

Chair Preview: August 2020

At the July Area Committee meeting, we voted to hold the Fall (Election) Assembly virtually. With that decision now made, we will have held all four of our assemblies this year virtually. That's pretty incredible, especially considering how, at the beginning of the pandemic, we weren't sure we would even be able to hold one.

Next up is 2021. If this year has taught me anything, it is to live fully in the moment. I hesitate to make any predictions, but I am pretty sure AA will continue to help alcoholics seeking a way out of misery next year. Our calendar for 2021 is finally available, and, as an Area, we are now looking for Districts to host assemblies for the next panel.

I am not sure yet whether those assemblies will be held in person or virtually; that's a decision that will be made based on the information available next year. But in this year of transition and change, we have learned that our Area is strong and participation remains robust.

At our Area Committee meeting this month, we had another virtual first; we voted on a motion (to lease a storage unit for use by Area Officers), the motion failed, the minority opinion was presented, a motion to reconsider was introduced and seconded, and that motion to reconsider passed. So that motion remains on our agenda for more discussion next month.

In August, we will also hear more presentations of new business (regarding auto liability coverage), continue discussing a proposal for an annual contribution to the Hispanic Women's Workshop, and begin discussing motions to incorporate as an Area and to retain the services of a bookkeeper.

I look forward to seeing you then.

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