

February 2015 Chair Report Serving our area these last two months has been a lifesaver. I have always thought that God gives us exactly what we need, exactly when we need it. I am looking forward to hearing what Conference Advisory Actions will be presented at the upcoming Pre-Conference Workshops. I am so pleased when I hear a group member announce their district's workshop at a meeting, encouraging ANYONE to attend. I am not always convinced that the person making the announcement actually knows what pre-conference means, but my heart is still warmed. It's appropriate that February's Concept 2 highlights what the General Service Conference has become: Our voice. Tonight we plan to spend a few minutes in a sharing session centered on what Concept 2 has taught us. Several of our trusted servants will have an opportunity to talk about their experiences in General Service so please stay to take part in this vital conversation. As Liaison to the IT Committee I am privy to the work the committee is involved in regarding our upcoming move to a new website and our continuing efforts at getting districts into the 21st century with available web technology. The Area's IT Committee takes great measures to protect our anonymity and secure our information. They are actively pursuing a tech plan that will keep our hardware up to date and in good working order. Experience shows us that this is how we will stay connected to AA as a whole in the years to come. Most of the committees in our area have seen growth by two or more members over the last 2 months and we can thank the "blind pick" process for these additions. Many committee rosters dwindle in the late months of the year only to see resurgence as new GSRs take up their positions. At the last Area Assembly I appointed Karen P. as Interim Literature Chair when she graciously volunteered to take this commitment after Lloyd stepped down due to personal problems. Please feel free to drop Lloyd an email or phone him with well wishes and please wish Karen well as the new committee chair for Literature. Tonight we conducted a panel review for a new webmaster and I am pleased to announce that the panel chose to install Wendy H. as our webmaster for the next two years. Wendy will have to give up being DCM to take on the webmaster position and her alternate is poised for this transition. By the next area committee meeting I will have been to PRAASA in Utah. I look forward to learning and gaining experience as I have done for several years. In the years I have attended PRAASA I have not served in any capacity so I was mildly surprised when PRAASA Utah emailed me with an invitation to moderate the Friday night session. I am thrilled to be of service and I can thank Dean for submitted our names as viable candidates for these opportunities. Thank you for allowing me to serve, Roxane R.