



WAGSA's Archives Train

Washington Area General Service Assembly (WAGSA)

Archives Committee Report – March 9, 2015

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**Next Meeting: March 28, 2015 2:00pm–4:00pm - SE Library 403 7th St. NE DC 20003
(Directly across the street at Eastern Market Metro on the blue or orange lines)**

Committee Responsibilities

See WAGSA Handbook, 6th Edition, Section 6.2, Archives Committee Responsibilities

The Archives Committee met on a February 28th. Our agenda primarily centered on completion of goal #1 to develop a pamphlet with a mission and purpose statement and a recommendation for an archives collection policy for vote of the Assembly and added to the handbook.

Stan S., has begun preparations for an oral history interview of David S., past delegate. Chris D. is reaching out to past panels' trusted servants for documentation. Watch out you may be called! Linda W., continues work on the 2014-back inventory. Steven S. is gathering 2015 materials. We still seek a Vice Chair for the committee. Please step up.

To publicize a little about the Area Archives Committee, I wrote an article for the WAIA Reporter.

We will be bringing forth some fun and interesting things to engage area committee members on AA and Area 13 history. Stay tuned!

An Area 13 History Nugget



John Henry Fitzhugh M.

- John Henry Fitzhugh M. (Fitz) born in 1897 in Owensville, MD
- First person, after Bill W., to gain continuous sobriety in New York
- He is credited with starting A.A. in Washington, DC in 1937
- Fitz's story in the Big Book page 497, "Our Southern Friend"***

***The story of Fitz M., founder of the Washington Group, Alcoholics Anonymous, Fourth edition, pp.208-218

The Washington Group: Foundations, 1936-1941 and into the Present
(75th Anniversary Edition)

(formed October 26, 1939)

By Charles E. Schamel

3rd and 4th Editions- WAIA Archives Committee