

**38th ANNUAL
AREA 54 NORTHEAST OHIO GENERAL SERVICE
MINI-CONFERENCE**



April 5, 6 & 7, 2013

**“The General Service Conference takes its
inventory – our solution in action!”**

All members of A.A. are encouraged to attend this conference!

SPEAKERS

Banquet
(Open AA Meeting)
Speaker: Mary C., GSO

Trustee's Report

Registration
Friday: 2 – 7 PM
Saturday: 8 – Noon

Hospitality Suite
Opens Friday at 4 PM
\$ or Food Needed for
Hospitality Suite

Conference Begins
Friday: 7:00 PM

**Come Have Your Group's
Voice Heard in New York**

SCHEDULE

- **Friday –**
- History of Mini-Conference
- Introductions
- Trustee's Report
- General Sharing Session

- **Saturday –**
- Early-Bird A.A. meeting
- Issues & History
- Conference Committee Sessions
- Presentations of Committee Reports
- Voting on Agenda Items
- Banquet, Skit & Speaker Meeting

- **Sunday –**
- Early Bird A.A. Meeting
- TBD
- Past Delegates Panel
- Ask-It Basket
- General Sharing Session

LOCATION

Radisson Hotel North Olmsted
25070 Country Club Blvd
North Olmsted, Ohio 44070
216.734.5060, 800.333.3333

\$84 per night
(Plus State & Local Tax)
Includes Breakfast Buffet up to
2 people per room

**Reserve your room by
March 5, 2013**

Free parking for hotel guests and
local participants

**For More Information Contact
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CONFERENCE REGISTRATION 2013

NAME _____ As you would like it on your nametag _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____ PHONE _____

Registration _____ x \$15.00 = \$ _____

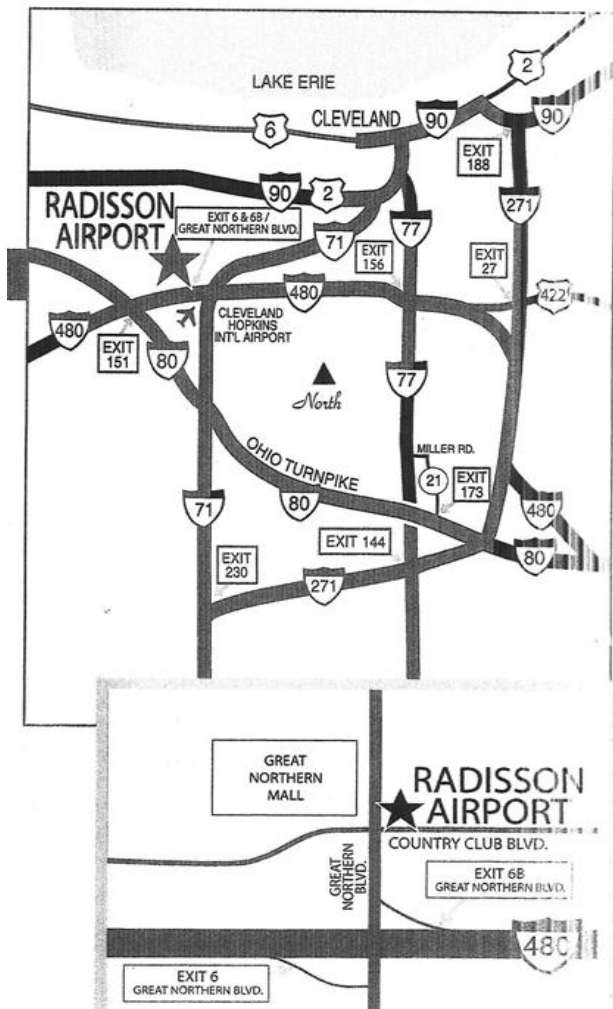
Saturday (Buffet) Banquet _____ x \$33.00 = \$ _____ Banquets must be reserved in advance by 4/2/13

Total = \$ _____

Please make checks payable to NE Ohio Mini-Conference
Mail to Mini-Conference, PO Box 22660, Beachwood, OH 44122
Email inquiries to: MiniConference@area54.org

POSTMARK NO LATER THAN Monday, April 1st or register at the Conference

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 25070 Country Club Blvd
 North Olmsted, Ohio 44070

Directions

From Erie and Points North East: Take I-90 West to I-71 South to Exit 238-239 / I-480 West. Continue on I-480 West to Exit 6B / Great Northern Blvd. At the end of the exit ramp, turn right onto Great Northern Blvd. Go 1 block to Country Club Blvd. Turn right onto Country Club Blvd. The hotel will be on your immediate left.

From Downtown Cleveland: Take I-71 South to Exit 238-239 / I-480 West. Continue on I-480 West to Exit 6B / Great Northern Blvd. At the end of the exit ramp, turn right onto Great Northern Blvd. Go 1 block to Country Club Blvd. Turn right onto Country Club Blvd. The hotel will be on your immediate left.

From Youngstown or Pittsburgh PA and Points East: Take the Ohio Turnpike (I-80) West. To Exit 161 / I-71 North. Take I-71 North to Exit 238 / I-480 West. Continue on I-480 West to Exit 6B / Great Northern Blvd. At the end of the exit ramp, turn right onto Great Northern Blvd. Go 1 block to Country Club Blvd. Turn right onto Country Club Blvd. The hotel will be on your immediate left.

From Toledo and Points West: Take the Ohio Turnpike (I-80) East and follow to Exit 151 to merge onto I-480 East toward Cleveland. Take I-480 East to Exit 6 / Great Northern Blvd. At the end of the ramp turn left onto Great Northern Blvd. Continue to the second stop signal, which will be Country Club Blvd. Turn right. The hotel will be on your immediate left.

From Cincinnati, Columbus, and Points South: Take I-71 North toward Cleveland. Take I-71 North to Exit 238 / I-480 West. Continue on I-480 West to Exit 6B / Great Northern Blvd. At the end of the exit ramp, turn right onto Great Northern Blvd. Go 1 block to Country Club Blvd. Turn right onto Country Club Blvd. The hotel will be on your immediate left.

From Dayton Take I-70 East to Columbus. Take I-270 to I-71 North toward Cleveland. Take I-71 North to Exit 238 / I-480 West. Continue on I-480 West to Exit 6B / Great Northern Blvd. At the end of the exit ramp, turn right onto Great Northern Blvd. Go 1 block to Country Club Blvd. Turn right onto Country Club Blvd. The hotel will be on your immediate left.

What is the purpose of the Area 54 Mini-Conference?

This Mini-Conference was developed to give our Delegate the informed conscience of the groups in Area 54—Northeast Ohio - on some of the agenda items that will be addressed at the General Service Conference. Due to time constraints, it is not possible to address all of the agenda of the General Service Conference. The selected agenda is mailed to the registered General Service Representatives (GSRs) of the groups in advance. The group can discuss the issues and send their group's conscience to the Mini-Conference via their GSR. At the Mini-Conference the issues are discussed with GSRs from many groups throughout Area 54. Using the committee system and voting procedures described in the AA Service Manual, a consensus is reached. This consensus is taken to the General Service Conference by our delegate, who still maintains the right of decision described in the Twelve Concepts.

The Mini-Conference will also feature displays and information provided by the Area 54 Standing Committees and a variety of ways for a GSR to share with others committed to their service to others. GSRs can meet a General Service Board trustee, a staff member from the General Service Office and the Area Committee. There are also sharing sessions for GSRs and an Ask-it-basket hosted by past delegates, the trustee and GSO staff member.

Why do I have to pay?

While there are no dues or fees for membership in AA, it is the practice of Area 54 General Service that each individual event be self-supporting. This conference requires months of planning, preparation and money to present. Our expenses include printing of the background material and purchase of literature relevant to the agenda that will be discussed, printing of flyers and schedules, mailing costs and registration supplies. We do not pay our speakers, but we do provide for their expenses to attend the conference. At times we have snack or beverage expenses. The hospitality rooms are self-supporting of themselves. The Saturday Night Speaker is an open A.A. Meeting and is the only function that will not require attendees to be registered.

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