

Northern Illinois Area 20

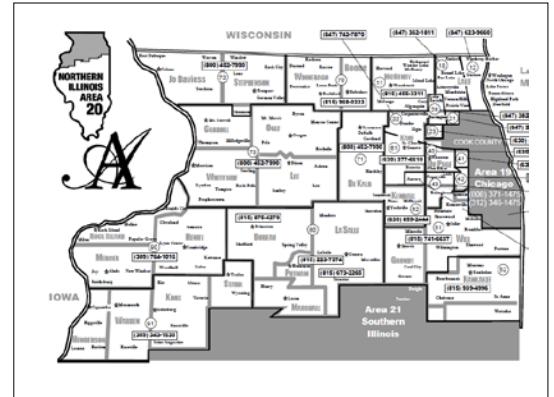
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2021 NIA-20 Summer Assembly

Alternate Delegate Report –

Welcome to the 2021 Summer Assembly!!



First off, thanks to all for attending our Summer Assembly (this time virtually though who knows what's in store in the future)! I mentioned it at the Committee meeting in April but once again want to thank Marilyn for her service at the General Service Conference as well as for her report to the Assembly this morning. I know I speak for everyone when I express our gratitude on behalf of the entire Area. WooHoo!!

The officers have continued to meet monthly discussing a variety of matters of concern to the Area's continued service including what future events will look like and whether we can be in person. Thanks to the Conference Advisory Committee and the Ad-Hoc Committee for their work on this issue as well as their report this morning. Speaking of Ad-Hoc Committees, I have continued to be part of the Ad-Hoc Committee on document retention and storage and judging from Christy's report this morning I'm sure you'll agree we've been making progress on the issue. I also attended the most recent meeting of the Illinois State Conf. Policy Committee.

Additionally, I've met with the DCM's (as a committee) on two separate occasions earlier this month to discuss upcoming motions for todays Assembly as well as other Area business, all in an effort to ensure we're well informed and able to carry our Area's message to the GSR's and through them to the groups to get their input. I'd like to thank Eric for his attendance at one of those meetings where he thoroughly reviewed the background material for today's motions.

In other news, I was honored to be asked to chair the national meeting of NAAD (North American Alternate Delegates) on June 1. That meeting is currently in a cycle where each (of the 8) Regions chairs the meeting every month, and June was the East Central Regions turn to chair. Almost all of the East Central Region's Alternate Delegates collaborated together on a presentation entitled "Things a Delegate should Be – Have – Do – Know & Read". Each Alternate (from the ECR) queried their Delegate for their input, coalited the results, and presented the information as an hour long presentation at the national meeting.

A special bond happens when two alcoholics talk one another and that bond is exponentially enhanced when 14 of us do the same. This can happen at a meeting, or in a district planning for a conference, or in an Area as a committee (like today), or in this, case when 14 people who didn't know each other very well learned they knew each other just fine indeed!! I've attached a PDF copy of the presentation in case you want to take a look.

2020 Reimbursement Requests- I have no reimbursement requests since my last report.

Respectfully submitted and grateful to be of service –

Chris D. – A20/P70 – Alternate Delegate