

October 17, 2020

## **2020 Fall Committee Meeting Cover Letter**

How can we make a way for folks to come to us not only to listen, discuss and vote, but to be actively learning as well? Kind of a workshop within an assembly? I put an item on our agenda to discuss how we can make our assemblies more engaging and productive. I am always open to ideas and trying new things with our agendas. Could we have a workshop of sorts? Another “service committee showcase” like we did at summer assembly? What else can you think of?

As we gain experience with virtual meeting technology, how can we leverage it on an ongoing basis? I’d like for our standing and administrative committees and servants to consider using our Zoom account(s) to hold regular committee meetings. It would be a good problem to have if we needed to activate more accounts to make this work for everyone. As you might recall, we have nine accounts, which we used for our Pre-General Service Conference earlier this year, two of which are active right now. One is used for our committee meetings and assemblies, officer’s meetings, etc., and the other account was opened for our Big Book Conference. In fact, I think we opened more so they can leverage separate accounts for breakout sessions that folks can move in and out of as they wish. As we gain more experience doing this, it begs some questions:

- Do we consider reviewing and updating our conference planning guidelines?
- Perhaps we should offer some guidance around contingency planning for conferences?
- Do we need to hold all eight Area meetings virtually?
- Could we hold committee meetings online and meet for Assemblies in person?
- Would we consider a “hybrid” meeting approach?

We have options.

As you know, we don’t have hosts for our 2021 Big Book Conference or 2022 Spring Assembly Conference. How do we want to address this, or do we let it roll as we did this year with no 2021 Spring Conference? What can the Area do to help inspire active participation, even in these unprecedented times?

Finally, I want to thank our Area Treasurer and Finance Committee for taking their best stab at a proposed Primary Purpose Register. In November, the Finance Committee will host a meeting for this committee to meet and talk more in detail. For example, if you are a committee chair with a PPM (primary purpose motion), you could attend and let the committee know of your anticipated expenses for the coming year. Other servants can offer suggestions, make recommendations to help the process along. A revised PPR is then sent back out to the area for preparation for approval at Winter Assembly. Please, come to the meeting and express your needs and intents.

Above all else – thank you. For your examples of commitment and service to this program I know we all love so much. It is nothing short of a privilege to serve with you.

All the best,

Carmela R, Area Chair



## 2020 Fall Committee Meeting agenda

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Virtual meeting via Zoom

This anonymity protected agenda is posted on the NIA website. However, we do encourage the use of full names when speaking at the “virtual” microphone. This meeting will be recorded, as usual, for reference and use by our recording secretary.

[Use this link to pre-register for the meeting.](#) Once registered, you will receive meeting access details.

Time	Item
8:00am	<b>Meeting room opens for fellowship</b>
9:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Call to order</li> <li>• Quiet time</li> <li>• Serenity Prayer</li> <li>• Announcements for today (Carmela R)</li> <li>• First time attendees</li> <li>• Anniversaries since September 19<sup>th</sup> Fall Assembly</li> <li>• Service manual excerpt and lead - Kelly L (Past Delegate)</li> <li>• Approval of minutes from Summer Committee Meeting on August 8th. These were e-mailed to the Area Committee on September 9<sup>th</sup>.</li> </ul>
9:15	<b>Delegate report (Marilyn F)</b>
9:35	<b>Treasury report (Dawn B, Allen J)</b>
9:50	<b>Finance Committee Report (Karen F)</b>
10:00	<b>Officer reports (five-minute limit)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Alternate Delegate – Chris D</li> <li>• Chair – Carmela R</li> <li>• Alternate Chair – Erik L</li> <li>• Registrar – Carol H</li> <li>• Alternate Registrar – Rob M</li> <li>• Secretary – Christy B</li> </ul>
10:15	<b>Conference reports (five-minute limit)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2020 Big Book Conference (Karen F, Kevin A)</li> </ul>
10:20	<b><u>Old Business</u></b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>Open elected positions review</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Answering Service Comm Area Chair</li> <li>b. Archives Comm Area Chair - Alternate</li> <li>c. BTG Comm Area Chair</li> <li>d. BTG Comm Area Chair – Alternate</li> </ol> </li> </ol>

	<p>e. Grapevine Area Chair – Alternate</p> <p><b>2. Bids for 2021 Big Book Conference</b> - <i>The bid should be prepared and submitted one (1) year prior to the conference at the NIA Summer Assembly. The bid shall include a detailed budget and other details concerning the Conference location or facility. - <a href="#">Planning Procedures, pg.15.</a> We will accept bids at the upcoming Winter Assembly.</i></p>
<b>10:30</b>	<b>15-minute break</b>
<b>10:45</b>	<p><b><u>New Business</u></b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>1. Motion by the NIA Archivist to amend Duties &amp; Responsibilities of Archivist and Secretary</b></li> <li><b>2. Proposed 2021 Primary Purpose Register review</b></li> <li><b>3. Proposed 2021 Area Events Calendar review</b></li> <li><b>4. To discuss: Ideas for Winter Assembly to make the meeting more engaging?</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Service Committee Showcase?</li> <li>b. Breakout meetings setup change?</li> <li>c. Send all reports a week in advance, Q&amp;A only?</li> <li>d. What else?</li> </ol> </li> </ol>
<b>11:30</b>	<b>DCM Reports – 26 Districts (three-minute limit)</b>
<b>12:30</b>	<p><b>Open microphone (one-minute limit)</b></p> <p>This is your chance to go raise your hand and share about things like:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Something going on in your local community you want to invite us to.</li> <li>• Something about your group, district, or committee work.</li> <li>• Recognize or thank someone for their service.</li> <li>• Any other AA or NIA related announcements.</li> </ul>
	<p><b>Let's adjourn! 😊</b></p> <p><b>Responsibility Statement</b>  <i>I am responsible...                  When anyone, anywhere,                  reaches out for help, I want                  the hand of A.A. always to be there.                  And for that: I am responsible.</i></p>
<p><b><i>The principal function of Northern Illinois service area 20 is to be a forum for effective communication between the Groups and the General Service Conference through its Delegate. NIA assists its Districts, Groups, and members to carry the message to the alcoholic who still suffers by conducting workshops, sharing sessions and seminars in all fields of general service along with other service activities.</i></b></p>	

## Report of the Area Chair

October 17, 2020

Fall Committee Meeting

Virtual meeting via Zoom

Panel 70 Area Committee,

Can you believe we're planning for 20201 already? I hope everyone is staying safe and sane as we wind down 2020.

Some things I've been up to:

- Host meetings of the Area Officers – started in July, carries on monthly.
- Supporting Area Committee and Conference Chairs with Zoom account and helping to set up events and meetings.
- Finalizing Illinois State Conference Policy documentation.
- Worked with our Tech and Big Book Conference planning committee and Alternate Chair to host our Big Book Conference virtually.
- Preparing our 2021 Calendar and considering when we might be face to face again.

What's coming up:

- Officer meeting and Winter Assembly prep – next Officer's meeting is Wed, October 21.
- Focus on key areas:
  - Technology committee - Zoom support, file sharing, building committee
  - Electronic equipment committee – how do we need to prepare for hybrid area meetings, if needed, in 2021?
  - Open Area roles
  - 2021 Area PPR meeting in Nov – get everyone involved in the process
  - 2021 and 2022 conference planning support
  - Active committees – using our Zoom account(s) to meet
  - Support increased engagement and participation
    - Survey our Assembly to gather feedback about our meetings
    - Talk about it with you
    - Send me your feedback and ideas

**Expenses to date: \$631.70**

2/23/2020 report total = \$631.70

- PPB04 Winter committee meeting \$30.24
- PPB09 CDPP \$601.40

Thank you for allowing me to serve.

Respectfully submitted,

Carmela R

Area Chair, [chairperson@aa-nia.org](mailto:chairperson@aa-nia.org)

## **Motion by the NIA Archivist to amend Duties & Responsibilities of Archivist and Secretary**

### **Motion**

It is moved by the NIA Archivist to amend the Duties of the Secretary and Archivist by moving the bullet point shown below from the Duties & Responsibilities of the Secretary to that of the Archivist.

Bulleted point:

- Maintain the database of N.I.A. Voted Actions, including both approved and failed Motions. Prepare an anonymity-protected version for posting on the N.I.A. website.

### **Background material:**

The current list of responsibilities for Secretary is lengthy, and this item was missed in the past. The work was picked up in past years by various Area Chairs, and more recently has been kept up by the Archivist. Since this effort aligns with keeping the historic data of the Area, it would seem to best lie within the effort of the Archivist role.

Primary Purpose Register - PROPOSED for 2021

**Primary Purpose Basic**

Activity Number*	Service activity	Expectations per Guidelines	Allowable expenses	Reimbursed Authority	Amount through 9/30/2020	2020 Expected Amount		2021 Expected
B01	General Service Conference	The Area Committee is expected to participate in and report on the General Service Conference per the AA Service Manual, NIA Guidelines, and historical practice.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mailing and supplies</li> <li>• Printing or copying</li> <li>• Mileage</li> <li>• Facility rental for pre-GSC workshop</li> </ul>	Delegate and Alternate Delegate	\$ 14.99	\$ 2,000.00	\$ -	\$ 14.99
B02	General Service Conference Contribution	The Area Committee is expected to make a contribution for the General Service Conference per the AA Service Manual, NIA Guidelines, and historical practice.	Year-end contribution to GSB for NIA participation in GSC	Delegate reports to the Treasurer the current expenses per the General Service Board	\$ 8,300.00	\$ 8,300.00	\$ -	\$2,500.00
B03	Area Assemblies	The Area Committee is expected to support hosting districts to host four assembly meetings each year per the AA Service Manual, area guidelines, and historical practice.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Literature</li> <li>• Mailing and supplies</li> <li>• Printing or copying</li> <li>• Mileage</li> <li>• Spanish Interpreter</li> <li>• Facility rental</li> </ul>	• Groups I, II and III	\$ 267.94	\$ 4,000.00		\$2,000
B04	Area Committee Meetings	The Area Committee is expected to host four committee meetings each year per the AA Service Manual, area guidelines, and historical practice.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Literature</li> <li>• Mailing and supplies</li> <li>• Printing or copying</li> <li>• Mileage</li> <li>• Facility rental</li> </ul>	• Groups I, II and III	\$ 890.01	\$ 2,200.00		\$1,100
B05	Service Orientation Workshops	The Area Committee is encouraged to host roughly eight Service Orientation workshops around NIA per year.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Literature</li> <li>• Mailing and supplies</li> <li>• Printing or copying</li> <li>• Mileage</li> <li>• Facility rental</li> </ul>	• Alternate Delegate	\$ -	\$ 1,600.00		\$800.00

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Activity Number*	Service activity	Expectations per Guidelines	Allowable expenses	Reimbursed Authority	Amount through 9/30/2020	2020 Expected Amount		2021 Expected
B06	Administrative Committee Meetings	Committees are encouraged to hold roughly ten meetings each year to perform their respective functions per area guidelines and historical practice.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mailing and supplies</li> <li>• Printing or copying</li> <li>• Mileage</li> <li>• Conference calls</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Finance committee</li> <li>• Operating Committee</li> <li>• Report and Charter Committee</li> <li>• Conference Advisory Committee</li> <li>• Electronic Equipment Committee</li> </ul>	\$ -	\$ 250.00		\$125.00
B07	Concepts Newsletter	The Concepts Editor is expected to produce the NIA Concepts Newsletter per area guidelines and historical practice.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mailing and supplies</li> <li>• Printing or copying</li> <li>• Mailing services</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Concepts Editor</li> <li>• Concepts Co-Editor</li> </ul>	\$6,407.02	\$ 13,000.00		\$2,500.00
B08	Area Committee participation in District Committee functions	When invited, Area trusted servants are expected to attend and participate in District service functions including District meetings, workshops, service events, etc., per area guidelines and historical practice.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Literature</li> <li>• Mailing and supplies</li> <li>• Printing or copying</li> <li>• Mileage</li> <li>• Spanish Interpreter</li> <li>• Facility rental</li> </ul>	• This relates to expenses incurred when the District is hosting.	\$ -	\$ 2,000.00		\$1,000.00
B09	ECR Conference of Delegates Past and Present	Attend the East Central Regional Conference of Delegates Past and Present	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lodging</li> <li>• Meals</li> <li>• Mileage</li> <li>• Registration</li> <li>• Banquet</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Delegate</li> <li>• Alternate Delegate</li> <li>• NIA Chairperson</li> <li>• Immediate Past Delegate</li> </ul>	\$ 1,586.42	\$ 2,500.00	\$ -	\$ -

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B10	Area Operations	Area trusted servants are expected to operate NIA basic services per area guidelines and historical practice.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mileage, postage, mailing services, NIA contribution envelopes, office supplies, post office and postage, printing or copying, insurance, Quick Books Online. coffee pots, annual reports, bank fees, Archives repository, GSR Handbooks, canceled check charges, website expenses, electronic equipment maintenance and upgrades</li> </ul>	• Groups I, II and III	\$4,436.87	\$ 12,000.00		\$8,000.00
B11	Illinois State Conference, Area Committee participation	In years in which the IL State Conference is hosted by NIA, thirty-six trusted servants, as detailed in the Duties and Responsibilities document, are expected to attend and participate. In non-hosting years, the Delegate, Area Chairperson, and Archivist are expected to attend and participate. In non-hosting years service committee chairpersons who are requested by the NIA Delegate and the Conference planning committee are also expected to attend and participate.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Lodging</li> <li>Meals</li> <li>Mileage</li> <li>Registration</li> <li>Banquet</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Delegate every year.</li> <li>Group I, II and III when it is held in N.I.A. and in other years when Delegate requests participation for Area 19 or 21 State Conference Host Committees.</li> </ul>	\$ -		\$ -	\$3,500.00



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B12	Spring Conference, Area Committee participation	Thirty-six Area trusted servants, as detailed in the Duties and Responsibilities document, are expected to attend and participate in the NIA Spring Conference.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lodging</li> <li>• Meals</li> <li>• Mileage</li> <li>• Registration</li> <li>• Banquet</li> </ul>	• Groups I, II and III	\$ -	\$ 11,000.00	\$ -	\$ -
B13	Big Book Conference, hosting	The Area Committee is expected to support the hosting district to host the Big Book Conference per the NIA Big Book Conference guidelines and historical practice.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mileage</li> <li>• Literature</li> <li>• Printing or copying</li> <li>• Name tags</li> <li>• Facility</li> <li>• Seed money</li> </ul>	Host Planning Committee	\$2,500.00			\$3,000.00
B14	Spring Conference, hosting	The Area Committee is expected to support the Spring Conference Committee to host the NIA Spring Conference per the NIA Spring Conference Guidelines and historical practice.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mileage</li> <li>• Literature</li> <li>• Printing or copying</li> <li>• Name tags</li> <li>• Facility</li> <li>• Seed money</li> <li>• Hotel deposit</li> </ul>	Host Planning Committee	\$109.07			\$ -
B15	East Central Regional Forum	The Area Delegate and Alternate Delegate are expected to attend the East Central Regional Forum (held every two years.)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lodging</li> <li>• Meals</li> <li>• Mileage</li> <li>• Registration</li> <li>• Banquet</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Area Delegate</li> <li>• Alternate Delegate</li> </ul>	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
B16	East Central Regional Conference	The Area Delegate and Alt. Delegate are expected to attend the East Central Regional Conference every year (held every year except those with International Conferences.)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lodging</li> <li>• Meals</li> <li>• Mileage</li> <li>• Registration</li> <li>• Banquet</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Area Delegate</li> <li>• Alternate Delegate</li> </ul>	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

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B17	Service Committee Workshops	Area service committee chairpersons are expected to host workshops focused on carrying the A.A. message within the scope of one or more service committees. The workshops should be geographically distributed throughout NIA.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Literature</li> <li>• Mailing and supplies</li> <li>• Printing or copying</li> <li>• Mileage</li> <li>• Spanish Interpreter (If needed)</li> <li>• Facility rental</li> </ul>	• This relates to expenses incurred when the Area is hosting.	\$ -	\$ 4,500.00	\$ -	\$2,200.00
B18	Annual Bridge the Gap Weekend Workshop	The Bridging the Gap (BTG) Committee Chairperson and Alternate Chairperson or their replacements, as appointed by the BTG Chairperson, shall attend the Annual BTG Weekend Workshop.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lodging</li> <li>• Meals</li> <li>• Mileage</li> <li>• Registration</li> <li>• Banquet</li> <li>• Mailing and supplies</li> <li>• Printing or copying</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• BTG Chair</li> <li>• BTG Alternate Chair</li> </ul>	\$ -	\$ 2,000.00	\$ -	\$2,100.00
B19	IL State Conference, hosting	The Area Committee is expected to support the State Conference Committee to host the IL State Conference per our guidelines and historical practice.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mileage</li> <li>• Literature</li> <li>• Printing or copying</li> <li>• Name tags</li> <li>• Facility</li> <li>• Seed money</li> <li>• Hotel deposit</li> </ul>	Host Planning Committee	\$ -	\$ 750.00		\$ -
B20	National AA Technology Workshop	Either the Website Administrator or the Alternate is expected to attend the annual National AA Technology Workshop	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lodging</li> <li>• Meals</li> <li>• Mileage</li> <li>• Registration</li> <li>• Banquet</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Website Administrator or</li> <li>• Alternate Website Administrator</li> </ul>	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -	\$1,100.00
B21	National AA Corrections Conference	The Corrections Chairperson and Alternate Corrections Chairperson shall attend the Annual Corrections Conference.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lodging</li> <li>• Meals</li> <li>• Mileage</li> <li>• Registration</li> <li>• Banquet</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Corrections Chair</li> <li>• Alternate Corrections Chair</li> </ul>	\$ -	\$ 2,000.00	\$ -	\$2,100.00
<b>Primary Purpose Basic Totals:</b>					<b>\$ 24,512.32</b>	<b>\$ 69,100.00</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 32,039.99</b>
<b>Group I:</b>		<b>Group III:</b>			<b>Group II:</b>			

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Activity Number*	Service activity	Expectations per Guidelines	Allowable expenses	Reimbursed Authority	Amount through 9/30/2020	2020 Expected Amount		2021 Expected
<b>Officers and Alternates</b>		<b>Administrative Committees</b>		<b>Service Committee Chairs and Alternates</b>				
• Delegate		• Operating		• Answering Services			• Corrections	
• Chairperson		• Finance		• Archives			• Grapevine	
• Treasurer		• Report and Charter		• Accessibilities			• Literature	
• Secretary		• Electronic Equipment		• Bridging the Gap			• Public Information	
• Registrar		• Conference Advisory		• Concepts Service Letter			• Webmaster	
				• Cooperation With The Professional Community				

\* Please use the appropriate Service Activity Number when submitting a request for reimbursement.

## Primary Purpose Motion

Activity Number*	Motion		Notes relating to Open (O) or Closed (C)	Amount through 09/30/2020		2020 Remaining Expected Expense	2021 Expected Expense*
M074	Literature for Treatments		O	\$ -		\$1,000.00	\$4,000.00
Primary Purpose Motion Totals:							
Primary Purpose Registry and Motions Total:							

- The Primary Purpose Basic (PPB) covers expenses that occur every year. These include all costs for things like Area Assemblies and Committee meetings, printing of minutes and the newsletter Concepts, insurance, orientations, conferences, etc.
- The first section of the register, The Primary Purpose Basic (PPB) section, lists and funds and facilitates service activities that are described in the Duties and Responsibilities section of these guidelines.
- The PPB provides funding for all the activities listed in the Duties and Responsibilities section of this handbook.
- The second section, the Primary Purpose Motion (PPM) section, lists and funds. additional service activities, resulting from motions delegated approved by the Assembly to its trusted servants. PPM activities may be proposed by any member of the Fellowship but most often originate within a service committee. Ideally, all proposals are considered by a service or administrative committee prior to presentation to the Area Committee .

PPMs are approved by a substantially unanimous (2/3 majority) vote of the Assembly. Upon PPM approval by the Assembly, the Treasurer or Alternate Treasurer adds the PPM to the Primary Purpose Register, the responsible trusted servant performs the service activity, and the Area Treasurer is authorized to reimburse associated expenses.

In the primary purpose finance model, activities need not have a time frame and so may continue from one year to the next or even from one rotation to the next, thus providing continuity for service committees. As such, the primary purpose finance model is not a budget in the traditional sense. No individual or committee at the Area level has a line item budget they are free to spend. Instead, the basic register provides for activities that trusted servants are expected to participate in (see the Duties and Responsibilities document) and the motions section of the register provides for activities pursued by service committees in their effort to carry the message to the alcoholic who still suffers.

## Summary

Consistently using the Primary Purpose Register as the financial communication vehicle defocuses the Assembly on money by focusing more transparently on service. It improves quantity and quality of communication between the Assembly and its trusted servants. The Treasurer is individually responsible only for the treasurer role – to manage cash and to pay the bills. The Finance Committee has responsibility for the controller role – to plan and manage the treasury and the time-sequence for service activities on the Assembly’s behalf. Detailed guidelines for each service activity provide common direction to trusted servants responsible for service activities and to the committee responsible for paying the expenses for those activities. Annual budgeting, mid-year budget increases, and the “new service activity” process, are simplified. The annual budget rollercoaster that was common previously is gone: we endure no more quibbling over contributions to the General Service Office or scrambling to do something at the end of a year to spend area contributions “at home”. Clearer delegation of these financial responsibilities by the Assembly has shifted the area’s focus from money to service.



## Northern IL Area, Ltd. Green Can Fund Transaction Report

Date	Transaction Type	Name*	Income	Expense	Balance
<b>Beginning Balance</b>					
<b>Total Income and Expense</b>			\$ -	\$ -	
<b>Balance Green Can Fund</b>					

\* Distribution of literature reported by Treatment Chair

## NIA 20 Events Calendar for 2021

Event	2021 date(s)	Host / Location	Notes
<b>Winter Committee Meeting*</b>	January 9	District(s) Lord of Life Church? Virtual?	Interested in virtual only committee meetings?
<b>Conference of Delegates Past &amp; Present**</b>	February?	<b>East Central Region</b> Virtual?	In-person event postponed until 2022 – will there be a virtual offering?
<b>Spring Assembly + Board Meeting*</b>	March 13	District(s)	
<b>Pre-General Service Conference Workshop*</b>	March 27	District(s)	Easter weekend is April 3-4. Need time before GSC, consider another virtual event?
<b>70th General Service Conference**</b>	April 18-24	Brooklyn, NY	
<b>Spring Committee Meeting*</b>	May 1	District(s) Lord of Life Church? Virtual?	May 9 - Mother's Day
<b>Summer Assembly + Board Meeting*</b>	June 26	District(s)	June 20 - Father's Day
<b>Summer Committee Meeting*</b>	August 14?	District(s) Lord of Life Church? Virtual?	Awaiting IL State Conference dates
<b>OH State Convention and East Central Regional Conference**</b>	August 20-22	<b>OH Area 55</b> Virtual?	In-person event postponed until 2022 – will there be a virtual offering?
<b>48th Annual Illinois State Conference**</b>	??	<b>Area 21</b>	Asked Area 21 Chair for dates
<b>Fall Election Assembly + Board Meeting*</b>	September 18	District(s)	
<b>Fall Committee Meeting*</b>	October 16	District(s) Lord of Life Church? Virtual?	
<b>Annual Big Book Conference</b>	TBD	District(s)	No bids placed yet for hosting this event Usually held later in October, 10/30 is an option
<b>East Central Regional Forum**</b>	November 19-21	<b>OH Area 53</b> Independence, OH	<a href="https://aa.org/pages/en_US/regional-and-local-forums">https://aa.org/pages/en_US/regional-and-local-forums</a>
<b>Winter Assembly + Board Meeting*</b>	December 11	District(s)	

\*Dates will be sent to Lord of Life Church to confirm availability before Winter Assembly. For Assemblies, church serves only as a backup. Ideal is for Assemblies to be held in hosting districts.

\*\*Events not hosted in or by NIA20 though some trusted servants, as outlined in our Duties and Responsibilities, are expected to attend, and may be reimbursed.