Trustee Website Committee Report December 2016

The website has once again shown that many of the features remain underutilized. The addition of the Area Events Flyer section, over a year ago, only has 1 item on the page, in spite of myriad events happening throughout the world. The feature has been deleted this month. This is part of the ongoing streamlining that was mentioned in Phoenix and again in San Diego.

The last edition of the Life-Line Bulletin was loaded to the Trustee website for the month of December. Beginning January, the publication will be loaded to the ISO website. In the process of hosting the temporary versions of the Bulletins, it was found that since the Bulletin is now available digitally, that local area websites can also link to those publications for their immediate areas.

A new feature has been added to the site, which is actually a 'remake' of what used to be on the site previously. That old feature, allowed non-Trustees to ask questions about meeting procedures, how things were being handled and any other things that affected the rooms in an area. The idea was that Trustees, both current and past, would help those who submitted questions. 44 questions were submitted and only 6 received answers. This feature did not get the traction that was intended. Areas with members who had questions, ended up continuing to have questions that went unanswered. The feature was deleted earlier this year.

The revised feature still allows for the questions to be asked by any GA member, but now they will be answered by current Trustees through the use of a conference call. A new page has been setup and is called Local Area Q&A Conference Calls. On this page, all the questions from specific areas will be listed. The areas are free to select their own moderators for the conference call and whichever conference call platform they wish to use. Details of the calls are listed on that page. The Trustee website is just a conduit for this service, but also to help others in GA 'bone up' on things that relate to the Guidance Code, Unity Steps and all decisions of the Board of Trustees.

The first of these conference calls has been setup for the Tulsa, OK area rooms. Details are available on the website page.

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