

Attendance: 38 online/in person

OPENING:

- Quiet time followed by the Serenity Prayer
- Reading of Twelve Traditions
- Reading of Concept VI

WELCOME:

- Identify new General Service Representatives (GSRs)
 - Please ask Ryan D., District 11 Secretary, for a “Group Change” form or a “New Group” form

3 New GSR's, Dom, Rich, Terri

- Identify any new attendees at the district meeting.
- Anniversaries since our last business meeting (05/01/2025)

OFFICER'S REPORTS:

- District Committee Member (DCM): dcm@aa-nia-dist11.org
 - Dan P. (DCM) & **OPEN** (Alt DCM)

Good evening District 11. I hope everyone had a good month. I was travelling a lot, and was not as available for service as I wish I could have been.

5/8/25 Legacy of Service Concepts Study

I hosted the Concepts Study. Attendance was myself and two others. We read a chapter and had good conversation. If anyone is interested in learning about our Service Structure please join us next Thursday.

5/10/25 Northern Illinois Area 20(NIA20) Spring Committee Meeting

I attended the meeting virtually, and left after we discussed the motions. Something that has been discussed at length at the last few meetings is the Area's financial health. We have people out there doing the work that we have asked them to do, but it all costs money. It has been noted that NIA20 could use more financial support. We discussed the five motions. I shared our Districts experience with our own answering service motion. Please be sure to make it out to Palatine, or virtually, on the 21st to participate in the discussion, and vote on these motions. Our Delegate will also be giving an hour-long report-back on the happenings and events of this years General Service Conference. I am planning on having him out in August to our meeting, if available.

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- The rest of the month I spent primarily answering emails as they arose.
 - I am still working on finding possible locations to house our meeting in the future.
 - I have correspondence with two churches in McHenry and one in Woodstock. I am trying to visit and test the wifi at each location.
 - I am still working with Blu and Aaron V. to hold a GSR School Workshop
 - I have reached out to Aaron to try and finalize a date.
 - October 4th District 11 will be hosting the Norther Illinois Area 20 Fall Committee Meeting at Lord of Life Church in Elburn, IL. I am looking for groups to help serve at the meeting.
 - Secretary: secretary@aa-nia-dist11.org /Motion to approve May's minutes
 - Ryan D. (Secretary) & **OPEN** (Alt Secretary)

No report

- Treasurer: treasurer@aa-nia-dist11.org
 - Angelo G.
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- District 11 Treasurer's Report June 2025
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- Delivery date 7/3/25
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- Over the past month we have had Income of \$1,121.74 and Expenses of \$2,058.27.
- This puts our available funds at \$4,193.84 based on our prudent reserves. I had my
- books audited and my auditor found a couple typos which have been corrected. We
- are now balanced to the penny. Many thanks to my wife AKA the auditor for the help.
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- We are now utilizing a new PO Box half the size of our current one. Our mail will be
- forwarded to our new box for a year. The postal service was holding our mail waiting
- for a verification that they never sent out. That has been corrected and the mail should
- now be being forwarded. The \$132 refund for our old box has been deposited.
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- Again, our new address is:
- NIA District 11
- P.O. Box 6
- McHenry, IL 60051
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- I have been working with our webmaster to make the necessary updates.
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- Any questions? If so please reach out.
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- Thank you!
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- Yours in service
- Angelo Gallegos
- Treasurer@aa-nia-dist11.org
- Lomaster1313@aol.com
- 815-678-4034
- Alternate Treasurer
 - OPEN

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- Accessibilities (ACC)
 - Craig D. (ACC Chair) & OPEN (Alt ACC Chair)
- Answering Service (AS)
 - Mike M. (AS Chair) & Rob R. (Alt AS Chair)
- Archives:
 - Rich H. (Archivist)
- DISTRICT 11 ARCHIVES REPORT
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- JUNE 5, 2025
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- Hello District 11
- Beginning tonight and continuing at future District Meetings I will arrive a half hour early and stay a half
- hour late to display progress of our District 11 Archives. Tonight I have all the District 11 Minutes I have

- saved and organized in binders. What I have here is also saved on my One Drive, and will someday be on
- some type of shared viewable format. Each of these binders is a separate file in my One Drive.
- Some of our earlier years were easier to save and organize because of the way documents were
- collected and saved. They just needed to be digitized, and installed in sheet protectors. The farther I
- progress there are obvious differences in style and personality in the way documents were produced,
- collected, and saved. The next batches will be more difficult. It is at this point that I tried to start at
- numerous times and became overwhelmed.
- As a District, we have what I believe to be an excessive and unnecessary amount of saved paperwork
- and documents. I think all of us Archivists have a little bit of hoarder in us. So not only do we face the
- question of what to save and discard, one of my toughest decisions is the possibility of disposing of
- something that someone else has saved.
- At future District Meetings I will show some examples of that and hope to report that I have eliminated
- some of this excessiveness.
- My Archivist position is an Appointed Position by the DCM. This is an election year, and with no
- Alternate DCM, it is impossible to make any plans. I will work on the assumption of rotating out at the
- end of this year. I plan on phasing out as Chair of The Old Timers Brunch. It takes up a lot of time at that
- time of year, and as pointed out from the floor, I do more reporting of that event than I do Archives
- work. Dave C. offered to step up for 2026 Old Timers Brunch if he could choose speakers. I will do what I
- can to make his job easy.
- Still looking for pictures of your Home Group meeting places. Inside or outside, with no people in the
- pictures. More importantly, it would be nice to have written histories of your Home Groups. Seems to
- me this is something a District Archivist should be collecting and saving.
- I turned in receipts totaling \$168.96 for 1,000 sheet protectors, 200 shipping labels,
- 4 - 3" binders, 5 - 2" binders, and binder dividing tabs. Leaving \$14.82 remaining in my 2025 budget.
- If we meet on July 3 rd , I will be absent and at the AA International in Vancouver Canada.
- Rich H
- District 11 Archivist
- richh925@msn.com
- 815-353-7850
- Cooperation with the Professional Community (CPC):
 - Laurie L. (CPC Chair) & OPEN (Alt CPC Chair)

Not much to report, Event w/ schools August 8th. Reach out for more details.

- Corrections (CO):
 - Clint K. (CO Chair) & Brian H. (Alt CO Chair)

No report

- Grapevine (GV):
 - Karen W. (GV Chair) & OPEN (Alt GV Chair)
- June 2025 District 11 Grapevine/LaVina Report
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- 1. A Visit to Thursday night 7:30pm meeting at The Other Side is scheduled for
- Thursday, June 12 th . Thank you to Rober Henry for his help in setting this visit up.
- 2. We will have a display and literature at the Friends of Bill Steak Fry on Saturday,
- June 14 th in Harvard, IL.
- 3. A Book order was sent on May 30 th . I will submit the receipt when the order
- arrives next week.
- 4. We will be part of an Area 20 Grapevine Newsletter! More information by Karli T
- from District 51 in Kankakee at the Area 20 Assembly on June 21 st .
- Thank you-Karen W: Grapevine/LaVina Chairperson

- GSR Orientation (GSRO):

- OPEN

Jerry M. from DFL appointed

- Literature (LT):
 - Christa C. (LT Chair) & OPEN (Alt LT Chair)

Newcomer Packets available

- Local Committee Member (LCM):
 - OPEN
- Public Information (PI):
 - Geogene R. (PI Chair) & Mark R. (Alt PI Chair)

No Report

- Schedule Maker (SM):
 - Scott Y. (SM)

No Report

- Treatment Settings (TS):
 - Nataé S.(TS Chair) & Jake R. (Alt TS Chair)

District 11,

- Rosecrance IOP presentations are held every 3 months and we are trying to get in more frequently.
- Rosecrance beginner's meeting is held on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 6pm at the Crystal Lake facility. All members are welcome to attend and share their experience with the first 3 steps.
- Looking for more volunteers at Northwestern Behavioral in Woodstock. The meeting times are Thursdays and Sundays at 10:30am and Friday's at 2:30pm.
- Valley Hi Woodstock is looking for help with AA meetings at their facility. Looking for groups or members who will be the point of contact. Enlisting participation from the Accessibilities committee.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve!

Natae and Jake

- Web Administrators:
 - Doug W. (Webmaster) & Jim (Alt Webmaster)

Please join me in welcoming the warm weather at last!

I've updated the Events calendar, and edited the online meeting schedule.

I'm lagging a bit behind, due to health issues, with the design and development of pages for the Archives and Grapevine committees. I am working on them.

I sorted the spreadsheet with the meetings having unknown status as far as if they're still active or dissolved so that it was easier to work with. Angelo volunteered to take a crack at tracking down these meetings.

Craig, with Accessibilities, asked me to help him with updating the accessibilities status of our meetings on the online schedule – and therefor the Meetings app. I sorted that list by city so that we can reach out to those GSRs listed on the meetings. This is a work in progress.

I created an email address for an Alternate Treasurer. If there are any problems with forwards of district email, please reach out to me.

I initiated folders on the Drive for the Treasurer as well as the Archivist.

Please continue to send fliers for events to me and/or the secretary, in either .PDF or .JPEG format.

Yours in Service,
Doug Wilsman

Web Administrator, District 11

- Workshops (WS):
 - Blu P (WS Chair) & *OPEN* (Alt WS Chair)

No Report

- *Note: All committees please email their reports to the Secretary at secretary@aa-nia-dist11.org.*

GSR REPORTS: All General Service Representatives (GSRs) are invited to share activities of their home group and any upcoming events. (3-minute limit) *Note: All GSRs should email a report to the Alternate Secretary at secretary@aa-nia-dist11.org.*

OLD BUSINESS:

- OPEN POSITIONS:
 - Officer Positions
 - Alternate District Committee Member (Alt DCM)
 - Alternate Secretary
 - Alternate Treasurer

Bill H. from Winners and Beginners stood. Qualified himself and was elected unanimously 32:0 (note, not all present are voting members)

- Committee Positions
 - Alternate Accessibilities (Alt ACC) Chair
 - Alternate Cooperation with the Professional Community (Alt CPC) Chair
 - Alternate Grapevine (Alt GV) Chair
 - Alternate Literature (Alt LT) Chair
 - Alternate Workshops (Alt WS) Chair
- Appointed Positions (If you have an interest please speak to Dan)
 - GSR Orientation Chair

Jerry M. from DFL appointed

- Local Committee Member (LCM)

NEW BUSINESS:

- Motions for NIA20 Summer Assembly

Motion by NIA Answering service to update service manual

-Dan read and explained the motion. No major Opposition

Motion by NIA Answering Service w/ Hotline numbers

-Dan read and explained that it was similar to the motion we discussed previously in district 11 and that he would report our results and feelings accurately to the area. Asked if any new opinions or support had come about. None heard.

Motion to fund AREA participation at 22025 East Central Regional Forum

-Dan read and explained the motion, talked about his experience attending, and also brought up that the Area has stated a need for more contributions. Discussion was primarily surrounding the Area's financial health and whether this was a good idea or not. There was general support, but an idea that was stated was that maybe the motion could be amended to provide Committee chairs **OR** their alternates to attend and be funded, not both.

Motion to amend duties and responsibilities in NIA service guidelines for various trusted servants

-Dan read and explained the motion and that this would give people looking to stand for various positions at the Area level a more accurate depiction of what their job would entail and what their real obligations will be. Also tidying up verbiage to be similar throughout the document. No one was opposed to this idea.

Motion to Amend Duties and Responsibilities in NIA Service Guidelines for Report & Charter and Service Manual Custodian.

-Dan read and explained the motion. This motion would allow for the Report and Charter Committee to take Northern Illinois Area 20 approved motions and recommendations from the Service Manual Custodian, come up with the appropriate changes to our Service Manual, and then submit them for general approval to the Northern Illinois Area 20 body. This would not require parliamentary procedure and questions, discussion, vote etc. there would only be a call for any opposed. If opposition exists, the changes can be brought back to the report and charter committee for revisions. This would save the body time spent reading and discussing primarily clerical fixes or rediscussing previously approved NIA20 motions.

- July Meeting Discussion

Dan: Meeting date may conflict with holiday plans and International. No one opposed to skipping July meeting. Meetings will resume in August.

OPEN MIC: (2-minute limit for each announcement, AA or Community-related Announcements)

UPCOMING SERVICE EVENTS:

- 06/12/2025: Legacy of Service: General Service Manual & Concepts Study
 - 7:30 PM via Zoom
 - Meeting ID: 819 5925 86250 / Passcode: 639187
- 06/21/2025: NIA20 Summer Assembly
 - 8AM Doors, 9AM Meeting
 - Immanuel Lutheran Church & School: 220 N. Plum Grove Road, Palatine, IL 60067
 - Zoom: https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/6n2_VS6uR7y3d-yHXr7Uow
- NEXT MEETING:
 - Thursday, ~~July 3rd~~, 2025, at 7:00pm (Hybrid) or **August 7th, 2025**
 - **In Person:**
First Church
236 W Crystal Lake Ave
Crystal Lake, IL 60014
 - **Zoom:**
Meeting ID: 959 6776 4900
Passcode: District11

ADJOURN: Close with the *Responsibility Statement*

"I am responsible. When anyone, anywhere, reaches out for help, I want the hand of AA always to be there. And for that: I am responsible."