

**Area 8 San Diego-Imperial County  
Archives Committee Minutes  
August 4, 2021 7:00 – 8:00 P.M.  
Zoom ID: 948-0358-4133**

**Meeting called to order at 7:01 pm**

**Opening:** Serenity Prayer

**In Attendance:**

John B. (Chair), Tom C. (Alt. Chair), Julie O. (Secretary), Renee R. (Area Liaison), Janet L. (new member), Alan R. (member)

**Introductions/Birthdays:** None

**Reading of practical experience from Archives Handbook:** North Florida, Area 14

**Approval of Minutes:** approved as is.

**Chair's Activities since last meeting**

- Chair missed ACM. Tom C. attended in his place.
- Coordinated with Mike S. to confirm that Ken and Shirley M. are set as the speakers for the ROOTS 2021 event.
- Butch and Sallye M. have been confirmed as well.

**Business:**

- **Website Update** – Julie's last communication with the Webservant is that the IT Committee needed to approve Archives having a landing page that looked so different from the other Committees. Julie sent the Web Servant a follow-up email to receive the IT Committee's feedback and did not hear back to date. Julie asked the Chair to step in and communicate directly with the Webservant to see if there is an issue. If no progress is made with direct communication the Chair will bring it up at the August ACM.
- **Oral Histories** – New Archives member, Janet L., is passionate about recording oral histories. Her first experience was archiving her family's oral histories. She became aware of an Oral Histories Kit on the International AA website that include questions, consents/releases, etc. It's a transparent process for the interviewee and will be the property of San Diego Area Archives Committee. Janet did a practice run and conducted a 25-minute oral history with an AA member, Colleen B. Janet was able to email the digital file and signed consent to the Chair and it was easily uploaded to the hard drive. Chair gave Janet's permission to select the individuals to be interviewed. Janet will attempt to record one oral history a month.

## **ROOTS**

- Theme: Old Timer Couples in AA
  - Janet asked what we mean by old timers. Chair replied that the official cut off is 30 years, but we are now shooting for 40-50 years of sobriety for our speakers.
- Tom C. confirmed November 27<sup>th</sup> is available at the Harding Street Community Center. Tom will complete the paperwork and pay the fee to be reimbursed.
- Speakers: Ken and Shirley M. & Butch and Sallye M.
- Next month assignments will be given to members in preparation of the event.

**Next meeting:** September 1, 2021

### **Responsibility Pledge**

I am responsible.  
When anyone, anywhere,  
Reaches out for help,  
I want the hand of AA always to be there.  
And for that: I am responsible

**Meeting closed at 7:32 pm.**