

Alt-Delegate/Area Chairperson Report Quarterly Area Meeting: March 11, 2018

1. Per Area 59 group conscience, I attended two major service events this past quarter: NREAASA at Cromwell, CT & NERD at West Chester, NY. At NERAASA I attended the Delegate's meetings and luncheon with the Regional Trustee, Rich P. First, I enjoyed getting to know our colleagues Alternate Delegates and Delegates in the Northeast. There is an outstanding service camaraderie and helpfulness. They share a lot of information to help the Delegates be prepared for an effective General Service Conference and the alternates to be prepared in case the delegate could not attend. The Trustee shared the reasoning behind the "original manuscript litigation." My impression was that our Fellowship is well served by caring and honest servants; even when the stakes are high and there is tension around the best way to handle challenges to our name and intellectual property. I am not offering a personal opinion here about the merits of the Board's actions. I only want to state that I witnessed a transparency and candid sharing that is essential to have Unity in our Fellowship.

At NERD, the Trustees and current alternate-Delegates, Delegates and Past Delegates share about preparation for the Conference and pertinent service topics. Paul & I had to depart to be here for this meeting, so we were not at the Saturday Banquet.

- 2. I chose to hold our pre-area officers' meeting in Cromwell, CT as disclosed at the last Area Quarterly meeting. Our schedules have been especially packed this panel and we used the time in order to meet the obligations we have to prepare for this business meeting. I want to note for the record here that it is a joy and pleasure to serve with my colleagues. Because our subcommittees and DCMs this Panel are active and thoughtful, we have been addressing a high number of proposals and recommendations. This takes collaboration and tolerance by all. I thank you for your dedication to our Fellowship and service in Area 59 and to the Unity we all cherish.
- 3. As intergroup Liaison, I have started discussions and work to plan two Share-A-Days in 2018. The first is with SEPIA and the second is a multi-IG with Lancaster Liaison.

SEPIA S-A-D Event: Sunday, Feb 11. (U. Of Sciences, Philadelphia)

Combined IG S-A-D Planning: Sunday, March 4th (501 Club, Lancaster)

Combined IG S-A-D event: Saturday, May 19 (site TBD)

Districts associated with the Intergroups outside of Philadelphia are asked to participate.

4. SEPIA Round Up is set for April 13 – 15 at Cape May, NJ. I encourage all members to consider attending; especially DCMs associated with the SEPIA area.

- 5. Thanks to the MOTH Group in Danville for the opportunity to share my experience, strength and hope at your annual dinner meeting. It was well attended and the Fellowship was wonderful. I want to thank Ed M. for his service there too.
- 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.
- 7. Area Day Planning Committee: Please go to head of lunch line and join me at our lunch meeting. We will be meeting during the lunch recess.
- 8. Please note that Pre-Conference Sharing Session is set for Saturday, April 8th. This is an important event to help share the perspectives from Eastern PA with our Delegate.
- 9. Please note that we will be selecting a Guest Observer for the 2018 E.P.G.S.A. Convention at our June Business meeting. Please see the background letter in your folder. Call me if you have any questions.

Travel Activity Report

Dec. 10, '17	Area 59 Meeting	Norristown
Dec. 21, '17	Tradition Speaker	New Holland
Jan. 7, '18	SEPIA S-A-D Planning Chair	Philadelphia
Feb. 11	SEPIA/Area 59 S-A-D Chair	Philadelphia
Feb. 15	D44 Guest Business Mtg	West Chester, PA
Feb. 16	MOTH Annual Dinner Speaker	Danville
Feb. 22	Pre-Area Officers' Meeting	Cromwell, CT
Feb. 23	Officers Review Presiding	Cromwell, CT
Feb. 24&25	NERAASA	Cromwell, CT
Mar. 8	D21 Workshop GSR & Service	Southampton
Mar. 9&10	NERD	West Chester, NY
Mar 11	Quarterly Area 59 Meeting	Allentown

I am deeply grateful for the opportunity to serve!

In Fellowship & Service,

Ken D