



**Officer-At-Large / Area Registrar**  
**officer-at-large@area59aa.org**  
**E.P.G.S.A. Panel 71, Annual Report 2022**

Greetings Area 59 Members! I have had the honor and privilege of serving as your Area Officer-at-Large and Registrar during Panel 71. Let me begin by thanking each of you for entrusting me to meet my obligations to Area 59 and assure you that I did my best to complete my tasks in a timely and accurate manner. I found every interaction with all my fellow trusted servants to be an absolute joy!

**Overview of Officer-At-Large and Area Registrar Roles and Responsibilities**

- The Officer at Large is available to stand in for the Chairperson, Secretary, or Treasurer, should it become necessary. They also act as the custodian of all the Area's properties. Other responsibilities include helping to coordinate the two Delegate's Conference Report and Mini Assembly events each year and to serve as adviser for subcommittees as assigned by the delegate. The OAL also serves as adviser to districts whose DCMs sit on those subcommittees. When invited, the OAL attends district meetings, workshops, or homegroups.
- The Area Registrar is responsible for keeping all group information and district information as current as possible in the General Service Office's database, called Fellowship Connection. Upon receipt of group change forms, data entry is performed to keep group records current. They also attend bi-monthly meetings held jointly with GSO Records staff in order to stay abreast of changes to the Fellowship Connection database and to network with other registrars. Informal Zoom meetings with registrars from the U.S. and Canada were introduced in early 2021, and have proven to be another great networking opportunity.

**Fellowship Connection Database Report**

- Area 59 includes 2,936 registered groups. Of those, 1,656 are listed as Active\*. The Covid-19 pandemic introduced many of us to virtual meetings; there are currently 21 Active virtual groups in our area. GSO staff recently introduced a new training video designed to instruct and assist new area registrars as they step into their roles. On a personal note, I am extremely grateful to have had the opportunity to participate in the inaugural panel for Fellowship Connection. I am proud to have helped pave the way for successful implementation and operation of this new database and have confidence that it will continue to serve us well. The portal is becoming more and more relevant and is a continually effective tool for the Fellowship. Indeed, it is more accessible to general membership than ever before as a result of DCMs being granted view-only access.

It is truly an honor to be a trusted servant in General Service. Again, my sincere thanks for the opportunity to serve.

Yours in fellowship and service,  
Alicia S., Area 59 Panel 71 Officer-At-Large and Area Registrar

\*as of 10/28/2022