

# 36<sup>TH</sup> AREA 55 MINI-CONFERENCE



*“A.A. A Solution for All Generations”*

**MARCH 2<sup>ND</sup> - 4<sup>TH</sup> 2018**

Holiday Inn French Quarter

10630 Fremont Pike, Perrysburg, OH 43551

Conference registration is \$20.00 per person

**All A.A. members are welcome and encouraged to attend!**

## **Friday, March 2nd, 2018**

Registration opens at 3 p.m.

Workshops on Sponsorship and

GSR School at 4:30 p.m.

GSO Reports and Speakers, Workshops, Panels,  
Skits, Ice Cream Social, Banquet, Hospitality  
Room and more!

Experience what it's like to be a delegate for the weekend! Participate in the decision-making process and informed group conscience of our Area 55.

Hotel registration is not required to attend or participate. Room rates are \$110.00 per night plus tax. Room reservations must be made by Feb 1st, 2018. Please call the Holiday Inn French Quarter at 419-874-3111 to book. Be sure to mention the Area 55 Mini Conference to receive the group rate.

### **For more information, please contact:**

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## **AREA 55 MINI CONFERENCE REGISTRATION FORM**

Please make checks payable to: Area 55 Mini-Conference

Mail to: P.O. Box 401, Toledo, OH 43697-0401

Registration Fee      \$20.00 x \_\_\_\_\_  
Saturday Banquet      \$30.00 x \_\_\_\_\_  
Total Enclosed        \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Banquet Options:  
\_\_\_ Beef \_\_\_ Chicken \_\_\_ Vegetarian

Name on Badge \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Email / Phone \_\_\_\_\_

## **What is the Mini-Conference?**

At the Mini-Conference we try to duplicate what happens at the General Service Conference, but at a smaller scale. It has a three-fold purpose:

- to prepare the Area Delegate for the annual General Service Conference in New York and to collect an informed group conscience on the items to be addressed there
- to inform the GSRs and groups about what will be on the agenda at that meeting
- to provide an opportunity for any AA member in Area 55 to participate in the decision-making process and to learn about the General Service Conference and what it means for AA

Everyone who attends the Mini-Conference has the opportunity to share their opinions and experience to help determine the Area's group conscience regarding items on the agenda for the annual Conference in New York. It's all about group conscience, locally and fellowship-wide!

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## **AA Conventions: Why Do I Have To Pay?**

While there are no dues or fees for membership in A.A., there are many conferences around the world. The most common misconception of these gatherings is that they are A.A. meetings, and "there are no dues or fees for A.A. membership." However, conventions and conferences are special events, not regular A.A. meetings.

This convention requires months of planning, preparation, and money to present. Since all of the events are held at a convention center, there is a charge to the committee for the use of these facilities. Other expenses include travel and lodging for speakers, printing costs, postage, and supplies. The event is paid for through the cost of the registration. No baskets are passed. As responsible A.A. members "we pay our own way."