Northern Illinois Area 20

Unity - Service - Recovery

May 1, 2021

Welcome to Everyone. I hope that you are all staying well.

Welcome to the Spring Committee Meeting.

Since the Spring Assembly I have attended the 71st General Service Conference of Alcoholics Anonymous. We had a packed schedule for eight days and we finished the work. I will give a full report at the Summer Assembly on June 26, 2021.

SOME NEWS FROM THE GENERAL SERVICE OFFICE:

Greg T. left the position of General Manager effective February 1, 2021 and Stephanie L., Senior Director of Administration and Strategy will serve as Interim General Manager effective immediately. No one has permanently filled that position yet.

The Big Book and "Twelve and Twelve" in American Sign Language are live on the A.A.W.S. YouTube Channel!

AA Grapevine's Corporate Board is seeking candidates for the position of Publisher of the AA Grapevine, Inc. and Nontrustee Director. Candidates should be A.A. members preferably with 10 or more years of continuous sobriety. Interested members may forward their professional and A.A. service résumés, along with any questions regarding the position, to mirzam@aa.org by June 16, 2021.

There will be an upcoming opening for a nontrustee director position in 2022 for A.A. World Services, Inc. Nontrustee directors are A.A. members selected for business or professional experience that relates to the activities of the corporation. Per the A.A.W.S. bylaws, a nontrustee director can serve up to four successive one-year terms. Full details will be made available through aa.org, the Meeting Guide app news alert feature and in a letter to Conference members and the Fellowship later in the year.

Following the 2022 General Service Conference there will be openings for two Class A (nonalcoholic) trustees, replacing Hon. Christine Carpenter, of Columbia, Missouri and Nancy McCarthy, of St. Louis, Missouri. Please submit your candidate's business or professional résumé to the Secretary, trustees' Nominating Committee (nominating@aa.org), by July 23rd, 2021.

The GSO has continued functioning on an entirely remote basis. A tentative date for returning to the workplace has been moved back from March to April or May (post-Conference) at the earliest and will incorporate a voluntary modified schedule.

I haven't received much to report on due to the Conference, so more will be revealed.

Respectfully submitted, Marilyn F. – Area 20 Delegate

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