

# AWSC P55 February 6, 2016

## Archives Coordinator

Looking back to last year as we began our service in Panel 55, I remember how much worry, anxiety, and fearful thinking was being generated by this trusted servant. With the experience, increased strength and lively hope I can now see more clearly how real trust in my Higher Power has made the difference. So reminding myself of that and our convention theme, I Can See Clearly Now:

- that one year and deeper trust really make good leadership possible
- that the insight of fellow servants for Panel 55 has helped me to grow and become more effective. Roger, our Technology Coordinator, discovered a scanner on sale before 2015 ended and the officers empowered the purchase of a Snap Scanner which can process 30-40 pages at a time in its hopper making the scanning process more accurate and effective. Also the editing software helps to correct “bleed through” scans and misaligned pages so the resulting pdf’s are easier to read. The final step after renaming each scan is to convert the entire file to be searchable by Adobe Reader.
- that it is now feasible to scan all of the older documents and reports hopefully well before the end of Panel 55. Many items will be retained such as Convention Books and outdated CAL while others will be backed up on a 64 GB flash drive as well as Google Drive for afgarea9.org.
- that bringing items out of storage to Assembly is one of the great joys of my tenure as your Archives Coordinator
- that I hope to be able to reach out to District Archivists and Historians during 2016 for sharing our service together
- that gratitude is deeper than any ocean and more infinite than the universe!
- that I really look forward to participating and genuinely showing up to do my part.

With love and increased strength

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