

11:00 am - Sharing Session held virtually; opened with the Serenity Prayer by Coree H. Chair. Our meeting is open to everyone to learn and participate on the topics. Alternate delegate job description was explained and questions answered. **Presentation – Spirit of Rotation by Emily L from Area 07 CNIA**
→ She shared her experience with the changes in her home group brought about at the pandemic; her group adjusted quickly and somewhat haphazardly and later had to make adjustments in accordance with the traditions to ensure no person had too much authority in their positions. For example, creating new service positions and ensuring the spirit of rotation within those positions. She reflected on technology as a barrier to the spirit of rotation (e.g, can a person still be a secretary if not proficient with technology?). She shared how elections have become simpler and quicker online when compared to in-person. The meeting was opened for Q&A and open discussion:

- A member shared how she has observed members “clinging” to co-hosting and hosting positions, and suggested that groups rotate them more frequently (e.g., 6-8 weeks) to encourage participation in service. The speaker responded that she agrees that this is a good suggestion to combat ego and fear-based “ownership” of positions that members themselves created out of swift need and action.
- A member shared how she created a new online meeting thinking it would be temporary, but now that it has lasted longer than anticipated, she believes it’s time for her to rotate out of the secretary position. She shared that she has shared access to her Zoom account to allow this.
- A member shared how her homegroup created a co-technology coordinator because the original person was becoming burned out on the position. She also shared her experience with having to let go of control when her service position rotated to someone else.
- Q: A member shared how his district has struggled with participation in General Service and wondered how to facilitate that. A: Speaker shared that zoom fatigue is real and can be a barrier to participation. She suggested being an attractive example of General Service, and also reminding them of their responsibility to serve their group above their own interests.
- A member shared how her homegroup created an email account to take over the zoom account of the member who originally created it, and she thinks the next step is to allow a new person to take over the service position of hosting the meeting.
- A member shared how in her homegroup, her treasurer created a Venmo account and shares it during the meeting, they keep reports for the end to maintain attention for the meeting, created a safety statement position, and a phone list/email list position.
- A member shared how seeking out resources and suggestions from intergroups and other members has helped her serve her homegroup.
- A member urged members not to be put off by the technical aspects of online service positions. “God doesn’t choose the qualified, he qualifies the chosen.”
- Q: A member shared how she has observed groups being resistant to creating their own Zoom account, instead continuing to use the personal account of the person who created it, and asked if the speaker has seen this? A: The speaker encouraged groups to create their own accounts because it’s more in line with the traditions.
- A member shared how there has been an increase in participation in meetings for members who are deaf or hard of hearing because it makes it easier for them to read people’s lips. He expressed hope that online meetings continue so these members can continue to participate

Topic and speaker selection for next month: Group discussed potential topics for next meeting; previously suggested topics: 1) COVID cases rising and how districts respond, 2) how to improve our future, 3) how to improve General Service and Intergroup cooperation, and 4) digital baskets. Next month’s topic → **How to improve General Service and Intergroup cooperation.** Chair will find a speaker from the Area. **Meeting adjourned at 11:50 with the Responsibility Statement**

Respectfully submitted,
Sarah B., DCM Sharing Session Recording Secretary

