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**Archives Subcommittee Report
E.P.G.S.A. Area 59 Panel 71
September 11th, 2022
Area Quarterly Meeting, Q4
235 South 3rd Street
Chambersburg, PA 17201**

The Area 59 Archives committee chair has begun a process of attempting to share Group Histories from within Bucks, Montgomery, Chester, Delaware and Philadelphia counties of Southeastern Pennsylvania with the S.E.P.I.A. Archivist. Both the S.E.P.I.A. Director of Archives and the Area 59 Archives Subcommittee Chair believe that this is an important step in increasing the number of Area 59 Group Histories on file. This may serve as a valuable process by which Area 59 Archives can communicate with other intergroup and district archivists throughout eastern Pennsylvania.

The committee has now identified three Long Timers who would like to share their recollections via audio recording for Area 59 Archives- one AA member with 43 years sober, one with 57 years sober and the latest with 48 years sober. In the spirit of Bill W's desire to preserve an oral history of AA "old days", the GSO Archives Guidelines for Collecting Oral Histories shows the importance of the preservation of such recordings.

In regards to the committee's current project of replacing all of Area 59's district history binders, the Subcommittee Chair expects a decision to be finalized, and the new binders ordered by end of day, September 11th, 2022.

The G.S.O. Archivist will be attending the annual EPGSA Convention in November 2022 and will be an integral part of the Area 59 Archives Subcommittee workshop.

Archives Subcommittee Q3 Activities:

June 16th, 2022, 7:30pm – Subcommittee Meeting (Online)

June 26th, 2022, 10:00am – Subcommittee Workday (418 N Sumneytown Pike, North Wales, PA)

August 6th, 2022, 12:00pm – Accessibilities in Eastern PA Workshop (Malvern Center, 225 Lancaster Ave., Malvern, PA)

August 13th, 2022, 12:00pm – GSR Orientation & Workshop (Good Shepherd Lutheran, 877 Street Rd., Southampton, PA)