Website Administrator's Report for the 2016 Summer Assembly

For the benefit of the GSRs and DCMs who attend these assemblies, please note that meeting agendas and many officers' reports (including mine) are posted on our websites. Referring to them online may not only save trees but also time and storage space. And websites don't often get misplaced the way paper can.

As I said at the Spring Assembly and in a recent message forwarded by Marilyn to the area committee, I encourage everyone to use the beta website (http://beta.aa-nia.org) as much as possible, perhaps to use it in place of the primary site for the time being. Both sites have identical content so using the beta site will become a testing experience and help us identify any changed that need to be made. The plan right now is to switch the beta site to the main address and retire the old site before the state conference. So please use the beta site as much as you can and email any comments or concerns to me at webmaster@aa-nia.org.

At times lately our website has seemed slow. Some investigation revealed that the server that hosts our domain is quite old and will be retired sometime in the next 12 months. Moving to a new and faster server could mean some downtime for those districts who use our subdomains for their sites, especially those using WordPress. Our alternate website administrator Ben M. will be updating our database of district webmasters so we can give them proper advance notification and help them develop a plan for the switchover.

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