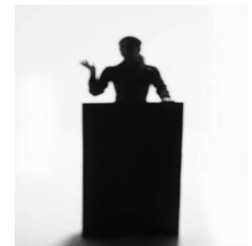


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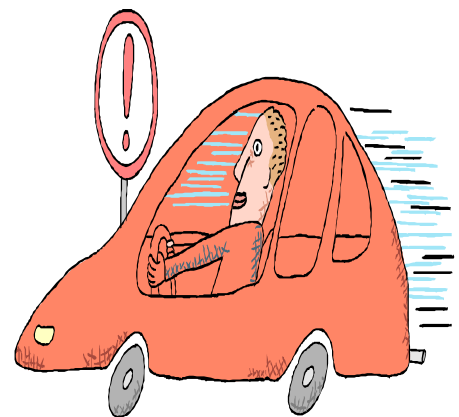
Hold our Mini-Conference without fees for members who attended. This is our annual Group Conscience Meeting for all of Area 56. Every A.A. member in Area 56 was invited to help us prepare and inform our delegate. She passed on your experience, strength, and hope at the biggest Group Conscience Meeting for all of the Areas in the U.S. and Canada, the General Service Conference. Because of your support, there was no registration fee again this year. This means that every A.A. member had the opportunity to participate, regardless of their ability to pay a registration fee. The Mini-Conference is our largest expense of the year.

Send our Delegate to the General Service Conference. This is our second largest expense. She is our voice. Without her, we would have no say in the group conscience of A.A. as a whole, nor would we be able to connect with A.A. in the United States and Canada, or the rest of the world.



Invite everyone to Unity Day. We had a carry in lunch and sharing sessions. The purpose of Unity Day was to share ideas with standing committee members in our active Districts, and the Cincinnati and Dayton Intergroups. Good fellowship and good discussions were enjoyed by all.

Because of you, our Standing Committees are still hard at work. The Literature Committee has had several Literature Forums. In the Forum, a piece of literature is chosen, sections of it are read, and a lively discussion follows. The Grapevine Committee is providing information about the Grapevine's financial crisis, while showing us how it can reach newcomers and enhance sobriety. The Finance Committee has reviewed the Area finances with the Treasurer, including the bank statements and receipts. Committee chairpersons have been on the road, bringing displays to events around the Area, answering questions, and speaking on panels.



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Plan and host the Ohio State Convention and the East Central Regional Forum. Your trusted servants from Area 56 have put in many hours planning these events. Once every four years, our area hosts the Ohio State Convention. This was our year to plan and host this event, which took place in August. It is also our turn to host the East Central Regional Forum. It is our opportunity to see presentations from the people at your General Service Office. Once every 28 years Southwest Ohio is asked to welcome members from the 5 states in our Region (They come from Wisconsin, Illinois, Indiana, Ohio and Michigan). Your generosity allows us to give them a warm Ohio welcome.

**All this has been possible
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*Thank You for sending us a share
of your Basket.*

**-Finance Committee, Area 56 Southwest
Ohio.**

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