

HELLO OCTOBER

Alt DCM Report 2024



Don't be scared ... we made it through the Assembly, there are links on the [GSR web page](#) with the [Assembly Summary](#) and the [Delegate Assembly Report](#) that you can take back to your groups.

Speaking of which, it was an amazing Assembly. We had a powerhouse speaker, Pacific Regional Trustee Reilly K. She spoke movingly about being “the only kid in AA” back in the 60s. She would endure a rough early recovery with setbacks and become a bright light, blazing the way for Women’s and LGBTQ meetings. She spoke passionately about the principles of inclusion and cautioned folks not to get too caught up in specific wording. She encouraged all of us to meet the still-suffering alcoholic wherever they are at. I had so much fun with fellow D46 members as we made our way through the sometimes marathon sessions.

October is ELECTIONS MONTH for folks stepping up to be trusted servants, doing the “business of A.A.” We do the elected positions this month and are lucky to have former delegate Gail H., who will be facilitating the elections. I was fortunate enough to be able to converse with her via email to sort out my own situation re: service. I’m looking forward to seeing how we form the “hand of AA” for this next rotation. The elected positions are **DCM** and Alt, **Treasurer** and Alt and **Secretary** and Alt.

The fun doesn’t stop here, though; there are **GSR positions** to be filled for the next rotation and the **Appointed service positions** like Third Legacy and Public Information and Corrections. Descriptions of all these positions can be found in the [District handbook](#) as well as the [Area GSR Handbook](#).

Everybody who has a position now is the very best ambassador for the person who will take their place in the next rotation. Please take the time and effort to talk up your position, be it DCM or GSR or Grapevine-Lit Servant. Reach out and talk to people. We say service is fun and it is- but it also helps save lives- both those serving and those being served. Service is the perfect expression of gratitude for what AA has given us: a sober life worth living. Did I mention that service is fun?

I sat in on a tech discussion/presentation of how to make online contributions through [Homegroup.Online](#) is a National – Nonprofit - Central Office, that provides 7th Tradition & Treasury Services for 12-Step Groups. HGOL is a solution that transforms the group treasury commitment into one that’s protected (no need for SS #) and user-friendly. 12-step groups from coast to coast have been protecting their treasurers and providing group members multiple options to contribute electronically.

I conversed with our intrepid D46 DCM Dina about Assembly matters, upcoming elections and the October agenda. She has always been more than generous with her time, and it’s been wonderful working with her.

I put out an Assembly only newsletter prior to the event, just to make sure all our GSRs had the information they needed to carry their group voice to the Area and vice versa.

Thanks for allowing me to be of service!

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“For free and for fun!”