

Area 08 ACM
October 2019 Delegate Report

I am beyond grateful to the friends of Bill W. who have shown me so much love and compassion for the recent loss of my mother. I can't begin to express what it feels like to be supported unconditionally through something for which you have no map. More importantly, over the last couple of weeks, the Area has been involved in a difficult situation and several members of our board worked together to find solutions, keeping me apprised along the way. Though concerned, I thought things were being handled delicately, with careful words and actions, and is well on its way to being resolved. Jerry S., Alternate Delegate, was particularly helpful. I believe we are in excellent hands as we move into Panel 70.

I look forward to the Area Budget Assembly being held on November 2 in Oceanside. It is important that the DCMs try to get as many GSRs to this assembly as possible because the outcome will determine much of the work we will do next year. It is an excellent learning experience for anyone involved in service work. The GSR school that morning will be decidedly helpful to any new (or old) GSRs. The DCMs should be advertising the Assembly throughout this month. Arrange rides, carpools or rent a van for the day—anything to get the GSRs to show up.

Along with the budget assembly we also have a YPAA sponsored Summit being held the same weekend. Anyone can come and the Panel Leaders selected for the panels promise to be riveting on a variety of topics. Supporting our Area 08 YPAA events is fun and fruitful for everyone.

Please consult your calendars for the November events you can support as a Committee member or a District member. The Grapevine Writers Workshop is something many of you have been missing. ROOTs will be held in North County and happens after Thanksgiving this year. These are only 2 events in a month of AA service. Let's be visible as we support service work in Area 08. And bring an AA friend to any of these events. You never know who might be inspired to join our ranks after seeing what service work has done for us.

Recently, in the motivation industry, many speakers and writers are talking about "Knowing your WHY." Apparently this is the way to be more successful in everything. If you do "know your why" you will know your "what" and your "how" or your purpose. The "why" comes from your heart. The "what" comes from your head. Learning the why helps me learn the "what." We don't all have to be motivational speakers, but we do have to know our purpose in service. It is probably the most selfless thing each of you do in a regular basis. It comes from your heart. Think about what you are doing right now in service. Do you know your why?

Thank you for allowing me to serve the area. Thank you all again for the many condolences. The memorial service for my mom will be October 27 and I will be available for texts or calls throughout this period.

In love and service,

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