## AFG Area 9 Archives Report Spring Assembly May 2, 2015

## Taking Care of Business

- 1. TCB Project #1 We have a storage unit with Storage At Ocala located at 6900 NE Jacksonville Rd., Ocala, FL 34479. Next part of TCB Project#1 is the removal of Area Archives from the Metro Storage Unit on Gunn Highway in Tampa and transportation to the new unit in Ocala for offloading and placement in the new storage unit along with shelves from the old unit. Rick Shields, District 2 AISL and I executed this task on Saturday, February 21. Thanks in abundance to Rick for sharing program enroute to Tampa and back to Ocala along with his collaboration on making the move a success.
- 2. TCB Project #2. The Archives Committee now has 3 members: Sandee S., Nancy G. and yours truly. We had our first meeting on Friday, March 27th at 12:30 pm to 2:30 pm. We strategized our main objectives both immediate and long term including a complete inventory of all current holdings with designated assigned location on the shelves in the storage unit. Along with this process is placing paper in page protectors to enhance endurance of these precious items. We will meet on fourth Friday each month at 12:30 pm and would welcome newcomers with big smiles and hugs.
- 3. TCB Project #3. Roger D. our tech master, is helping very powerfully to optimize the goal of handling current documents once as they are placed in appropriate folders on the Archives portion of our website for easy SEARCHABLE access by all members. We are talking things out and listening to one another as we look at various issues with anonymity being our primary concern. Roger's expertise is paramount in our effort to transform archival material into digital form as it is being created for each meeting, assembly, convention and World Service Conference (as our delegate, Wendy R. reports to us).
- 4. TCB Project #4 will be scanning pages and pages from books and reports to convert them into digital versions to be uploaded to the Archives portion of the website. This will be lovingly known as our cherished past to eventually become our valued time portal into the past.
- 5. Part of our vision for Panel 55 documents is that they be accessible as soon as possible which may not be immediately but is rapidly becoming a realized dream thanks to everyone on Panel 55 and our members.

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