

## **Delegate's Report**

### **January 2022**

Greetings! I'm Grace, and I'm Area 43's Delegate to the General Service Conference. Your Alternate Delegate is Sue W. Together, Sue and I form the Delegate team.

#### **72<sup>nd</sup> General Service Conference**

Items of importance to AA as a whole are discussed and voted at the annual General Service Conference (GSC). Our focus right now is on the upcoming Conference, which will take place at the end of April. The aim of every Delegate is to arrive at the Conference fully "informed" on the views of their Area on the items which will be on the Conference agenda – and the larger "context" in which those ideas originated.

#### **A. Pre-Conference**

The first decision Sue and I made together is to offer a Pre-Conference Process, rather than a Pre-Conference Event. The Pre-Conference Assembly in March will be one of multiple opportunities for the AA Groups and AA Members in NH to learn about the agenda items that will be reviewed and voted at the GSC.

The agenda items with short (summary) background will be posted on the Delegate's Corner webpage by the end of February. The complete, unabridged, many-many-many-page background material file will also be posted on the webpage.

We will be offering GSC Sharing Sessions. There will be a "focus" for the first part of each session, such as Literature or Corrections, where we will devote time to the agenda items that fall into those specific categories. Time will also be set aside at the end of each session for folks to ask questions about any of the agenda items. We are committed to offering 2 Virtual and 2 In-Person GSC Sharing Sessions – and the final one will be at the Pre-Conference Assembly.

The next decision we made was to use an accessible and inclusive format for gathering the Area Conscience on the agenda items. This will take the form of an online survey, and the survey will be available for 2 weeks to give everyone plenty of time to participate.

The survey will "launch" at the Pre-Conference Assembly on March 26<sup>th</sup>. The survey will remain open during the Area 43 Convention weekend, and will not close until Sunday, April 10<sup>th</sup>, so it will also be available during the NHSCYPAA weekend.

#### **B. Post-Conference**

At the Post-Conference Assembly, the Delegate provides a report on all the items that were discussed and voted at the General Service Conference. The Assembly is scheduled for May 21<sup>st</sup>. In addition, Sue and I would like to visit every District in late May or June. DCMs, please look at your schedule of monthly meetings and let us know the date you would like us to visit with you. June seems a long way in the future (especially when NH is frozen solid), but please consult your calendars and get back to [delegate@nhaa.net](mailto:delegate@nhaa.net) as soon as possible so we can get plans in place.

Luckily, there are 2 high energy women on the Delegate team because Sue and I plan to be zooming or driving pretty well every day in June 😊

### **Northeast Regional AA Service Assembly (NERAASA)**

In these uncertain times we always need to be prepared for things to change at the last minute, but NERAASA is planned to be an in-person event. The Assembly is Feb 24-26 in Pittsburgh, PA.

### **AA Service Manual**

A super important resource for anyone involved in service! The AA Service Manual has been completely re-formatted and revised and is available at the Service Office in Hooksett.

### **Nuggets from New York**

Final figures won't be available for a while, but it looks like GSO will show a surplus of income above expenses for 2021. The strength of financial support across the Fellowship remains strong, which is wonderful news.

### **Did you know??**

- The NHAA Service Office sells some titles below list price!! Example: Grapevine titles we sell for \$11.15 are sold by Grapevine in New York for \$11.50.
- AAWS is working on a Plain Language Big Book. This will be a translation of the 4<sup>th</sup> Edition, with language appropriate for a 5<sup>th</sup> grade reading level. Samples from potential translation companies were due January 3<sup>rd</sup>, so the process is moving right along.

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