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the twelve steps of alcoholics 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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events

Kansas Area 25 Assembly	Jan 16, 2021	Virtual via Zoom
Kansas Area 25 Committee Meetings	Apr 10 2021	Quality Inn, Salina KS [TBD]
General Service Conference	Apr 18–24 2021	Virtual
Kansas Area 25 Assembly	July 16–18, 2021	Webster Conference Center, Salina, KS
Area 25 State Conference	Sept 16–18, 2021	Hyatt Regency, Wichita, KS
Kansas Area 25 Committee Meetings	Oct 16, 2021	Quality Inn, Salina, KS



announcements

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area committee reports

delegate

Greetings Area 25 Members,

Wishing everyone a Happy Holiday Season.

I have thought of all of you over this past year and truly hope everyone is healthy and safe. Thank you for helping carrying the message during this difficult time.

The Flyer for the Virtual Western U.S. / Canada Forum “2020: Experience Strength & Hope – what it was like, what happened, and what it is like now.” to be held on December 19th was posted to our Area 25 Website. I also sent it via email to Area Officers and DCM’s. I hope this reached you and that you had the opportunity to attend this event.

The 71st General Service Conference will be held virtually the week of April 18th – 24th, 2021. The (SWRDA) Southwest Regional Delegates Assembly will also be held virtually in March and all Regional Forums for 2021 will be held virtually on the dates they were originally scheduled for.

The General Service Office staff continue to work remotely and it is still unknown when they will begin working in-person again. There has been some discussion on allowing some staff members to return to 475 Riverside Dr., NY, NY (GSO) on a volunteer basis after January 1, 2021.

There is a video that will be released soon: “The Big Book: Researching issues, Possible Tools and Access (70th GSC 2020)”. I hope to be able to share this with you either in January at the Area Assembly, or before the 71st General Service Conference in April. This presentation was given to the Conference Literature Committee on May 2nd, 2020. The Committee noted the importance for the Fellowship to be informed about the nature of the accessibility challenges with regard to AA Literature. I look forward to your feedback regarding this video.

It’s been a privilege serving as the Conference Literature Committee Chair. I have been meeting the Trustee Literature Committee Chair and my Conference Committee both before and after the General Service Board Meetings held in 2020.

I have been invited to attend the General Service Board Meeting held the weekend of January 30th, and will be attending an Orientation Meeting on January 22nd, 2021 to prepare me for the Board Weekend.

I look forward to seeing everyone again virtually at the January 2021 Area Assembly.

Thank you for allowing me to be of service!

Sheri P., P70/A25 Delegate

alternate delegate

Greetings Area 25,

As 2020 draws to a close I would like to say how awed I am by the way Area 25 has risen to the challenge of this year and grateful that I get to be a part of a fellowship that not only manages to rise to the occasion to continue carrying the message in whatever capacity possible, but does so with little fanfare or discussion—they just do it because that's what we're supposed to do. Thank you for letting me be a part of that.

At the October Committee Meetings I mentioned that there had been some discussion regarding the cancelled SWRAASA in Amarillo and the possibility of holding it next year. I have spoken with the Area 66 delegate and he has informed me that those plans have not come to fruition. Thus, as far as I know there are no plans for a SWRAASA do-over at this time.

Thanks again for letting me serve and I look forward to seeing everyone online at the January Assembly.

In Love and Service,

Jon R.

area committee reports

area chair

Hello Area 25,

As we trudge our way through these different times, we are all faced with whether or not to go to live meetings or stay virtual. Whatever our individual choices are, we in Area 25 have kept up with the ever changing environment and I want to say I am very humbled by many of our members' efforts.

It was with a heavy heart we had to go virtual with the January Assembly. Brigitte B, Area 25 Alt Chair, put forth a lot of work to try and accommodate a hybrid option, but after we did the survey and found we could not get to at least 50%. The area officers and chairs together made the difficult decision to play it safe and stay virtual.

I know this is not an ideal situation but our commitments to the Area and AA as whole are no less than what they were prior to the pandemic. Virtually every day, someone emails myself or other Area members looking for a meeting or even just an understanding person who can possibly help them get through their own alcoholism and isolation looking to find a safe place to be. Therein lies our biggest challenge. Continue to reach the still suffering Alcoholic.

We are needed more than we will ever know. Keep up the good work Area 25!!! Help your homegroup, work with your committees and let's be ready for that day we can all be together again, face to face, to share in our common purpose.

In Love & Service,

Darin H.

alternate area chair

Hello Area 25,

I hope everyone is staying healthy. As you know after careful consideration the January 2021 will be held virtually. I have contacted the Webster Conference Center and they have graciously allowed us to apply our deposit for our next assembly at their facility.

I am also in the process of securing all dates at Webster for 2022.

Thank you for allowing me to be of service.

Bridget B.

chronicler

Hello Area 25. I want to say thank you to those who have attended the Chronicler meetings this year. We had a great committee meeting in October with four people in attendance. We spent the majority of the meeting discussing the pros and cons of several different digital storage options. District 19 has transferred all their documents to Box. AA members can request access to these files. I have an updated DCM roster, and I will be emailing the group history form out.

Thank you for the opportunity to be of service.

Heather G.

area committee reports

grape free press

Greetings Area 25!

I hope everyone has been well and taking care of eachother. I am looking forward to being of service to Area 25 in the role as Grape Free Press Editor if approved by the Assembly. Will be great to meet some of you and reconnect with the rest!

Please send GFP Spring Edition submissions, such as events, birthdays, memoriams, etc., to gfp@ks-aa.org by March 1st.

In Love and Service,

Gena W.

chair, conference 2021

Hello Area 25!

We missed seeing everyone for a rousing 2020 Area Conference but are busily planning another great one for 2021! The dates are September 17-19, 2021 and will be held in Wichita. If you registered for the 2020 conf your registration will roll over to the 2021 conference.

We are looking forward to being together, keeping fingers crossed that we will!

Much appreciation to the 2020 Committee for all the planning and hard work they did. The 2021 committee is getting going and we are grateful to get to do this.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve!

Michele R, Chair, Area 25 Conf. 2021

Kansas Area 25 Assembly January 2021 Agenda

"A.A. In A Time of Change"

Saturday, January 16th

Virtual Zoom Meeting

Conference web page: <https://ks-aa.org/event/assembly/>

8:00 – 8:15 am Main virtual conference room opens (PLEASE LOG ON AT THIS TIME by clicking on the "Main Virtual Conference Room" meeting link at <https://ks-aa.org/event/assembly/>)

8:15 – 8:30 am **Virtual Assembly Orientation**

8:30 – 9:30 am GSR & DCM Sharing Sessions

DCM's - Join "DCM Conference Room" (meeting link at <https://ks-aa.org/event/assembly/>) GSR's/ Everyone Else - Stay in "Main Virtual Conference Room"

9:30 – 10:00 am **Break**

10:00 – 11:30 am **Committee Meetings** - You will need to join your assigned Committee's virtual conference room (see table below) via one of the committee meeting room links listed at <https://ks-aa.org/event/assembly/>. The Main virtual conference room will be open for questions only during committee meetings.

Committee	District	Chair
Accessibilities	20, 14, 16	Ben S.
Chronicler	10, 8, 4	Heather G.
Corrections	23, 19, 17	Michele D.
Cooperation w/Professional Community	31, 26, 21	Cheryl H.
Grape Free Press	15, 22	Gena W.
Grapevine	2, 3, 27	Patty G.
Literature	6, 1, 12	Geno R.
Public Information	18, 11, 9	Sonia F.
Treatment	13, 7, 5	Mike D.
Web	24, 19, 30	Sarah D.

11:30 pm – 12:30 pm **LUNCH BREAK**

12:15 pm Main virtual conference room re-opens (PLEASE LOG ON AT THIS TIME by clicking on the “Main Virtual Conference Room” meeting link at <https://ks-aa.org/event/assembly/>)

12:30- 1:00 A word from Our SW Regional Trustee Jimmy D. (Main Virtual Conference Room)

1:00 – 2:30 **Committee and DCM reports** (Main Virtual Conference Room)

Accessibilities	Ben S.
AI-Anon Liaison	Bailey S.
Chronicler	Heather G.
Corrections	Michele D.
CPC	Chery H.
Grape Free Press	Gena W.
Grapevine	Patty G.
Literature	Geno R.
Public Information	Sonia F.
Treatment	Mike D.
Web	Sarah D.
Registrar	Dennis G.

DCM reports *Note: Please provide estimate of voting members from each district and provide emailed copies to the secretary of your reports. secretary@ks-aa.org*

2:30 – 3:00 **Break**— You may stay logged in.

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3:00 – Close **Closed Business Meeting** (voting members only—
observers will be required to dial-in using a telephone
- each voting member will need a PC/Mac or Apple/
Android device to vote) *More than likely we will finish
this well before the allotted time.*

Opening of Assembly Business Meeting	Darin H.
Roll Call	Bridget B.
Secretary Report	Cindy D
Treasurers Report	Josh R.
Delegate Report	Sheri P.
Alt. Delegate Report	Jon R.
Alt. Area Chair Report	Bridget B.
2021 State Conference Report	Michele R.

Voting Procedure Announcement

Old Business: None

New Business:

1. Guidelines Ad Hoc Committee Report
2. Approve New Area Chairs-Cheryl H (CPC),
Gena W (GFP), Mike D (Treatment)
3. Elect New Alternate Secretary
4. Approve 2021 Budget
5. April Committee Meetings (Vote for live or virtual)



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