

# THE WINNER'S

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# AREA 47

Central New York

## Welcome to Central New York Area Assembly

This is your invitation to join the “Winners Circle” and to participate in the future of Alcoholics Anonymous.

On the second Sunday of each month, your Area 47 Assembly meets in various cities and towns throughout Central New York.

This Assembly is comprised of GSR's (General Service Representatives), DCM's (District Committee Members), Area Officers, and other Trusted Servants. Together we conduct the business of A.A. in Central New York.

As your group's GSR, you become a voting member of the Area Assembly. It is your responsibility to carry your *Informed Group Conscience* to the Assembly and to vote as a *Trusted Servant* on behalf of your group. You are the key to the unity of AA as a whole. Communication is a vital part of carrying the AA message, and the GSR is the direct line of communication between his or her group members and the Delegate at Assembly.

GSR's attend Area Assembly to carry the voice of their respective home groups, thus connecting their Group to AA as a whole.

Participants at Area Assembly have access to the many committee meetings at the Area Level. The following is a list of the committees:

<b>Accessibility</b>	<b>Finance</b>
<b>Area Committee</b>	<b>Grapevine</b>
<b>Archives</b>	<b>Literature</b>
<b>Cooperation With The Professional Community (CPC)</b>	<b>Public Information (PI)</b>
<b>Corrections</b>	<b>Treatment</b>
	<b>Website</b>



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For more information or for answers to questions you may have, please contact your DCM or any Trusted Servant at Assembly. Trusted Servants contact information is published on the *Trusted Servants List* which is available from the Registrar. Trusted Servants may also be contacted via email at the Area's website, [www.aacny.org](http://www.aacny.org).

Yours in Service,  
The Members Of The CNY Area Assembly

AA Conference-Approved Literature and AA Grapevine Materials are often available for sale at Area Assembly.

## What it's All About

The purpose of Area Assembly is to carry the message to the alcoholic who still suffers and to elect a delegate.

The GSR's (Group Service Representatives) and DCM's (District Committee Members) both keep the Delegate informed of their groups' consciences and bring information from Area Assembly back to their groups.

The Delegate brings the General Service Conference Agenda Items to Area 47 for discussion, and then carries the collective conscience of CNY Area 47 back to the annual General Service Conference in April in New York City.

The Area Committee is comprised of Area Officers and DCM's from the Central New York Area. The Area Committee meets to discuss problems, concerns, and other issues which may affect A.A. groups, CNY Area 47, or AA as a whole.

## Area Minutes

Because the Area Minutes do not contain last names, the minutes are to be considered “Open” AA reading material.

Please share them with your group members, jail and treatment center meetings.

Minutes are emailed monthly to all registered Area 47 GSRs, DCMs, officers, committee chairs, past delegates and, if requested, other trusted servants. The GSR is usually the mail contact for the group. Please remember to inform the Area 47 Registrar if you move or if your group information changes. Area 47 no longer mails printed minutes unless a group specifically requests it and pays the yearly subscription rate of \$12. Please contact the Area 47 Secretary to arrange for you minutes to be mailed.

Area 47 Assembly Minutes are always available online at [www.aacny.org](http://www.aacny.org). “Navigate” to the “Minutes” tab and enter the password. The Website Committee chair or your DCM can provide you with the password.

## Recommended Reading For Everyone\*

**The A.A. Service Manual with the 12 Concepts**

**Pamphlets:**

**P-19 - G.S.R. Your group's link to A.A. as a whole**

**F-12 - Your D.C.M. - District Committee Member**

**P-16 - A.A. Group**

**P-17 - A.A. Tradition—How It Developed**

**P-43 - Twelve Traditions Illustrated**

**P-8 - Twelve Concepts Illustrated**

**F-3 - Self-Support: Where Money and Spirituality Mix**

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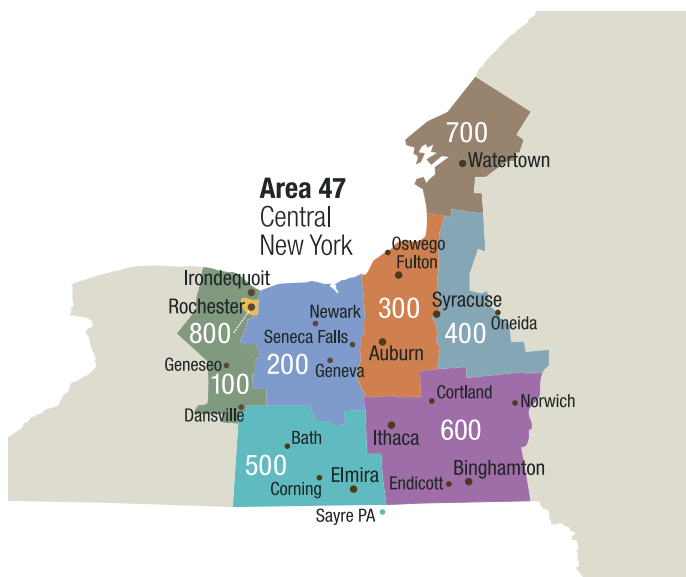
**A.A. Comes of Age**

\* Many of these pamphlets are included in the GSR Kit (blue portfolio) that you will receive after you've registered as your group's GSR. The kit label has your group service number on it which you'll need when updating your group's records.

## District Meetings

Most DCM's hold District Meetings and workshops or sharing sessions for the GSR's in their District. There you can learn about what's going on in your District, help plan AA events and become active participants in your own recovery. Many Districts choose to have their meeting time and location posted on the [aacny.org](http://aacny.org) website.

During your term as GSR, you are encouraged to attend various District and Area service meetings. At first, they may seem very confusing to you. Our experience, however, has shown that attendance at these meetings, combined with the study of the pertinent literature, will soon clear up this confusion. For many of us, Service has become a vital part of our recovery from alcoholism and we hope that it may become so for you as well.



## The Traveling Road Show

CNY Area 47 Assembly has often been referred to as "The Traveling Road Show" because it meets in a different city or town every month. Because the rotating host schedule is updated so frequently, it is impractical to include it here; the Area minutes and/or the *website* are the best source of the most current information. If your Group or District would like to host an Area Assembly please contact the Area Chairperson ([chairperson@aacny.org](mailto:chairperson@aacny.org)) or the Area Committee.

## Change in Group Information Or New Group Information

All changes in group information (meeting place, day, time, GSR, etc.) should be given to the CNY Area Registrar either by mail, *email*, through your local DCM, or in person at Area Assembly. Keeping track of your Group Service number helps the registrar find your group information in the General Service Office (GSO) database. Changes sent directly to the GSO will delay your receipt of the Area Minutes; therefore, it is recommended that you submit your changes directly to the Area Registrar. She/he will then forward your updated information to the General Service Office.

New Group and Group Information Change Forms are available from the Registrar or by visiting [www.aacny.org](http://www.aacny.org)

**CNY Area Registrar**  
PO Box 23  
Black River, NY 13612  
[registrar@aacny.org](mailto:registrar@aacny.org)

## Contributions

Our Seventh Tradition states: "Every A.A. group ought to be fully self-supporting, declining outside contributions."

Groups contribute to Area according to their group conscience. Please review the pamphlet "Self-Support: Where Money and Spirituality Mix" for more information to help your group reach an informed group conscience on its finances.

**Contributions may be given to the Area Treasurer at any Assembly or mailed to:**

**Area 47 Treasurer**  
PO Box 23  
Black River, NY 13612  
[treasurer@aacny.org](mailto:treasurer@aacny.org)

## A.A. General Service Structure (U.S. AND CANADA)

