

Dear General Service Representative;

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We hope this letter finds you well and feeling connected to your homegroup and A.A. as a whole. I hope most of you have had a chance attend some of the GSR sessions and are enjoying your Service role. It is our pleasure to personally invite you to attend the 2024 Spring Assembly weekend for Area 83 Eastern Ontario International. The Spring Assembly this year – April 5, 6 and 7 – will be held in a hybrid format (in person in Kingston and via Zoom online).

Copies of the Agenda for Saturday's Pre-Conference Agenda Sharing Sessions and the Area Business Meeting on Sunday are available on the Area 83 <u>Website</u>. For the Pre-Conference Agenda Sharing, there will be 5 sessions each with 2 different concurrent sessions running on Saturday. I can assure you, that you will find topics of interest in each of the sessions. The Saturday night speaker and Assembly on Sunday will take place under the Main Zoom meeting ID for those attending online.

If this will be your first time attending an Area 83 Assembly, welcome. If you have experienced an Area Assembly before, we certainly hope that you will enjoy whatever is your choice of format.

The Pre-Conference Agenda Sharing Sessions on Saturday are full of valuable learning opportunities for us all. It is a day of workshops and presentations relating to Agenda items which will be discussed the following week at the General Service Conference in New York. The day begins at 8:45am. If you are attending in person, please plan to arrive by 8:15am. When the agendas are available, please share them with members of your group and encourage them to attend. The weekend is open to all members of the fellowship.

We start the weekend off with an open speaker meeting on Friday night at 8pm. On Saturday morning our Panel 73 Delegate, James O'D., is looking forward to personally welcoming you to the Area Assembly. Saturday evening will feature a banquet for those attending in person and will conclude with an open speaker meeting at 8pm – which will also be available online. Our Delegate has invited a special guest to share their story. We hope that you will join us.

Sunday is the Area Assembly. Just as most Groups and Districts have regular business meetings, so does the Area. Two Sundays, one in the spring and one in the fall of each year, are set aside for the Area's business meetings. As a General Service Representative, you are a member of the Assembly and your attendance is important. Your participation and informed vote will make the Area stronger and more representative of the Groups you serve. You will help direct the course of A.A. in this Area by representing your Group's conscience on agenda items.

This is the third Assembly of our Panel 73 term. Please plan to attend and help us to keep A.A. strong and unified in Area 83 Eastern Ontario International. Let's have some fun!

Bill C. Area Chairperson Jill B. Area Secretary