

REGISTRAR'S AREA 53 ASSEMBLY MEETING REPORT – June 6, 2021

I was asked by our Area Chairperson to Chair an ad hoc committee on how, or even if, Area 53 should register virtual only A.A. groups that have sprung up in response to the Covid 19 pandemic. This committee was *not charged with determining IF these groups should exist*, but rather we were asked to consider - given that these groups do exist, how should Area 53 connect these groups to the General Service structure, if at all. The **Area 53 Ad Hoc Committee on Virtual-Only Group Registration** met on May 12, 2021, and on May 19 2021 to discuss the topic. We did the balance of our work electronically via email communication. The Ad Hoc Committee's recommendations were forwarded to Chairperson Ann Brown. **Thank you Nita S., Rick A, and Alt Registrar Brenda B. for your thoughtful work on this ad hoc committee.**

On May 26, 2021, I attended another G.S.O. sponsored Fellowship Connection Sharing Session on Zoom. The G.S.O. suggested these sharing sessions may be scheduled quarterly on Zoom.

I have communicated with Nicholas B., Area 53 D.C.M.C., about getting an updated listing of *current D.C.M.s* so that we can get D.C.M. kits mailed to them from G.S.O, and so that we can get the current D.C.M.s access to the Fellowship Connection database. This effort will help Area 53 be good “Data Stewards”. I have also worked with DCM's Barbara M. in District 18, and Frank G. in District 12 to update group records in their districts. **Thank you so much for your work Barbara and Frank.**

I have shared a current listing of all Active Groups, and active G.S.R.s, in Area 53 with the Area 53 Web Team for publication on our website. A current Trifold has also been provided to the Web Team for publication on our website's Contact page. Brenda has also continued to provide current Area 53 information for publication in the monthly Conscience Contact publication.

Area Secretary Chris J. and I continue to work on updating G.S.R. contact information, as well.

Respectfully,

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