Greetings from your District Director:

Welcome to all the new members of the National Association of Parliamentarians!

As members of the National Association of Parliamentarians District Four we have a lot to celebrate and to be proud of in our District. In District Four we have the first state that organized and received its charter as an association from NAP 75 years ago and we have the most recent province to receive an association charter. I am referring to the Indiana State Association of Parliamentarians (ISAP) who held its 75th Anniversary Convention on May 5, 2018 and the Ontario Association of Parliamentarians (OAP) who held its organizational meeting on April 25, 2018. Those two historical events are a lot to celebrate but that’s not all! We have two associations who celebrated their 50th Anniversaries, both the Michigan State Association of Parliamentarians (MSAP) and the Ohio State Association of Parliamentarians (OSAP). The Wisconsin Association of Parliamentarians (WAP) held its 59th annual state convention on June 1st and 2nd and the Illinois Association of Parliamentarians (IAP) will be holding their 57th annual session July 14th. Congratulations District Four on these commemorative celebrations, your hard work and dedication is recognized and appreciated.

District Four Conference
It’s not too soon to start planning the next District Four Spring Conference. The conference will be next year and is being planned as a fun family weekend getaway event in Wisconsin Dells. If you are interested in serving on the planning committee or presenting a workshop for the next District Four Conference please email me.

Your parliamentarian friend,

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Congratulations District Four Milestones

Congratulations to President Eva Board, RP & the members of the Indiana State Association of Parliamentarians on reaching their 75th anniversary of providing parliamentary services in the State of Indiana.

The members of the ISAP celebrated this milestone at their Annual Convention which was held on Saturday, May 5, 2018, at the MCL Cafeteria in Indianapolis, IN. The day started with a welcome from the Honorable Vop Osili, President of the Indianapolis City/County Council, District II. The Association paid tribute to their founder, Mrs. Anna Clyde Vinzant, who was also the tenth president of the National Association of Parliamentarians (NAP), serving from 1949 - 1951 and acknowledged another member, Mrs. Louise Bereskin, who served as the 26th president of NAP, serving from 1983 - 1985. A beautiful history was shared about the early beginnings of the association. It was very enlightening to see how rich their history is with NAP leaders and to hear how the association began in 1943. Our current leader, President Jim Jones, PRP CPP-T, delivered a very inspirational message as he congratulated the association and talked about the impact Indiana made in the early success and development of NAP. Along with the National President, ISAP welcomed Illinois State President Sadie P. Boles, RP, former President Deborah Underwood and one other guest. During the afternoon, Edward L. Frazier, RP presented the workshop, “Most Frequently Used Motions in Meetings.” President Board, RP and her planning committee did a phenomenal job planning a wonderful celebration.
Ohio’s Golden Anniversary

The Ohio Association of Parliamentarians 49th Annual Session
Robert L. “Bob” Rosell, PRP

The Ohio Association of Parliamentarians (OAP) held its 49th Annual Session in the Student Center of Cleveland State University, Cleveland, Ohio on May 4 and 5, 2018. In addition to the transaction of Association business and the offering of educational workshops, this Annual Session also highlighted the 50th Anniversary of the establishment of OAP.

The Annual Session was attended by a total number of voting members of 43 persons, including 29 OAP members, 4 Provisionals, and 10 guests. Of the guests attending, Wanda Sims, PRP, National Association of Parliamentarians (NAP) Treasurer, served as the National Representative. Also attending were students from the Buckeye Career Center in Berlin, Ohio, who provided a demonstration of their skills in advance of their participation at the national-level Business Professionals of America parliamentary procedure competition.

As part of the business meeting, seven proposed amendments to the OAP Bylaws and seven amendments to the OAP Standing Rules were considered and subsequently adopted. Of particular significance were changes that expanded the duties of the OAP Webmaster to include management of social media activities applicable to the Association.

Elections for OAP Officers for 2018-2020 were conducted, with the following members being elected to office: President-Robert Rosell, PRP; Vice-President-Barbara Whitaker, PRP; Secretary-Ed Magiste; and Treasurer-Laura Womack. NAP National Representative Wanda Sims, PRP, presided over the installation of the newly elected officers.

Along with the business of the Association, several educational workshops were provided to the attendees. Those presenting: Ed Magiste on board responsibilities; Myra Myers, PRP, on methods of voting used in meetings; Barbara Whitaker, PRP, on bylaws; James Williams, PRP, on exceptions to key rules under Robert’s Rules of Order, Newly Revised (RONR); Myra Myers, PRP, and Mary Remson, PRP, on student competitions, and Robert Rosell, PRP, on incidental motions. Additionally, Patricia Koch, PRP, conducted a “Cram for the Exam”, to assist participants in the study for NAP Membership Examination; she also supervised the conduct of the examination on site. Finally, Wanda Sims, PRP, provided a Workshop Presentation on Parliamentary Ethics for the full body of attendees.

As part of the celebration of the 50th Anniversary of OAP, a special recognition of those OAP Past Presidents present was held in the Atrium area outside the meeting room complex. Those past Presidents recognized were: James Williams, PRP (1992-1994), Joy Myers, PRP (1996-1998), Patricia Lewis. PRP, (2000-2002), Patricia Koch, PRP (2002-2004), Mary Remson, PRP (2004-2006), and Paula Cope (2010-2012).

The Annual Session also included a Memorial Service was held OAP members who had passed during the year, with several testimonials offered by members present.

All-in-all, the 49th OAP Annual Session was a clear success. The OAP looks forward to its next Annual Session, scheduled for Friday, April 26, 2019 in Springfield, Ohio.

Welcome new State President for Ohio, Mr. Robert “Bob” Rosell, PRP

Robert L. “Bob” Rosell, PRP, is the newly elected President and immediate past Vice-President of the Ohio Association of Parliamentarians. He has also served as President of the Queen City Unit of Cincinnati and as President and Secretary of the Miami Valley Unit of Springfield.

Bob is a retired employee from the Department of Defense, having served as a civilian engineer trainee with the Defense Logistics Agency and as a civilian engineer with the United States Air Force. He retired in May 2013 with a combined 36 years of federal service. He holds Bachelor of Electrical Engineering and Master of Science in Engineering Management Degrees from the University of Dayton.

Bob initially became familiar with parliamentary procedure during high school, and pursued that interest as an adult in various venues. The most formative experience was as a member of the Southeast Priority Board from 2002 through 2004, a civic board affiliated with the government of the City of Dayton, Ohio. He was a member of the Constitutional Review Committee of the Priority Board from 2002 through 2004, serving as Chairperson in 2003 and 2004, and was sought out by Board members and support staff for his expertise in parliamentary procedure. This experience ultimately led to his becoming a member of the National Association of Parliamentarians (NAP) in 2003, then earning the NAP credential of Registered Parliamentarian in 2004, and finally earning the credential of Professionally Registered Parliamentarian in September 2011.

Overall, Bob has served numerous organizations in addressing parliamentary procedure and bylaws issues. He has provided training on parliamentary procedure to a wide spectrum of groups, both private and public. He has provided workshops and associated training to the NAP membership community at the unit, state, district and national levels.
HAPPENINGS IN DISTRICT FOUR

ILLINOIS

On Saturday, May 19, 2018, the Illinois Association of Parliamentarians hosted their Public Workshop in Oak Brook, IL. The theme: Balancing Leadership and Meeting Management, attracted 32 attendees, which included two youth attendees. All of which found the workshops very beneficial and most of them were first time attendees. The workshops were: You the Leader Preparing to Lead, presented by Deborah Underwood, IAP Membership Chairman; Language Matters: 5 Simple Steps to Getting Things Done, presented by NAP President, Jim Jones, PRP CPP-T; and You the Secretary, presented by IAP President, Sadie P. Boles, RP. IAP also hosted their first Youth Seminar which was titled, Mixing Parliamentary Procedure and Leadership. The Youth Seminar was lead by Anna Weselak, Chairman of IAP’s Youth Committee.

The Mattie Lampkins Unit of Chicago, IL, Hosted their annual Public Workshop on Saturday, June 30, 2018, at the Oakwood Center in Chicago. The Theme was: Making Your Meetings Work. The workshops covered officers’ duties and included mock meeting role play covering procedures for a variety of situations.

The Illinois Association of Parliamentarians will hold their 57th Annual Session & Educational Institute Saturday, July 14, 2018 at the Marriott Hotel & Convention Center, 201 Broadway Ave. Normal, IL 61761. 309 862-9000 or 888 236-2427. Registration: $90; Youth Registration $45. This year's theme is The "R" Track: RESOURCES - RAPPORT - REPERTOIRE. Using the Right Resources to Become A Winning Parliamentarian.

ONTARIO

NEW CHARTER!

On behalf of the members of the Ontario Association of Parliamentarians, I am pleased to announce that we have gained our Charter with NAP. The unchartered Ontario Association of Parliamentarians met on April 25th using Adobe Connect. We successfully ran through a bylaw approval process and after a few amendments, approved the bylaws. We also held the election of officers. The NAP Bylaw Committee has since approved the bylaws and the chartering of Ontario is official.

The officers include: Lori Lukinuk, President; Atul Kapur, Vice President; Bob Fisher Secretary; and Darrel Kennedy, Treasurer.

The need for trained, knowledgeable, parliamentarians to assist with meeting effectiveness and efficiency has never been greater in Ontario than at this time of accountability and transparency. Ensuring member rights are protected and voices are heard within the rules of parliamentary law is essential to effective meeting management.

The Executive looks forward to connecting members across Ontario and moving the learning opportunities for Ontario members into the 21st century.

Lori Lukinuk, PRP, CP-T, Ontario Association of Parliamentarians President - National Association of Parliamentarians

WISCONSIN

The Wisconsin Association of Parliamentarians held it's 59th Annual Convention on June 1 - 2, 2018 at the Fitchburg Public Library. The theme was: "Becoming a Parliamentarian is Easier Than You Thought"

Pictured above are the WAP members in attendance. Photo taken by new member Tyler Danke
Welcome New Members of District Four and NAP

ILLINOIS
Julia Furman, MAL
Laura Morgan, MAL
Chris Nowotarski, MAL

INDIANA
Dennis Osborn, Bob Leiman Unit
Lisa Vaughan, MAL

MICHIGAN
Sara Brandt, Genesee Area Parliamentarians
Dale Daron, Genesee Area Parliamentarians
Stephen French, MAL
Erica Shifflet-Chila, Genesee Area Parliamentarians

OHIO
Anita Alexander, MAL
Maryann Dwyer, MAL

OHIO (cont’d)
Clarence Harris, Queen City
Katherine Russell, MAL
Tracy Simons, North Coast
Nancy Terpening, MAL
David Young, MAL

ONTARIO
Paul Crawford, MAL
Michael Mouritsen, MAL
Mike Priest, MAL

WISCONSIN
Tyler Danke, Madison Unit
Wayne Dehn, Milwaukee County
Michael Lee, MAL
Shelley Joan Weiss, Madison Unit

Sept. 5 - 6, 2018

NAP LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE
September 6, 2018 • Buffalo, NY

Partners in Progress:
Units, Associations, and NAP

Sept. 7 - 9, 2018

NAP TRAINING CONFERENCE
September 7-9, 2018 • Buffalo, NY

WHEN
September 5, 2018
Welcome Reception
3 p.m.–5 p.m.

September 6, 2018
Leadership Conference
8 a.m.–5 p.m.

WHERE
Hyatt Regency Buffalo
Two Fountain Plaza
Buffalo, NY 14202

REGISTRATION
Early Bird (by 6/30): $75
Regular: $90

COORDINATORS
Sadie Boles, RP
Coordinator
Edna Avering, PRP
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Room rates for the 2018 NTC are $129 (plus taxes).
Make your reservation online or by calling Hyatt Central Reservations at 888.421.1442. Be sure to say you are with the NAP Training Conference to get the discounted rates. These rates are effective beginning Friday, September 1, thru Wednesday, September 12. The reservation deadline is

Sept. 8, 2018

NAP NTC CANADIAN EXCURSION
Saturday at 4:00 p.m. — 9:00 p.m.
Excursion Cost: $100.00 (plus Eventbrite fee.) Passports are required for this excursion. Visit the U.S. State Department for information on obtaining or renewing a passport.
Annual Session participants “breaking the ice”

Patricia Koch, PRP, leading the “Cram for the Exam”

National Representative Wanda Sims, PRP, NAP Treasurer, addressing the group.

The Buckeye Career Center BPA Parliamentary Procedure Team in action!

The installation of newly elected OAP Officers, with Wanda Sims, PRP (far left) presiding). Officers from left to right: Robert Rosell, PRP, President; Barbara Whitaker, PRP, Vice-President; Ed Magiste, Secretary; Laura Womack, Treasurer.

OAP President Laura Womack opening the

Celebrating the OAP’s 50th Anniversary! Around the cake, Past Presidents Mary Remson, PRP, Jim Williams, PRP, Patricia Lewis, PRP, and Paula Cope. Cutting the cake is outgoing President Laura Womack.

These pictures are of Ohio Association of Parliamentarians Annual Session and 50th Anniversary held on Saturday, May 5, 2018.
These pictures are of the Public Workshop hosted by the Illinois Association of Parliamentarians on Saturday, May 19, 2018.

Anna Weselak, Youth Chairman, leading the Youth Seminar.

President Sadie Boles, welcoming the workshop participants.

IAP Treasurer, Tonja Stokes, preparing the Registration table.

Former IAP President, Deborah Underwood, presenting her workshop on Leadership.

May 19, 2018 Public Workshop attendees.

NAP President, Jim Jones, PRP CPP-T, presenting his workshop.

Madame President, Sadie Boles, presenting: You the Secretary.
Greetings District Four Members:

For the fall edition of the Great Lakes Grapevine, I will be putting together a District 4 Directory. Please send me the names of all of the units in your state, and the names and contact information for the unit presidents. For anything newsworthy going on, please send me that information as well. If you’re planning to attend the NTC in Buffalo, NY, please stop and say hello.

Again, I hope you will enjoy the newsletter and submit information for future editions. See you in Buffalo!

Best,

Deborah Underwood,
D4 Newsletter Editor