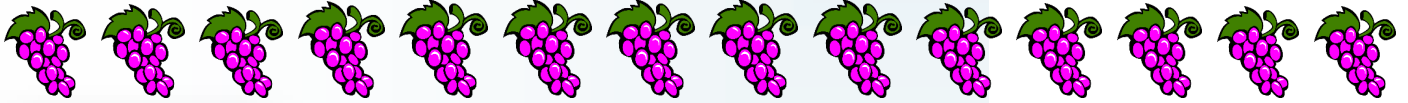


Spring ● April 15, 2018

Great Lakes Grapevine



Greetings from your District Director

I am honored to be serving as your NAP District Director for this next biennium. As your District Director I am here to support and serve the state associations, study units and members.

Thank you for taking the time to read the Great Lakes Grapevine the NAP District Four newsletter. The state associations, units and members are encouraged to submit news, photos and other items of interest to share with all the members of District Four.

Thank you to our immediate past District Director, Joyce Brown-Watkins for serving two terms as the leader of our District. Her dedication and service to our association is appreciated. Congratulations to Joyce on her election to the NAP Board of Directors as a Director At Large.

Thank you to the Illinois State Association of Parliamentarians for hosting the NAP Convention. Many members worked together to make it a wonderful experience for first-time participants and experienced members. Congratulations to our new NAP President from Illinois Jim Jones, District Four is proud to have him leading our association.

Thank you for renewing your membership. Your dedication and commitment to learning parliamentary procedure and for being a member of the National Association of Parliamentarians is appreciated. If you know someone who has not yet renewed their membership please encourage them to renew, it's not too late.

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,

Robert G. Schuck, RP
NAP District Four Director
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Meet the Presidents



Sadie P. Boles, RP
Illinois State Association of Parliamentarians

Sadie is a practicing parliamentarian and member of the American Institute of Parliamentarians (AIP). She is the immediate past treasurer AIPEF and currently serving as a member of the Associate Relations Committee (NAP).

Sadie's specialty area is financial management with a focus on not for profit finances and budgeting. She has served as the chief financial officer for several national not for profits and is certified by the Internal Revenue Service in various tax areas. Her personal leadership and governance experience includes service as an officer in various national organizations as well as serving in the leadership of a number of state and civic associations across the Midwest. She has served on the board of directors for a number of national organizations.

Along with her strong financial and compliance background, Sadie brings a personalized touch to her consulting. She has successfully supported turnaround efforts in struggling organizations assisting them in recognizing and addressing core challenges that hampered their progress.



Eva Board
Indiana State Association of Parliamentarians

Eva Board was born in Greensburg, Louisiana where she received an undergraduate degree in Foods and Nutrition from Southern University, Baton Rouge, Louisiana and completed a Dietetic Internship from Indiana University Medical Center in Indianapolis, Indiana, earned a Masters degree in Dietetics and Education from Indiana University, Bloomington, Indiana. Eva is a retired Registered Dietitian.

She became a member of the American Institute of Parliamentarians (AIP) in 1976 where she started her study in Parliamentary Procedure by attending numerous Parliamentary Practicums in Williamsburg, Virginia. Eva served as National Chapter Chairman of AIP, Lt. Governor and Governor of AIP Region III, and as organizer and president of Hoosier Parliamentarians Chapter # 38.

Eva became a member of the National Association of Parliamentarians (NAP) in 2012. She served as vice-president and currently serving as president of the Indiana State Association of Parliamentarians (ISAP). She was one of the ISAP delegates to the 41st Biennial Convention in Lombard, Illinois. Eva recently completed the requirements to become a Registered Parliamentarian.

Eva is ready and willing to carry out the objectives of ISAP.



Julie Pioch, PRP
Michigan State Association of Parliamentarians

Michigan State Association of Parliamentarians (MSAP) President Julie Pioch has been a member of the Kalamazoo Parliamentary Law Unit (KPLU), MSAP and the National Association of Parliamentarians since 2005. She became a Professional Registered Parliamentarian with NAP in 2012. She has served in a variety of leadership roles for all three organizations including President of the Kalamazoo Parliamentary Unit for five years; MSAP Director, Second and First Vice President, Education Committee Chair and website administrator; and for NAP Julie served on the communications committee and as District IV conference committee chair. Julie has also been active at NAP conventions as an educator as well as serving for the past two biennium on the technology committee.

Julie is active in teaching parliamentary procedure to her unit, and at the state and national level. In Michigan, she serves as a resource for local government boards with her expertise in public policy and government leadership. In fact, Julie became interested in parliamentary procedure through her work as a local government and public policy expert for Michigan State University where she witnessed that a lack of knowledge in proper procedure was hindering effective public policy and community engagement in local communities. Julie has also authored articles on parliamentary procedure that are published on the MSU Extension website (www.msue.msu.edu).

Julie also serves as a parliamentarian for several organizations and has experience in reviewing and writing bylaws. As MSAP website administrator, Julie is able to assist visitors by answering parliamentary questions as well as connect interested website visitors with parliamentarians and units in the state.



Laura V. Womack
Ohio State Association of Parliamentarians

I am the eleventh of thirteen children born to Rev. Rufus Joseph and Bessie Lee Carter-Tillman in Monroe Walton County Georgia. I'm a graduate of Dyke College, DBA; Myers Business College with a Bachelor's degree in Business Administration and a minor in Political Science. Married to Odell Womack since 1961. We have one daughter, Larissa, who resides in Fort Lauderdale, Florida.

I was invited to my first North Coast Unit meeting by Patricia Lewis, PRP and found it to be very interesting. I joined the unit and a few meetings later, sat for the membership exam under Pat Koch, PRP and became a member of NAP. Since becoming a member, I have served in all offices a few times over. I've chaired the membership, finance, ways and means committees, and served as treasurer of OAP. With the help of the members of the NCU, I chaired the planning committee for the District 4 convention in Cleveland, OH in 2011. Currently, I am President of OAP.



Lori Lukinuk, CP-T, PRP
Unchartered Ontario Province Chairman

Lori

Lukinuk, CP-T, PRP, lives in Thunder Bay, Ontario, Canada. Lori is the sole proprietor of Lori Lukinuk, Parliamentary Services and provides her expertise and knowledge to clients on effective meeting management, understanding rules of order, and minute taking. Her services include advising chairs and board members for Board and Annual Meetings, workshop presenter, presiding, facilitation, opinion writing, and bylaw amending and revising.

Lori works with organizations at the local and regional level but much of her work takes her to Toronto, Ontario, Canada working with provincial and national organizations meeting for Board and Annual Meetings. She works with many educational institutions and not-for-profit organizations. Lori was the recipient of the Bernardine Yackman Memorial Award in 2016, presented by the Ontario Public School Boards' Association for outstanding contribution to education with special recognition for Northern Ontario service.

Lori believes that an organization's success is directly related to that organization's ability to respectfully consider and value all points of view in an effective, efficient, and fair manner.

On a personal note, Lori and her family have, for over 35 years, owned and operated Amethyst Mine Panorama just outside of Thunder Bay and Amethyst Gift Centre in Thunder Bay.



Robert Schuck, RP
Wisconsin State Association of Parliamentarians

Joined the National Association of Parliamentarians in May 1998, after successfully completing the UW-Extension Independent study course Introduction to Parliamentary Procedure: Dynamics of Leadership.

He attended the Wisconsin Annual convention in June of 1998 held in Madison where he met his course instructor Rollie Cox. Robert continued his study of parliamentary procedure by enrolling in the Illinois State Association of Parliamentarians Registration course led by Avis McDonald and Marie Palmer. The class final exam was the NAP RP Exam and he successfully passed the exam earning his credentials as a Registered Parliamentarian. He was nominated and elected to served as WAP state Treasurer at the state convention in June of 1999. In the fall of 1999 at the National Convention held in Kansas City, Missouri he took the Professional Qualifying course and successfully earned his PRP. After serving two years as WAP state treasurer he was elected state president. In addition to being our NAP District Four Director Robert is the Sawyer County Wisconsin Fire and Emergency Services Association President, WAP state president, Madison Unit Immediate Past President, and Milwaukee County Unit Secretary-Treasurer. Over the years he has served on the following NAP committees: minutes approval, registered examiners, youth, and credentials. After twelve years as a PRP he has continued as a Registered Parliamentarian.



HAPPENINGS AROUND THE DISTRICT



ILLINOIS

The Registered Unit of IL will host a Building Better Boards Workshop, Saturday, April 28, 2018. See page 7 for more information.

INDIANA

All are invited to attend the 75th Anniversary Convention of the Indiana State Association of Parliamentarians (ISAP).

ISAP is honored to welcome James "Jim" Jones, the President of NAP to their 75th Annual Convention. ISAP is offering workshops to prepare leaders for the future.

The convention will end by honoring the memory of a parliamentarian, leader, teacher, and columnist, our Founder, the late Mrs. Walter H. Vinzant.

Plan to join us for our 75th Anniversary Convention, May 5, 2018, for professional development to help us be better parliamentarians, effective leaders, gain CEUs, networking, sharing information with colleagues and making valuable contacts with different membership levels.

We look forward to welcoming you on May 5th.
Eva Board, RP
ISAP President



MICHIGAN

The members of the MSAP celebrated their 50th anniversary at their Annual Meeting and Educational Conference April 14, 2018 Zehnder's Restaurant, Frankenmuth, MI



OHIO

The Ohio Association of Parliamentarians Annual Session May 4-5, 2018

JOIN US at
Cleveland State University Student Center

Join the members, guests and friends as we gather for the Ohio Association of Parliamentarians 50th Anniversary at the 49th Annual Session to be held at Cleveland State University in the Student Center. "Cram for the NAP Membership Exam" Parliamentary Procedure Workshop, Friday, May 4, 2018



ONTARIO

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Organizational Meeting of the Ontario Association of Parliamentarians will be held on Wednesday, April 25, 2018 at 7:30 p.m. Eastern time. This meeting will be held by Adobe Connect. All members of the Ontario Association are requested to attend.

Agenda:

Adopt the proposed draft Ontario Association of Parliamentarian's Bylaws
Election of Officers

Meeting Link:

<https://nap.adobeconnect.com/ON/>

Please ensure you have tested your computer and are able to use Adobe Connect. Sign in to the meeting room using your first and last name. Be sure to run the Audio Setup Wizard located under the Meeting tab. A NAP technology person will be in the meeting room approximately 20 mins prior to the meeting start time to help with any technical difficulties.

Attached: Proposed Draft Ontario Association of Parliamentarian's Bylaws

Note: The proposed Ontario Association bylaws have been prepared in advance and copies are included in the call of this meeting.

WISCONSIN

The Wisconsin State Association of Parliamentarians

59th Annual Convention will be held June 1st and 2nd at the Fitchburg Public Library, Fitchburg, WI.

The theme: "Becoming a Parliamentarian is Easier Than You Thought"

Registration fee is \$50 for members, \$30 for high school and secondary students, \$60 for non-members. A late fee of \$10 will apply to all registrations received after May 25, 2018

Contact Robert Schuck for more information and a registration form if interested in attending.





District Four of NAP

Associations and Units are invited to post their pictures and upcoming events. We want everyone to know how much fun we have and how many educational opportunities we provide to our communities.

**LOOK US UP • LIKE US • FOLLOW US
ON FACEBOOK**



SAVE THE DATE



Dear NAP District Four Leadership,

The work on the 2019 District Four Spring Conference has begun.

I am needing your assistance to make the Spring Conference a successful educational opportunity for our members, and their family and friends who may plan to travel with them to Spring Conference.

The proposed location and date is:
Wintergreen Resort & Conference Center
Wisconsin Dells, WI

Dates: April 5 - 6, 2019

Guest room rate: \$89 per night for a single or a double. There are many fun activities for families to enjoy in Wisconsin Dells in addition to the Spring Conference.

Your Parliamentarian friend,
Robert G. Schuck, RP





NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF PARLIAMENTARIANS®

PARLIAMENTARY LAW MONTH PROCLAMATION APRIL 2018

Whereas, since April is the birth month of Thomas Jefferson, who wrote the first American manual of parliamentary procedure in 1801, it is an appropriate time to honor him and celebrate the use of parliamentary procedure;

Whereas, it is fitting to honor Henry Martyn Robert, author of Pocket Manual of Rules of Order for Deliberative Assemblies, also known as Robert's Rules of Order;

Whereas, Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised is the most widely recognized and used parliamentary authority in public and private organizations;

Whereas, it is timely to reflect on the importance of parliamentary procedure in meetings in providing for civil discourse, protecting individual rights, ensuring fairness, and in maintaining order;

Whereas, The National Association of Parliamentarians® has, by adoption of a standing rule, designated the month of April as Parliamentary Law Month;

Whereas, the National Association of Parliamentarians® is a professional society dedicated to educating leaders throughout the world in effective meeting management through the use of parliamentary procedure; and

Whereas, the vision of the National Association of Parliamentarians® is to provide parliamentary leadership to the world; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That I, James Jones, PRP, President of the National Association of Parliamentarians®, do hereby declare April 2018 as Parliamentary Law Month and call upon the districts, associations, units, and all members to observe the month with appropriate programs, ceremonies, and activities as a way to create the future and bring our mission and vision into reality.

James Jones

James Jones, PRP
NAP President

Registration Form
Indiana State Association of Parliamentarians Annual Convention
May 5, 2018
MCL Cafeteria
2370 W 86th St, Indianapolis, IN 46260

Name _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

E-mail address _____

ISAP Unit _____

Member-at-large ☐

Guest ☐

Convention Registration @ \$5.00 per person Amount: \$ _____

Registration deadline: May 1, 2016

Make check payable to ISAP and mail check to:

Edward Frazier, ISAP Treasurer

6502 Cane Ridge Court, Indianapolis, IN 46268-4000

Building Better Boards Workshop

A workshop for leaders called Building Better Boards: How Parliamentary Procedure Promotes Fairness and Effectiveness will be conducted by the Registered Parliamentarians of Illinois from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. on Saturday, April 28, 2018, at the First United Methodist Church of Evergreen Park, 9358 South Homan Avenue, Evergreen Park, Illinois. Parliamentary procedure applies to non-profit and governmental organizations; anyone who yearns for even-handed efficient meetings will benefit.

The morning will include presentations on board procedures, board responsibilities, and some common mistakes. During a session called Board Blunders and Remedies, we'll offer some doozies and ask participants to share their stories. In the afternoon, we'll engage in a rousing scripted model meeting inspired by real events and finish with questions and answers.

The cost is only \$18. You may order lunch or bring your own. For more information or to request a registration form, contact Christina Emmert, PRP, at 815-519-0748 or hygiene93@gmail.com; or Joan Bundley, RP, at 847-869-0213 or jmbndleyprp@aol.com.

The Editor's Corner

Greetings District Four Members:

Here is the first edition of our Great Lakes Grapevine from our newly elected District Director, Robert Schuck, RP. The newsletter will be issued quarterly and will come out during the first month in the new quarter. Association and Unit Presidents, you're welcome and I urge you to send me your information to be included in the newsletter. Newsletters will come out around the 15th of the month. (Spring - April, Summer - July, Fall - October, and Winter - January).

The deadline for submitting information to be included, is the 15th of the prior month. (March, June, September, and December).

I hope you will enjoy the newsletter and submit information for future editions.

Best,

Deborah Underwood,
D4 Newsletter Editor



FULL CONFERENCE	MEMBERS	NON-MEMBERS
Early Bird (by 6/1)	\$399	\$450
Regular (6/1 – 7/31)	\$450	\$500
On-site (after 7/31)	\$475	\$525

ONE DAY CONFERENCE	
Early Bird (by 6/1)	\$225
Regular (6/1 -7/31)	\$275
On-site (after 7/31)	\$300

ADDITIONAL FEES

Printed Workshop Materials — \$15/copy
NAPEF Niagara Falls Tour (Thursday, Sept.