## **Convention Committee Summer 2022 Conference Report**

Good Day All! I hope you are healthy and abstinent on this wonderful day.

The Convention Committee as a Whole and subcommittees continues to meet regularly. We are currently considering increasing our meetings to twice a month as our event date approaches so we can accomplish more during our meetings.

Our theme is Letting Our Light Shine.

The convention begins September 16 with a closed OA meeting and the Convention itself then starts Saturday morning at 8:30am Central Time and is concluded at 11:30 am CST on Sunday.

Registration is open at Region 5 OA.org. Please send out the link information to your email lists within your Intergroups. We will be moving away from offline payments options soon so if you know of anyone that does not want to pay online they need to move fast. All mail-in registrations and donations can be sent to:

Region 5 OA Convention 2022 P.O. Box 796 Lombard, IL 60148

**Accomplishments:** Currently we have 62 registrants and a total of \$1550 collected. We have one pending offline payment.

The Closed OA meeting on Friday night, Sept 16<sup>th</sup> at 6pm CST will be hosted by the Suburban North Intergroup of Illinois.

We have our time line, and Keynote speakers set.

We have breaks scheduled and Hospitality members will be available for questions at those times.

We are contacting registrants and filling volunteer positions for Speakers, Zoom Hosts, Hospitality, Meeting chairs and Timers.

We have a newcomer break out session available from 10:00 to 11:30 am and again at 1:45 to 3pm. This is where newcomers can ask questions and have more discussion. Literature will be made available through US mail or electronically based on newcomer preference.

**Next Steps:** Subcommittees will continue to meet to organize their volunteers and develop directives to provide to those volunteers.

The Convention Committee as a Whole will continue to meet on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of each month at 2pm CST additional meetings will be added.

The Convention Committee as a Whole will schedule and meet with Joel for additional training and information sharing.

Submitted in loving service, Kerry M and Preston F Convention Committee Co-Chairs