

Northern Illinois Area 20



Alternate Area Chair Report

NIA Summer Assembly

June 22, 2024

Hello Trusted Servants! Thank you for taking the time to attend and participate in today's Summer Assembly. Special thank you to **Dan P.** and all of the volunteers from **District 11** for hosting. I will continue to work with each Assembly or Committee meeting host District to ensure that we have what we need to carry on the business of Area 20.

The **East Central Regional Conference** was held in conjunction with the Michigan State Convention in Grand Rapids, Michigan from **June 7-9**. The Friday evening keynote speaker was our very own **Rich H!** It was an amazing event and I was thrilled to see a HUGE turnout from NIA. I saw so many familiar faces there were times that I forgot we were a whole state away! I had the privilege of speaking on a panel alongside our Alternate Delegate, Lisa S., and our Area Chair, Dawn B. The panel was moderated by our Delegate, Erik L.

I look forward to seeing all of you at the **2024 Illinois State Conference** in Springfield on **August 23-25**. Special hotel room rates have been arranged at \$92 + tax but must be booked before **July 24th** or they will go to full price. You won't want to wait until the last minute on this one!

The work for the **2024 Big Book Conference** and **Illinois State Conference** is underway. I look forward to participating in the planning meetings in the future and assisting in any way I can.

This year I am eager to continue to host regularly scheduled **GSR Workshops** on Zoom. This is a great opportunity to be able to get to know each other, receive and give helpful advice, and address things that were not covered at Committee Meetings or Assemblies. Scheduling for that will be discussed in the breakouts that will be held today.

PLEASE ask me to visit your District meeting or workshop. I'm happy to come and observe, participate in any way you need, or simply just to make the coffee!

My expenses so far have been \$437.35

In Service,

Aaron V.

NIA Panel 74 Alternate Chair