

PANEL 58, CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT, ASSEMBLY, OCTOBER 5-7, 2018

Greetings Panel 58!! Our second Assembly in 2018 is right around the corner and, needless to say, I am very excited about it and looking forward to seeing you all there. Whether it be our Panel Officers, Coordinators, DRs, AISLs, GRs, GEMS and guests we will have another weekend of service, fellowship and love. It is always a marvelous experience to be a part of!!

Let's bring you all up to date as to how our beloved Area 9 is doing. We met as the Area World Service Committee in August. We approved as a recommendation for Assembly, the Area 9 Budget for 2019. Our treasurer will present this for the GRs to approve which is a very important process for us to go through. We finalized some Thought and Task Force assignments which we will share with you. We will have some Lunch and Learn activities for all of you including a Writing Workshop, Group Finance Information, KBDM applicable for Group Business Meetings, Literature and Archive Awareness and Technology/Website Overview.

Our Public Outreach Coordinator had to step down so there will be a table available for information about Public Outreach in hopes someone will stand for that position and the Assembly can approve the candidate.

So, I know it will be a weekend filled with information for you to help you in your service duties!!

I was blessed to be able to attend the International Convention in Baltimore in July and will share a short video with you to show what a fun filled and uplifting experience it is to be able to attend an International Convention. In addition, this past weekend was our Area 9 Convention in Orlando which again is a fabulous experience filled with fellowship, joy and recovery. A great job done by the Convention Committee. The Event Chair for the convention will share all of that with you.

I'll review what will be our plans for 2019 since we are trialing a few new things and look forward to all your input as we test some different approaches going forward.

I remain humbled and honored that I am your trusted servant and am amazed everyday how all your Area Servants collaborate so well together to do the business of Area 9. I am again thrilled to be a small part of that!!! With that having been said, I can't wait to see you at Assembly October 5-7, 2018 at the Altamonte Springs Hilton for our Area 9 Fall Assembly.

Your Trusted Servant,

Diane C., Chairperson, Panel 58

"It takes one person to start something, but many more to carry it out"., MVOJ, Page 262