

# Registrar's Report

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Area 20 Registrar

## Fellowship New Vision database

Fellowship New Vision database (FNV) was developed by the General Service Office and released for use by the areas in May, 2007. FNV is a web based tool and because of that, updates are immediate. FNV also provides each area, via their Area Registrar, access to update certain area information directly into the database. Because FNV is an online-real time database, what is entered by either the areas or the GSO Records department is available for immediate use.

Four times a year the Alternate Registrar will be sending to the DCM and the District Secretary a document of all of the groups in their district. The last column is where updates can be entered. GSRs can update group information by working with their DCM or district secretary or by completing a group information change form which they can find online at <http://www.aa-nia.org/forms.html>.

*Group information* includes group name, group number, area, district, history dates, meeting locations and times, and complete group contact information. *District information*, on the other hand, includes district service positions and contact information for those elected to those positions and *Area information* is similar to district information but at the area-level.

This information is the key to communication throughout the A.A. general service structure. GSO uses group information to send information kits to new GSRs, copies of *Box 459*, the GSO quarterly newsletter, and GSO quarterly reports. Similarly, the area uses the information to send to the group *Concepts*, the NIA newsletter, and area assembly meeting minutes. This information is also used by GSO to send information kits to District and area-level committee chairs to help orient them to their service positions and by area service committee chairs to communicate with their district counterparts.

**Since we will be sending minutes via e-mail, please check with me or your DCM to be sure that your e-mail is correct in FNV.**

**NIA Area 20 Currently has 2306 groups in FNV of which 274 are unknown, 582 inactive which gives us about 1450 active groups.**

Respectfully Submitted  
NIA 20 Registrar  
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In FNV the Registrar can search for groups or individuals and do instant updates.

It is no longer necessary to send group information updates to both NIA and GSO. All information update requests can be sent to the area registrar at registrar@aa-nia.org.

## **New e-mail address for the Area Registrar**

The new e-mail address for the Area Registrar is: [registrar@aa-nia.org](mailto:registrar@aa-nia.org). You can also mail changes to NIA20 REGISTRAR P.O. Box 87212, Carol Stream, IL, 60188. **THE NUMBER ONE REASON THAT UPDATES ARE DELAYED IS BECAUSE ALL INFORMATION IS NOT INCLUDED ON THE SUBMITTED EMAIL.** When sending updates for groups or district positions PLEASE insure that all required information is included, meaning address (with Apt # if applicable), and correctly spelled street names and cities and accurate zip codes. FNV has a built in address verifier and if information is incorrect or missing it will not allow the update. Also, please make sure that if the information is handwritten that it is legible. Pic's of group changes forms or word (.doc) files are fine also. The database is very robust and includes methods to create many different types of reposts. Please let me know if you have specific information needs and I'll do my best to get you the reports you need. Remember, COMPLETE ACCURATE LEGIBLE INFORMATION makes for a happy registrar!

Thank you to NIA 20 for allowing me to be of service to the fellowship.

## **Information updates since 01/08/18**

Requests input between 01/08/18 and 03/22/18

<b>Total Since 08/01/2016</b>	
Group information	2
New groups/Pending Active	7
Folded/Inactive/Unknown	5
Group contact information	50+
<b>Total updates – Area and Dists.</b>	<b>64+</b>

Once the Alt Registrar gets familiar with FNV we will once again start sending welcome letters to new GSR's which include.

- a welcome letter from the area
- a snapshot of the group's information from FNV
- NIA contribution envelope