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AREA 12 - DELAWARE GENERAL SERVICE ASSEMBLY  
DELEGATE'S REPORT                      March 16, 2024

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74<sup>th</sup> GENERAL SERVICE CONFERENCE - 2024  
"CONNECTING WITH LOVE, UNITY AND SERVICE"

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1. Since the February Assembly, I visited Districts 6/7 to discuss founders' writings.
  - a. Again, I don't want to get into what I've heard so far since there is more to discuss with the remaining Districts.
  - b. I'm scheduled to visit Districts 1 on March 18<sup>th</sup>, virtually; District 4 March 19<sup>th</sup> virtually, I think; District 5 March 20<sup>th</sup> but there is a conflict with GSC virtual meeting on the co-founders writings; District 12 April 1<sup>st</sup>; and District 14 April 9<sup>th</sup> with yet another conflict with a GSC meeting.
  - c. I attended one of Pamela's meetings where the discussion on the plain and simplified language big book was the main topic with the video presentation from the 70<sup>th</sup> GSC.
  
2. NERAASA 2024
  - a. Almost 30 people from Area 12 attended.
  - b. All but one or two stayed up late to attend our Area meeting where we discussed and apportioned the final GSC agenda items.
  - c. Lots of great discussions and topics presented and a number of our DCM's and GSR's voices were heard.
  - d. Chiarra chaired one of the discussion topics and Jenna presented on the controversy over the safety in AA service piece.
  - e. I presented the Area highlights on Sunday morning along with the other Panel 74 delegates.



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- f. The subject that stuck out in my mind most was discussion on the GSO GM November letter regarding finances where it was projected that there would be a \$1M shortage. The report included depreciation which is not an expense but is used for tax purposes. Bob W. GSO GM was there and provided explanations.
3. PI Questionnaire - Accessible through our website. It is conducted by GSO on the subject of anonymity on social media. Also, I sent it out sometime ago.
4. We posted LaVina news on our website to open the doors to our Spanish speaking community. Being a remote community, it is on us to make sure they know we are interested in having their voice heard in our Area.
  - a. This should be an ongoing discussion with our intergroups who are within proximity of the Spanish speaking AA community.
5. FAI's –
  - a. Made a change to PI (District 12) – replaced a 30-page item on reviewing the comprehensive media plan with a 7 page review a few PI pamphlets. GSC then added a missing piece of background info adding 12 pages.
  - b. I continue to review the FAI's for the conference but limited myself to those we will discuss at our mini-assembly and about 31 others that have the potential of Conference discussion. Stayed away from most of the progress reports and items that have not released working drafts which are only available to respective Conference Committee members.
6. Attended this year's first virtual all conference delegates meeting
  - a. Interesting dynamic: open mind, open heart, open mouth!
  - b. Biggest topics were:



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- i. P&SLBB time extended to 2 hours per delegate and the requirement for each delegate to sign an LOU protecting copyrights before entering the reading room. At the request of a delegate, Bob W., GSO GM, was going to research and provide the reasoning and ramifications of not having an LOU. After numerous vocal complaints and written letters to the Board interim chair, GSB dispensed with the LOU.
      - ii. Founders writings and the amount of time for each area to share the results of its discussions. Again, based on the vocal and persistent voices of the delegates, the GSB added additional time virtually starting this coming week (March 20<sup>th</sup>).
      - iii. Timeliness of quarterly meeting minutes/reports (translation issues).
    - c. I raised the issue of the AA preamble and the GV Board's reluctance to share background information with the Fellowship the same way as the 12x12. This was one of the agenda items we sent up. Unfortunately, the GV Board chair present at the meeting offered no new reasoning besides that they found no new information to justify forwarding the item. I was contacted by Carolyn W., Trustee on the conference committee and had a discussion with her about the issue. Though she could do nothing about it, she wanted me to know I was being heard and that she would take her notes and pass them over to the next trustee since she is rotating out of the position. (???) BTW - during the discussion on this online with the entire GSC, I received several chats, one of which was encouraging a floor action. :-|
7. Conference Finance Committee – we will meet with Trustees Finance & Budget committee on the 25<sup>th</sup> along with the chairs of the Trustees Literature and Trustees CPC committee. Will seek know more about the next steps concerning the founders writings, and discuss the lack of complete financial reports due to our committee.



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8. I missed two events:
  - a. NERD (wife's knee surgery).
  - b. Most of Area Delegates Only virtual meeting (Sponsee's first anniversary). Caught the last half hour where many delegates were talking about sending a joint letter to the Board about the P&SLBB reading LOU. At the end of this meeting is when we received word that the GSB changed its mind about the LOU.
  
9. Upcoming meetings (apart from District meetings cited above):
  - a. NERD Delegates & Alt Delegates meeting tomorrow
  - b. March 19 – First Finance Conference Committee meeting
  - c. March 20 – GSC Virtual founders writings discussion
  - d. March 21 - 74<sup>th</sup> pre-conference 128 meeting
  - e. March 30 – GSC Remote communities meeting
  - f. April 3 – Area Delegates Only virtual meeting
  - g. April 9 – GSC vote Alt delegates from 2 Areas ++
  
10. I will be out of state (Myrtle Beach) March 26-31. Will check emails evenings.
  
11. NERD 2026
  
12. NERF 2027