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THE TWELVE STEPS OF ALCOHOLIC ANONYMOUS

- 1. We admitted we were powerless over alcohol—that our lives had become unmanageable.**
- 2. Came to believe that a Power greater than ourselves could restore us to sanity.**
- 3. Made a decision to turn our will and our lives over to the care of God as we understood Him.**
- 4. Made a searching and fearless moral inventory of ourselves.**
- 5. Admitted to God, to ourselves, and to another human being the exact nature of our wrongs.**
- 6. Were entirely ready to have God remove all these defects of character.**
- 7. Humbly asked Him to remove our shortcomings.**
- 8. Made a list of all persons we had harmed, and became willing to make amends to them all.**
- 9. Made direct amends to such people wherever possible, except when to do so would injure them or others.**
- 10. Continued to take personal inventory and when we were wrong promptly admitted it.**
- 11. Sought through prayer and meditation to improve our conscious contact with God as we understood Him, praying only for knowledge of His will for us and the power to carry that out.**
- 12. Having had a spiritual awakening as the result of these steps, we tried to carry this message to alcoholics, and to practice these principles in all our affairs.**

THE TWELVE TRADITIONS OF ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

- 1. Our common welfare should come first; personal recovery depends upon A.A. unity.**
- 2. For our group purpose there is but one ultimate authority—a loving God as He may express Himself in our group conscience. Our leaders are but trusted servants; they do not govern.**
- 3. The only requirement for A.A. membership is a desire to stop drinking.**
- 4. Each group should be autonomous except in matters affecting other groups or A.A. as a whole.**
- 5. Each group has but one primary purpose—to carry its message to the alcoholic who still suffers.**
- 6. An A.A. group ought never endorse, finance, or lend the A.A. name to any related facility or outside enterprise, lest problems of money, property, and prestige divert us from our primary purpose.**
- 7. Every A.A. group ought to be fully self-supporting, declining outside contributions.**
- 8. Alcoholics Anonymous should remain forever nonprofessional, but our service centers may employ special workers.**
- 9. A.A., as such, ought never be organized; but we may create service boards or committees directly responsible to those they serve.**
- 10. Alcoholics Anonymous has no opinion on outside issues; hence the A.A. name ought never be drawn into public controversy.**
- 11. Our public relations policy is based on attraction rather than promotion; we need always maintain personal anonymity at the level of press, radio, and films.**
- 12. Anonymity is the spiritual foundation of all our Traditions, ever reminding us to place principles before personalities.**

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The Area 25 Preamble

Service shall be Area 25's primary purpose. All Area 25 activities will be aimed at assisting Kansas A.A. groups to function more effectively. Area 25 will also try to insure that the Area's group conscience is conveyed through the general service structure to the General Service Conference, to help the Conference fulfill its primary purpose of acting as the "true voice" of A.A. Area 25 shall encourage all Kansas A.A. groups to support the Area in its efforts to carry out this goal.

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EVENTS

January 13@1:30pm-2:30pm South Leawood Group-Traditions Workshop

January 27 @2pm-9pm Nuts and Bolts Anniversary Lawrence, KS

January 28 @11am-2:pm Twin Lake Anniversary Dinner

January 31 @7pm-9pm Womens Panel AA Cross Talk

February 2-4, 72nd Annual Greeley AA/Alanon Stampede, Greeley, CO

February 3 @530-830pm Poyntz Avenue Group Annual Chili Feed, Manhattan, KS

February 9-11 2024 Big Book Study hosted by Ulysses Group

February 23-25, 2024 sunflower round-up www.sunflowerroundup.com

March 23 @9am-4pm Area 25 kansas 30th Annual Corrections Conference

AREA COMMITTEE REPORTS

Chair *Melissa B.*

Hello Area 25! Looking forward to the next 2 years and having the opportunity to serve you all. I am excited to get back to the basics and make sure as an Area we are ready and available help the till suffering alcoholic whether inside or outside the rooms. I hope to bring a little laughter and a whole lot of love for A.A. to our upcoming business meeting. Please feel free to reach out with any questions, concerns, or comments. I am ready with open ears.

chairperson@ks-aa.org

In Love and Service,

Melissa Beckham

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Kim H.

Hello Kansas Area 25!! I am new to serving in an Area position but not to doing service work. I am very excited to share with you all types of information about our area over the next several years. I will be reaching out to get information about your groups. Please email me with any questions or ideas. gfp@ks-aa.org

In Love and Service,

Kimberly Harrison

Public Information

Robert H.

Looking forward to meeting and working with each of you in carrying the message of recovery to the still suffering alcoholic through various forms of Public Information. Hoping to learn a lot from all of you.

publicinformation@ks-aa.org

In Love and Service,

Bob Harrison

AGENDA FOR AREA ASSEMBLY JANUARY 2024

**KANSAS AREA 25 ASSEMBLY
JANUARY 2024 AGENDA
JANUARY 19-21 2024**

**WEBSTER CONFERENCE CENTER, 2601 N OHIO ST, SALINA, KS
67401**

Friday, January 19th

**7:00 p.m. Committee and Officer Meeting All Area Committee Chairs
and Officers**

Saturday, January 20th

8:00am – 8:30am KAAAI Board Meeting

9:00am – 10:30am GSR and DCM Sharing Sessions

GSR Session Leader Will H. and Jimmy Jack B.

DCM Session Leader Brett G. and Sheri P.

10:45 am – 12:00 pm Committee Meetings

Committee District Chair

Accessibilities 23, 12 Chelle F.

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12:00 pm – 1:30pm Lunch Break

1:30 pm-2:00pm Robert's Rules

2:00pm-2:30pm Traditions 1-3

2:45 pm – 4:30 pm Committee and DCM reports

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DCM reports Note: Please provide written copies of the report.

4:30pm – 7:00pm DINNER BREAK

7:00pm – 8:00pm Speaker meeting- Kaylon J. and Dee Y.

Sunday, January 21st

8:30 am – 12:00 pm Closed Business Meeting

Opening of Assembly- Melissa B.

Roll Call-Voting Count – Will H.

Secretary Report- Dee Y.

Treasurers Report- Scott O.

KAAAAI Board Report

Delegate Report- Bridget B.

Alt. Delegate Report Ken S.

Alt. Area Chair Report -Will H.

2024 State Conference Report- Lisa R.

Memorial Note: Please provide written reports.

New Business:

- 1. Approve 2024-2025 committee chairs**
- 2. Approve 2024 Budget**
- 3. Web Chair guidelines**
- 4. Re-districting of Valley Falls**

Upcoming Events

April 6, 2024, Area Committee Meetings, Webster Conference Center, Salina

July 19-21, 2024, Area Assembly, Webster Conference Center, Salina

September 20-22, 2024, Area Conference, Great Bend

October 19, 2024, Area Committee Meetings, Webster Conference Center, Salina

January 24-26, 2025, Area Assembly, Webster Conference Center, Salina

April 5, 2025, Area Committee Meetings, Webster Conference Center, Salina

July 18-20, 2025, Area Assembly, Webster Conference Center, Salina

September 19-21, 2025, Area Conference, Great Bend

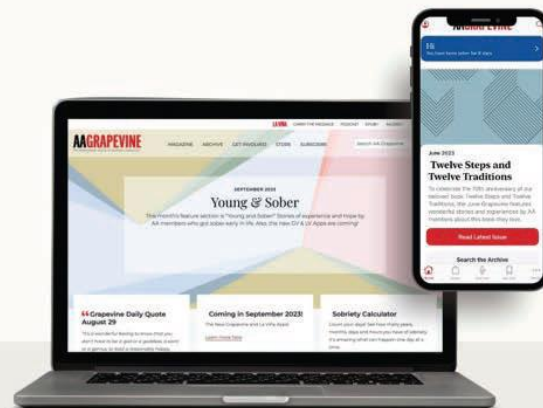
October 18, 2025, Area Committee Meetings, Webster Conference Center, Salina

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- **A useful source for A.A. news, Box 4-5-9 is a quarterly newsletter from the U.S./Canada General Service Office. This newsletter includes:**
- **information about A.A. service**
- **news about literature**
- **a calendar of upcoming events (also see Board Calendar here)**
- **sharing from groups and service committee**
- **sharing from individual A.A. members in the U.S./Canada**



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