

DISTRICT 5 MONTHLY GSR BUSINESS MEETING REPORT

JANUARY 11, 2024

Hi, my name is Vicki R., an alcoholic, and your newly elected Panel 74 DCMC.

For those who may be new to us tonight, DCMC stands for District Committee Member Chair.

With that fascinating bit of information, I'll begin my report.

As your new (tongue-twisting, butterflies in her stomach) Panel 74 DCMC, I want to start my very first report by thanking the following past District 5 Panel 72 Officers for their two years of service and dedication to our district. **Isaac M.** as DCMC., **Greg A.** as Alt-DCMC., **Ryan H.** as Secretary, and **Matt F.** as Registrar. It's because of their willingness to serve, District 5 continued to 'be of service' to you...our group members.

I next want to acknowledge how grateful I am to be your Panel 74 DCMC.

To those who voted for me, thank you for having the confidence in me. To those who didn't, thank you also. Why? Because you, unknowingly, handed me a perfect motivational tool to use so that I try even harder to be the best District 5 **Panel 74** DCMC that I, an alcoholic, can be.

I'd love to promise you that I'll be a perfect DCMC, but I can't because I won't be. I'll make mistakes. There'll even be times that I may cause you to question as to why I'm doing or saying something the way I'm saying or doing it, or perhaps why I'm saying or doing it differently than past District 5 DCMCs.

One of the great experiences of my thirteen (13) years of District 5 service is that I have been given the opportunity to see and hear six (6) different DCMCs 'be of service'. Not only to District 5 members and the meeting groups within District 5, but also to Area09 and the AA fellowship as a whole. Through that experience, I was given the opportunity to learn that when I'm wearing that "DCMC" hat, it's not about my (at times) self-serving personal wants, needs and/or opinion. It's about what the District 5 group as a whole feels and decides upon. It's about making sure GSRs are kept up to date by passing on the information given to me by Area09 and the AA General Service Office. It's about listening to the District 5 members and answering to the best of my ability any questions that they may have. And, if I don't have the answer, I reach out to someone who does. And, lastly, it's about helping and making sure the District 5 meeting groups through you, their GSR, have a voice within AA as a whole and that I hear those "voices" and not mine alone. Especially because the latter can be quite loud at times.

Now onto my...

Action Items:

1. **AREA09 DEC. 10, 2023 ASC:** Attended in-person Area09's December 10th ASC in Long Beach, which was hosted by District 2, and participated in the voting process of the various motions.
2. **AREA09 PANEL 72 COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE – SECRETARY:** Because the “opportunity” to stand for an Area09 Panel 74 committee position is not until this Sunday, I'm still fulfilling my Panel 72 “Communications Committee” secretary commitment. It's been a busy month so far because of all the numerous translation requests from the Area.
3. **AREA09'S JANUARY 14, 2024 ASA MEETING:** I will be attending in-person Area09's first ASA meeting of the new year...the new panel on January 14th. It's being hosted by District 12 in Laguna Niguel.

I will be ‘standing for the Area's Panel 74 “Communications Committee Chair” position. Obviously, my higher power will let me know if my being Chair is His plan for me.

4. **DISTRICT 5 DCMC – STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING:** I chaired our first D5 Panel 74 Steering Committee meeting, which was held this past Monday night, Jan. 8th. Those in attendance were our current Panel Officers, Arrielle T., Ryan P., Greg A., and Kyle B., our current Standing Committee Members, Chris D. (Grapevine) and Matt D. (Convention Liaison), and our past Panel Officers, Isaac M. and Ryan H. I'm grateful to all of them for attending.