

WESTERN ONTARIO GENERAL SERVICE  
AREA 86 PANEL66  
SPRING ASSEMBLY, KITCHENER  
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Hi Ladies and Gentlemen:

I'm an alcoholic member of the Sunday Nighters for Uptighters in Barrie and I currently have the honor and privilege of serving as Area 86 Western Ontario Panel 66 Delegate and my name is Fredy M.

I have started this year with a lot of enthusiasm at the Area Committee Meeting last January 14 in Cambridge, then the Bradford Round Up on February 18 followed by CERAASA in Moncton NB on February 24-26.

I attended CERAASA (Canadian Eastern Regional Alcoholics Anonymous Service Assembly) which was hosted by Area 81 In Moncton NB. It was great to see many people from Area 86 in attendance as well as participating as presenters and at many other services over there. All activities started on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> at 1:45 pm. There was a presentation on Remote Communities, there were presenters from Manitoba who did their presentation via Skype. All the Delegates for the 10 Areas from Eastern Canada presented their Area Highlights as it's done at the Conference in NY (2min time). Our Alternate Delegate Dale S. made a great presentation on the 67<sup>th</sup> General Conference theme "Supporting Our Future"; our Special Needs /Remote Communities Sub-Committee Chair, Alice I., presented on Safety-An Important Consideration; District 1 DCM Jake C. presented on Fully Self Supporting - Our Obligations. Late at night that Friday (9-10:15) our past Delegate Panel 62, Percy G., facilitated the Delegates/Alternate Delegates Orientation and meeting for the 10 Areas which was well received. Late Saturday night (9:15-10:30) I participated on the Conference Agenda Topics panel, presenting on International Conventions/Regional Forums.

Overall, and considering that CERAASA is still in it's infant years, the event was a success and I personally feel that it's going to keep growing from now on. I can't wait for our Area 86 to host it in the future.

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In a month I'll be at the 67<sup>th</sup> General Service Conference in Rye Brook NY. I have been reading all the background material (a 217.9MB File which contains 1275 pages of information), thank God for technology, I can read them on my iPad so I don't have to physically carry all those pages with me.

I'm really excited about going to the Conference, and I mean it, I anticipate a lot of work on my primary committee which is Grapevine as this time we have 11 items to deal with compared to 7 last year and my second committee. I might not be that good on writing reports or presentations, but I really love discussing items for the betterment of AA as a whole.

I invite you to check [www.aa.org](http://www.aa.org) website under "what's new" and you will find the online pamphlet "Safety in AA: Our Common Welfare". It contains the shared experience on how to put into practice Tradition One at group meetings and at any other service level. It's my belief that the full practice of Tradition One is the solution to all safety related issues in our fellowship.

I want to thank those Districts that had invited me to attend their District meetings and also the Round Ups for giving the Delegate and the Area a space to share information about service and the AA Conference to those attending those events.

Thank you, Area 86, for giving the great honour and privilege of serving you and with you in this capacity.

Yours in Service,

Fredy M.

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