

Monthly Meeting Minutes
District 11
April 2, 2015

Location: First Congregation Church
421 Pierson St, Crystal Lake

Meeting time: 7:30pm

Attendance: 29

Committee members: 11

Groups represented: 16

Visitors: 2

New GSRs present: (3) Chester M - Wednesday Moonlight Wanderers; Margie W - Woodstock Nooners, WAC;
Randy W. – Saturday 1 pm WAC

Anniversaries: None

Officers Reports:

Secretary's Report: Kelly B. Secretary, Laura K. Alt Secretary

Motion made to accept minutes, seconded. Motion to accept minutes passed.

Please send written committee reports to secretary to be submitted into minutes.

Email: secretary@aa-nia-dist11.org

DCM Report: Carol H. DCM, OPEN. Alt DCM

This month I assisted the NIA Bridge the Gap (BTG) Chair, Rich H., in doing a presentation at the District 61 monthly meeting on Friday March 20th in Geneva. It was interesting to see another district at work and to also discuss options for getting volunteers to do this important 12 Step work. I was also asked write an article for the Concepts NIA newsletter to discuss the new BTG Committee at the area level to help others understand why this committee was created, how it works and who can be involved.

Most of my energy this month was spent at the Spring Conference Assembly last weekend in St. Charles at the Pheasant Run. On Friday Pat C. and I worked in the hospitality room representing District 11 and later that night led an Alcathon. Saturday morning started bright and early meeting with a meeting between the DCM's of district 10 and 28 to finalize our proposal to host the 2016 State Conference. Our bid was presented and accepted by the assembly body and we will begin our planning meetings In May at the Lake Zurich Police department. There is a meeting that uses that space on Sunday mornings and we would be an extension of their meeting time once a month at 1:00 p.m. Once we have our first meeting scheduled I will send out a notice to all as we will be setting up our committees and reviewing contracts for hotel space. Again anyone interested in being a part of this process please let me know.

The Area Assembly was very productive, the BTG guidelines were reviewed with the assembly body. There was no motion to accept them as the only action taken was to ask if anyone opposed or would disagree with the description of what this committee is doing and its purpose.

There were a few floor motions, one which passed allowing Cheryl V. our area delegate \$375.00 to support the hospitality suite at the AA International for the East Central Region (ECR) in Atlanta during the July 4th weekend. On Sunday March 29th

The motion to fund 1,200 copies of the "How to Find AA in Northern Illinois" along with creating some type of display for the use in the East Central Region's (ECR) hospitality room at the International AA Convention in Atlanta was withdrawn to allow Cheryl time to determine options of what to purchase. And the other floor motion to provide CHICYPAA a letter of support for their bid to host the ICYPAA Conference in 2016 was withdrawn to allow time to create a letter of support to be voted on at the next assembly in June.

As mention the last two district meetings that on April 11th we will be hosting the Pre-General Service Conference Workshop on at Lord of Life Church in La Fox. Volunteers are still needed to help with the registration table and set-up the brunch and lunch with clean-up activities to follow. As I have this is an important workshop as it allow the GSR to participate in the process.

Hope some of you will spend the day in service and also be a part of this experience of being the voice of your group.

I was asked to speak at the Crystal Lake ALANO Club at their member meeting to speak about the difference between AA and ALANO Clubs, not that I have so much knowledge but could share that there are guidelines that help us understand that if we want AA to survive we need to keep the two separate.

Thank you all for your service.

Treasurer Report: Pat C. Treasurer, OPEN Alt Treasurer

Bank Balance	5972.15		
Outstanding Deposits	2055.16		Expenses: March 2015
	<u>358.46</u>	<u>2413.62</u>	684.00 Big Books Corrections
		8385.77	185.00 District Answering Service
Less:			513.00 Treatment Big Books
Outstanding Checks	(1304.34)		11.10 District Printing
			109.89 DCM Hotel Spring Conference
	Cash on Hand 3/31/15	7081.43	75.24 Spring Conference
Less: Outstanding Obligations	-		Hospitality Suite
Less: Prudent Reserves	<u>6000.00</u>	<u>6000.00</u>	46.08 DCM mileage
	Cash Available 3/31	1081.43	1624.31 Total Expenses March 2015
Old Timers Brunch Advance	800.00		
Repaid March	<u>(800.00)</u>		

Contributions March 2015

<u>Group Number</u>	<u>Group Name</u>	<u>Town</u>	<u>Amount</u>
	District 11 Contribution March Meeting		37.00
	Old Timer's Brunch		259.09
156566	Clean Air Group	McHenry	180.00
713485	Noon into Action	McHenry	52.00
666210	New Pair of Glasses	McHenry	81.00
698797	Mens Step Dawn Patrol	Crystal Lake	81.60
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104321	Sunday Serenity	Crystal Lake	15.00
688361	First Things First	McHenry	50.00
695505	Vision For You	Cary	50.00
699065	Men's Priority BB 5C	Crystal Lake	63.00
125242	Women's 12 & 12	McHenry	60.00
637908	Flying Geese	Crystal Lake	105.58
655943	Villa Desiderata 12 & 12	Johnsburg	25.00
104182	Villa Desiderata Big Book	Johnsburg	25.00
610896	Winners and Beginners Wauconda		270.66
695658	Wanderers into Action		37.80
			1503.73

Note: Correction to January 2015 contribution statement Amount listed for ACCL should have been credited to 629498 Monday ACCL Big Book. 240.00.

2015 BUDGET TO ACTUAL 1ST QUARTER January thru March

ACCOUNT	BUDGET	JAN	FEB	MAR	YTD	BALANCE
Schedules	3000	-	-	804	804	2196
PI	500	-	-	-	-	500
Answering Svce	2500	185	538	185	908	1592
District	1400				390	1010
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Rent		-	-	-	-	
Postage		-	20.	-	20	
Printing				11	11	
PO Box		128	-	-	128	
DCM spending						
Hotel		-	-	110	110	
Hospitality		-	-	75	75	
Mileage		-	-	46	46	
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Corrections	1800	-	-	684	684	1116
Treatment	1900		513	513	1026	874
Literature	200		230		230	(30)
Newsletter	1000	-	-	-	-	1000
Special Needs	200					200
Workshop	500	-	800	(800)	-	500
CPC	400	-	-	-	-	400
Grapevine	100	-	-	-	-	100
LCM	400	105	54	-	159	241
Webmaster	500	-	-	-	-	500
Archives	100	-	-	-	-	100
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TOTAL	14,500				4201	10,299

details of district spending

Committee Reports:

Answering Service Report: Dave G. Chair (absent), Bill B. Alt Chair (absent)

- The Answering Service had 73 calls in March.
- 21 to speak to a member.
- The Answering Service Committee is well staffed
- Thanks to all those who signed the volunteer contact list.
- Volunteer sign-up sheets are available at the literature table for volunteers needed for follow-up calls in or near your town.

Meeting Information	36	Call About Retreat	0	Women's Meeting	0
Open Me Information	4	Al-Anon	1	Hang Up	6
Meeting Info NA	0	Where Send Contribut	0	Web-site	1
Speak AA Member	21	Bridge the Gap BTG	1	Contributions to	0
Referred Another Dist	1	ASSISTED LIV. SP NDS.	1	Old Timers Brunch	0
Call - didn't wnt Vol.?	1	Spanish Speaking	0	TOTAL CALLS	73

<u>Call Response Times</u>		<u>Calls Per Day</u>		Thursday Night	0
0–10 Minutes	61	Monday Day	12	Friday Day	8
11-20 Minutes	5	Monday Night	0	Friday Night	4
21-30 Minutes	1	Tuesday Day	16	Saturday Day	12
Over 30 Minutes	6	Tuesday Night	0	Saturday Night	0
TOTAL CALLS	73	Wednesday Day	7	Sunday Day	5
		Wednesday Night	0	Sunday Night	0
		Thursday Day	9	TOTAL	73

Archives Report: Clarence J. Chair

No report

Corrections Report: Bob D. Chair, Cheryl B.(absent) Alt Chair

In need of volunteers, especially female. They go into Mchenry County Jail on Tuesday nights at 6:45 pm. If anyone looking to volunteer needs information about requirements or needs help filling out the application please go to the district website on the corrections page, email corrections through corrections@aa-nia-dist11.org, or contact Bob D. or Cheryl B. The men's volunteers are going well, but can always use more support. Bob is currently working with Chuck to get in contact with the lietenant. Working on getting more business cards with the corrections google phone number to give to inmates so when they get out of jail that can call an individual who is corrections-friendly and may be a familiar face to the inmate.

CPC Report: OPEN Chair, OPEN Alt Chair

No report

Grapevine Report: OPEN Chair, OPEN Alt

Grapevine is doing a subscription challenge which is a state, province and territory-wide challenge to increase new* GRAPEVINE and LA VIÑA subscriptions. Any new print or digital subscription or redeemed subscription gift certificate qualifies.

Literature Report: Bob M. Chair, OPEN Alt

The district has 3 literature racks along with 30 to 40 pamphlets that can be used by any group if they are interested in having an open house. Bob can be contacted if any groups wishes to use them. We were recently given a number of Polish Big Books and the idea was brought up to give them to districts located down in the city as there is a larger population of Polish-speaking groups.

- It was suggested that Bob check with the Polish-speaking meeting that is part of our district.

Treatment Settings: Bob & Tina M. Chair, OPEN Alt

Hospital Volunteers will meet at Mchenry Hospital on Bull Valley Rd on Thursday April 16th from 1pm to 3pm to be approved by the hospital to work with someone and go to meetings on the inpatient floor. Any info on something we missed will be helpful! We are getting numbers and info together so we have better communication with each other. Looking for women for Gateway treatment; women meetings on Fridays!

WOODSTOCK: I will be meeting with the Woodstock out-patient program contact person. Woodstock Bridging the Gap on Fridays in the AM. Need more women and men approved for Woodstock 10 AM Thursday inpatient meeting at Centegra on South St. As of April 10th the 4th Floor of South Street, which is a detox and inpatient unit, will be moving to Doty St in Woodstock. Currently there are 4 people approved to volunteer on this unit. Other than the 10 AM meeting on Thursdays, there is also a meeting that takes place on Wednesday evenings at 7 PM. You must be an approved volunteer to attend these meetings.

ROSECRANCE: Looking for men and women for Rosecrance Bridging the Gap. Currently at the Rosecrance location in Mchenry a couple volunteers go into talk to the patients the 2nd of every month at 10 AM and 6 PM. At the Crystal Lake location the same occurs the 1st Wednesday of every month at 10 AM and 6 PM.

LCM Report: Mary F. for McHenry, Brenda O. for Harvard (Absent), Pat C. for Cary & Fox River Grove, Bob M. for Woodstock, Karrie T for Crystal Lake.

All of the LCM's worked to update the meeting schedules again. They are ready for distribution tonight. I also updated all of the new GSR and contact email addresses on GSR Email list.

Now I will update the GSO Database (Fellowship New Vision) for records in New York.

Newsletter Report: Rebecca W. and Mary C. (both absent)

No report

Public Information Report: OPEN Chair, Pam P. (Absent) Alt Chair

No report

Schedules Report: Esther M. (Absent) Chair, OPEN Alt

Schedules have been printed. Lilac schedules are those with names and numbers to be given to groups. Yellow schedules have no names or numbers and are for jails and treatment centers. It is important for a GSR to be registered with district so communication can be made. Also this is how we make sure that your group is on the schedule.

Special Needs Report: Bob K. Chair, OPEN Alt

No report

Webmaster: Laura M. Chair (absent), OPEN Alt

The majority of the web traffic for April was to the schedule. Please review the number of hits per page below.

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Workshop Report: Karrie T. (Absent) Chair, OPEN Alt
No report.

Old Business:

- **Election for Open Positions**

Alt DCM, Alt Literature, Alt Special Needs, CPC Chair, Alt Grapevine, PI Chair, Alt Treatment, Alt Webmaster, and Alt Workshop

Sean T. stood for Alternate Webmaster. Majority vote passed. Sean T. is new Alt Webmaster.

GSR Reports:

Tina M. – The Monday 5:30 PM Happy Hour meeting at the MAC can use support.

Kim – Winners & Beginners (Wauconda) will host our Anniversary Party Saturday May 16, 2015 at Messiah Lutheran Church, 25225 West Ivanhoe Road, Wauconda, IL 60084. Doors open at 5pm for coffee, dinner is at 5:30 pm, speaker starts at 7pm. Speaker is Debra B. from Madison, WI. This is a free, open, adult event.

Winners & Beginners is also having a Back to the Basics Workshop on Saturday April 25th in Wauconda.

Open Mic:

Tina M. – Please get the message out that there is a Monday meeting once a month at Mather's Clinic in Crystal Lake were members go to talk to DUI groups in order to address what AA is and what it is not.

The next district meeting is Thursday May 7, 2015 at 7:30pm at First Congregation Church 421 Pierson St, Crystal Lake.