

AREA 12 ASSEMBLY
February 4, 2023
ALTERNATE DELEGATE'S REPORT

- Mini-Conference will be held during the April Area Assembly
 - Saturday April 15, 2023, 9:30 AM – 3 PM
 - Coffee, donuts & lunch will be served
 - St. Andrew's Lutheran Church in Dover
 - Flyer corrected to read 2023

- Sally sent an email to Districts with notable agenda items to review
 - Agenda items not final
 - Hope to see final document by mid-February

- Preparation is Key
 - At last committee meeting we discussed process and the consensus was that items be assigned to Districts by Delegate.
 - Last year we assigned
 - i. Five "Hot" items to all Districts
 - ii. Conference Committees assigned to Districts
 - iii. Districts selected items from the assigned committees
 - iv. 73rd Conference – There will be "Hot" topics, i.e. 12x12, BB translation to plain language, Preamble (?)
 - v. We will see at NERAASA what other topics garner a lot of interest
 - vi. Need maximum attendance at NERAASA by DCM's – Area DCM's meeting necessary to discuss agenda item assignments

- Final agenda items will be transmitted electronically
 - Buck Set-up a Drop Box so that assigned Agenda Items with their corresponding background information can be sent directly to DCM's via links
 - DCM's can share them with GSR's and Group members Need good attendance at NERAASA to discuss with Districts
 - No logging in or passwords will be necessary

- DCM's to transmit info to GSR's
 - Reaching out to GSR's and establishing communications not an easy task – like herding cats
 - HOW CAN WE HELP? – Sally sent out list of groups with registered GSR's to each DCM last month
 - Experience shows that between February and early April Districts and Groups who hold extra business meetings to discuss agenda items have a better awareness and more informed discussions
 - GSR's ought to be aware they are “Trusted Servants” and they also have the right of decision BUT it is ultimately about communications with groups and members

- I intend to hold regular online meetings like last year to provide a forum for exchange of information and ideas and answer questions for DCM's and GSR's
 - Thursday evenings – will post info on Alt Del page on our website

- Venue for mini-conference will be the same as last year
 - i. See flyer
 - ii. Flyer can be downloaded from website