

35th ANNUAL

AREA 54 NORTHEAST OHIO GENERAL SERVICE

MINI-CONFERENCE

April 9, 10 & 11, 2010

“PRACTICING A.A.’S PRINCIPLES – PATHWAY to UNITY”

ALL MEMBERS OF A.A. ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND THIS CONFERENCE



SPEAKERS

Banquet
(Open AA Meeting)
Eva S, Staff Member
from General Service
Office

Trustee’s Report
Pam R, Our East-Central
Regional Trustee

Registration
Friday: 1 – 7 PM
Saturday: 8 – 5PM

Hospitality Suite
Opens Friday at 4 PM

Conference Begins
Friday: 7:00 PM

SCHEDULE:

- **Friday –**
- Service – What We’re About
- Ohio Unity– Area Highlights
- General Sharing Session

- **Saturday –**
- Early-Bird A.A. meeting
- Presentation of Agenda Items
- Conference Agenda Items
- Area Voting on Agenda Items
- Banquet, Skit & Speaker Meeting

- **Sunday –**
- Early Bird A.A. Meeting
- Past Delegates Panel
- Ask-It Basket
- General Sharing Session

LOCATION

Hilton East Beachwood
3363 Park East Drive
Beachwood, OH 44122
(See map on back for details)

\$84 per night
(Plus State & Local Tax)

Reserve your room by
March 8, 2010

Phone: (216) 464-5950

For Hotel Reservations
Reference Group & Code
Northeast Ohio
Mini-Conference
(NOC) – Group Code

Free parking for hotel guests and
local participants.

VISIT US ONLINE AT → <http://www.area54.org>

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

NAME _____ As you would like it on your name tag _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____ PHONE _____

Registration _____ x \$15.00 = \$ _____

Saturday Banquet _____ x \$29.00 = \$ _____

Total = \$ _____

**Anyone can register at the door; however,
the meals may not be available.**

Please make checks payable to NE Ohio Mini-Conference
Mail to Mini-Conference, PO Box 22156, Beachwood, OH 44122-2156

Email inquires to: MiniConference @area54.org

POSTMARK NO LATER THAN MARCH 27th or Please Register at the Conference



Hilton Cleveland East / Beachwood

3663 Park East Drive, Beachwood, Ohio 44122
 Tel: 1-216-464-5950 Fax: 1-216-464-6539

Directions

From I-90 and Points North: Take I-271 (local lanes) South to Chagrin Blvd. Turn right and follow to first street which is Park East Drive and turn left.

From Downtown Cleveland: Take I-77 South to I-480 East and follow to I-271 (local lanes) North to Chagrin Blvd. Turn left and follow to first street which is Park East Drive and turn left.

From Points East: Take the Ohio Turnpike (I-80) West and follow to 187/Exit 13. Take I-480 West to I-271 (local lanes) North to Chagrin Blvd. Turn Left and follow to first street which is Park East Drive and turn Left.

From Points West: Take the Ohio Turnpike (I-80) East and follow to exit 9A. Then follow I-480 East to I-271 (local lanes) North to Chagrin Blvd. Turn left and follow to first street which is Park East Drive and turn left.

From Points South: Take I-71 or I-77 North to I-271 (local lanes) North to Chagrin Blvd. Turn left and follow to first street which is Park East Drive and turn Left.

Amenities at the Hilton Hotel

All guestrooms, with one king or two double beds, feature the new Serenity Bed by Hilton, Sweet Dreams bedding in all guest rooms and Crabtree & Evelyn La Source bath amenities. Guestrooms include a chair with ottoman, large work desk with lamp, two line speaker phones, wireless High speed internet, voicemail, personal wake up call, a digital alarm clock with the capability to plug in MP3 players, hair dryer, iron and ironing board, complimentary in room Lavazza coffee and access to On Command Videos. Refrigerators, Microwaves & Rollaways are available at a cost of \$25.00 and are based upon availability. Newly renovated Fitness Center with state-of-the-art equipment by Precor® High Speed Internet Access, In House Audio/Visual Department, 24 Hour Business Center; 404 guest rooms and 8 suites.

What is the purpose of the Area 54 Mini-Conference?

This Mini-Conference was developed to give our Delegate the informed conscience of the groups in Area 54— Northeast Ohio, on some of the agenda items that will be addressed at the General Service Conference. Due to time constraints, it is not possible to address all of the agenda of the General Service Conference. The selected agenda is mailed to the registered General Service Representatives (GSRs) of the groups in advance. The group can discuss the issues and send their group's conscience to the Mini-Conference via their GSR. At the Mini-Conference the issues are discussed with GSRs from many groups throughout Area 54. Using the committee system and voting procedures described in the AA Service Manual, a consensus is reached. This consensus will be taken to the General Service Conference via our seated Delegate.

The Mini-Conference will also feature displays and information provided by the Area 54 Standing Committees and a variety of ways for a GSR to share with others committed to their service to others. GSRs can meet the East Central Regional Trustee, a staff member from the General Service Office and the Area Committee. There are also sharing sessions for GSRs and an Ask-it-basket hosted by Past Delegates, the Regional Trustee and GSO Staff member.

Why do I have to pay?

While there are no dues or fees for membership in AA, it is the practice of Area 54 General Service that each individual event be self-supporting. This conference requires months of planning, preparation and money to present. Our expenses include printing of the background material and purchase of literature relevant to the agenda that will be discussed, printing of flyers and schedules, mailing costs and registration supplies. We do not pay our speakers, but we do provide for their expenses to attend the conference. At times we have snack or beverage expenses. The hospitality rooms are self-supporting of themselves. The Saturday Night Speaker is an open A.A. Meeting and is the only function that will not require attendees be registered.

All members of A.A. are encouraged to attend!