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Hello from your NAP District Director,

We have breaking news to share with you from the NAP Board of Directors. At the Special Meeting of the BOD held Sunday, June 28, 2020, a motion was adopted that the NAP Board of Directors hold the 2020 National Training Conference and Membership Meeting in an exclusively electronic format.

More information will be sent to you as soon as possible from the national office.

This has been a year to remember. A lot has changed since we last had an opportunity to get together in person as a District. New members have joined us, welcome if you are a new member. Meeting using a computer or phone instead of in person has become the way to share information and make decisions for organizations in order to stay healthy and safe.

My personal hope is that we will be able to have our District Conference next year in person, we will have to wait and see.

If you are able to, join in from your computer the next Town Hall meeting for more information from NAP.

Your parliamentarian friend, Robert G. Schuck, RP



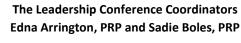
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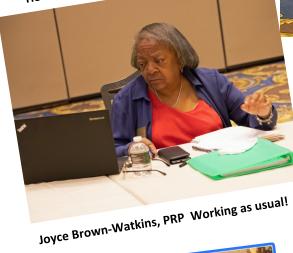




The Westgate Las Vegas Resort Home of the 41st Biennial Convention









Steve Britton, PRP, MSAP President





Darlene T. Allen, PRP, NAP Vice-President

















District Director, Robert Schuck, RP with Harrison Green and Mom, Tonja Stokes, PRP







District 4 Meeting











The Illinois Delegation

Installation of Officers and Invitation to San Antonio, TX





2019 - 2021 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Seated: Darlene T. Allen and Wanda Sims Standing: Timothy Wynn, Larry Martin, Carl Nohr, Adam Hathaway, Kevin Connelly, Carrie Dickson, Joyce Brown-Watkins





The COVID-19 pandemic has really changed the way our associations and units operate. Most of us have canceled our annual sessions because of the shut-in place mandates by state governments. Some associations and units have been slow to embrace electronic educational sessions, while others have become very comfortable with them. As time goes by, the virus continues to spread. We hope that all of our associations and units throughout NAP will embrace at least one of the various virtual platforms available so that we can continue to enhance our parliamentary knowledge and provide education to our members, as well as our clients.

ILLINOIS

The Illinois State Association of Parliamentarians is hosting their 2020 Annual Session on Zoom Saturday, July 11, 2020 at 11:00 a.m. Pre-registration is required to receive information to join the meeting. For additional information, contact Sadie Boles at, iappresident2017@gmail.com.

MICHIGAN

The Detroit Unit cancelled their Annual Meeting and Workshop but they've held monthly educational sessions on Zoom that have been well attended and successful.

The Detroit Unit's Executive Board is working behind the scenes to maintain focus upon the NAP Mission and Vision Statements. Our members are dedicated, focused on attending the monthly ZOOM Educational Sessions, and preparing for their next examination NAP Membership Examination or Registered Parliamentarian Examination.

ONTARIO

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Ontario Association of Parliamentarians held their Annual Session and Workshops on Zoom, Saturday, June 13, 2020 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

NEW MEMBERS 2019

Meet Harrison Green

Harrison is the youngest member in the State of Illinois
He was 12 when he took and passed the membership exam on
August 18, 2019, with a score of 100%. Harrison attends Homer
Junior High School and will be going into the 8th Grade. His hobbies are Basketball, Chess, Cooking and refereeing Soccer. At
some point, he plans to take the RP but right he is interested in
starting a Parliamentary Procedure Club, so his school can participate in the competitions hosted by the Business Professionals of
America and Future Business Leaders of America. Harrison is an
active member of the Marjan Suburban Parliamentary Unit in
South Holland, IL. Keep your eyes on this rising young star!



Welcome New Members of District Four and NAP





ILLINOIS

Sharon Allen Dominique Denton Andreana Dobbs Deloris Franklin Harrison Green Cynthia Jackson Andrew Meyer Pamela Jean Mina Keith A. Moens



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ONTARIO

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WISCONSIN

Barbara Gilson Bryan McDowell Mary Meek Ellie Orbison Marianne Potter



Silent Gavels



James Ronald Lampkins

James was a longtime member of the Moraine Valley Parliamentary Unit in Bridgeview, IL. He was an officer in the unit, very actively involved, and respected by NAP members everywhere. He always greeted you with a smile and something funny to say at NAP's conferences. James Lampkins passed away December 2, 2019. He will forever be missed by all who knew him.

Gloria Russell

A provisional member of the Mattie Lampkins Parliamentary Unit in Chicago, IL, who attended many NAP conferences with her husband, passed away in January 2020. Please keep her husband, family and friends in your prayers.





The 2020 Leadership Conference and the National Training Conference are going virtual







Leadership Conference August 26-27, 2020

National Training Conference August 28 - 30, 2020

Stay tuned for additional information

The Editor's Corner

Greetings District Four Members:

I hope you enjoyed the Summer edition of the Great Lakes Grapevine. On behalf of the members of the NTC 2020 Committee, I hope that you all will consider registering for the first ever virtual Leadership Conference and National Training Conference. We are planning with the same level of enthusiasm for our virtual conferences as we were for the face to face.

Lastly, I encourage all of you to send me information on what's happening in your areas for our next newsletter. I can't publish what I don't know.

Stay safe, wash your hands and **WEAR YOUR MASKS!!!!!** Remember, the virus is still out there.

Best,

Deborah Underwood, Editor

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