

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

# 35<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL AREA 54 NORTHEAST OHIO GENERAL SERVICE MINI-CONFERENCE April 9, 10 & 11, 2010



### SPEAKERS

GSO Staff and  
East-Central Regional  
Trustee

### Registration

Friday: 1 – 7 PM  
Saturday: 8 – Noon

### Hospitality Suite

opens Friday at 4 PM

### Conference Begins

Friday: 7:00 PM

### PLANNED PROGRAMS

#### Include:

Alcathons  
Archives

Mock Conference with  
Presentation of Agenda Items  
Conference Agenda Items  
Voting on Agenda Items

Banquet, Skit,  
Speaker Meeting

Past Delegates Panel  
Ask-It Basket  
General Sharing Session

### LOCATION

#### Hilton East

#### Beachwood

3363 Park  
East Drive  
Beachwood  
Ohio 44122

(See map on  
back for  
details)

Free parking  
for hotel  
guests and  
local  
participants

### FOR INFORMATION

### ON THE 2010 MINI- CONFERENCE

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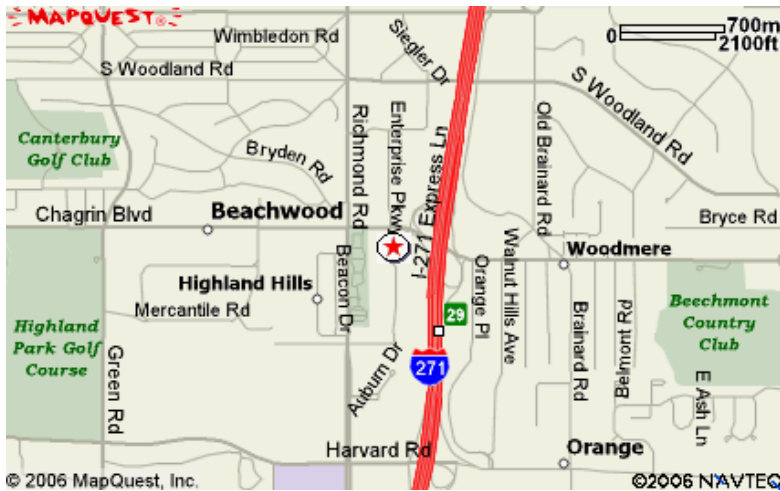
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VISIT US ONLINE AT → <http://www.area54.org>

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



### **Hilton Cleveland East / Beachwood**

3663 Park East Drive, Beachwood, Ohio 44122  
 Tel: 1-216-464-5950 Fax: 1-216-464-6539

### **Directions**

From I-90 and Points North: Take I-271 (local lanes) South to Chagrin Blvd. Turn right and follow to first street which is Park East Drive and turn left.

From Downtown Cleveland: Take I-77 South to I-480 East and follow to I-271 (local lanes) North to Chagrin Blvd. Turn left and follow to first street which is Park East Drive and turn left.

From Points East: Take the Ohio Turnpike (I-80) West and follow to 187/Exit 13. Take I-480 West to I-271 (local lanes) North to Chagrin Blvd. Turn Left and follow to first street which is Park East Drive and turn Left.

From Points West: Take the Ohio Turnpike (I-80) East and follow to exit 9A. Then follow I-480 East to I-271 (local lanes) North to Chagrin Blvd. Turn left and follow to first street which is Park East Drive and turn left.

From Points South: Take I-71 or I-77 North to I-271 (local lanes) North to Chagrin Blvd. Turn left and follow to first street which is Park East Drive and turn Left.

### **Amenities at the Hilton Hotel**

All guestrooms, with one king or two double beds, feature the new Serenity Bed by Hilton, Sweet Dreams bedding in all guest rooms and Crabtree & Evelyn La Source bath amenities. Guestrooms include a chair with ottoman, large work desk with lamp, two line speaker phones, wireless High speed internet, voicemail, personal wake up call, a digital alarm clock with the capability to plug in MP3 players, hair dryer, iron and ironing board, complimentary in room Lavazza coffee and access to On Command Videos. Refrigerators, Microwaves & Rollaways are available at a cost of \$25.00 and are based upon availability. Newly renovated Fitness Center with state-of-the-art equipment by Precor® High Speed Internet Access, In House Audio/Visual Department, 24 Hour Business Center; 404 guest rooms and 8 suites.

### **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 will be taken to the General Service Conference via our seated Delegate.

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 the East Central Regional 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 Regional 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 be registered.

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