Message from your Area 29 Delegate

This year the 71th Annual General Service Conference theme was "2021: AA in a Time of Change" and was held "Virtually" for the second year April 17-24. The "71st GSC" Delegate report back is posted on this page. If your District or Intergroup would like to schedule a brief report back on the happenings at this historical gathering please contact me and we will get it on the calendar. As soon as the "71th GSC Final Report" is available it will be posted on this page. The complete 2020 financial report is also now available for review.

Area 29 Delegates have traditionally been some of the best-informed delegates attending the conference and this year was no exception. Why is that? It is because of you, the members of our Maryland AA community, and your participation in our Conference Agenda Review Committee (CARC) work. There were over 110 items on the 2021 conference agenda and 42 of those items (eight per CARC plus two that were reviewed by all) were discussed in detail during CARC meetings and the Area 29 Virtual Mini-conference in April 2021. Thank you for all who participated and especially thanks to Kurt W., Panel 70 Alt Delegate, for his work in facilitating both the CARC process and the 2021 mini-conference.

We have started the next phase of our Area 29 CARC process by reconvening and discussing in detail the actions that were taken on each of the agenda items assigned to our five Area 29 CARCs. The CARCs will also be beginning the process of determining if there are agenda items that the membership feels should be moved forward for consideration on the 72st GSC Agenda.

As a result of a conference action to revisit the "distribution of workload" for the conference committees, the deadline for submission of potential agenda items has be changed. The deadline has been moved from Dec. 15 to Sept. 15 for a trial period of three years. A special assembly to consider Area 29 support for items forwarded from the CARCs is scheduled for August 16, 2021.

Your voice is important to the future of AA and this is the time for your voice to be heard!

I am grateful for your trust to serve Area 29 and Alcoholics Anonymous as your Panel 70 Delegate. This is an amazing opportunity to serve that I hope each of you will consider.

Most of all.... I "Thank you for your life"....c....

Cynthia M Terl Delegate Area 29 Panel 70 "Thank you for your life"

