Area 53 Assembly Quarterly Meeting Accessibilities Committee Report September 12, 2021

The Accessibilities Committee hold their meetings on the fourth Saturday of the month at 11 am. The committee would like to welcome anyone interested in serving.

During this year, 2021, the committee redefined the purpose of the Accessibility Committee to:

The Accessibilities Committee explores, develops, and offers reasonable accommodations to alcoholics with disabilities and/or special needs to ensure accessibility of the A.A. program and its resources whenever possible.

The Committee establishes and implements service priorities for A.A.s with disabilities and/or special needs whenever possible at the individual, group, district, and area level.

The committee wanted to stress to our AA members with disabilities and/or special needs that we would help <u>whenever possible</u>. We have also spent time identifying resources to make available to those in need, including literature, meetings, and online materials.

Some of our projects include:

- Lending library
- List the zoom A.A. meetings to continue for those who may be homebound
- Reaching out to nursing homes to provide literature as well as meetings
- Providing Grapevine magazines and/or subscriptions to those homebound

- Communication avenues to reach out to as many AA's needing reasonable accommodations as possible
- Education and training for those who create documents to make them accessible
- Tabletop displays for meetings and special AA events to communicate what the committee does
- Workshop to offer to Area 53 with other committees (Grapevine, etc.)

The next meeting will be Saturday, September 18th at 11:00 am.

Respectfully,

Kathy B., Chair, Area 53 Accessibilities Committee