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Grapevine – La Vina Subcommittee Annual Report
E.P.G.S.A. Area 59 Panel 73
Year 2 – 2024

Grapevine-La Vina Subcommittee (GVLVSC) Members:

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- Panel 73 Grapevine/La Vina subcommittee continued to meet monthly throughout 2024 either virtually or in person at Quarterly meetings. The subcommittee had one member step down but one was added in March.
- Panel 73 subcommittee members attended 24 events throughout the year including workshops, quarterly meetings, mini assemblies, the Hispanic Convention, PENNSYPAA, and the EPGSA.
- Panel 73 subcommittee had a large display at NERAASA 2024 which was hosted by Area 59. While there was a misunderstanding about our participation, the committee was hugely successful in carrying the message of the Grapevine and La Vina. The publisher of the Grapevine was present at display most of the weekend. The subcommittee was successful in selling \$3743.00 worth of Grapevine /La Vina literature.
- There was the unfortunate loss of books following NERAASA and the retail value of these lost books was deducted from the subcommittee budget. This loss was \$495.36
- Grapevine Rep (Jenn H) from D58 was able to develop a "sales sheet" that was extremely helpful in tracking sales not only at NERAASA but at events throughout the year. Dedicated volunteers (Rich and Paul) were instrumental at NERAASA in helping cover the display when DCMs were required to attend presentations.
- The Area 50 Panel 73 Subcommittee members attended the Hispanic Convention and while our linguistic district has its own La Vina committee that sells literature, the Area 59 Grapevine subcommittee was able to provide subscriptions and gifts for their raffles. Additionally, past issues of La Vina were donated to the convention to give away. The subcommittee would like to thank Evelyn for graciously translating for our English-speaking attendees and Rosendo R DCM D68 for his hospitality.
- Panel 73 subcommittee was invited to attend the Greater Philadelphia Grapevine Committees workshop and provided a fun trivia game to help members understand the history of the Grapevine and its influence on AA as a whole.
- Panel 73 subcommittee has been planning for this EPGSA (2024) and offering not only books for sale but raffles for much sought-after GRAPEFUL T-shirts.
- Panel 73 subcommittee has made recommendations for the incoming Panel 75 subcommittee based on the shared experience of these committee members. This is in light of this subcommittee's move to make Grapevine and La Vina books more available to members and at events and develop means of tracking, inventorying, and paying electronically.

Respectfully submitted in Love and Service,

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