

**Area Chair Report
December 14, 2013
Winter Assembly**

Thank you district 12 for hosting today's Assembly meeting. The service manuals will be updated after today's assembly and sent to Phil G. to have them printed and to the NIA Web Administrator Tom S. to have on the web site.

Robert S. and I shared a ride to the State Conference Policy meeting for a walk through of the facility for the 2014 State Conference. The facility has ample room to cover all the activities. I attended the NIA Big Book Conference in Montgomery. It appeared there was good attendance with many, many volunteers helping throughout.

I have completed the CDs with all the documents and reports for the last two years and gave one to our incoming chair Robert S. and will be giving the other copy to Ray M. our archivist. I met with Cheryl V. to talk about ideas and duties that I would be doing as the alternate delegate.

Attended the East Regional Forum and obtained many new numbers of what is going on with the fellowship and the General Service Board. I am not a big numbers person but I liked some of the numbers I heard there. Alcoholics Anonymous has presence in about 175 countries. The Big Book is presently translated into 70 languages and there are 18 in the works. The translations are in 45 countries. There are books and literature that are translated into 92 languages. There were many other numbers presented but the coolest is that 34,495,491 Big Book s has been sold in all three languages.

It was good to see a lot of members from our Area. Some were first time attendees and got there on a scholarship or funded from their districts and also many regular attendees from our Area. Our past Regional Trustee Pam R. stepped up to chair the Forum because of an unexpected emergency with the new incoming East Regional Trustee Bill F.

The Panel 64 officers had a meeting November 30th to be sure we are all on the same page. I have heard many times about how things are being handled at the General Service Office that we are in good hands. I feel the same about the Panel 64 officers; NIA 20 is in good hands.

Respectfully submitted

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Area Chair

Panel 62/NIA 20