

Matthew L Delegate Report August 2, 2025

- Elections will be held in November to elect the new delegate
- Over 950 active groups in Area 7 throughout the area

General Service Conference Topics

- Matt serves on the Grapevine La Vina Committee, and they discussed many of the agenda topics related to the grapevine and la vina discussions
- The full conference report will be distributed next month at the ACM meeting and will include all the agenda topic discussions and actions from the General Conference.
- There were 92 delegates, and 1 alternate delegate attended the GSC
- Two years ago, the board chair resigned and there was no update on why the chair resigned and there have been 7 board members that have stepped down in the past two years.
- The proposed agenda items that were all discussed at the Area 7 pre-conference meeting in April were not brought up at the GSC in New York. The final agenda for GSC was voted on by the trustees and there was no discussion on the
- All 137 members of the attendees were required to take an inventory before they attended the GSC. The questions for the inventory are on the delegate page from the March 20205 report.
- Monday and Tuesday discussed Grapevine and La Vina agenda items. All items were discussed and heard from all committee members.
- The first person who talked at the GSC was the new board chair and he discussed how they developed and whistle blower position so that anyone delegate that needs to be brought up can be shared with the GSO office.
- There was a person who resigned, and he had bad mouthed several other board members. Got out on social media and other internet that caused a lot of issues.
- There was an audit conducted this past year, and we are in good standing
- Grapevine magazine subscriptions are up 8% from last year and La Vina is up by 17% from a year ago.
- The podcast for Grapevine is in the top 1.5 %
- Over \$7 million dollars were contributed 55,000 plus groups, over 17,500 groups contributed to GSO
- Corrections committee – Lasker Award in back of big book was voted on and it was decided to leave them out
- Adding the 12 concepts to the 12x12 and I would of added a third 12th section. Itw as voted to not add.

- Discussed living sober book and there will be a new book with updated stories and new content that was passed at the conference. Stories will be more contemporary than in first edition.
- To make changes to the AA big book it would need to be approved by all current AA meetings worldwide
- Still working on the 5th edition big book and due to the delays it will be completed by end of 2026. Spanish edition will be also completed next year.
- The Plain and Simple Language big book was voted to get it revised and edited and they voted to wait two year and until after the 77 conference to make any changes to the book.
- Action item also passed was to develop a Spanish edition of the plain and simple language book