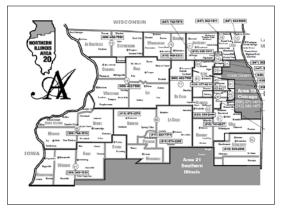
## Northern Illinois Area 20

Unity - Service - Recovery

March 12, 2021

2021 NIA-20 Spring Assembly

<u>Alternate Delegate Report –</u>



## Welcome to the 2021 Spring Assembly!!

First off, thanks to all for attending our Spring Assembly. Once again we find ourselves at this event without a surrounding Spring Conference and now we get to add PANDEMIC to the mix as well! Hopefully, both of these situations are remedied once and for all in the near future...

It's AA "busy season" and as such I've been pretty occupied helping to collate the background material which has been provided by our Delegate and distribute it to the Area. Similar to last year this material has been provided to the Area in the form of a Highlighted Agenda Items List (provided by Marilyn) with Dropbox links to the committee background material embedded in the document. Additionally I've been involved with other "scheduling" activities both for today's Assembly as well as for the upcoming PGSCW Zoom breakout meetings which are intended as a prelude for the actual PGSCW workshop on 3/27.

Speaking of Zoom meetings, I was honored to be invited to the recent Conference of Delegates Past & Present (CDPP) and attended that day long event last month. As "Alternate Delegates" we're often not allowed to speak or offer much at that event but this year was special and we were actually allowed to participate (albeit very briefly). Well, we got say hello and ask a few questions...

An additional resource that has been available recently is the creation of a U.S. Alternate Delegates Zoom meeting that meets once a month on the first day of the month. This gathering of Alternates Delegates has no "official" business but provides an excellent opportunity to get to know one another and to hear about issues and opportunities that are occurring across the country. As is always the case in AA, I continue to find "we are not alone", and all of us are grappling with very similar issues.

I've also been in recent contact with 2 of the 3 Hispanic districts in our Area and continue to offer support and encouragement where ever requested. I know I echo the sentiment of the entire Area when I say we are committed to supporting this vital element of our fellowship however we can.

Please also remember I remain available to assist (or conduct) Service Orientation workshops for Districts or Groups. These would be Area sponsored events and as such the Area would cover any associated costs.

2020 Reimbursement Requests- I have no reimbursement requests since my last report.

Respectfully submitted - Chris D. – P70/A20 – Alternate Delegate