

## **Region 5 Sponsorship – Speakers Subcommittee Report**

After discussing multiple options for promoting Sponsorship for Region 5, we decided we the need was for a concrete deliverable to help members and Intergroups. We have decided to develop and present a virtual Sponsorship Support Workshop, where there is an opportunity to discuss different elements of sponsoring new members, sponsoring old-timers and returning members and encouraging people to step up and sponsor for the first time.

Our goal is to encourage people to sponsor and offer ourselves as mentors to these new sponsors, if asked. Another benefit is to encourage people to get a sponsor if they have not done so.

A template for a workshop on sponsorship already exists on the OA.org website. Each of us are reviewing the template for revisions and potential updates. We are aiming to do an online workshop in October, between the Convention and the next Assembly.

Allen will also check with the Region 5 Convention Program Committee about doing a workshop that weekend.