## Report of the Area Delegate Summer Assembly, June 11, 2016

Hello Area 20 Members,

Since the Spring Committee meeting, I have been visiting districts and meetings to share about the 2016 General Service Conference which was held April 17-23. In May I visited District 11, district 40, and the Alano Club of Waukegan. May 28<sup>th</sup> I attend the 34<sup>th</sup> Annual Spanish State Conference in Rosemont at the Hilton. I did about a 20 minute presentation with an interrupter. It was great seeing and talking with members of our Spanish districts. My meeting was supposed to start at 11:00 a.m., but started at 11:30 a.m. and went to 3:00 p.m. I sat and listened to the first speaker without knowing anything she was saying but she had me laughing at times. The saying "the language of the heart" could not have been any truer. After her when the next speaker started a lady came up to me and asked is I understood Spanish? My response was not a word. She asked if I wanted her to translate, I said that would be great. She translated the next five speakers for me. I found out she is a friend of one of our past DCMs from district 79. I also sat through a La Viña PowerPoint presentation given by Irene D. the Editor of La Viña. That was a little easier. I talked to many of the members that spoke English. It was another one of the new adventures I am allowed to participate in on my new journey of service to Alcoholics Anonymous.

June 1<sup>st</sup> I shared at the 12 steps, 12 traditions, 12 Concepts and more meeting in Elgin and June 5<sup>th</sup> I shared at the District 22 district meeting. So far I have a few more visits in June and two in July and one in August. If you would like me to visit your district please let me know.

I am looking forward the State Conference/Regional Conference August 12-14 of this year at the Pheasant Run in St. Charles. I get the privilege to run a Grapevine Writing workshop with a Delegate from Area 34 Michigan who is also on the Grapevine Committee for the General Service Conference.

I had sent out some back issues and current of the AAWS Highlights. Hopefully everyone received them and was able to share them with others.

## Proposed 2017 Conference Agenda Items Sent to General Service Office (Status: all pending)

11/22/15 - That the 67th General Service Conference considers revisions to the pamphlet "Questions and Answers on Sponsorship," as detailed in the submitted proposal. Forwarded to Trustees' Literature Committee.

2/01/16 - Request for revisions to the pamphlet "Questions and Answers on Sponsorship" Forwarded to Trustees' Literature Committee.

3/30/16 - That A.A.W.S. make available the "Self-Support" Packet (F-19) in Spanish and French. Forwarded to Literature Committee of AAWS Board.

4/09/16 - reconsider the 2010 Advisory Action to publish La Viña in 64 pages. Forwarded to AAGV Board

5/12/16 - That the Trustees' committee on literature considers developing a pamphlet to reflect recovery experiences of deaf A.A. members to help prospective deaf newcomers to identify with other alcoholics.

Forwarded to Trustees' Literature Committee.

Thank you for allowing me to serve as your Delegate to the General Service Conference. Respectfully submitted,

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