

Grapevine Subcommittee Panel 71 June 2021 Quarterly Report

Grapevine Subcommittee (GVSC) Members:

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Also Participating:

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Grapevine Subcommittee Meetings via Zoom 5/8/21 next 7/31/21.

Summary of Subcommittee Activities:

Carry The Message Project:

- In the process of distributing the 80 Carry The Message (CTM) certificates.
- Donated CTM certificates to Mini Assembly I and II each receiving three.
- Encouraging DCM's to supply CTM recipients for their Districts.
- Extending the offer of a recipient for a CTM certificate to include all A59 officers and special servants.
- GVSC is still attempting to locate two of the Share-A-Day raffle winners that have not come forward to claim their raffle prize. One is an older woman Peggy not sure what District she is from as well as Abby a GSR from D26. A59 if you know of these two members please have them email the GVSC so that we can get the CTM certificates to them.

Recommendations:

- Working on the database of GV/LV Reps in A59 Districts as well devising a communication plan to encourage Districts to have GV/LV Reps.
- Working on ways for GVSC to better serve D68.
- Created virtual presentations and virtual backgrounds.
- Working on the design for new in-person display shades.
- Working on ideas for a joint workshop with D68 La Viña Committee.
- Working on a possible agenda item for either 72nd or 73rd GSC.
- Looking into what GV/LV literature the GVSC is permitted and not permitted to sell at workshops, district presentations, conferences, as there has been several requests of GVSC to sell the literature on display.

Presentations at Workshops/Districts:

- Presentations done at Districts 39 (4/18/21 virtual), 44 (4/15/21 virtual), 29 (6/8/21 virtual).
- Attended and did presentation at D22/D60 in-person workshop (4/24/21).
- Attended the monthly April and May 2021 meetings of the Greater Philadelphia Grapevine/La Viña Committee
- Will attend and do presentation at Greater Philadelphia Grapevine/La Viña Committee workshop (virtual 6/19/21).

Grapevine/La Viña News:

- In Grapevine news there were two new books published and released in April 2021 titled Free on the Inside: Stories of AA Recovery in Prison (English only) and Women in AA (Spanish only) which is a collection of stories taken from the pages of Grapevine and La Vina. Price \$11.50 each.
- The Grapevine June 2021 This month's Featured Section is "Dating & Relationships." AA members share stories of experience and hope about how they have learned to form true partnerships in sobriety. Also included are powerful stories of hope by members during the current COVID-19 crisis.
- The La Viña May/June 2021 issue has a Special Section - In AA, everyone finds their Higher Power strengthened by the ability of sobriety. Our May/June issue explores some of the different ways and perspectives for members to find and value an authentic spirituality for themselves.
- Grapevine and La Viña Celebrate Founders' Day with Free Access from 5/26/21 through 6/10/21. On June 10, 1935, Dr. Bob had his last drink and that day marks the founding of Alcoholics Anonymous. Since so many meetings are still closed, and groups have limited ability to celebrate our founding, Grapevine and La Viña will help mark this important date by giving everyone free access to their websites for two weeks. You will be able to read stories from current and past issues, access the sobriety calculator, read the daily quote, learn how you can contribute your story, and find ways to serve others using Grapevine and La Viña magazines. (The audio to Grapevine's and La Viña's stories will be available as well, so people can listen to the stories if they like.) Please share this news with other members.

Love and Service

Vicki L, DCM D27, Grapevine Subcommittee Chair.