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Trustee Line for August 2014

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Thoughts From The Trustees - Current and Past

The subjects listed below are themes that have been submitted by other Trustees. You may respond to any of them, or start an entirely new subject

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I.	Topics and Replies	10:13 PM 8/8	I
2.	Liability Insurance For The Rooms	2:29 PM 8/20	I

Topics and Replies

8/8/14 - 10:10 PM

I noticed something recently with the trusteeline, not for the first time and of course something I have done myself, doubtless on more than one occasion.

What I noticed, for whatever reason particularly so last month, was where replies to topics almost became topics within themselves.

The end result seemed to almost pass over the original purpose and intent of the topic and I feel, as the topic changes from what one started reading, it is less likely the topic within a topic will get a reply either.

There were one or two topics that tickled my interest last month yet I found that, as some of the replies had almost changed the way the topic was reading, sometimes starting a topic within a topic, I was unable to overcome the obstacle of how to reply to either the opening points or the next post, where it was essentially a different topic.

I would go so far as to say that the four topics last month represented perhaps seven or eight different topics, rather than four topics some with replies.

I am not suggesting that there was any deliberate attempt to scupper a topic by diverting the point away from it, I am just observing that that is effectively what happens, to both the original topic and the new topic raised in the reply.

I hope some of the topics come around again and also that some may have gotten replies by other means, I just feel the trusteeline will be more efficient and productive if topics are kept to, within reason without affecting spontaneity and natural stimulation and progression of thought. I'm happy to end saying I intend to focus a little more in the future when replying to a topic, so that the point or issue is not hi-jacked along the way and of course, to those who posted topics and replies last month, well, what you did was infinitely better than sitting in the stew of procrastination, I know that much LOL.

Odie B. - Area 36, S/E Ireland

Liability Insurance For The Rooms

8/20/14 - 2:29 PM

It has come to my attention one of our meeting places which there are 2 meetings on separate nights, are requiring a certificate of liability insurance. If we cannot produce the certificate, those meetings will have to relocate.

After talking to several insurance agents I was able to insure 40 of our meetings in area 8A with a \$2,000,000 umbrella policy for \$352 per year. It will be discussed within our intergroup and voted on for approval.

From what I have Learned the Church Insurance company's are doing audits to see where there liabilities are with outside groups such as GA, NA, AA, and who ever uses these facilities outside of regular church functions.

I just felt I needed to pass this on to anyone who might encounter this situation. I believe it is just as cheap to insure several meetings in your area/state as opposed to a single meeting place.

Ron A. - Area 8A Trustee, Minnesota

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