

Calling all GSRs,  
Committee members &  
interested fellowship  
members



**It's Pre-Conference Season. Join in!**

Multiple Opportunities to have input into the Agenda Items  
of the 73<sup>RD</sup> General Service Conference



## **ROUNDTABLES (VIRTUAL)**

DISCUSS A SELECTION OF AGENDA ITEMS EACH NIGHT

March 30, April 3, April 4 at 7PM

mtg ID 912-640-0169, pw AREA61



## **QUESTIONNAIRE**

for home groups and individual members to  
weigh in on Agenda items (March 7-28)  
go to [aainri.com](http://aainri.com) for link



## **AREA ASSEMBLY**

ROUNDTABLE REPORTBACKS & HOT TOPIC DISCUSSIONS

Saturday, April 8<sup>TH</sup>, WARWICK CENTRAL<sup>(3270 POST RD)</sup>

9:00AM

also VIRTUAL via Zoom: mtg ID 912-640-0169, pw AREA61

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"What is  
the General  
Service  
Conference?"

## What's this all about?

### What is the General Service Conference?

At the 1955 International Convention, AA came of age and the General Service Conference was designated as the actual voice and the effective conscience of our whole Society - it has the responsibility for maintaining our vital world services, is the guardian of the Steps, Traditions & Concepts, and is the sole successor of the co-founders, Doctor Bob and Bill W.

The 73<sup>RD</sup> General Service Conference Annual Meeting will be held on April 23-29, 2023. There are 135 voting members: 93 Delegates, 21 Trustees, 6 AAWS+GV Directors, and 15 GV & GSO staff. Our Area 61 Rhode Island Delegate is one of the ninety-three delegates elected by the service areas of the US and Canada which comprise 69% of the voting body.

The purpose of our Area 61 Pre-Conference Roundtables, Questionnaire and Assembly is to discuss many of the agenda items that will be a part of the upcoming General Service Conference. Agenda items are matters of importance to the Fellowship as a whole. Our discussions will form group conscience on the agenda items and this will be shared with our Area 61 Delegate, who will serve our Area and AA as a whole at the General Service Conference.

Each group is strongly encouraged to participate in the important and far-reaching business of AA, by having a voice and a vote at the Roundtables and Pre-Conference Area Assembly. The Agenda items are posted on [aainri.com](http://aainri.com).

Sample Agenda Items	
Committee	Agenda Item Description
Public Information	Review progress report on new communication to address anonymity on social media.
Cooperation with the Professional Community	Review progress report on LinkedIn account. Consider retiring the pamphlet "A Member's-Eye View of AA."
Finance (EDW item)	Discuss new proposed agenda items (PAIs) regarding the book Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions (24 PAIs this year addressed changes made to 12 & 12 in recent years).
Literature	Review progress report regarding the translation of the book Alcoholics Anonymous (Fourth Edition) into plain and simple language and Review progress report regarding the development of a Fifth Edition of the book Alcoholics Anonymous. Discuss new proposed agenda items (PAIs) related to the Plain Language Big Book Translation (29 PAIs this year addressed efforts on the Plain Language Big Book project).
Int'l Conventions/ Regional Forums	Discuss update report on methods of closing the Big Meetings at the International Convention.
Treatment & Accessibilities	Consider request to do an Accessibilities Inventory throughout our services and structure.