

Delegate's Corner November 2020

Rotate on, not out!

The season of rotation is in full swing. Some of you already know where your higher power has placed you, others (like me) await, with faith, the future. So long as we remain committed to carrying the message, we never rotate out, only on.

General Service has opened my eyes, and heart, to the full horizon of service. I had no idea of just how many service opportunities were available to me until I served as a GSR. Even then, the full range was beyond my comprehension. Serving in the District opened my eyes still further. Serving at the Area exploded my comprehension of the sheer scope and variety of what it takes to carry the message and fulfill our Responsibility Declaration.

My experiences have also left me drenched in gratitude for all of you and the myriad tasks that are fulfilled, out of the limelight, to keep A.A. in action. It has been a privilege to witness and (at times) participate in the intricacies of our area finances, interpretation and translation, web, accessibility, archives, bridging the gap, public information, and cooperation with the professional community activities, not to mention every envelope licked and stamped to mail the Comments/Comentarios. And that's just the tip of the iceberg! As your delegate I have gotten to participate in the Spanish-speaking districts' inter-district and anniversary meetings. I have gotten to be an ally to my Spanish-speaking sisters and, most humbling of all, I have gotten to be the vessel of your trust.

We sometimes say that we start out on our service journey to repay the debt we owe to Alcoholics Anonymous, but the further we travel down that road the bigger the debt becomes. That has been my experience and strangely, rather than looking forward to a rest, my heart propels me into a wonderful horizon of, as yet, undiscovered service adventures: my heart and those closest to me who continue to support my service instinct!

Thank you for preparing me for this moment.

If you're still waiting to find out where your higher power thinks you ought to serve, I wish you a happy landing wherever you get to carry the message next and look forward to the next time our paths of happy destiny intersect.