

Area 53 Archives Committee Quarterly Report September 8th, 2024

Archives Committee Mission Statement

The Area 53 Archives Committee works to aid groups, districts, and the Area Committees in preserving our AA story. This includes maintaining a repository of valuable artifacts and records from our past and present to ensure the integrity of Area 53 history.

- *The Archives Committee encourages Groups to select representatives (AGR's) for the Archives Committee. All members of AA are welcome to attend a monthly Archives Committee meeting to learn more about the Area 53 Archives Committee. The Archives Committee conducts a monthly meeting on the fourth Saturday of each month at 9:00 a.m. on Zoom; refer to the Area 53 website for details [Committee: Archives – Area 53 General Service \(area53aa.org\)](https://area53aa.org). The next meeting is scheduled for **September 14th, via Zoom, and the meeting on October 19th, will be in person at COGF.***
- The Archives Committee is interested in partnering with groups and districts to discuss how to support AA's primary purpose. We can support you in facilitating workshop or a history presentation at your group's business meeting or anniversary. The Archives Committee will be supporting the following Workshops:
 - September 14th – Grapevine Workshop
 - October 19th – Correctional Facility Workshop
- Chis J. has been selected to speak at the workshop for the National AA Archives Workshop on September 26-29, in Des Moines, Iowa. Three members of the Archives committee are attending this event. For more information this workshop click this link at [Next Workshop - National A.A. Archives Workshop \(naaaw.org\)](https://naaaw.org).
- The Archives Committee has created a Gift of Deed form for donations to the Area 53 Archives. The form will be used going forward and is available on request.
- The Archives Committee has forwarded a request to have the Membership review the pamphlet, ***Is Area 53 Service for You? A Brief Introduction for the Newcomer to Alcoholics Anonymous Area 53 Service***, developed by Past Delegate Bill S. Copies are available today for you to take with you to review with your home group.
- The Archives Committee Members continue to work on cataloging, developing the finding aid, and collecting oral histories in Area 53. We are prioritizing past delegates and folks with service experience within Area 53. Refer to this link: [Committee: Archives – Area 53 General Service \(area53aa.org\)](https://area53aa.org). Materials pertinent to Area 53's history are especially important to telling our Area 53 story. Please contact the Area 53 Archivist at archivist@area53aa.org to place items in our collection.

Respectfully submitted,
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