

Delegate Report
San Diego Imperial Alcoholics Anonymous
Area Committee Meeting

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What a magnificent time to be in service to Alcoholics Anonymous! Each and everyone of us was chosen to serve now. Now at a time when so much of how we do what we do and how we define ourselves as a fellowship is in flux and unknowable.

How many of you have been looked to and sought out for information? How many of you have had to learn a new way and define a new length that you are willing to go to be helpful to your groups, your districts, and/or your committees? How many of you have been asked more than you could have imagined at this time of your service and at this phase of your journey? I know the answer. All of you. All of us. Each and everyone of you have in some way expressed the deepening weight of your cross during these trying times. It is during these hard times and challenging circumstances that I am reminded of the gift of purpose and I pray you have come to know a deeper purpose yourself. You were chosen to help and to lead now. Now during the hard times. Now in the pit of calamity and challenge. Now when many around us are losing their minds and blaming things on others. You are our beacons. You are our sources of sanity and grace. You were chosen to serve now, and I pray because of that fact you are more deeply fulfilled in purpose than you ever could have imagined. And so my simple suggestion is this. Keep imagining. Keep dreaming with your Higher Power into this Great Reality. Keep seeking to help and keep finding others to do the work that is available. Each of you are tasked to serve as a Delegate in how you connect others to the threading grace of service. If one commitment is dying on the vine such as the coffee commitment, dream into reality a new one like weekly group email coordinator sending reminders of that weeks meeting. Or how are your literature reps keeping our literature in digital print available to the meetings in a streamlined and simple way that can be copied and pasted in the chat bars. See the links below as reference and I will put them in the chat bar now. These are filled with every pamphlet available, access to the Big Book (both in print and audio) and so much more. Having these bullets locked and loaded should be a participating service that each of you might share with another. This might be a great way to invigorate new ways of imaging the old ways.

ENGLISH:

<https://area8aalinks2aalit.glideapp.io/>

ESPAÑOL:

<https://area8aafolletos.glideapp.io/>

Btw, Karen is currently developing a link exclusively dedicated to the new person. We will be sure to share her successes ASAP.

Just imagine. That is all you need do... ever asking for that intuitive or creative thought. Just imagine!

So, I would like to transition to a few points:

1. With the Assembly upcoming, I am asking our DCM's for time on your upcoming District Agenda's to further share on the Conference Report. When can I visit? Do you even want me to visit? I have sent an email to you all asking just this question. Do you want me and if so, when?
2. Committee Chairs, same question: Do you want me and if so when? I have sought some of you out directly as much of the conference items recommitted in turn invite us to further discuss them throughout the coming months. How can I participate and support your committee's?

3. DCM's, our Grapevine Committee caught the virus and has been on a respirator for the last few months. However, it is back on its feet and seeking support. Please spread the word that our Grapevine Committee needs participation.
4. Our Member and Group Survey efforts have been strong and yet falling short of the numbers we had hoped. Especially from group secretaries. This is a request to you all, if your group secretary has not or will not complete the survey, please manage the effort in their stead. We currently have only 42 group surveys completed!!! That is embarrassing! As we forge our 12 Step efforts moving forward with over 1200 active groups in our Area, only 42 just does not cut it as a fair cross section. We need more participation. Please continue to spread the word.

Finally, I just want to say thank you to each of you that have been tirelessly working, serving and supporting one another. Our Translation Committee just won't quit and has been managing their burden with smiles and graceful communications. Thank you! Our Paste Delegates and Area Officers have been banding around the conversation of group reopening support materials... thank you! Our YPACC and Survey Committee has been visiting each and every district... thank you!!! Our Armed Service Ad-hoc is vibrantly growing through the lens of service and unity... thank you!!!

We have so much to be thankful for. So thank you for choosing me to serve now. The experience has been transformative and fulfilling within the rapture and wonderment of my imagination. Thank you!!! I love you all!