

Stated Clerk/General Presbyter Report  
Blackhawk Presbytery meeting  
April 4, 2017

Stated Clerk Report:

Conducted new Clerk of Session Training  
Continued assisting sister Presbytery in disciplinary case.

General Presbyter Report

Advised/counseled/coached/pastored sessions and pastors concerning various issues.  
Synod of Lincoln Trails Executive Collegium and Visioning Team.  
Illinois Conference of Churches Public Policy Committee  
Led worship and moderated Waterman Congregational meeting.  
Moderated Session 1<sup>st</sup> Winnebago.  
Led worship for Westminster, DeKalb while pastor attended funeral of family member  
Attended worship and offered prayer and support for Ottawa Presbyterian after Tornado.  
Participated in Installation service of Canessa Lagan at Pontiac.  
Provide Staff support to the Crisis Management Team.  
Staff the Commission on Ministry, Nominating Committee, Mission Strategies and Resources Board, Business Affairs Committee, and Board of Moderators.  
Assisted Pastor Nominating Committees in their search processes.  
Assisted church searching for interim/transitional pastors, performed computer matching for Pastor Nominating Committees to consider, conducted background checks on finalists and consulted with the PNCs and COM as needed.  
I give background and reference checks when called by other Presbyteries.  
Completed draft of Health Reimbursement Arrangement (HRA) for Presbytery action.  
Led two New to Blackhawk Presbytery Pastors orientation  
Assisting Stronghold in planning for Armed Forces recognition and WWII re-enactment.

Announcement:

The Board of Pensions invites interested persons to its Benefit Connections Gathering, May 9, at the Yorkfield Presbyterian Church in Elmhurst, IL.

Purpose of day long gathering is to:

- Help employers better understand their pastor's Benefit Plan;
- Expand your network of colleagues with whom you can share ideas/challenges;
- Increase your understanding of the new options available for non-installed pastors and other employees;
- Give you an opportunity to address your questions to knowledgeable peers facing the same challenges you have in the area of employee compensation and benefits;
- Have a chance to direct questions or concerns to senior Board of Pensions leadership.