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Area 59 Quarterly Area Meeting

Panel 67

September 9, 2018

Plainfield Fire Hall, Wind Gap, PA

Ken D, Chairperson, Panel 67, opened the meeting at 11:00 AM. He took a moment of silence to center ourselves and said the Serenity Prayer. He read "Vision Beyond Today" from As Bill Sees It, page 317. He thanked District 41 for hosting the event.

Acknowledged Guests – Hugh H Panel 61 Past Delegate for Area 59; Marty S Panel 51 Past Delegate for Area 59; Pat F Panel 65 Past Delegate for Area 59; Greg G, Area Web Servant; Donald H, Area Archivist; Neil D, Area Tech Servant.

Concepts – There were three presenters – Concept VII, Courtney P (DCM 41), Concept VIII, Rich W (DCM 56), Concept IX, Glenn W (DCM 62). Volunteers to make presentations on the Concepts at the December meeting are – Concept X, Dan B (DCM 27), Concept XI, Alex W (DCM 37), Concept XII, Ed M (DCM 59).

Roll Call – Steve S, Secretary conducted the roll call. All five officers were present and 45 Districts represented for a total of 50 out of 53 eligible voting Committee Members present at roll call. Roll Call tally sheet attached at end of Minutes. We welcomed two new DCM's Kellie A (D47) and Nora A (D47).

Approval of Minutes – Chairperson asked if there were any objections or amendments for the minutes of the last Quarterly Area meeting held on June 10, 2018. The minutes were approved by unanimous consent.

Convention Committee Report – by Hugh H: As of August 29th, there were 199 people registered in 112 rooms. As of September 7th, there were 159 registered and 285 meals. Last year on September 6th there were 72 registered and 164 meals. If people are having trouble with the hotel rates they should contact Hugh. The registrations need to be received by October 5.

They have had trouble scheduling the inventory. They will try for mid-November.

There were some questions:

Why is the single rate so high? They want to encourage doubling the occupancy of the rooms.

What time will they have the box lunches? Around noon. We are not allowed to bring food in, except for the box lunches. The box lunches will not be hot.

Why was the inventory postponed from July? Hugh thought more people would be available.



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It seems that the inventory will not have an effect on this Convention. Hugh said that the original purpose of the inventory was to look at ways to improve in the long term. We will probably have to change the way we hold our Conventions. It may be necessary to make it a single day event.

Is it possible to hold the inventory at the Convention? No. They wouldn't want to spend another 4 hours there.

Where will future Conventions be held? There will be an announcement at the end of this upcoming Convention.

Archivist Report by – Donald H: Donald gave a presentation on the history the Election Assembly and talked about costs in previous years. At its peak there were over 1000 people attending EPGSA.

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 Active Groups are still meeting. Verify with the District members that the information is complete and correct. GSR's usually get their kits in two weeks. Let her know if they are not received. The information in the GSR kits can also be found on our Area website:

http://area59aa.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/10/en_GSR_list.pdf

There will be a new data base "Enterprise Resource Planning" system that will be used for group changes and other information that our General Service Office uses. It will combine three data bases into one. It will be implemented in February 2019.

There were 1599 Active Groups, 82 Unknown Groups and 962 Inactive Groups (that no longer meet).

A question was asked about who is the vendor for ERP. Caroline will look into it.

<http://area59aa.org/service-resources>

Treasurer – by Curt C: See written report and Profit and Loss summary attached, which shows our financial status. We are three quarters of the way through the second year of Panel 67. We are a little above budgeted contributions and a little below budgeted expenses. We are coming up to the end of the Panel. Please submit expense reports for expenses incurred for Area business by Dec 1, so they are charged against this Panel. On line contributions are slow (around 3%), which is similar to other Areas. Sending contributions on line will save the Area money.

Jack (DCM 31) made a motion to accept the amended Treasurer's report and it was seconded by Larry (DCM 63). 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:



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<https://form.jotform.com/52556852829165>

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:

<https://form.jotform.com/60256797541160>

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:

<https://form.jotform.com/52546609271155>

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

Steve is the Liaison for YPAA (Young People in AA). We are planning to have a Share-A-Day with the YPAA Committees on October 6, 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 attended the PENNSCYPAA convention on August 17 and 18. Chester County will host PENNSCYPAA next year.

We've held two Area Forums during the last quarter. People seemed to get a lot out of them, although we would have hoped for greater attendance. There will be one more Area Forum in Philadelphia this year.

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. We need volunteers for the Convention in November who will not be voting to cover Saturday morning. Volunteers can sign up on the Area website www.area59aa.org.

Area Day planning is being finalized. There will be tables that people rotate around to find out what the different Subcommittees do.

Ken will make a presentation at a NEPA event in the Fall.

Paul and Ken were attended the AI Anon State Convention. Ken spoke on cooperation between AA and AI Anon.

People should be in their seats on time for the voting at the Convention. People won't be allowed to come in late. Pages 21 and 22 have information about the elections.

Delegate Report – by Paul M: Paul went over his report (copy posted to web site). Paul noted that he couldn't go to the Convention Inventory set for June and was going to send Ken as our Alternate Delegate. He attended the Pennsylvania State Convention and gave a presentation. There were only about 20 people in attendance.

Representatives from AI Anon will make a presentation at our Convention. They are trying to increase cooperation between AA and AI Anon.

He announced that GSO has openings for an Appointed Committee Member (ACM) on the Trustees' Literature Committee and also a Staff Member.

The next General Service Conference will be May 19 to 25. This is later than usual due to a scheduling issue with the hotel. There will be elections for Northeast and Southwest Regional Trustees (Class B).

The Final Conference Reports are not ready yet. They were delayed because there is more information in them than other years. Additional Considerations will be included this year. He should get the reports by the end of September. He will probably have them at Area Day.

He went over the draft EPGSA program. People need to be seated at the Convention by 8:45 AM. He needs annual reports from each of the Area Officers and Subcommittee Chairs by Oct 1.

The Committee recessed for lunch at 12:36 PM and re-opened business at 1:32 PM.

The Committee was called to order by the Chairperson. We said the Serenity Prayer. He noted that our interpreter, Evelyn D was here with a guest from Northern New Jersey Area 44, District 30 Sandra, who is also an interpreter.

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

District 21: S-1: Will have a Self Support workshop on Nov 17.

District 23: S-1: Will have a Longtimers Brunch on Oct 20.

District 24: S-1: Will have workshop on AA and Technology on Oct 13.

District 26: S-1: Will have a workshop on Oct 13.

District 27: S-1: Area Forum IV will be Sept 15.

District 31: S-1: Will have a multi-District workshop on Sept 29 with Districts 29, 30 and 32.

District 34: S-1: They will hold a District workshop on Oct 6.

District 35: S-1: Hanover Intergroup is having a picnic Sept 15 from 12 to 3. **S-2:** They will have a District picnic on Sept 22.

District 36: A-1: A group has an American Sign Language (ASL) interpreter. The Intergroup has been paying for the interpreter. Is the District responsible for paying for the interpreter? Ed (DCM 59) No one is required to pay for it, but they can if it's their group conscience. It might be possible to get funding through the local community. Ken (Alt Del) Check with GSO for experience. Larry (DCM 63) If it's an Intergroup event the Intergroup should pay for it. If it's a District event the District should pay for it. If it's a regular meeting the group should pay for it.

District 37: S-1: They will have an open house Sept 26. **S-2:** They will have a Step 6 and 7 workshop with District 57 and the Allentown, Bethlehem Easton Intergroup on Oct 6 from 9 to 2.

District 38: S-1: Their Archives committee is making a history of the District's groups. **S-2:** Their Visitation Committee is checking in with groups.

District 39: S-1: Thanked the people who participated in Area Forum III. **A-1:** Started Panel 67 with a full slate of officers and committee chairs. People over time have resigned and no one has taken their place. They are down to 3 District officers and 1 Committee chair. What can they do? Nora (DCM 47) Check structure manual about filling positions and go to the groups.

District 41: S-1: They will hold a workshop with District 61 on Oct 6 on Steps 4 and 5. **S-2:** They will have a dinner dance with District 61 on Oct 20 from 5:30 to 11:00.

District 42: S-1: Three meetings have closed. **S-2:** Five groups will no longer contribute to Area 59 until the Convention Committee holds their inventory that had been postponed from the Summer. Ken (Alt Del) requested this in writing.

District 45: S-1: They are having a workshop on Spiritual Principles as related to each Step on Sept 30.

District 47: S-1: District meeting will be on the 2nd Wednesday starting Jan, 2019. It will be in a new location. Ken (Alt Del) requested this information be provided to update the Area website.

District 51: S-1: They are having a picnic on Sept 16. **S-2:** They are having a workshop on Oct 20. **A-1:** There is a non AA member coming to a closed meeting who is stalking the people. He has been asked to leave. Josh (DCM 34) Call the police and let the facility know what is happening.

District 58: S-1: They are having a Halloween dance on Oct 27.

District 59: S-1: They have a new group starting. **S-2:** They will have a speaker dinner on Oct 13. **A-1:** The doors have been locked in five meetings he has gone to in the last few weeks. In one instance it was because there was another function at the facility Andy (DCM 35) They formed a club for this reason in

District 35. Larry (DCM 63) Have the meeting outside during the summer. Ask the landlord to keep the group informed.

District 63: S-1: There will be a pig roast on Sept 16 at 10:30 AM.

District 64: A-1: A home group member is taking pictures of people.

District 65: S-1: They will have a speaker jam on Oct 13.

District 66: S-1: They are having a workshop on the Three Legacies on Oct 21.

District 68: S-1: They have approved a District Structure Manual. **S-2:** They are having a workshop on GSR's on Sept 30.

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 four work sessions. They have three group histories left to scan.

CPC (Cooperation With the Professional Community): They were unable to coordinate a commitment with the Corrections Subcommittee due to schedule conflicts.

Corrections: There will be a Corrections workshop on Oct 27. There are 100 male AA members in the US who are incarcerated and waiting for a correspondent through the Corrections Correspondence Service. The Subcommittee received 18 letters from AA inmates who requested a first contact when they were released and found people to help them.

Finance: They researched the mileage reimbursement rate for Area 59 and unanimously voted to keep it at \$0.35 per mile. They will not change the pie chart that shows samples of contributions on the 7th Tradition card that the Area produces.

Grapevine: Nora (DCM 47) filled in for Rene. They have been preparing for their workshop at the Convention in Nov. They will be looking at how to better utilize the Grapevine as a tool to carry the message. There is a new Grapevine book "AA in the Military" that is a collection of Grapevine stories written by AA members in the military.

PI (Public Information): He thanked the Subcommittee for their work. They are preparing recommendations for the next Panel. Their workshop at the Nov Convention will focus on the updated Area website. There will be a meeting guide on the new website. The Subcommittee attended 53 events during Panel 67. The EPGSA volunteer form is on the Home Page and Calendar of the Area 59 website.

Structure: Pete (DCM 44) filled in for Carrie. They have a lot of information that they will pass on to the next Panel. The Structure Manual is ready for EPGSA.

Treatment/Accessibilities: Josh (DCM 34) filled in for Ralph. They held a Bridging the Gap (BTG) workshop. They will continue to make edits to the BTG document that was approved by the Area Committee in our June meeting.

Ad hoc Literature: They attended five workshops this quarter. They will have a presentation on the God Word at EPGSA. The Agenda Item presented by District 68 to create a new placard that said that AA does not do will not go forward as an Agenda Item at this time. They are working on a pamphlet "Where'd You Get That?" GSO said that we could not use the graphics that we were going to be used. They will make it a recommendation for the next Panel. They will make a presentation on the DCM pamphlet at the December meeting.

Ken (Alt Del) asked about a new Anonymity placard. Jack (DCM 31) said it is on aa.org.

Glenn made a presentation about the Living Sober book.

Ad hoc Workspace: At our last quarterly meeting in June the Area Committee voted to take a proposal to find a workspace for the Area back to our groups for their input. We will be voting on this in Unfinished Business. Ed gave a summary of the conclusions they reached. They were not tasked with deciding the best way to scan, but to determine the feasibility of finding a workspace.

Unfinished Business:

1. The Ad hoc Workspace subcommittee made the following motion:

"Proposed: The Ad hoc Workspace subcommittee recommends the adoption of the workspace plan for Area 59."

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

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

New Business:

None.

Announcement of Upcoming Events:

Oct. 14th – Area Day, Brookhaven, PA. Nov. 3 - 5 – E.P.G.S.A. Convention, Gettysburg. Dec. 9th – Quarterly Area Meeting, D31. There are flyers on the website.

Next Meeting: Sunday, December 9th in District 31. See www.area59aa.org for posting of details.

Meeting adjourned at 3:00 PM by a voice vote.

The Committee concluded with "I Am Responsible" declaration.



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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	ADCM	0 G / 1 S / 0 A	45	DCM	0 G / 1 S / 0 A
22	DCM	0 G / 0 S / 0 A	46	DCM	1 G / 0 S / 0 A
23	DCM	0 G / 1 S / 0 A	47	DCM	5 G / 0 S / 0 A
24	DCM	0 G / 1 S / 0 A	48	DCM	0 G / 0 S / 0 A
25	ADCM	0 G / 0 S / 0 A	49	DCM	1 G / 0 S / 0 A
26	DCM	0 G / 1 S / 0 A	50	Absent	
27	DCM	2 G / 1 S / 0 A	51	DCM	1 G / 0 S / 0 A
28	Absent		52	DCM	0 G / 0 S / 0 A
29	DCM	0 G / 0 S / 0 A	53	DCM	2 G / 0 S / 0 A
30	DCM	0 G / 0 S / 0 A	54	SEC	1 G / 1 S / 0 A
31	DCM	0 G / 1 S / 0 A	55	DCM	0 G / 0 S / 0 A
32	ADCM	0 G / 0 S / 0 A	56	DCM	0 G / 0 S / 0 A
33	DCM	2 G / 0 S / 0 A	57	DCM	0 G / 1 S / 0 A
34	DCM	0 G / 1 S / 0 A	58	DCM	0 G / 0 S / 0 A
35	DCM	0 G / 2 S / 0 A	59	DCM	0 G / 3 S / 1 A
36	DCM	1 G / 0 S / 1 A	60	DCM	0 G / 0 S / 0 A
37	DCM	1 G / 2 S / 0 A	61	DCM	0 G / 0 S / 0 A
38	DCM	0 G / 2 S / 0 A	62	DCM	0 G / 0 S / 0 A
39	DCM	0 G / 1 S / 1 A	63	DCM	0 G / 1 S / 1 A
40	DCM	1 G / 0 S / 0 A	64	DCM	0 G / 0 S / 0 A
41	DCM	13 G / 2 S / 0 A	65	DCM	0 G / 0 S / 0 A
42	DCM	0 G / 1 S / 1 A	66	DCM	1 G / 0 S / 0 A
43	ADCM	0 G / 0 S / 0 A	67	Absent	G / S / A
44	DCM	0 G / 0 S / 0 A	68	DCM	2 G / 1 S / 2 A



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Dist	Registered Groups	Represented Groups	District Highlights
21	34	14	<p>Ralph O presented BTG to the group. Ralph gave a great presentation explaining the initiative. GSR's were excited to bring this back to their groups.</p> <p>The next meeting GSR's had a list of interested home group member.</p> <p>Planning for workshop</p> <p>Group decided to focus on where does the money go (7th tradition & spirituality)</p> <p>GSR home group members want information</p> <p>Have a speaker (or someone knowledgeable) represent GSO, Area 59, Intergroup, D-21, home groups.</p> <p>Discuss how the money is used at each level to help the alcoholic.</p> <p>Still need representatives to speak for GSO and Area.</p> <p>Workshop: Self-support where money and spirituality mix.</p> <p>Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Southampton</p> <p>Saturday November 17, 2018 12:00 - 3:00 pm</p>
22	15	12	No report.
23	68-70	9-17	<p>Structure Committee is working on creating a meeting list.</p> <p>Visitation committee has made many visits and most groups that are inactive exist but have no interest in having a GSR or contact.</p> <p>Grapevine and Literature committees are not active and need a chair. No recent report from Archives committee.</p> <p>District treasury continues to grow. Recent motion to purchase Service Manuals.</p> <p>No meeting July (holiday), good attendance in August but Sept meeting attendance was light. Of those there in Sept, 7 GSR's reported that they will attend convention.</p> <p>Longtimers Brunch will take place Oct 20</p>
24	40	15-20	workshop oct13th. AA and technology. listed on website
25	48	20	No report.
26	19	5-8	<p>Helped Set up June 24th at Newtown Square</p> <p>John D29 spoke at our meeting</p> <p>Attended Grapevine Workshop</p> <p>Going to set up Breakfast and Registration at the 4th Forum September 15th</p> <p>October 13th District 26 Workshop to be held.</p>
27	40	15	<p>This summer the focus has been on keeping the GSRs interested in service and attempting to build enthusiasm for various AA General Service Events. A particular theme has been stressing the importance of the November Assembly</p>



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			<p>and how important it is for everyone who is capable of attending to do so.</p> <p>In additional, I have tried my best to keep them informed of what's happening in the Area (and AA overall). To that end, I gave an overview of the June Quarterly, including the BTG Guide efforts, and why I was opposed to the version presented in June. Only one GSR was interested in reviewing the entire guide, but that was a start.</p> <p>In addition I explained the situation involving the convention committee and why it was necessary for us to provide emergency funding. Also reported was the June Delegate's report back session.</p> <p>In July Ed M came to explain the archives adhoc work-space plan and the GSRs did get feedback from their groups. This past month Joyce from District 23 spoke about the work archives does and it sparked interest in someone to fill the vacant Archives position at District 27, which was a great outcome!</p> <p>Another large focus has been planning for the September 15th Area Forum.</p> <p>There are a decent number willing to participate, and attendance the past few meetings has been up. A few GSRs have seemed particularly enthusiastic and have been asking questions of the recent speakers, also a good sign.</p> <p>For the District in general, all groups have been reporting they are doing well, with several groups growing and actually adding additional meetings. Our visitation chair has been active, and although no new groups have decided to become connected, the message seemed to be well received.</p> <p>In a final note, our ADCM moved to the west coast, but one of the most enthusiastic GSRs, Vicki L, was willing to step up (after some prodding). She does not do anything half-way, and even decided to come to tomorrow's Quarterly, and unexpected surprise.</p>
28	22	8	No report.
29	25	15	No report.
30	36	26	<p>Workshop committee moving along with Districts 29, 30, 31 & 32 event for 9/29</p> <p>District members provided a lot of assistance for Mini Assembly 6/24</p> <p>GSR orientation held on June District meeting. Dale S was our presenter. Session was very helpful to GSR's and great attendance</p> <p>9/29 workshop with 29, 30, 31 & 32</p>



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31	55	18	<p>Motion was made & unanimously to donate \$100 to the EPGSA hospitality suite.</p> <p>Motion made & passed unanimously to provide \$300 toward the upcoming workshop on the 29th.</p> <p>The district welcomed 4 new GSRs District 31 inventory questions were addressed & request feedback for the September district meeting.</p> <p>District is focused on spreading the word about the upcoming workshop, as well as energize groups about the EPGSA convention</p> <p>District 31 will be joining Districts 29,30& 32 in holding a multi-district workshop.</p> <p>The last Saturday of This month September 29th. 10am-3pm Registration at 9am for more details please see our flyer posted on the Area59 website</p>
32	38	18	<p>Upcoming workshop on September 29, 2018.</p> <p>83 years and we're still here combined District Workshop on September 29, 2018.</p>
33	18	15	<p>Attending Groups Doing Well. District Structure Manual Update is Complete, Vote To Accept Happening At Sept Mtg</p>
34	34	6	<p>The Little Britain and triangle groups had successful anniversary meetings.</p> <p>October 6, workshop</p>
35	42	18	<p>Created a new Meeting List format on 8 1/2 x 14 legal size quad fold with larger font and room for names and phone numbers instead of 8 1/2 x 11 with meetings only.</p> <p>Continued plans for district picnic at Pine Grove Furnace state Park on Sept. 22.</p> <p>Continued with plans for a District Inventory on Oct. 20 at the New Guilford Brethren in Christ Church.</p>
36	61	29	<p>No report.</p>
37	40	13-15	<p>District inventory on 8/22 moderated by Hugh H; great enthusiasm from all attendees and a very worthwhile experience</p> <p>Scheduled an Open House for next District meeting to generate enthusiasm for October voting session</p> <p>District is on track financially and will have 3 of 4 District Officers attending EPGSA</p> <p>District 37 collaborating with District 57 and ABE Intergroup to present Steps 6 & 7 workshop on 10/6/18 (flyer available on aalv.org)</p> <p>District 37 Open House on 9/26 at 7 pm</p>
38	57	25	<p>1. Archives Committee: Continue District Home Group history compilation for upcoming published History Booklet.</p>



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			2. Visitation Committee: refining district Home Group attendance and AA awareness.
39	47	12-15	Started the Panel with a full slate of Officer's (DCM/ADCM/Secretary/Treasurer) and Committee Chairpersons (Workshop, Grapevine, Visitation, CPC, Structure). Currently, we have three officers (no Secretary) and one active committee chair (Grapevine). Suggestions welcome. Thank you to the Area Officers, Archivist, and local districts (39, 52, 61, 62) that participated in the Area Forum III in Lords Valley on August 19th. The agenda and content was very informative. The fellowship enjoyable. Much obliged to all.
40	43	17-22-13	No report
41	17	12-15	No report
42	38	13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - D42 had 3 meetings fold this past quarter, due to lack of attendance and lack of members taking commitments. - Multiple groups/meetings will no longer be sending contributions to Area 59 until the Convention committee and the convention deficit are transparent and addressed. Frustration was raised about the inventory or lack there of in a timely fashion when requested by Area 59 DCMs and membership.
43	41	13-20	No report.
44	35	12-14	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Continued to develop materials for reaching out to groups in District 44 who are not represented at the District meeting. - Ad Hoc BTG sub committee has formed in the District to explore District 44's needs/ how we can help our local intergroup implement the program. - Chester County has been selected to host the next PENNSCYPAA. The conference will be July 2019 at West Chester University. Chester County PEENSCYPAA host committee elections - 9/16/18 - 2PM – 307 Club - 700 S. Bradford Ave. West Chester, PA
45	50	24	Committee is going very well with the development of Bridge the Gap. The first meeting with Treatment Facility administrators is scheduled for Wed. Sept. 12. September 30, 2018 Workshop "Spiritual Principles Behind the Steps" 12:30 until 3:00
46	18	14	Bike Ride on July 18 in Pennsylvania Grand Canyon. 24 attended, 18 rode bikes. It's all downhill! 13th Annual Speak-a-thon at Warehouse Theater in Wellsboro on Aug 24. 6 speakers. 70 attended. Border Picnic at South Shore, Lake Cowanesque on Sept 8. 50 attended. Longtimer's Panel Oct 27.



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47	43	33	<p>-Allan A recently relocated to Florida and stepped down from the position of DCM. Rich L had then moved into DCM, and Nora A was voted to take the position of ADCM. Rich L had to step down shortly after due to personal illness. Nora A moved to DCM, and Dave D was elected to ADCM.</p> <p>-As of January 2019, the District 47 district meeting will be changing to the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 7:30 PM. New location of St. Paul's UCC at 104 Green Street, Sellersville PA 18960.</p> <p>Elections for the 2019-2020 District 47 Officers will be held on 10/15/18.</p>
48	40	2	<p>7/18/2018 Area Forum II - Districts without Intergroups Loyalsock Fire Hall Wmspt 8/24/2018 Friday Night Group 42 Year Anniversary Wmspt 8/25/2018 Summer Bash - Drawing for Grapevine 9/15/2018 District 48 Annual Picnic So. Wmspt. Pool Complex @ 12 Noon 9/16/2018 The Solution 7 Year Anniversary Wmspt</p>
49	24	10	No report.
50	13	1	No report.
51	76	25	No report.
52	33	10-14	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Successfully Hosted a combined Area 59 forum III with Districts in August 2018 • District 52 Workshop on September 8, 2018 (See Area calendar for more details)
53	10	5	<p>new meeting: Humble Beginning, United Methodist Church, Hop Bottom, PA 18824, Thursdays 7pm, open meeting</p>
54	23	7	<p>With the continued strengthening of several recovery houses in the District, most meetings are seeing an influx of newcomers and those new to the program.</p> <p>The District hosted the mini assembly for the eastern part of the Area, and it was a success with over 100 attendees. Several meetings celebrated group anniversaries with a variety of potluck and barbecues, and there are several more scheduled for September.</p> <p>The District has a surplus, and is considering scholarships for active GSR's for the EPGSA in November. GSR's have been asked to go back to their groups and discuss needs, and bring any requests back to the September meeting.</p> <p>The District opened discussion of a late winter workshop, and the idea was tabled until after EPGSA.</p> <p>The DCM also mentioned spending some of the surplus on Grapevine subscriptions for Area use and Distribution. The</p>



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			<p>GSR's were asked to take this request back to the groups and return to discuss next month.</p> <p>* Safe Harbor We Agnostics Anniversary Sunday, September 16th @ 10:30 am</p> <p>*Media Young People's Big Book Anniversary Tuesday, October 16th @ 7:30 pm</p> <p>*District Night Out - TBD for October</p>
55	19	8	<p>Judy B. stepped down from the DCM position effective the end of June. Ron P. has moved from the ADCM position to be acting DCM for District 55. Anton D. was voted in as the new ADCM.</p> <p>We are planning a district picnic for September 22nd.</p> <p>Preparations for hosting Area Day on October 14th are proceeding according to plan.</p>
56	28	21	<p>At the September 17 District 56 Meeting, we will be conducting our District 56 Inventory with the intent of taking a detailed look at what the district does well and what areas need improvement. It is a time for an honest inward look at the way we conduct our activities. This will be facilitated by former DCMs Vern D and John B. GSRs were provided with the questions electronically a month or so ago.</p> <p>Since this is a voting year, all GSRs are encouraged to at least attend the business meeting at the EPGSA Convention in November at the Gettysburg Wyndham. District 56, I hope, will be well represented at the Convention this year.</p> <p>On the topic of elections, Panel 67's remaining time in service is fast coming to an end. Therefore, its time to begin looking in the District 56 Structure Manual at the described officer duties and considering whether or not you are attracted to any of the service positions and whether you have a willingness to stand for office. You have a few months to think about it, but it's not too early to begin the thought process.</p> <p>Our summer workshop/picnic was held at Anson Nixon Park on August 11. Thanks again o Area 59 Secretary Steve S. for his excellent presentation on the importance of Unity in AA.</p> <p>District Inventory Sept 17, 7:30PM</p>
57	43	22	<p>Presented our semi annual Alcothon on July 4, 2018. It was well attended. It was an all day affair from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm.</p>
58	19	10	<p>A successful district workshop</p> <p>Making some changes w/district corrections</p> <p>Looking into getting a P.O. Box for correspondence w/inmates</p> <p>Looking into getting our district online w/a .com site for a meeting locator</p> <p>October 27th Halloween dance in Pottsville, PA</p>
59	16	8-10	<p>* did skit/presentation at Mini-DCR June 2nd*</p>



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			<p>* M.O.T.H. Group held their annual breakfast speaker meeting June 23rd w Lowell L. as speaker*</p> <p>* D-59 manned the registration desk at Area Forum II*</p> <p>* Will hold district elections at October meeting*</p> <p>* Will hold Dinner 3 speaker gathering Saturday October 13th 6-8PM at St. Matthews Lutheran Church 123 Market St., Bloomsburg, PA 17815.</p> <p>* Helped find location for Area 59 Corrections Committee to hold workshop in D-59 October 27th at Shiloh UCC Church in Danville.*</p>
60	28	10-15	<p>Not much happening in the last quarter, attendance down a little, maybe because of summer vacations. GSRs not reporting any major issues with their groups. Decided that DCM would decide which GSR would be receiving scholarship to go to EPGSA. Decision will be made based on GSR's attendance and activity during this panel. Preparing for Area Forum IV, where district 60 will be in charge of setup, coffee, lunch dessert and coolers/ice. District also found venue for Area Forum.</p> <p>No Future Events planned besides Area Forum and attending EPGSA</p>
61	22	20	<p>We replaced our web servant and formed a website committee. Put into place guidelines presented by the web servant and website committee.</p> <p>District 41/61 Fall Workshop Oct. 26 9 am til St. Paul Lutheran Church 158 Fish Hill Rd. Tannersville</p> <p>Pocono Intergroup Diner Dance Oct. 28 Shawnee Inn & Golf Resort in the Delaware room</p> <p>5:30 til 11:00 \$42 per ticket</p>
62	14	9	No report.
63	38	18	<p>Approved send DCM to EPGSA</p> <p>No Bridging the Gap rep as of yet.</p> <p>No position on groups change of name. It's up to the individual.</p> <p>Group had an issue with a nonalcoholic disturbing the meeting.</p> <p>Pig roast Sept 16</p>
64	35	15, 20, 20	<p>Continue to present/discuss the tradition and concept corresponding to each month.</p> <p>Area agenda items discussed throughout the quarter were General Service Conference highlights, July 4th \$7.40 challenge, updates on bb manuscript, EPGSA guest observer, P/L (Treasurer reports), the \$10,000 trf to EPGSA convention committee, 2018 workspace plan.</p> <p>"Hot topic" has been the upcoming EPGSA convention; reviewing registration forms and details and encouraging participation. This has been discussed monthly.</p>



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			<p>Held district workshop "An Intensive View into the Traditions and Service" July 21st. We had 71 attendees with overall rating of excellent.</p> <p>Currently under consideration are providing newcomer packets at a subsidized price, van rental for EPGSA. And, soon, updates to district structure manual</p> <p>Considering a workshop on the Concepts and Service Manual. Date, time TBD.</p> <p>District officer election/voting Oct 4th.</p>
65	19	10	<p>Speaker Jam Oct 13 2018. Next meeting is on Wednesday oct 11th 2018 at 7 pm due to church not being available for Thursday. Groups are taking a vote decide if the link for meetings app can be added to the web site. Nominations for new officers will be made at October District meeting and voting will be held at November District meeting. New officers will start in January.</p>
66	40	20	<p>District is sponsoring a workshop on the 3 legacies, to be held 10/23/18, at the 7th Day Adventist Church, in Hampton Height, PA. Function starts at 10am thru 2:30pm</p> <p>Attendance has been good at District meeting with approx. 1/2+ registered meetings represented.</p> <p>Elections at November meeting</p>
67	27	8	<p>No report.</p>
68	19	15	<p>Structure Manual was approved.</p> <p>Hosting a workshop on Sept 30 in Phila.</p>