



Area 59 Quarterly Area Meeting

Panel 67

June 10, 2018

Mahoning Valley Ambulance Building, Lehighton, PA

Ken D, Chairperson, Panel 67, opened the meeting at 11:00 AM. He thanked District 49 for hosting the event. He then read page 220 from As Bill Sees it.

Acknowledged Guests – Marty S Panel 51 Past Delegate for Area 59; Pat F Panel 65 Past Delegate for Area 59; Hugh H Panel 61 Past Delegate for Area 59; Donald H, Area Archivist; Greg G, Area Web Servant; Evelyn D, Interpreter; Neil D, Area Tech Servant; Greg P Past DCM District 58; Brian K Past DCM District 47; Sy K Past DCM District 49.

Ken thanked District 49 for hosting the meeting and then took a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer. He noted today is the 83rd anniversary of Alcoholics Anonymous. He read from page 75 in Dr. Bob and the Good Old Timers.

Concepts – There were three presenters – Concept IV, James Z (ADCM D64), Concept V, Paul L (DCM 36), Concept VI, Tom C (DCM 40). Volunteers to make presentations on the Concepts at the September meeting are – Concept VII, Courtney P (DCM 41), Concept VIII, Rich W (DCM 56), Concept IX, Glenn W (DCM 62).

Roll Call – Steve S, Secretary conducted the roll call. All five officers were present and 39 Districts represented for a total of 44 out of 53 eligible voting Committee Members present at roll call. Roll Call tally sheet attached at end of Minutes. We welcomed new DCM Rich L (D47).

Approval of Minutes – Chairperson asked if there were any objections or amendments for the minutes of the last Quarterly Area meeting held on March 11, 2018. The minutes were approved by unanimous consent. Ed M (DCM 59) had correction which was later resolved.

Convention Committee Report – by Hugh H: Hugh explained the registration form. He noted that breakfast for Saturday and Sunday is included in the hotel cost, but other meals are separate. Other meals are to be purchased in advance. Roommates must be identified on the registration form. Each person is to submit a registration form for attending the Assembly, whether they stay in the hotel or not. Registration is \$40 in advance and \$50 at the door. The deadline for registration forms to be received is October 5, 2018. Forms received after that date will be returned.

He encouraged everyone to purchase hotel meals, if possible. The Area needs to spend \$40,000 to avoid additional costs.

They have four bids from hotels to hold our convention in 2019 and might get two more.

The Convention Committee will conduct an inventory on July 15. J Gary L will facilitate the inventory.

There were questions on the Convention Committee report:

Will the Convention be listed in Box 459? There is a calendar in the Grapevine magazine. Hugh will look into having it included in the Grapevine and Box 459.

Is the inventory open? No.

What percentage of registration did we have one month in advance? It was a very low percentage. People send them in during the last two weeks. They are moving the cutoff date up to avoid the problems we had last year.

Who is the Convention Committee Treasurer? Pat F is the new Treasurer.

How would having a cutoff date for registration prevent the problems we had last year where the Convention Committee did not receive some of the registrations? The Treasurer left his location last year. Forms were received after that.

Why are the room rates going up? It is less expensive than two years ago, but more expensive than last year. Only the breakfasts will be included this year. None of the meals were included last year.

Who from the Area Committee will be included in the inventory? No one. Two thirds of the Convention Committee voted against having someone from the Area Committee attend. The motivation is not to account to the Area Committee. It is to improve the operation of the Committee for themselves. Paul was asked to submit questions for the inventory.

Will there be coffee for the entire weekend? It will be available from 6:30 AM to 11:00 PM.

Paul (Delegate) said that said he has a right as a liaison to the Convention Committee to attend their inventory.

Hugh noted that the General Service Conference held an inventory that was closed.

It was noted that the cost is much higher than last year. Hugh said they negotiated with the hotel and the did give us some concessions on the contract. Costs are going to keep going up. We might have to rethink the way we do the convention and possibly change it to a one-day event. Part of the extra cost is to try to make up for some of our losses from last year.

What is NERAASA doing right that we are not? They have a larger event.

Can Districts contribute to the hospitality room for the Convention? Yes. Send them to the Convention Committee Treasurer.

Will we see the questions and answers from the Convention Committee inventory? They might not publish all of them because they would focus on personalities. They want to concentrate on principles.

Will we break even with similar attendance as last year? We will probably have a slightly higher attendance will cover costs and pay back some of the money we lost last year.

What if they receive a registration after the deadline? Will it be rejected? The Convention Committee will talk about changing the cutoff date at their next meeting (later on June 10).

Will personality conflicts be resolved as a result of the inventory? Will they reduce the number of members? They have no intention of reducing the membership. Any Past Delegate is welcome to be on the Convention Committee.

The Area Committee permitted Marty S Panel 51 Past Delegate for Area 59 to speak. He said he has been a member of the Convention committee for 18 years. Some things are personal and should not be published. Official business will be known to all.

Caroline N (Officer-At-Large) made the following motion:

The Area Committee resolves to instruct the Convention Committee to accept the attendance and participation of our Delegate at the Convention Committee inventory.

Glenn W (DCM 62) seconded the motion.

The following amendment was made by Ralph O (DCM 45)

Strike the word “participate” from the original motion.

The amendment was seconded by Paul L (DCM 36).

The amendment failed. Amendments do not have a minority opinion.

The motion passed with substantial unanimity. There was no minority opinion.

Will this motion change the structure manual? No. This is a one-time action.

Will we be given a written report about the Convention Committee inventory? Yes.

Archivist Report by – Donald H: Donald gave a presentation on the history the Third Legacy voting procedure. Bill wanted to avoid close elections that would leave a discontented minority. The Third Legacy Procedure has changed over the years. The final version was in 1969.

Officer-At-Large Report - by Caroline N: See written report (copy posted to web site). Caroline reviewed Change Forms, which were included for each District. Included are Active Groups and Unknown Groups.



Please check to see if the Unknown Groups are still meeting. Verify with the District members that the information is complete and correct.

She read an April 27 letter from our GSO Records Department. There will be no Regional Directory this year. They are in the process of updating their data bases for groups. It is expected to be ready later this year.

We had our first Mini Assembly / Delegate Conference Report last week (June 2). It was hosted by District 42 in Selinsgrove, PA. There were 93 members registered. The next DCR will be held on June 24 and will be hosted by District 54 in Newtown Square, PA.

The Pennsylvania State Convention will be held on August 3 to 5. It is a joint effort between Area 59 and Area 60 (Western PA).

There were 1599 Active Groups, 73 Unknown Groups and 961 Inactive Groups (that no longer meet):

<http://area59aa.org/E-ServiceResources.htm>

Treasurer – by Curt C: See written report and Profit and Loss summary attached, which shows our financial status. We are half way through the second year of Panel 67. We have received 54% of the anticipated contributions that were budgeted for the year and have spent 44% of the money that we anticipated. This trend has been ongoing for years. We have been taking in more money than we spend. Part of the reason is that not everyone is submitting expense reports. He suggested that if people don't need the money that they cash the check and then send it on.

Paul (DCM 36) made a motion to accept the amended Treasurer's report and it was seconded by Brian (DCM 61). It passed unanimously.

Secretary's Report – by Steve S: See written report (copy posted to web site). Steve thanked the DCM's for submitting reports electronically. We are getting good information about what is happening in the Districts. Paper DCM Reports can be put in a basket the day of the Area meeting. The DCM Report Form can be found on our website:

<http://area59aa.org/DCM%20Reports.htm>

Area 59 has a lending library with various CD's and DVD's with various service topics. Most of it is available in both English and Spanish. These could be used for workshops and presentations to the Area:

http://area59aa.org/E-Library_Request_Form.htm

The back of the Library Request Form, that was included in each of DCM's folder, has a list of items that are available in English and Spanish. Some of these CD's and DVD's can also be found on AA's web site:

http://www.aa.org/pages/en_US/videos-and-audios

A copy of the Roster was sent out via Email. Hard copies are available upon request. He also provided copies of the minutes, which were previously sent out via Email and approved earlier in this meeting. A draft copy of the minutes for each Area meeting will be sent out before each meeting and they will be approved or amended at the next Area meeting. Please submit your events using the Calendar Request Form on our Area website and also follow our Area website guidelines:

<http://area59aa.org/Calendar%20Submission%20Form.htm>

<http://area59aa.org/WebsiteGuidelines.htm>

Please submit District minutes to all of the Area Officers and the Archivist. We read these and they are important to help us to understand what is happening in Area 59.

Steve is the Liaison for YPAA (Young People in AA). We are planning to have a Share-A-Day with the YPAA Committees in October, in Downingtown, PA. The purpose of this workshop is to give information on what Area 59 does and also to let the rest of the Area know what the YPAA Committees do. They do a lot more service for AA in addition to holding their conferences. He went to one service-oriented workshop that was held by the PENNSCYPAA Host Committee in May. He will also attend the PENNSCYPAA convention on August 17 to 19.

Alternate Delegate / Area Chairperson's Report – by Ken D: See written report (copy posted to web site). He talked about the Area Service Calendar that was included in his handouts. He announced that we have upcoming Area Forums on July 28 and August 19. This is a way to inspire service. There are plans for an Area Forum in the Philadelphia area. District 68 will participate in this.

He thanked the ad hoc Workplace committee for their work.

Ken attended the banquet for the General Service Conference as Paul's guest. He said that the spirit of the Conference is strong and there are many people who contribute to the success of AA. He encouraged people to attend the next Mini Assembly / DCR. Our essence of why we are here is to collect the group conscience and bring it back to our groups.

He is the Intergroup Liaison. We had a combined Intergroup Share-A-Day in May. It was not well attended. He questioned the need to continue having these considering the number of other events that we have. Are there other ways to reach out to the alcoholics?

He attended the combined workshop between Public Information and Archives. It had low participation but they did a great job with the workshop.

Planning for Area Day is continuing.

Delegate Report – by Paul M: Paul went over his report (copy posted to web site). He announced that there will be a vacancy for a Class A (nonalcoholic) Trustee after the General Service Conference next year. Please talk to Paul if you are interested in more information.

He read a May 16 Email from the General Manager of our GSO concerning the Printer's Copy of the Manuscript, which was previously distributed to the Area Committee via Email.

The next International Convention will be held on July 2 to 5, 2020. Our General Service Office is asking that people plan their events around this. He thanked all who participated in the Pre-Conference Sharing Session. The information that he collected was very valuable to him during the voting. He thanked us for the opportunity to serve at the General Service Conference.

He thanked District 42 for a great job in hosting the first Mini Assembly / Delegate Conference Report on June 2. He had corrections to make on his report for two of the floor actions. An explanation was provided to each of the Districts who participated in this DCR.

The first stated:

The General Service Conference affirm the delegated authority of the General Service Board and operating corporations to protect the intellectual property of Alcoholics Anonymous.

He had said that this was approved, but he checked his notes and it was not approved. This will be corrected for the next DCR.

The other floor action:

The text on page 18 of the pamphlet "Members of the Clergy Ask About Alcoholics Anonymous" that currently reads:

Please check your local telephone directory or newspaper for the number of Alcoholics Anonymous.

Be revised to read:

Alcoholics Anonymous can be found on the Internet at aa.org and in most telephone directories by looking for "Alcoholics Anonymous." Additionally, online meetings are available, which members of the military and others often use when they are in places where there is no meeting nearby.

These will be included in the next DCR.

He thanked the Subcommittees for the awesome job they have been doing during this panel.

Our Convention will be November 2 to 4. He will be accepting topics for possible workshops through the end of June.

He attended two Convention Committee meetings as Liaison to the Convention Committee.

There will be a National Corrections Workshop on November 2 to 4, which is the same weekend as our Convention. In March we passed a motion to select someone who is not on the Area Committee to represent Area 59 at that workshop. He received two resumes from people who would be willing to do this. One came from Bob P in District 39 and the other from Dale S from District 64. The Area officers chose Dale S at our Pre-Area meeting in May.

The Committee recessed for lunch at 12:53 PM and re-opened business at 1:45 PM.

The Committee was called to order by the Chairperson. We observed a moment of silent meditation.

Summaries & Actions (“S” = summary; “A” = action):

District 21: S-1: They are planning a workshop in October.

District 26: A-1: Need to make Pre-Conference Session open to all members for the morning session. Paul (Del) We try to keep to the committee system like they do at the General Service Conference to give people a sense of how the Conference works. There are too many people to participate in the morning session. Everyone is welcome to participate in the afternoon. Ralph (DCM 45) Give suggestions to the Area for how the process could change.

District 31: A-1: How does a person who is visually impaired do a 4th Step? Paul (Del) Can use a computer that had software that could be spoken to and translate it into writing. Ed (DCM 59) Smart phones can translate into written language. Rich (ADCM 47) They have a subcommittee with equipment that can help.

District 35: S-1: They will hold a District Inventory on Aug 29. **S-2:** They will have District picnic on September 22.

District 39: S-1: Held a District Workshop. **S-2:** Held a District Inventory. **S-3:** Held a GSR Orientation. **S-4:** They will have a July 4th marathon.

District 45: S-1: They are having a workshop on Spiritual Principles as related to each Step on September 30. **S-2:** They are collaborating with the York Intergroup and the community for Bridging the Gap. **A-1:** AA members went to a registered group that has been taken over by NA. Curt (Treas) Remove the group from the meeting schedule. Caroline (OAL) Have people from District suggest that they register the group with NA. **A-2:** What would be needed to create an additional Area? Would the process include the entire Area? Paul (Del) It would have to come to the Area and sent to the General Service Office. The Area would request the form to get the process started. Randy (DCM 25) Read the history of the State Convention.

District 48: S-1: Having an Area Forum on July 28 in Williamsport.

District 54: S-1: Rose Tree Women will have their 40th anniversary on June 19. **S-2:** Bill’s Wisdom Group has moved. **S-3:** They will host DCR II on June 24.

District 59: S-1: The MOTH Group will have their annual breakfast on June 23.

District 61: S-1: They are having their annual Grapevine picnic on July 14. **A-1:** Their webmaster won't give up the password to their website. Dan (DCM 27) Try to find out as much information as possible. Who pays for it, etc.

District 62: S-1: District Fellowship Picnic on August 18. **S-2:** Area Forum on August 19.

District 63: A-1: There is a marijuana friendly AA group that is already registered with GSO. Caroline (OAL) She received the group change for where they wanted to change the name to "420 Renegade Group". It is under review by GSO. **A-2:** A group made a motion to change the Preamble to say "group of people" instead of "men and women". The District voted 8 to 6 to bring it to the Area. They didn't have substantial unanimity. Dan (DCM 27) Don't call it the AA Preamble. Ken (Alt Del) Would need to make it a motion to the Area. Carolyn (DCM 32) Bring back to District again to see if there is substantial unanimity. Dan (DCM 27) He can share language his group uses. Ed (DCM 59) There have been advisory actions over the years that said pieces of our literature should not be changed. Larry (DCM 63) The Preamble has been changed twice in the past.

District 64: S-1: They are having a workshop on the Traditions and Service.

Subcommittee Reports: *Please note that each Subcommittee Chairperson submits and distributes written quarterly reports to all members of the Committee and the Archivist. The reports are posted on our website: www.area59aa.org. Therefore, the notes below are comments made in addition to the written report and not the reports themselves.*

Archives: They had three work sessions. Three quarters of the group histories have been scanned. They had full subcommittee participation in Pre-Conference Sharing Session and their combined workshop with PI.

CPC (Cooperation With the Professional Community): They staffed a booth in early March that was referred from GSO. They will do this again for American Probation and Parole Association (APPA) being held in Philadelphia from July 29 to August 1. There are only two subcommittee members outside of the SEPIA area to cover events there.

Corrections: GSO sent ten letters from inmates who wanted someone to meet them when they got out. Each of these was forwarded to someone in the area where they would live after getting out, with the help of our DCM's. They have held two workshops this year with the Treatment/Accessibilities Subcommittee this year. A chaplain from Lebanon prison was at the second workshop on May 12 and they are working with them. He read a letter that our Delegate forwarded from our GSO Corrections Coordinator. There is a waiting list of over 100 male AA members in prisons who would like to participate in the Corrections Correspondence Service. 645 requests for correspondence have been answered so far this year. The following are links for signing up to be a contact for corrections correspondence:

https://www.aa.org/assets/en_US/f-162_AAcorrectionsPreRelease_Outside.pdf
<http://area59aa.org/E-Forms-Flyers/3-PreReleased-Short%20Version.pdf>
https://www.aa.org/assets/en_US/f-26correctcorrespondence.pdf

Finance: They have reviewed the Convention Committee finances and will recommend that Area 59 transfer \$10,000 to the Convention Committee under new business. This is to help offset the \$12,700 loss from last year. Sharon is reconciling their bank statements.

They will not be distributing 7th Tradition packets this year due to cost. They researched the mileage rate for Area business and unanimously voted to keep it at \$0.35 per mile. They will keep the existing Pie Chart for splits on the small green card that Area 59 produces, but make the card bigger. It will also be available in Spanish.

Grapevine: Sheila (DCM 21) filled in for Rene and read their report.

PI (Public Information): The website modernization is on track for the portion of the improvements that are to be done by November. They are developing an EPGSA topic to showcase the website at the convention. They have attended 46 events so far in this panel. They passed the Delegate Recommendation for an Area Technology Committee to the Structure Subcommittee. He questioned the survey results from other Areas concerning technology committees. There may be more than the surveys have indicated. Ken (Alt Del) noted that there are Areas that are in different stages of technology committees.

Structure: They have four Area guidelines for technology committees. Greg (web servant) will go to the Technology Conference in September. They are updating the Structure Manual.

Treatment/Accessibilities: They held the second Bridging the Gap with the Corrections Subcommittee on May 12 in Lebanon. There was good participation from Intergroups in Eastern PA. Ralph noted that there were three other events the same day and asked that people look at the calendar and take that into account in planning. They are collaborating with Treatment Chairs in the Northeast on Bridging the Gap. He has been in contact with a past Corrections Chair in Utah. They have a Bridging the Gap document that took a year and a half to prepare.

The Chair stepped down at 3:00 for family business and the Officer At Large assumed the Chair duties.

Ad hoc Literature: They went to 9 workshops since the last Area meeting. An issue of We, the Area 59 newsletter, was published in May. The next issue will come out in July and then in October. They bought three new displays for a total cost of \$367 (for all three). They are investigating the possibility of using the "Blue People" on the new Area 59 pamphlet they have prepared. It is currently copyrighted by AAWS. They will bring it to the Area in September for our approval. He made a presentation on the 17 Guidelines that are available from GSO:

https://www.aa.org/pages/en_US/aa-guidelines

One copy of the guidelines is free with a literature order if requested.

Ad hoc Workspace: The committee was unanimous that the working conditions in our Storage Facility are not sufficient. They made an extensive search of properties. They have not consulted a Real Estate Agent. Their task was only to determine if it was feasible. They unanimously voted on a recommendation to look for office space that will be part of new business.

Unfinished Business:

There was no unfinished business.

New Business:

1. The Finance Subcommittee made the following recommendation:

“Proposed: The Finance subcommittee recommends that Area 59 transfer \$10,000 to the Convention Committee.”

No second was necessary for this recommendation because it came from a Subcommittee.

The motion passed with substantial unanimity. There was minority opinion, but no one changed their vote. The motion passed.

2. The Treatment/Accessibilities Subcommittee made the following recommendation:

“Proposed: The Treatment/Accessibilities and the Corrections subcommittees recommend the use of guidelines for the unified implementation of "Bridging The Gap" (BTG) program in Area 59.”

No second was necessary for this recommendation because it came from a Subcommittee.

The motion passed with substantial unanimity. There was minority opinion. Paul L (DCM 36) made a motion to reconsider and it was seconded by John (DCM 33). The motion to reconsider passed and the original motion was opened for discussion.

The motion passed with substantial unanimity. No minority opinion can be given for a motion that is being reconsidered. The motion passed.

3. The Ad Hoc Workspace Subcommittee made the following recommendation:

“Proposed: The Ad hoc Workspace subcommittee recommends that Area 59 Committee Members review the "2018 Workspace Plan" (see file) with their GSRs and return to the September 2018 Quarterly Area Business Meeting prepared to deliberate the adoption of the plan.”

No second was necessary for this recommendation because it came from a Subcommittee.

The motion passed unanimously.

4. Resumes of the three candidates were passed out to the DCM's and Area Officers. The guest nominees were drawn at random and the Chairperson called on the DCM's, who submitted candidates for guest observer, to give a brief description:

Paul L (DCM 36) nominated Judge William Tully – Court of Common Pleas, Dauphin County
Jules C (DCM 51) nominated Honorable Rea B. Boylan – Bucks County Court of Common Pleas
Larry G (DCM 63) nominated Joseph P. Shiffer – Enforcement Supervisor, Lancaster County

Third Legacy Procedure was used for the voting. After two votes, anyone with less than 20% of the vote was eliminated. There were two candidates after two votes; Judge William Tully and Joseph P. Shiffer.

On the third vote Joseph P. Shiffer received over two thirds of the votes (substantial unanimity).
Joseph P. Shiffer will be invited to attend the Convention as Guest Observer.

Announcement of Upcoming Events:

There will be Delegate Conference Report/Mini Assembly II on June 24. Area Forum II will be held on July 28. There are flyers on the website.

Next Meeting: Sunday, September 9th in District 41. See www.area59aa.org for posting of details.

Meeting adjourned at 4:45 PM by a voice vote.

The Committee concluded with "I Am Responsible" declaration.



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Area 59 Roll Call June 10, 2018

Officer or District	Title	Guests (G), Summaries (S) and Actions (A)	Officer or District	Title	Guests (G), Summaries (S) and Actions (A)
Delegate	Present		Secretary	Present	
Alt Delegate / Chair	Present		Treasurer	Present	
			Off.-At-Large	Present	
21	DCM	0 G / 1 S / 0 A	45	DCM	0 G / 0 S / 0 A
22	DCM	0 G / 0 S / 0 A	46	Absent	
23	DCM	0 G / 0 S / 0 A	47	DCM	5 G / 0 S / 0 A
24	DCM	0 G / 0 S / 0 A	48	DCM	0 G / 0 S / 0 A
25	DCM	0 G / 0 S / 0 A	49	DCM	1 G / 0 S / 0 A
26	DCM	0 G / 0 S / 1 A	50	Absent	
27	DCM	1 G / 0 S / 0 A	51	DCM	1 G / 0 S / 0 A
28	Absent		52	DCM	0 G / 0 S / 0 A
29	Absent		53	Absent	
30	ADCM	0 G / 0 S / 0 A	54	DCM	1 G / 1 S / 0 A
31	DCM	0 G / 0 S / 1 A	55	Absent	
32	DCM	0 G / 0 S / 0 A	56	DCM	0 G / 0 S / 0 A
33	DCM	1 G / 0 S / 0 A	57	Absent	
34	DCM	0 G / 0 S / 0 A	58	DCM	0 G / 0 S / 0 A
35	DCM	2 G / 2 S / 0 A	59	DCM	0 G / 3 S / 1 A
36	DCM	0 G / 0 S / 0 A	60	DCM	0 G / 0 S / 0 A
37	ADCM	0 G / 0 S / 0 A	61	DCM	0 G / 0 S / 0 A
38	ADCM	0 G / 0 S / 0 A	62	DCM	0 G / 0 S / 0 A
39	DCM	2 G / 3 S / 0 A	63	DCM	0 G / 1 S / 1 A
40	DCM	0 G / 0 S / 0 A	64	ADCM	0 G / 0 S / 0 A
41	DCM	3 G / 0 S / 0 A	65	Absent	
42	DCM	0 G / 0 S / 0 A	66	DCM	1 G / 0 S / 0 A
43	DCM	0 G / 0 S / 0 A	67	Absent	
44	DCM	1 G / 0 S / 0 A	68	Struct Chr	2 G / 1 S / 2 A



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Dist	Registered Groups	Represented Groups	District Highlights
21	34	14	Planning a workshop in October
22	15	12	No report.
23	70	17-20	Committees being formed for Bus trip to GSO, a Workshop and a Longtimers Brunch. Attendance has been good. Groups have not had many concerns this quarter.
24	40	15-20	workshop oct 13th 2018 topic, AA and technology? figuring out ways to carry message to district 24
25	48	20	We are in the process of having all the Area Officers come and visit District#25. In doing so the Gsr's will have an opportunity to meet the Area Officers ahead of the November elections. The Alt.Delegate/ Chairperson and Officer At Large has visit. District#25 is planning to have its District Inventory began in September.
26	21	5-10	DCM went to Nerassa in Cromwell, CT, on February 23d 2018 DCM attended the combined workshop on 5/12 Bridging the gap between treatment and correction subcommittee in Lebanon Pa. Very interesting workshop. Discussed Grapevine Committee elections. Make an action to include all AA's they are willing to participate in the circle of Agenda items disused and to vote in the pre-conference sharing session
27	40	15-20	First focus was on pre-conference sharing and getting the GSRs involved. We ended up having more volunteers and attendance in the past, and was able to get several non-GSRs to go. I also for the first time responsible for the food at a workshop - the join Corrections and T/A in May about BTG. It was very illuminating. The focus in the district continues to be getting more GSRs involved and even excited about service. Attendance at our District meetings have been up and we instituted official fellowship with pizza 30 minute before the meeting - this has worked out well. Having several area officers speak has given the GSRs new appreciation for general service. I am attempting to generate enthusiasm for the 2nd Delegate report back and hopefully get some involvement. Also we are going to begin a project to rewrite our structure manual since it is out of date and doesn't reflect the realities of how D27 is working today. The most important effort for me is stressing the importance of the November Area Assembly and have asked the GSRs to start mentioning it to their groups now. Since our district is



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			running a surplus we will probably vote to fund a "scholarship" attendance for a GSR who otherwise wouldn't be able to make it. Finally initial planning for one of the Area hosted forums is starting and we are targeting mid-September to early October.
28	22	8	No report.
29	25	15	Pretty stable attendance at our last few meetings. Working to figure out number of active meetings in order to complete new meeting tri-folds Planning a workshop with district 28, 30, 31, and 32 for October 6
30	36	26	GSR Orientation took place on June 5th with Dale S. leading the orientation. Fall Workshop being planned for October with Districts 29, 30, 31, and 32.
31	54	23	No report.
32	38	19	Our district has been welcoming visiting DCM's from other districts to familiarized our GSR's with the people who may be standing for area office in an effort to be a more informed group conscience. Upcoming multi-district workshop on October 6, 2018. Location to be determined.
33	17	9	Workshop held on May 12 2018. 30 registered. we considered it a success. I attended business meeting for end of the line group, they elected a GSR which will make 10 of 17 groups participating. This is a milestone for the dist. Finances are stable. All groups are doing well. We are in the process of a long overdue update of the District Structure Manual
34	32	7	We agreed that our first district workshop was a success and are planning another one.
35	42	24	March 17, District 35 Traditions Workshop May 5, YPAA Structure Round Table.
36	61	29	The District has hosted a workshop on Archives and Job Fair, Service in AA. The Structure Committee has almost completed the new Structure manual, the final draft will be available next week, I will forward a copy to Area. The Ad-hoc Split committee has been comparing the GSO list and researching how many active meets are still running, I should have the number over the next month. District 36 will also be presenting a nomination for a EPGSA observer, Judge William Tully
37	33	13-15	No report.
38	50	25	District Archives updating and publication Pre-Release Bridging the Gap distributed



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			<p>Got more GSR's to join committees and become more involved with them. Combined Structure and Workshop Committees. Placed Newsletter on Inactive Status. Planning future workshop Summer - Fall.</p>
39	47	15	<p>Held a District Workshop in April. Thanks to Josh from district 34 for being a keynote speaker. Thanks also to all who made the trip and attended. Held a District Inventory in April. Thanks to Area Secretary Steve for making the trip and facilitating. Held a GSR Orientation in May. Thanks to Area Alt. Delegate/Chairperson Ken for making the trip and presenting. Activated our Structure Committee for second half of second year of panel to suggest changes and updates for the next panel. Hosting a district workshop in August - more information to come. Participating in Area Forum III in August with districts 52, 61, and 62. There will be a July 4th marathon at the Icebox complex in Scranton – meetings on the even hour from 8am to 8pm.</p>
40	43	17-22-13	No report
41	17	12-15	No report
42	40	15	<p>D42 Workshop "Our Primary Purpose" was a successful event. More than 100 people attended at various time throughout the workshop. This was year two for a workshop of this nature to be held with great promise of a third next year. Delegate Report/Mini Assembly was hosted by D42. This too was a success due in large part the planning of the D42 ADCM (David H.) and the committee. It was an informative day to hear what Paul M. (Delegate) reported as well as various presentations by other districts. Other news is that three meetings have folded in D42, proving a resentment and a coffee pot sometimes does not make for a successful AA meeting. Our D42 Officer at Large (Mindy D.) has kept Area 59 informed as well as working with the D42 webmaster (Molly Q.) and the D42 meeting coordinator (Sue B.) to ensure the meeting closures are communicated as best as possible. July 28 2018 Area 59 Forum II. Information about our world-wide Fellowship, Service Topics including Districts without Intergroups, Open Mic. and Q&A with Area Officers. D42 looks forward to joining the surrounding districts in hopes for a well attended and successful event.</p>
43	41	13-20	March 13, 2018, Zion Lutheran Church, Boalsburg



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			<p>Unofficial number of groups represented: 18 Finance: \$2,295 (incl prudent reserve \$1200), Pink Can funds (literature for jails and institutions) at \$256.</p> <p>CPC: hotline training continues.</p> <p>PI: approved purchase of 250 "Is AA for You" pamphlets for literature rack restocking and divided locations.</p> <p>Visitation: panel votes to reimburse visitation committee member for mileage (50 cents per mile). Structure manual will need to be updated to reflect this.</p> <p>There was discussion of a district inventory under new business.</p> <p>April 10, 2018, St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, State College Groups represented: 15 Finance: \$2,270 (incl prudent reserve \$1,200), Pink Can funds \$296</p> <p>Corrections: our corrections chair and webservant are moving to Texas. Yay for them, we need to fill those vacancies. Corrections bought a big load of books, all delivered.</p> <p>CPC: hotline list update coming soon with amended verbiage about offering rides.</p> <p>PI: expanding location list, at least for potentials.</p> <p>May 8, 2018, St. Luke's Lutheran Church, Centre Hall Groups represented: no official count yet Finance: \$1,878 (incl \$1,200 prudent reserve), Pink Can funds \$296</p> <p>Elected a new webservant (Tad M.) and Corrections is meeting next Saturday to discuss their chair. More to come.</p> <p>Discussed a few real-life "Tradition" situations: our clubhouse is closing (building was sold and we're out) and received a donation from a non-member.</p>
44	35	12	<p>-29th Anniversary of the Hershey Mill's Group 4/23</p> <p>-Chester County Bid for PENNSCYPAA Dance through the decades 4/28</p> <p>-District created an outreach flyer to hang in the clubhouses. Displays the day, time and location of the District business meeting to encourage attendance and representation from all of the groups.</p> <p>-Working on an outreach folder to pass along to groups who have no representative at the District meeting. Folder to include meeting minutes, information on general service, the GSR, and a calendar of events. Folders will be updated regularly with any current, important information and/or reports from GSO, Area 59 and District 44.</p>



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			Chester County Bid for PENNSCYPAA - BBQ - 6/30 from 1-4PM Episcopal Church of the Advent 401 N Union St. Kennett Square, PA, 19348
45	50	28	District has been active in organizing BTG. We have done much editing and rewriting of forms and implementation plans for the treatment facilities. DCM was invited to make a presentation at the local York/Adams counting Reentry program. Planned and executed a workshop on sponsorship which was June 9 th at William Kain park. Next workshop is September 30 th on the spiritual principles aligned with each step; practice and text references made in presentation. BTG Presentations to Prison and main treatment facilities within the next 30 days.
46	24	8	No report.
47	47	35	New DCM Attendance at District meeting has been strong. Had a District workshop on history of District 47 and had almost 50 people who attended. Second year for a campfire meeting which meets on Friday night at Lake Towoee
48	35	26	Preparing for July 28, 2018 Area 59 Forum II hosted by our District 48 District 48 Annual Picnic Sept 2018 Speaker George M - Milton PA
49	24	10	Another move to a new church, hopefully the last for a while. Took a rack of pamphlet information to the Laurel Mall, Hazelton, on April 18, for a Senior Health Fair. GSRs keeping small displays full of pamphlets in cooperation with NEPAIG Adopt-A-Spot. GSRs and others fulfilling commitments at Carbon Co. Prison (both men and women), and at St. Luke's Gnaden Huetten Hospital. District Unity Breakfast on April 21, at Capriotti's. Well attended (200+), and two good speakers. Participation in Pre-Conference Sharing and Mini Assembly to hear the Delegate's report. Group visitation to recruit GSRs. Hosting Area Quarterly on June 10. Summer picnics hosted by Groups-Last Chance Tamaqua. Potential fall workshop in Conyngham.
50	13	1	No Report
51	76	25	Due to a surplus of funds the District has voted to hold a picnic, workshop, and GSO bus trip before the end of this panel.



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			<p>There are challenges in getting GSRs involved in the planning of these events and committed to service. There are several vacancies in our sub committee chairs.</p> <p>Our structure committee has been working diligently to edit our District's structure manual which has not been reviewed for about eight years. The committee's recommendations will be presented at our June business meeting on 6/21.</p> <p>Meetings throughout the district have been integrating the safety card into their meeting formats.</p> <p>6/19 Primary Purpose Group Anniversary Meeting 7pm</p>
52	33	10-14	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Refer to Upcoming events • Hosting a combined Area Forum with District 62 & other participating District in August • District 52 is working on having a workshop in September, more details to come in the next month
53	10	7	No report.
54	21	16	<p>Hosting Mini Assembly at Knights of Columbus</p> <p>Attending GV workshop July 21</p> <p>Bill's Wisdom Group moved from United Methodist Church to another meeting in Middletown. Exact location to follow.</p> <p>Rosetree Women's 40th anniversary</p>
55	18	8	No report.
56	28	21	<p>The District is now in the midst of planning two important events. The District is planning our summer workshop which will be held in Anson B Nixon State Park on August 11 from 11:00AM to 2PM. This year's theme is "Unity in AA". We look forward to an afternoon of food fun and fellowship. We are also planning our District 56 inventory which is planned for September. We chose to get an early start on the inventory in an effort to be as thorough and comprehensive as possible and to give every home group within the district a chance to share its thoughts and be heard.</p> <p>Summer workshop August 11</p> <p>District inventory September 17</p>
57	43	20	<p># Completed making mailing labels for groups in the district, asking if their group would want to be on the flyer, GROUPS THAT WOULD USE SUPPORT.</p> <p># Completed plans and DISTRIBUTED flyers announcing Fourth of July ALCOTHON.</p> <p># Made plans to distribute AA big books and other AA literature to schools, libraries and medical offices. Our district does not have a standing committee to distribute, so that we will be having a ad hoc committee to work on this project.</p>
58	19	10	<p>New officers voted in:</p> <p>Dani M – ADCM (Eric stepped down)</p>



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			Beth – Officer-At-Large (did not have) Summer workshop coming up July 28 Flyer will be put on District 58 website once flyer is complete.
59	16	10	*** Combined workshop on Taking Sponsees Through Big Book held by Moments of Clarity and Berwick 12 Step Groups on April 15th.*** ***Saturday, June 9th Noon In Bloom Group picnic at Bloomsburg Town Park 1-5PM, Pavilion #6, food, fun & fellowship*** *** Saturday June 23rd M.O.T.H. Group annual Breakfast & Speaker meeting 9-11AM at Shiloh UCC 512 Bloom Street, Danville, PA 17821. Breakfast 9-10AM, speaker Lowell L. Past Area 59 Delegate at 10AM***
60	28	10-15	Continue to have support for the District meeting, with around 10-15 core GSR's, not just showing up but actually participating. Had District workshop on May 12, 2018 with 60 people in attendance. Gsr's did PowerPoint presentations on The 12 Concepts and Technology in A.A., there was a presentation on A.A. Literature, a talk about Spirituality and the Three Legacies. We played A.A. Jeopardy and did a funny skit called "Sober Bros". We even had door prizes of A.A. literature and a drawing for a Grapevine subscription. Everyone agreed it went very well. The district website, www.district60aa.org , is still chugging along. Contributions are doing well, so much so, that we are doing a GSR scholarship for the EPGSA. One GSR, whose group does not have the money to send them, will receive money from the district to attend the EPGSA. Hope to do another workshop, or host an Area Forum with other districts in September.
61	23	21	spring workshop was held with about 50 people attending, which is 30 or so more than the fall workshop. Voted to replace web master for our intergroup. District 61/41 Annual Grapevine Picnic July 14 10am-4pm High Acres Park Canadensis Pa
62	14	9	Over the past several months we have discussed area events, mini assembly, etc and the planning of our first annual district 62 fellowship picnic on August 18. In cooperation with Districts 39,52,61,62 and Area 59 we are planning FORUM III to be held at Promised Land Volunteer Fire Company on August 19.
63	38	18	Nonalcoholic deputy warden Shiffer unanimously nominated to observer at assembly. Vote 8 for 6 against to motion to Area to change wording in the Preamble from men and women to people.



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			Group has changed their meeting to marijuana friendly. \$180 paid rent for room 2018.
64	35	20	Continued to review traditions and concepts at meeting each month. Encouraging discussion on how relate/impact/to implement at homegroups. Have had some good discussions, sharing. Pre Conf and Delegate Conf report items have been part of DCM report. New District Secretary elected in April (Christine H) Reconsidered recommendations for district sponsored workshops and epgsa scholarships. District panel currently researching whether we are truly self supporting (paying fair share) with amount of rent being paid to church for meeting location and newcomer packet pricing and a request for free distribution of packets. Recommendations (if any) by July or August Workshop committee busy planning July workshop. Structure committee reviewing district structure manual for revisions to be made prior to next panel. Visitation committee will be visiting inactive homegroups next quarter. July 21 - District 64 Workshop at 521 Club (Flyer will be distributed following next workshop committee meeting)
65	13	8	No report.
66	40	20	2 Groups closing in district, Rock Bottom and WIRES. Planning Workshop for August 2017 Workshop 2017
67	27	8	No highlights.
68	19	15	Held a District workshop on 4-21-2018 in Bensalem, PA. Great participation. Participated in the 10 th PA State Convention held on May 26 and 27 in Pottstown, PA