



Alt-Delegate/Area Chairperson Report  
Quarterly Area Meeting: September 9, 2018

1. My main focus during the summer has been planning for final Area Committee events in Panel 67. The Area Day Planning committee has been preparing for that Oct. 14<sup>th</sup> event and I appreciate the team's work. Please spread the word to all GSRs and members. We hope to provide inspiration for participation in general Service.

2. Please enthusiastically recruit members to attend the E.P.G.S.A. convention. I have sent you information for volunteers. Since this is an election year, we are in urgent need of non-voting (that is members who are not GSRs or DCMs & ADCMs) to greet, register and serve in hospitality. A Volunteer sign up sheet is in your folder. However, members have already started to submit their availability for volunteer service through our web site. It's easy. I will begin to confirm volunteers and their assignments in October. Please announce at your district meetings to ask GSRs to recruit volunteers. Thanks!

3. As intergroup Liaison, I work to inform and collaborate, where invited, with the intergroup associations in Eastern PA about general service issues. I have had no communications with any intergroup committees this past quarter.

4. Area officers continued to present Area Forums II & III. Thanks to all the hosting districts for your hospitality and service. Area Forum IV is being planned for Sept. 15<sup>th</sup> in Philadelphia. We have tried to keep the focus on General Service and the relationship of GSRs, Districts and Area in the Conference Process.

5. Paul and I attended the Al Anon (AFG) PA State Assembly in Harrisburg on August 18<sup>th</sup>. The PA Al Anon Area Service identified cooperation with A.A. as one of their initiatives this year. Paul asked me to speak about the topic of "Cooperation Between A.A. and Al Anon" to their assembly. It was well received. We are working with their Chairperson and Delegate to have them attend E.P.G.S.A. Paul and I had the pleasure of meeting the New Al Anon Family Groups World Service Office Executive Director, Vali. She expressed enthusiasm for the initiative and gratitude for our cooperation.

The essence of my presentation came from our Service Guideline on the topic; and, reference to the G.S.C. Advisory Actions that apply: *"In 1963, our General Service Conference adopted the A.A. group conscience policy that our General Service Office to continue its policy of cooperation but not affiliation with Al Anon."* The most recent conscience on this topic at General Service Conference was in 1972. At that time, our Conference reaffirmed this group policy: *"Only those with a desire to stop drinking may be members of A.A. groups; only A.A. members are eligible to be officers of A.A. groups; non-alcoholics are welcome at open meetings of A.A. It is suggested that the word "family" not be used in the name of an A.A. group. If AA's and their nonalcoholic mates wish to meet together on a regular basis, they consider these gatherings "meetings" and not A.A. groups."*

6. Please call on me if I can help your district workshops or functions in any way. It is a joy to get to visit your districts and interact with you in service

**Travel Activity Report**

July 4	Chester County Sober Picnic Mtg Chair	Avon Grove
July 7 & 8	AFG International Convention	Baltimore, MD
August 11	D56 Unity Picnic	Kennett Square
August 12	Speaker - 562 Club	Haverford
August 18	PA Al Anon Convention: Present "Cooperation"	Harrisburg
August 19	Area Forum III	Greentown
August 25	Pre-Area Officers' Meeting	Kennett Square
August 29	Speaker - Old School Speakers Mtg	Unionville
September 9	Quarterly Area 59 Meeting	Wind Gap

I am deeply grateful for the opportunity to serve!

In Fellowship & Service,

Ken D.  
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Area 59, Panel 67