ 398.98	\$ 398.98	\$ 1,595.92
Workshop Totals		\$ 797.96	\$ 797.96	\$ 797.96	\$ 797.96	\$ 3,191.84

Total Expenses		\$ 16,228.50	\$ 9,943.88	\$ 12,200.44	\$ 7,886.10	\$ 46,258.92
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Revenue						
Contributions - Projected 30% Increase		\$ 8,205.17	\$ 14,558.27	\$ 9,861.37	\$ 10,717.20	\$ 43,342.00
State Convention Seed Money				\$ 3,000.00		
Totals		\$ 8,205.17	\$ 14,558.27	\$ 12,861.37	\$ 10,717.20	\$ 46,342.00
Total Area 41		\$ (8,023.33)	\$ 4,614.39	\$ 660.93	\$ 2,831.10	\$ 83.08



Area 41 Nebraska



Every two years, Area 41 takes its inventory. The Agenda Committee is seeking feedback from all members in Area 41 via this survey. At the October 2026 Area Assembly, we will dig further into these topics with breakout discussions and a full-Assembly sharing session. The goal is to identify what we are doing well and how we can increase our effectiveness.

This survey is anonymous. Please answer as many questions as you want. Please either submit your answers online by scanning the QR code in the top right corner or going to <https://bit.ly/area41inventory>. You can also fill out your answers on paper and bring your response to the October Assembly. If you have any questions or need any help, please get in touch with the Area 41 Chair at chair@area41.org.

Thank you for participating in the Area 41 Inventory Process!

Getting Started

1. How did you hear about the Area 41 Inventory survey? An Email from Area 41, The Area 41 Website (www.area41.org), Our General Service Representative (GSR), Our District Committee Member (DCM), The Area 41 Newsletter (NebrAskA News)
2. Are you submitting this on behalf of A District, A Group, or Yourself?

Purpose

1. What do you believe is the primary purpose of Area 41?
2. In what ways is Area 41 fulfilling that purpose well?
3. Where could Area 41 better fulfill its purpose?

Participation

1. What encourages members to become involved in Area service?
2. What barriers keep members from participating in Area service?
3. How can Area better welcome, encourage, train, and retain new GSRs, DCMs, committee members, and other trusted servants?
4. What could Area do to ensure all members feel welcome to participate and share their experience?

Communication

1. How well does information flow between Area, districts, and groups?
2. What information do groups and districts need most from Area?
3. How can Area improve communication before and after Assemblies and the General Service Conference?
4. How can Area better explain issues before asking the Assembly to make decisions?

Serving Groups & Districts

1. What support do groups and districts need most from Area?
2. What Area resources, workshops, or services have been most helpful?
3. What additional resources or support would strengthen groups and districts?
4. How can Area committees better support carrying the A.A. message?

Preparing the Delegate

1. How well does Area gather the conscience of the Fellowship before the General Service Conference?
2. What could Area do to better prepare the Delegate for the General Service Conference?
3. How can the Delegate's report back better serve groups and districts?

Leadership & Stewardship

1. What characteristics of Area leadership help build trust and unity?
2. How can Area better ensure all voices—including minority opinions—are heard?
3. How can Area better demonstrate transparency, accountability, and responsible stewardship?

Looking Ahead

1. If Area 41 could accomplish one thing before the next rotation, what should it be?
2. If you have any other feedback you would like to share, please note it here.

Demographic Questions

1. What section of Area 41 are you from (a district map is available at www.area41.org):
 - a. West (Districts 8, 9, 10, 13, 14)
 - b. Central (Districts 7, 12, 15, 16, 26, 30, 31)
 - c. Northeast (Districts 1, 2, 4, 11, 17, 18, 19, 24, 25)
 - d. Southeast (Districts 3, 5, 6, 20, 21, 22, 23, 28, 29, 32)
2. What is your current service position:
 - a. Choose One: I Don't Currently Have a Service Position, Home Group Service Position, GSR, District Committee Position, DCM, Area Officer/Committee Chair/Service Position, Past Delegate, Other (specify)
3. What other service position(s) have you held before your current one?
 - a. None
 - b. Home Group Service Position
 - c. GSR
 - d. District Committee Position
 - e. DCM
 - f. Area Officer, Committee Chair, Service Position
 - g. Area Delegate
4. How long have you been participating in Area service (in years)?