



Report of the Area Chair

March 12, 2022

2022 Spring Assembly Chair Report

Virtual meeting via Zoom

To the Area Assembly,

They say you learn your service position by the time you rotate out to your next position. I suspect that will be the case for your Panel 72 Chair! So far this has been a great learning experience and I look forward to each task and challenge as they arrive. I am so humbled to be able to serve this area in this capacity.

Due to unknown restrictions and limits of handling break rooms Although this assembly is being conducted via zoom, the hope this the last time we are not able to meet in person, with hybrid support for those that can't attend in person. At the last assembly it was voted to allocate \$5000.00 for use in the hybrid, and to date there has been no expenditure. Lord of Life has the needed technology to handle the main room needs for the assembly, but there is still a gap on how we will handle the break rooms. I will ask the technology committee to pick up where the ad-hoc committee left off last year.

I have completed the appointment of all standing committees, but we are still looking for a new Concepts Editor. Robert S. has been gracious to complete the spring issue, but has to step down. The Concepts Newsletter is the quarterly NIA newsletter that is published electronically. The full details of the position are listed in the Area Service Manual. Please see me or Robert S. if interested.

I had the opportunity to go to Conference of Delegates Past and Present on February 11th-13th. It was a wonderful weekend with opportunities to meet past and present delegates from across the region. Although as Chair I did not directly interact in the proceedings it did give a great view of who the conference and delegate operate.



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During the conference I met with the Chairs and Delegates from Area 19 and Area 21 as the Chair of the Illinois State Conference Policy Committee, (the Chair from area hosting the State Conference is the chair for that year. This group meets yearly to coordinate any policy items for the yearly state conference. There were 2 items discussed:

- Creating a reusable domain and website for use by the Area hosting committee. The costs would be covered by the State Conference Budget. A proposal and costs will be researched and presented at next policy meeting.
- ASL funds are made available by the state of Illinois for use by non-profits to cover costs of ASL translation at events. In discussion it was agreed that this does not violate tradition 7 as this is provided to all non-profits. This will be cleaned up as a formal proposal, and guidelines reviewed to include this as part of operating procedures.

Expenses to date: \$432.02

2/11/22 - 2/13/22 CDPP Conference

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Thank you for allowing me to serve.

In Loving Service,

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