### **Meeting Opening**

#### Meeting attendance, as provided by the Registrar:

	Present	Total Possible
Area Officers	9	10
Area Standing Cmte & Appointed Cmte Chairs	16	30
Past Del. 6/10	6	10
DCM & Alt.'s	21	43
Total Area Cmte	52	94
GSR's	12	766
Dist. Chairs (minus DCM & Alt)	16	350
Others		

Total Attendance 80 1210

Call to Order Marilyn called the meeting to order at 9:00 am.

#### Group participated in a quiet time followed by the Serenity Prayer

#### New Attendees

- Jesse R, D90, GSR
- Steve K, Ans Service chair, D50
- Earl N, D10, Alt GSR

#### AA Anniversaries

- Tina R, 4/10, 26 years
- Phil C, 4/2, 11 years
- Rob M, 4/27, 29 years
- Jeff L, 4/3, 18 years
- Steve M, 4/14, 8 years

- Phil C, D52
- Rich H, 4/17, 29 years
- Chris, 4/2, 1 year
- Chris D, 4/8, 27 years
- Dan, 4/28, 1 year

#### Concepts for world service read by Sarah

Announcements by hosting district, D28, Carl

#### **Approval of Winter Committee Meeting minutes**

Motion to approve by Judd W, second by Tina R - minutes approved

### Officer Reports

Delegate's Report, Kelly L

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#### Treasurer's Report, Judd W

Included in appendix

#### At the mic:

Rob – our prudent reserve overage, will that be sent to NY? Judd – the finance committee report will address this

### **New Business**

#### 1. Announcement of new Alternate Web Administrator, Marilyn F

Earl N has filled the role

#### 2. Hear bids for 2018 Spring Assembly Conference

Carl, D28, DCM - 21 and 28 respectfully declined and withdraw bid to allow 10, 11, and 12 to move forward

Steve B, representing D10, 11, and 12 as hosts Bid accepted by substantial unanimity, Date – March 23-25 2018

#### 3. Open position – Accessibilities-Special Needs Chair

No one willing to stand

#### 4. Open position – Accessibilities-Special Needs Chair Alternate

No one willing to stand

# 5. Motion to fund district participation at 2017 East Central Regional Forum (Springfield, IL) - John C

**Full motion:** t is recommended that \$5200\* (26 districts at \$200 per district) be used to provide limited funding to offset costs for districts to participate in the 2017 East Central Regional Forum. The requestor moves that the following entry be added to the Primary Purpose Register and that the NIA Treasurer be authorized to reimburse expenses in accordance with the terms of that entry:

It is recommended that \$5200* (26 district) as 1\$200 per district) be used to provide limited funding to offset costs for districts to participate in the 2017 East Central Regional Forum. The requestor moves that the following entry be added to the Primary Purpose Register and that the NIA Treasurer be authorized to reimburse expenses in accordance with the terms of that entry:	Activity	Description, expected outcome and execution guidelines	Example expenses	Reimbursement Guidelines	Projected cost
PPM???	East Central Regional Forum	To promote participation at the District Level for this General Service activity. Participation should be limited to District – Officers, Committee Members and/or General Service Representatives	Travel and Lodging –  To offset some of the costs of travel and lodging associated with this event by District Officers, Committee Members and/or General Service Representatives for their districts.	Reimbursement authority: NIA Treasurer Reimbursed to District. Spending Limit: \$200.00 per District	\$5,200.00

#### **Questions:**

John, DCM D42 – why is the Area getting involved? If a district wants to fund it, they can.

John – In the past, there have been district we do know do not have the funds available to send DCMs, let alone any other GSRs or people. Because we do have funds available and have done this in the past, we want to do this.

Marcia S, Past Delegate – I'd be opposed to this because it says funding to Districts, which leaves it open to anyone going. I'd prefer motion be focused on GSRs.

Clarification of motion provided. Motion does list those included - does include GSRs.

#### **Discussion:**

Heather – when I became a GSR, I was encouraged to participate in the event. It was funded by the area – my district could never have afforded it. It really lit a fire for me to come back and keep coming to Assembly and getting involved at this level of service. It broadened my view.

Motion will be brought forth to Summer Assembly for approval.

#### 6. Motion for the GSC to publish biographies, asking for support and input – Kelly L

**Full motion:** no formal motion language presented – *Delegate is asking for our support and input regarding this project.* 

History: At our December Area Assembly, Area 34 presented and passed a motion to send a request to the General Service Board to create and publish a book with the biographies of our Past Chairmen of the General Service Board. On 1/22/17, we presented this idea at our quarterly Statewide Service Committee meeting to ask for support from Area 32 & Area 33. The Delegates from those 2 Areas have agreed to take it back to their Areas to see what their members think of the proposal. We are now bringing it to the attention of the remaining Areas in the East Central Region and asking for your support and input regarding this project. The more support we have behind this, the more the likelihood that this project would be considered. We request that you take this back to your Area and see how your members feel about this idea. If the support is there, we would appreciate it if you could possibly send a letter stating your Area's support. You can email the letter to Warren Jefsen at arren.jefsen@gmail.com.

We feel that this book would provide some additional history and documentation at the General Service Board level. We also believe that a book like this could be a source for potential Class A's to read and learn about previous Class A's.

#### **Questions:**

Bill W, GSR – what does this piece have to do with helping the still suffering alcoholic? I don't see it.

Rich H – does our GSB publish? No. Would our GSC publish a book? If we publish a book, does it become conference approved literature or service piece? Its great information, not too sure why this is being brought forward.

Kelly – it might go to Archives or Grapevine, possible a service piece

Ray, Area Archivist – who do they anticipate would be reading this? I'm really hot on history and I don't know who would read this. Every time someone is elected, there is a biography published on those folks. Would this involve going out and doing history? Is there a budget? Questions should be fleshed out before supporting it. Final reports have most of the detail you'd want. A service piece might be interesting alternative.

Kelly – I will send questions back to have more detail at assembly

John C - Are they not trying to do also an archival book on Bill's writings? What was the result of that?

Kelly – that was one of the items- don't have results handy

John – why could this be a possible combination to make ONE book?

Judd - I'm unclear – the first part of this talks about Chairmen of the GSB, the second part talks about Class A. Is this about both or neither?

Kelly - I believe it was about Class A

Phil — How would this be different than every story in the big book breaking anonymity? Should this be considered that needs to be started one time, and then down the road, we do another version? Will it perpetuate idolizing of individuals?

#### **Discussion:**

Ray – this info is already available somewhere else. Bios are done on chairs and Class As. Some of this info for those Class As is available already?

Motion will be brought forth to Summer Assembly for approval.

7. Motion by the Corrections Committee to be funded to go to the National Corrections Conference in St. Louis, Nov 2017 - Dawn B

**Full motion:** The Corrections Committee moves to have NIA20 fund \$1200.00 for the Corrections Chair and the Alternate Corrections Chair to attend the National Corrections Conference November 10-12, 2017 in St. Louis, Mo.

**History:** The purpose of the weekend is for AA members involved in correction work behind the walls to come together, share experiences, exchange information and hear from corrections professional,

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former inmates and other trusted servants throughout the US and Canada. This is the first "annual" conference ever.

#### **Questions:**

John, D42 DCM – if approved, would Area chairs be willing to come to district to present learnings? That way, all area and districts are represented

Dawn – sure, can also do workshops

Dan – is this for current chair and alternate or for char and alternate-elect?

Dawn – is for standing positions

Dan – can we recommend that the elected new chairperson and alternate go instead of those current as of November

Dawn – what would the friendly amendment wording be?

Dan – change motion to be the chair-elect and alternate-election for the 29018-2019 rotation, instead of

Dawn – yes, I'll accept friendly amendment

Heather – have we had others attend?

Dawn – this is the first national event

John – I attended in CO – it wasn't considered a national event

Bill – they have not decided whether this will be an annual event. I recommend we send those standing and newly elected in Nov

Dawn – we will double the cost?

Rob – How about the Chair and Chair-elect? It provides current representation and those new to the position

Dawn accepts friendly amendment to include Chair and Chair-elect in the motion

Pete – if it becomes a national event, will be sending the same people twice?

Dawn – conference is only for Nov 2017

Amended motion would include chair and chair-elect.

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Robert – my understanding of PPF is that we don't put a cap on money for an event we want to participate in. If it costs more than \$1,200.00, we would pay the extra dollars. Is the \$1,200 projected? Leave \$1,200 on chart and remove from motion.

Jack – DCM, D64 – why should somebody attend who will only be in the position a couple of more months?

Dawn – current chair would need to guide the new person in

Judd – primary purpose is about service activity. Motion should not include dollars. Present the activity desired only in the motion itself. I'd like to offer a friendly amendment – say who you want to go and put projected costs in background.

Dawn – accepts Judd's suggested amendment to simplify motion

#### **Discussion:**

Larry – an observation – since we stopped voting on items at this meeting, it has been policy that if a motion is presented and discussed and ideas brought forward, person presenting the motion can amend it and bring amended motion for assembly approval

Tina – table this due to continuous ongoing amendments and discussion.

Marilyn – this will not be tabled but it will go forward to assembly.

Motion will be brought forth to Summer Assembly for approval.

8. Motion by the Corrections Committee to be funded to go to the East Central Regional Forum, Springfield, IL, Nov 2017 – Dawn B

**Full motion:** The Corrections Committee moves to have NIA fund the Corrections Chair and the Alternate Corrections Chair to attend the East Central Regional Forum November 17-19, 2017 in Springfield, II. for a cost of \$500.00

**History:** 1. There is the opportunity to meet AA's from five different states and thirteen other Areas within our Region, some working on Corrections Committees in their own Area. There will also be Workshops, Sharing Sessions and Presentations. 2. Setting provides an opportunity to speak with GSO trustees and Editors. 3. Because it is being held in Springfield, and because there are no Forum costs, this is a low-cost opportunity to support ECRF activities.

**Questions: None** 

#### **Discussion:**

Robert – Take the \$500 out of the motion verbiage

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Motion will be brought forth to Summer Assembly for approval.

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#### 9. Motion by BTG Committee to attend ECRF

**Full motion:** The BTG Committee moves to have NIA fund the BTG Committee Chair and the Alternate Committee Chair attend the East Central Regional Forum, November 17-19 in Springfield, IL for a cost of \$400.00

**History:** Regional Forums are weekend sharing and informational sessions designed to help the General Service Board, A.A. World Services Inc., the Grapevine Corporate Board, the Grapevine Staff, and The General Service Office Staff stay in touch with AA members, trusted servants and newcomers to service throughout the AA service structure. Attendance at the forum also offers the attendee an opportunity to meet with and to share experience with trusted servants from other areas of the East Central Region. This forum is about 3 hours from my home. There will also be workshops, sharing sessions and presentations.

#### **Questions:**

#### **Discussion:**

Motion will be brought forth to Summer Assembly for approval.

#### 10. Motion by Answering Service Committee to attend ECRF

**Full motion:** The Telephone Answering Service Chair and Alternate chair shall attend the East Central Region Forum in Springfield IL November 17-19 2017. The expected cost is \$800 and expenses include lodging, mileage, tolls (if any), and meals.

**History:** Regional Forums are weekend sharing and informational sessions designed to help the General Service Board, A.A. World Services, Inc., the Grapevine Corporate Board, the Grapevine Staff, and the General Service Office Staff stay in touch with A.A. members, trusted servants and newcomers to service throughout the A.A. service structure. Attendance at the forum also offers the attendee an opportunity to meet with and to share experience with trusted servants from other areas of the East Central Region.

Larry – POINT OF ORDER – moves for Area to provide funding to send committee chairs and alternates to the ECRF, instead i=of each individual committee bringing forth motions.

Marilyn - new motion will be presented after sharing session.

**Questions: none** 

Discussion: none

Motion will be brought forth to Summer Assembly for approval.

11. Sharing Session by Robert S – what people want the Spring Assembly Conference to be

This is the first assembly of the year with many new attendees. Due to current setup without breakouts, newcomers to assembly aren't getting the benefit of breakouts at their first assembly. There was discussion about separating assembly ad conference again. Initial goal was to encourage greater participation.

For the sake of this discussion, conference and assembly are different. Conference includes gathering, meetings, speakers. Assembly is a business meeting.

We're not making decisions today or making changes. This is just hearing ideas.

Steve – the 2018 Spring Assembly conference group has already accounting for breakout sessions. Kevin A, program chair is ensuring breakout sessions will be made available.

John – I remember when we had sing conference discussion to incorporate assembly at conference because we were getting low attendance. We wanted to generate more participation. If we're not getting more participation, maybe we should go back to what we were doing before. Or we need to run it like a real assembly.

John, D42 DCM – no strong opinions – leave format as is – two activities combined are good, support adding breakout sessions

John, I was thinking – we had a discussion earlier at spring assembly why we were trying to see why we don't get more turnout. I'd encourage a format that gives DCMs and GSRs more and encourages

Rob, D23 DCM – this is the first assembly for new servants. Although it's a service focused conference, it's not focused on the duties that we do here at the Area.

Lisa – D40, Alt DCM – GSRs I our district – a lot of ambivalence, seems service workshops were favored. How to best serve in a committee would be best. Workshops might be more appropriate.

Bill – we're trying to cram this little deal into Saturday morning – could we use the whole weekend for business?

Tina – when this got started, some other areas do weekend assemblies and brought it back to us to try. I was on an adhoc committee early on that had some suggestions about how to incorporate business across the weekend. Since then, program chairs and committees

Kevin – it occurs to me that we start talking about an assembly for a whole weekend – it would mean additional cost. Unless this body is willing to pick up this cost for GSRs for a whole weekend. We have to be careful to be inclusive in what we decide and discuss.

Rich – we talk about a weekend assembly and yet today people will be watching the clock by 2pm. Id like our Archivist to look into why we started a Spring Conference. Now, we say what we used to do.

This room is full of people who don't know what we used to do. As a committee chair a few years ago, I had a last being of Spring conference program. We had 3 correction panels, volunteers, etc. There was many us on different committees to bring forth the work we're doing. What we put on paper fell short. WE don't do what we intended to do. We are a product of what we know. When we start caning it, we don't do well. We don't do it all well. When we get bound up, what we do is an inventory. I think it's time for Area 20 to do an inventory. I'd like to move to get together to work out an inventory long before we change anything else we do.

Ray - I would second that one too!

Rich to present motion about area inventory after lunch, today, as per Marilyn.

Ray – there is a lot of history on this. We spent most of a decade trying to figure out how to make NIA work better. A big chunk of that is taking a service event and merge with assembly. There were at times as many as 1,000 people at the spring conference; sometimes it was a service oriented conference and other times not. I was one of the first people to oppose the combination. Because we used to do a couple things and we ended up smashing them and now it doesn't really work. Before we change anything, we have to recognize one things that's going on here. That's rotation. We pretend no that we can invite GSRs to winter committee and provide a workshop that doesn't even get close. We don't talk about concept, we talk about a few things. That moment that we know call assembly conference could be a moment better suited to a better educational process. I don't if it turns back into something else but we don't do a very good job of educating ourselves or GSRs who have maybe never been to a district meeting. WE need to do more of that education.

Larry – I am in favor of a weekend assembly. We need to decide whether we want a weekend assembly or a conference. There are lots of things a district could do over the course of a weekend. I'm not a fan of "they do it this way" here and there. They do weekend assemblies in many places. /I don't envision a weekend assembly will attract 500 people. I'm also concerned about the level of participation and who has to be funded. If we're not coming to the assembly, we're not coming to the weekend assembly. We can general sharing, streamline logistics – there all kinds of things we could be doing that given everyone the opportunity to learn something. And we can afford to fund it. Over time it would become successful. The Area should put it on before they write guidelines. Because we won't know how it will work. Better if we just try it. Let's not decide what a district ought to do – let's do it ourselves. A problem now is we give districts guidelines with no oversight. When they don't do it right we're disappointed.

John C – This discussion sounds good but the people that really need to be telling us what they want are the groups, GSRs. Folks that get elected to GSRs and group members. Winter committee, Spring Assembly, Pre GSC workshop, etc and participation is what we put into it is what we get out of it. Out of 1100 groups, we'd get 25 GSRs. Wed get 50 of 90 committee members. Wed have an assembly and try to figure out why no one showed up. We tried it – maybe we change timing, put this then and that

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now, etc. I don't care what it takes but we need to take an inventory. We get the groups involved because they send us their money and tell us to do their service. What do we do next?

Judd – doesn't matter what we call it. What's relevant for me is the purpose – stated purpose of an assembly is a meeting of general service representative to conduct business of AA, when AA needs their guidance. People use it for more things, but that's the purpose of an assembly. The stated purpose of Spring Conference t be a service conference, about service, to service, to get engaged. The business of an Assembly can be done in a morning. GSRs who come to that are not necessarily the same folks who would come to a service workshop. Those folks often aren't GSRS – they want to help the still suffering, The opportunity we have with Spring conference is to hold a panel on corrections, a working panel, to do something, Having people who have experience to give it to those who don't. Get them fired up. That's the point! What we have with our Spring Conference is an opportunity to get people involved in service, to bring together these things. Doesn't matter what we call them. Different people sitting in a room interested in what they can do to help the still suffering through corrections, for example.

Laura – can we think of terms of moving it into April to avoid conflicts with spring break

Tracey – at SC this year, at breakouts we had 8 people in the PI breakout. We had a PI panel at 4pom, had three peoples. Another observation – I get tired of people who have no idea what these conferences are and what they must offer. Getting people out to conferences helps them see what there is to learn.

Phil – we need to start something new. We've started new in our disctict – a beginner's meeting. All of them are new and a couple old timers. Group has grown, no more empty chairs. We need to do the same thing here – we should have a separate thing going with GSRs and to benefit the newer people and get more people to come. Newer people have passed up the old timers – new people have the enthusiasm.

Heather – move spring conference to the summer given there is a lot happening in the summer. We're trying to do too much in the spring. We could avoid spring break. One major idea for why we combined – to increase attendance. We do get slightly more people when we combine the event. It could be more. Area inventory is an excellent idea.

Tina – what we're going to discuss the 15 thousand that we might send to GSO. Why would we send to 15K to GSO when we have people in our own Area who can't even get our service events that we put on for our trusted servants. DCMs go back to district – can we change that number and keep it here and help GSRs who can't go to a service conference.

Carmela – I think we've heard what GSRs want – it's the same thing I ever wanted – it's to come here and learn. I remember being part of that early service structure committee. John, you mentioned it earlier - all that work ad nauseum. I wouldn't say that it was ad nauseum. We were in the process of learning how to grow as an area to encourage participation. None of what we've done has been with any ill motive. This is not a negative conversation. Those of you who are new to this discussion – this is

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actually a good thing. It's about how do we grow participation in service at the area level and district at the group level, making a way for people to learn how to get involved. It's also a process, feels like a painful one. Those of us who been here awhile think, gosh, this is a simple choice. I was never one to miss party – I love conferences. One of my first service opportunities was on a conference. Hosting a party (aka a conference) is not necessarily service. I love a party and aa business so I am all in favor of a weekend assembly. I remember when I was a DCM at the early combined events, we had a DCM meeting on Friday night – we had a blast. We extended that business over time. It's also not about just having breakout rooms. You can have all the breakout rooms you want but if the session isn't led with a purpose and doesn't provide education, then it's useless. If we're not going to use the space, let's not bother future committees with having to make space. If we want a conference, we should decide that. If want an assembly, we should decide that. If we want a summer conference then maybe the area doesn't fund it, if it's not a service event. Let's redefine the goal of the event and move toward that.

Larry – read from service manual, leadership in AA - excerpt from Concept 9, written by Bill W. I have no objection to an inventory or talking to GSRs but I also think that its time this committee stood up, demonstrated some leadership and made some changes. If we ask anyone what they want, they'll answer "party". We haven't done anything different in 20 years.

Susan, D41 DCM – much of our district is made up those sober 5 years or less. We are about attraction rather than promotion, Whether there are 200 or 20 people here, we are staying sober and carrying the message.

Erik – a lot of good discussion. We all want this to get better. In my experience in other areas, everybody talks about how do we get more people here? It affects everyone. There is less participation here than in some other areas. We ought to look at it. I agree with motion to inventory. How do we make this attractive? There is work to be done – this is business. We have to make this more attractive and inviting.

Alex - a lot is beyond my understanding. What I hope would be that when I leave the conference is to have a better understanding to be of better service – there is a lot I don't understand. I need to learn more about how to do my job.

Chris – it's a little bit of be careful what you pray for. We keep saying we want more people to come. What I would love to see if to have less people leave, It seems that we try hard to get people in the door and then we lose them once they are there. In our last assembly, we got mired down in circles of debate and GSRs were leaving. I was upset. I recognize these things – it would be useful to have a good plan going in about what we want to achieve. To a certain point, some promotion is needed by districts to talk about what's going to happen. If during the assembly we had a little cut out that said this time is just for GSRs – the whole purpose is for GSRs to be able to vote and guide the area.

Marcia – I like both the idea of the spring conference and the weekend assembly. I've heard about other areas where GSRs feel honored to be there – groups save money all year to send their GSR. I do remember that I would go to soring assembly and it would be fun but I was a GSR and interested and

corrections and maybe some about PI – I would go to other panels. But I also wanted to go to the sponsorship. I do see a benefit in both. On those years when we have to host state conference. On years when host state conference, we shouldn't have a spring conference. And the area should hot weekend assembly.

Phil – I would love to echo what was said earlier. As more time spent is spent on process and procedure, less time we're actually reaching out.

Steve, Ans Service Chair, D52 – I like the idea of keeping the two events together, chances are better that you'll get the casual member to go who normally wouldn't. These discussions aren't really discussions – there isn't a real dialogue. Perhaps we have dialogue at tables and table groups give short recap of table discussion. This is a flawed way to have a discussion. It's part of the problem. When you have discussions at a table, avoiding public speaking and having table discussions will be more effective.

Steve – Chris reported that 44 GSRs attended Spring Assembly. My first assembly was in 2012 – I drove a distance to get there. We sat on the floor in breakout session because there wasn't a chair. There were two GSRs from our district - they loved the Spring Assembly conference. Breakouts are important to our GSRs. We need to support guidelines about breakout session space for the SAC.

Pam, Alt DCM, D28 – I stepped up for position because our district would go dark. It's better to fly by the seat of my pants than to let district go dark.

Robert – thank you all for your participation. This will be talked about at DCM breakout at next assembly. There will be plans made to make recommendations to assembly. We need to decide what we need to do and do it in a way that will work.

#### 12. Motion by Larry S, ECRF funding

**Full motion:** Moved, that NIOA officers, appointed committee chairs and current and incoming NIA service committee chairs be afforded the opportunity to attend the ECR Forum in November 2017. Projected cost - \$500 per committee. Allowable expenses are food, lodging and mileage. **History:** After discussion this am, it was agreed that we'd include current and incoming chairs.

Motion seconded by Ray M

#### **Questions:**

Robert – if people who presented individual motions to ask for participation should withdraw their motions in favor of this one? Would any of the committees present withdraw their individual motions in favor of this one?

#### **Discussion:**

Gary – is this motion fails, other individual motions should still be able to be considered. This motion should simply be considered ahead of the others.

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Motion will be brought forth to Summer Assembly for approval.

#### 13. Motion by Rich H to form an area inventory committee

**Full motion:** Before Area 20 makes changes to structure or Spring Conference Assembly conference that we conduct a thorough area inventory looking at our purpose.

**Additional detail:** Committee can be defined by Summer Assembly 2017. The committee will define the inventory process, questions and a proposed end date. There are three members present who have expressed interest in serving on the committee.

#### **Questions:**

Robert – point of order - is this something we can allow this body to vote on? Or is this assembly business?

Rich – I think we should not bypass assembly or rob GSRs of any responsibilities.

Dan – are any possible committee members here current GSRs?

Rich – DCMs and alternates, GSRs and committee chairs

Dan – if you have a majority of committee members here, what are we asking GSRs?

Rich – we do business in the name of the groups, why rob the opportunity of the groups to share their ideas?

Dan – most of them won't have the background

Marilyn – point of order. Motion requires a second.

Motion seconded by Tina R

#### **Discussion:**

Bob – I agree with Rich. I don't think GSRs should be deprived of the opportunity to carry this back to their groups.

Rob – Do we even need a motion? We're talking about on inventory of this body. It sounds like Rich has already assembled a committee. Why don't we move forward with process?

Kelly – I'm along with Robert and Rob. In the past, doesn't just Area Chair appoint an adhoc committee for an area inventory. We don't need assembly approval.

John – I would be asked to participate in area inventory questions so I think it's appropriate if they want to participate in that process.

Carmela – the part of the motion that concerns me is that it's "If this, then that." So, before we decide to make any changes, we ought to do an inventory. If we do an inventory, it should be because we need to do an inventory. There shouldn't be a prerequisite. The inventory might not lead us to any specific changes to assembly conference or our structure. I wouldn't support this as written, and think we should remove that part of the language.

Judd – You have the cart and the horse. The purpose of the adhoc committee would be to reach out to the groups to find out what questions are relevant and how will we do an inventory. It's an area inventory. I don't think we're suggesting an area committee inventory, right? This committee executes and reports on the inventory – the groups DO the inventory.

Rich – Carmela was the 2<sup>nd</sup> person to request a change to the language. I will do that today.

Steve – I was thinking – let's remember this doesn't have to be the great American novel. Rule 62 – this is getting past ridiculous.

Tina – If we decide to have an adhoc committee – we may not need a motion. Normally, we wouldn't need a motion.

Robert – do GSRs want us to do an inventory or do we need to do an inventory. Let's not spend another two months to see if they want us to do an inventory. This body can decide to do it.

Marilyn – the way it's working is not as good as we would like it to work. We need to find out how to get people to participate and what it is they would like to see. What is that we all want to see? Go for it, find an answer so that Area 20 can learn and grow. Rich is going to create a questionnaire, an adhoc committee, not a motion.

Rob – we committee members, DCMS, take this back to groups. We don't have to wait for the assembly.

### **Old Business**

#### 1. 2017 Spring / Assembly Conference (D23, 40), Dawn and Jeff

Final binders are ready and handed out. Total was 457. 148 room nights. Two speakers room paid for, 2 nights each. Total food and banquet 11,233.36. Kept eye on coffee. We only used 47 gallons. 214 banquets sold. 90 ice cream. 113 box lunches. The check for NIA seed money for 3185.76 is sent on.

#### 2. 2017 Big Book Conference (D71), Tracy

Final flyers will be done by summer assembly. All we have left is program for Spanish panels. June 26<sup>th</sup> is first onsite meeting. Next meeting is June 22 at Alano club.

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D10, Bob P	Elections held last fall and new District officers took over in January. All chairs have been filled and majority of alternate chairs. Average attendance is 40-50. We have a service fair scheduled -can talk to Kevin A about it. Service fair 6/17 – there will be area participation in Lake Villa. 2018 Spring Assembly conference was presented today – bid successfully awarded. Our newsletter is being transmitted electronically to area office and fellow DCMs. We hope this foster communication and idea sharing. Kelly is visiting September 24 <sup>th</sup> district meeting to deliver delegate's report. The A Way Out group is celebrating in October. Fall breakfast is scheduled at IL Beach State Park. District meets on 4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of each month.
D11, Kelly	Attendance at our district meetings has averaged about 25 people since the beginning of the year. Two months ago we moved locations and now meet In Woodstock.
	In the last couple months we had a new literature chair voted into the position. This past month he assembled newcomer packets containing many different pamphlets and our meeting schedule which were distributed amongst the GSRs in attendance at this month's meeting.
	Our webmaster and alternate webmaster put together a searchable schedule on our website to more easily search for meetings in our district by day or town. We also started making our agendas, minutes and reports available on our website.
	The corrections, answering service, treatment and public information committees are all very active and at our last meeting we had a new alternate accessibilities chair step in and well as an alternate grapevine chair.
	At the last district meeting a motion for our district to set aside a max budget of \$1000 for the DCM, Alt DCM and any other interested committee chairs to use to attend the East Central Regional Forum in November was passed.
	In the past two months, two new groups have announced their formation. One is a 11 <sup>th</sup> step meeting held at Hope Church in Crystal Lake on Sunday nights and the other group is a Three Legacies group which will be starting June 4 <sup>th</sup> and held at the Faith Community United Church of Christ in Prairie Grove/Crystal Lake
D12, Pete	We're joining D10 for service fair (carnival). That's 10-12 in June. Its picnic time – summer picnic at north Chicago on July 16 <sup>th</sup> . 8/13 – Waukegan alano party. Nest meeting is June 20 <sup>th</sup> . Hosting Fall assembly 9/16.
20, Elezar	No one present
21, Scott W	Sponsored most recent assembly. Average attendance is 10-12. We do have many new GSRs. One of our servants is leaving the area so it's a growth opportunity for many on the committee since he was relied upon for so much.

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22, Dan	Attendance – average about 40. Chair positions mostly filled. We're always looking for ways to get people more involved.
23, Rob M	Doing well average 20 on a monthly basis. 2 <sup>nd</sup> Monday of ea month at 7:30. We have a new meeting started at EDI club on Thursday nights.
28, Carl T	Thank you for letting us host. Thank you to committee. We suffer a bit with open positions. We did withdraw bidding for Spring Conference. We are looking at future opportunities to bid to host an area event. Request Kelly to deliver a delegate report.
40, Lisa S	We meet on last Friday of ea month. We have between 30-35 at ea meeting. New treatment chair and will have a new PI chair. Picnic 7/23.
41, Laura	We spent a lot of time on safety conversation – have concerns with our GSRs and chairs. We encourage looking into the safety issue. New literature chair, archives is filled. Two open positions. Alt chair positions are open. 2 events – drop the rock 6/3, Haymarket booth of info regrading recovery. Meet every third Thursday.
42, John	I am learning as I go. So far, I have not broken our district. We have many open positions. Location and date of district meeting is current. Thank you, Bonnie, for visiting about answering service and sparked some renewed interest in our district. We have a workshop the 4 <sup>th</sup> Saturday of the month – district inventory. Activities are progressing smoothly in District 42. The District Meeting is at 7:00 PM on the third Tuesday of the month at the Hinsdale United Methodist Church, as indicated on the updated listing of District Meetings and District Contacts. The contact information for the DCM is also correct. There are still a number of open Committee Chair and Alternate positions in District 42 that we are working to fill. We appreciate the visit from the Area Answering Service Committee (Bonnie P. and Patrick M.) at the April District Meeting. Their visit sparked renewed interest in the District Answering Service Committee. The District Chair position has been open since January 2017. However, since the visit from the Area Committee, the District Alternate Chair for this Committee has agreed to step up as District Chair. District 42 holds Workshops on the fourth Saturday of the month. The Workshop in May will be a District Inventory. This could be a very interesting Workshop.
43, George	Meet on 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of every month, except tomorrow. There are normally 40+ in attendance. CPC is active – filled all libraries with racks and books. Archives is active. Archives workshop coming up 7/15 west suburban fellowship. Webmaster and grapevine chair are working together to put together an audio and visual format newsletter on the website.
51,	No one present
52,	No one present

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61, Carol	We have fox valley open next Saturday night. Picnic 8/5. We met last Friday of the moth. Between 30-40 people, almost always new GSRs. Answering service teamed up with special needs helping to arrange rides. CPC have met at high schools to talk at health classes about AA. Corrections is active. All committees have chairs and alternates. There is no alternate DCM. Literature alternate is open position. Group pay for newcomer packet when they can. Grapevine committee collects them and recycles them to jails. Recent grapevine story was from this district.
62, Phil	Had answering service committee come to present ideas about answering service. I'd like to do more research on grasshopper as a service.
64, Jack	Just took over. All chairs are filled. We need more organization. We get about 20-25 people. One main concern will be to get folks involved.
65, Santiago	Looking for a DCM. We are celebrating 35-year Hispanic convention at the end of June. 6/24-26. Have been working with groups to get GSRs – 6 groups in district. We try to encourage them to come to the area. We have some committee chairs – La Vina, Corrections, attend Kane County and DuPage jail, hospitals. Trying to get people involved. Last weekend, a group celebrated its 28 <sup>th</sup> anniversary. Aurora - PI meeting held every Saturday afternoon
70,	No one present
71,	No one present
72, OPEN	No DCM or alternate in place yet, no one present to report
73, Karen D	We average 15-20 at meeting, third Friday night of each month. Ray sent us new group history forms. Running a panel at big book conference on step 8 and 9.
79,	No one present
80,	No one present
90, Marty	We are self-supporting. Thank you, Erik L, CPC chair for coming to town for a CPC workshop. Thank you, Bonnie and Patrick, for coming to share about Answering Service. D90 is self-supporting. Things are going well. We have many meeting halls that are carrying the message to the still suffering alcoholic. Ricca which is a halfway house and treatment facility suffered a big loss on Easter Sunday. Jerry Jackson, treatment counselor to so many passed away suddenly at his home. I attended his funeral to comfort our friends. So many people that I call friends today are sober in part because he made a commitment to stay sober & help others to recover. He had celebrated 40 years of sobriety on Good Friday. He will be missed in our community. He was 65 years old.
91, Ed M	No one present, sent electronically

- 1. Solid district with a continuing solid core of members.
- 2. We continue to contribute to NIA 20 and GSO monthly, set amount
- 3. Twelve (12) groups in district, half supply members to district.
- 4. Various AA and social events relating to AA are planned
- 5. We are looking for a different method of using the answering service phone. My use a track phone and drop yellow and white pages entry.

Lunch

### **Service Committee Reports**

#### Answering Service, Bonnie L

We've bene rather business to attend districts. We've hit 7 since April. We have 4 left to visit. 43, 72, 20 and 64 – be watching for us. By the end of year, we should have a good report about answering service. New maps are on the table. Some of your maps are old – replace them with maps with valid phone numbers. We appreciate all the input so can report out to others.

#### Archives,

No one present to report

#### Archivist, Ray M

No report

#### Accessibilities (formerly known as Special Needs)

No Chair or Alternate in place yet. No one present to report

#### Bridge the Gap, Wheezie

Been busy visiting districts. So far, only one bridge has come through the google 800 number. If you want us to visit your Hosting Summer Assembly on June 10<sup>th</sup>. Calling on district BTG committees to participate.

#### Corrections, Dawn

During last few months, we've ordered two cases of soft covered 12x12s for D90 women's correctional facility. 2 cases soft covered big books and 1 case grapevines sent to Tracey F for Sheraton correctional facility. D61 planning a workshop in the fall. If your district wants a workshop, let us know.

#### At the mic:

Susan – Brian said that when he goes in to jails and talks, they are asking for large print, they can read it at night when lights are down.

Dawn – sending large print is becoming a thing. 2 cases sent yesterday to DuPage.

#### CPC, Erik L

Participated in the Spring Conference with CPC Panel of Professionals. - Great turn-out, - 4 good speakers

Held a CPC Workshop in District 90 on April 22nd. - Good group & great discussion Will be attending & exhibiting at the Northern Illinois Employee Assistance Professionals Conference June 6th in Oak Brook.

Will be attending the Haymarket Summer Institute June 14th in Elmhurst.

#### Grapevine

No one present to report; this report submitted electronically by Karen - The new Grapevine book, Making Amends, is available now for \$11.50. The new La Viña book, Lo Mejor de La Viña(the best of La Viña), is available now for \$10.50.

The new Grapevine story archive has every Grapevine article published since 1944 and many ways to search for articles.

The Grapevine is now accepting articles regarding Service During the Holidays. Stories are due by July 5, 2017.

The Grapevine subscription app is available now for Android, iPhone, and iPad.

There will be a vacancy for Nontrustee Director of AA Grapevine Board in 2018 after the General Service Conference. Resumes are due by August 1, 2017. For more information regarding the position and the desired qualities in applicants please contact Karen or Urbano.

#### Literature, Jeff

No report

#### Public Information, Tracey

Attended Spring Conference, assembly breakout had 8 people. Looking to host PI workshops. Service workshop coming up in June.

#### Treatment, John R

Your Treatment Committee has been interacting with the districts. SAMSHA is a great website that assists with locating treatment facilities. We are continuously working to enhance our District relationships, which we sent letters to District's like D90, 91, 80, 73, 72, 71, 70, 62, 64, 61, 51, 43, 41, 22, 12, and 11 that have alcoholic treatment facilities. We appreciate those that responded. Treatment Committee is here for Districts to assist in carrying the message. We also had the pleasure of attending District 73 's District meeting. If you have questions regarding the letter that was sent to District's and/or you would like to see the Facilities SAMSHA provided for your District please feel free to ask/email/call.

### **Administrative Committee Reports**

#### Concepts, Heather

Plan is to rotate out in 2 years, start thinking about it. I talked it over with my co-editor that someone might be well served to serve as co-editor to get used of the job. Submission deadline is today but will accept tomorrow.

#### Electronic Equipment, Steve M

Flatbed cart that we have used was left at the Hyatt Regency. Dawn ill reach out to contact to see if it it still there. Otherwise, we may need another one.

#### Finance Committee, Scott W

Area finances are very healthy as a result of stronger than expected 7th tradition contributions from Districts and Groups. The 4/30 PPR reflects an Operating Reserve, of \$44,541.13. After taking into account a prudent reserve of \$16,170, a balance of \$28,371.13. remains. Therefore, The Finance Committee, at the upcoming Assembly, plans to recommend a contribution to the General Service Board of \$15,000. This recommendation will be made having considered, continued contributions and expected costs that include large expense items like the 2018 Spring Conference seed money, 2017 Big Book Conference Seed money, and the 2018 GSC contribution. Additional funding of events and activity not presently on the PPR will have to be considered before a final recommendation amount is made to the Assembly. The Committee also reviewed and discussed a letter written by the GSO Chief Financial Officer seeking additional voluntary contributions to defray the costs of the General Service Conference. While Conference policy is to request \$1600 for each Conference member, the estimated cost of the 2017 Conference will be \$6500 per conference member. The 2016 Conference cost per member was \$7400. Area 20 historic practice, indicates that NIA has sought to to fully fund Conference attendance. This is consistent with the B02-17 which was set at \$6000. As a result of these discussions a motion was made to increase B02-17 from \$6000 to \$7000 to more closely match Conference cost. The motion was passed by unanimous vote. Finally, It was noted that individuals, groups, and districts have been forwarding Birthday Fund Contributions to NIA which in turn forwards the money directly to the General Service Board. While NIA operates solely as a pass through for these funds, doing so requires additional processes and reporting for both NIA and GSB. Therefore, it was recommended and moved that individuals, groups, and districts make Birthday Plan contributions directly to GSB. This motion passed by unanimous vote. After dissemination of this change to groups and districts, future receipt of Birthday Fund Contributions by NIA will be returned to sender with direction on forwarding to the General Service Board.

#### Operating Committee, Marilyn

No report

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#### Report and Charter, John C

The Report & Damp; Charter Committee is one of the five administrative committees in NIA 20. Our task is to review and offer motions to revise NIA documents. For the past couple years, our focus has been on the Northern IL Area 20 Service Handbook, currently available on the NIA 20 website identified as the "Service Handbook". There is also a document called the Service Handbook Addenda which list the changes made to the Northern Illinois Area 20 Service Handbook since version June 15, 2013. These documents are available in an English and Hispanic version.

The reason we mention this to you again is that we hope you are familiar with the current document and its location as are coming closer to the end of our review and the vision is to present a motion to approve the updated Northern IL Area 20 Service Handbook in the upcoming months. Since the contents of this document are to orientate and guide us in the service work that we do, it is important that it be clear and concise, yet detailed enough to answer any questions that someone would have to engage in General Service Work and to perform the duties and responsibilities of Trusted Servant.

The committee will continue to review assembly approved revisions to NIA documents to assess the impact on the handbook. We are in the midst of a final review of the whole document for consistency and flow of the information. We thank you all for allowing us the privilege of performing this important service work. We as a committee have worked diligently on this service piece and have massaged the bumps and snags we have come across in this document, by asking for experience, strength and hope on those folks doing the work today.

The most recent meeting of our committee was on Saturday May 5 th in Crystal Lake. We have decided to meet again on June 3 rd in Lake Zurich to hopefully come closer to the end of the review in time to present at the Summer Committee Meeting August in LaFox.

We want to take the time to acknowledge the Area Chair for attending and participating in our scheduled meetings.

#### Web Administrator, John C

Thank you to Earl for steeping up as alternate. We are very fortunate to have his dedication and expertise. The website that he built in D10 is a model for the type of site we want o do here. Kelly's Delegate page – she is publishing document there. Go there and review materials. We started putting motions on the agenda page – motions are on the same page as agenda. If you wish reports on the page. If you can get reports to me by Friday afternoon or evening.

#### At the mic:

John C – recently we were trying to find old Concepts newsletters. Is the process that we write to you to get old copies of the newsletter?

John — I only carry those which are anonymity protected. I don't publish or provide them on the site any longer given past editors did not create anonymity protected versions. I can provide them directly though will not be published on the website.

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### **Officer Reports**

#### Alternate Delegate, Robert S

Since the Spring Assembly/Conference:

I attended District 10's March Business Meeting to discuss 10 hosting a Service Orientation Workshop. The workshop is going to be on June 17 th at Lake Villa Township West Campus, 37850 Rt. 59 in Lake Villa from 10am to 2pm. I attended the planning meeting for the 2018 Spring Assembly/Conference Bid by Districts 10 and 11.

#### Alternate Chair, Steve M

Since our Spring Assembly I've had the opportunity to attend our Big Book Planning meeting on the 27 of March. I love our committee. Attended our Pre-General Service workshop here at the Lord of Life on April 8. I'm still learning more and more about how our Service Structure works. Chairing the Agenda Committee is a lot different than attending. Learned a lot that day. I still believe that there are a lot of people that still don't understand the importance of the Conference.

Our wrap up meeting for the 2017 Spring Assembly Conference was on the 9th of April. Great final reports were given. I love the inventory of the Committees.

Attended a planning meeting for the 2018 Spring Assembly Conference in Waukegan on April 22nd. Thought it was to be a meeting to work on a bid. Turned out they were electing Planning Committee Chairs. April 24th I attended the 2017 Big Book Conference Planning meeting.

We had another 2018 Spring Assembly Planning meeting on the 6th of May in Waukegan.

We have returned the Drop cords to the Lord of Life Church they were in with our supplies.

We did purchase a new cash box. Did take into consideration what our 2016 Registration Chair said, that our old cash box was to small. Hopefully this one will work for all our events.

One other thing. Our flatbed cart (the one we use to bring in the electronic equipment and other supplies got left at the Hyatt Regency after the Spring Assembly Conference. We will need to replace it.

#### Alternate Treasurer, Nicole E

Included in appendix of this document.

#### Secretary, Carmela R

Please let me know if you need a name badge. If there is anything you want to submit for your report, please do so in the next couple of days.

#### Alternate Secretary, Kristen B

No report

#### Registrar, Chris D

Included in appendix of this document

#### Alternate Registrar,

No one present to report

#### Chair, Marilyn F

I would like to welcome everyone and thank Carl T. and District 28 for hosting today's meeting.

At this Committee Meeting we will see what districts are hosting the 2018 Spring Assembly/Conference.

Robert S., Area 20 Alternate Delegate will hold a sharing session to talk about "what we want the Spring Conference to look like. Please bring your thoughts and speak up.

John C., Panel 58, has a motion to fund district participation at the 2017 East Central Regional Forum.

Lastly, Kelly L. our Delegate will present a motion concerning the Grapevine publishing biographies.

Also, we will have elections for two open positions; Special Needs Chair and Alternate Special Needs Chair.

I hope to see all of you at the Committee Meeting

### Open Mic

John – regarding ECRF motion. It is November in Springfield. One important thing about attending this event is you will get a chance to meet new Chair of the board and ECR Trustee.

Judd – Area 20 assemblies have approved 12 documents that guide what we do and how we do it. I combine them and have them spiral bound. I have 6 in Spanish and 20 in English. I pay for them with my money, it's not an area service.

Rich – winners and beginner's anniversary party

George – Archive workshop 7/15, Naperville club

Rob – there will be food, burgers, brats tickets are

Carl – McHenry annual soberest fundraiser event tonight

Steve – I'll get most current GSR meeting list and attend

Robert – on Wed night in Elgin, there is a meeting called the 12, 12 and 12 and more meeting.

### **Appendix**

- 1. Delegate report
- 2. Treasurer and Alternate Treasurer report
- 3. Registrar report

#### **Delegates Report**

#### **Spring Committee**

May 12, 2017

Hello Everyone,

I have been busy putting together a presentation of the 67<sup>th</sup> General Service Conference. I sent out some of the reports from the conference that will not be included in the presentation. I am up to about 56 slides so far and would like to try and keep it simple. I had a much better time this year with a lot more fellowship. I would like to say that a lot of work got done and being in West Chester County, Rye Brook it was much more serene and quiet. I didn't hear not one police siren or ambulance. I actually left the hotel only once on Saturday afternoon to get something to eat in town. There wasn't enough time due to public transportation or just the distance in general. I look forward to sharing more about the conference at the Summer Assembly June 10, 2017.

I would like to thank the DCMs and one treasurer who asked me to attend their district meetings to share about the conference. As it stands now I will be visiting six district meetings and one Alano club. So far, June is the busiest month. In July I will not be available the second and third week due to other events. On July 14<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> I will be at the 64th Annual Indiana State Convention and East Central Regional Conference being held in Fort Wayne Indiana. The other weekend July 21<sup>st</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup>, I was asked to share my experience, strength and hope at the 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Illinois Summer Roundup in Galesburg, something that I am more at ease with sharing. If you would like me to visit your district or meeting please email me at your earliest convenience.

Please remember the State Conference hosted by Area 19 on August 11-13<sup>th</sup> at The Crowne Plaza Hotel in Rosemont. So far our Area is hosting three of the panels with committee chairs and officers on some of the other panels.

Also, attached with the report is an "Area Challenge" to support all of the services GSO provides to all groups, for one year.

Thank you for allowing me to serve,

Kelly L.

Delegate, Panel 66

**Grapevine Committee** 

Northern Illinois Area, Limited P.O. Box 1056 Yorkville, IL 60560

### Northern Illinois Area 20

Unity - Service - Recovery

#### Report of the NIA Treasurer, NIA Spring Committee Meeting, 5/13/2017

#### **Balance** sheet

The balance sheet report, updated through 4/30/2017, is attached.

- The prudent reserve was reduced from \$16,500 to \$16,170, or 30% of 2017's PPBs
  - o Note: I have not yet transferred the balance from the prudent reserve account to the checking account
- On 4/30, after subtracting Pink and Green Can reserve funds, our bank balance was \$44,541.14 which is \$28,371.13 over our prudent reserve
  - o Note: The \$28,371.13 includes seed money for both the 2017 Big Book Conference (\$2,500) and 2018 Spring Conference (\$3,000). So, the actual excess over prudent reserve, as of 4/30, was \$22,871.13.
- "Green Can" fund (TF literature) balance was \$157.13 (4/30)
- "Pink Can" fund (CF literature) balance was \$5,194.25 (4/30)
- "GSO Birthday Plan" fund balance was \$0 (4/30) all received contributions were forwarded
  - o Groups are encouraged to make "Birthday Plan" contributions directly to the GSB. Contributions can be made online at <a href="https://ctb.aaws.org/default.aspx?lang=en">https://ctb.aaws.org/default.aspx?lang=en</a> or by check, made payable to "General Service Board". Contributions by check should indicate "GSO Birthday Plan" the group service number and can be mailed to The General Service Office, Post Office Box 459, Grand Central Station, New York, NY 10163-0459.

#### Contributions/Expenses (Profit and Loss in QuickBooks)

• The QuickBooks profit and loss report, updated through 4/30/2017, shows that year-to-date contributions from all sources totaled \$32,519.81, expenses totaled \$8,842.44, and the net bank balance increased by \$23,677.37.

#### Primary Purpose Register (PPR)

• The PPR combines information from the balance sheet, profit and loss report, and NIA Guidelines. The PPR that is attached was update through 4/30/2017. As always, the current PPR is available online at <a href="http://aa-nia.org">http://aa-nia.org</a>.

#### Tax-related

- NIA, Ltd.'s 2017 annual report was filed with the Secretary of State on 3/17/2017 (due 4/1/2017)
- NIA, Ltd.'s 2016 1099s were filed on 3/26/2017
- NIA, Ltd.'s 2016 IRS income tax statement was filed on 5/11/2017 (due 5/15/2017)
- Dennis Johnson, CPA, Big Rock IL, has agreed to continue his role as registered agent for the purposes of annual reporting with the Secretary of State of Illinois
- Diane Johnson, CPA, (no, not related), Yorkville IL, has agreed going forward to prepare NIA Ltd., taxes and to provide accounting consulting on an as-needed basis.

Respectfully submitted, Judd W., NIA Treasurer – Panel 66 treasurer@aa-nia.org

# NIA, Ltd.

### **BALANCE SHEET**

As of April 30, 2017

	TOTAL
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Bank Accounts	
Cash	
Checking	27,889.09
Restricted Funds	
Green Can	157.13
Pink Can	5,124.95
Total Restricted Funds	5,282.08
Total Checking	33,171.17
Prudent Reserve	16,652.04
Total Cash	49,823.21
Total Bank Accounts	\$49,823.21
Total Current Assets	\$49,823.21
TOTAL ASSETS	\$49,823.21
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Other Current Liabilities	
Liabilities	
Green Can	157.13
Pink Can	5,124.95
Total Liabilities	5,282.08
Total Other Current Liabilities	\$5,282.08
Total Current Liabilities	\$5,282.08
Total Liabilities	\$5,282.08
Equity	
Fund Balance	20,863.76
Net Income	23,677.37
Total Equity	\$44,541.13
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	\$49,823.21

# NIA, Ltd.

### PROFIT AND LOSS

January - April, 2017

	TOTAL
INCOME	
7th Tradition Contributions	
Contributions - District	10,900.09
Contributions - Group	21,458.10
Contributions - Personal	160.00
Interest	1.62
Total 7th Tradition Contributions	32,519.81
Total Income	\$32,519.81
GROSS PROFIT	\$32,519.81
EXPENSES	
Primary Purpose Basic	
B01-17 2017 General Service Conference	762.99
B03-16 2016 Area Assemblies	57.90
B03-17 2017 Area Assemblies	500.62
B04-17 2017 Area Committee Meetings	231.27
B05-17 2017 Service Orientation Workshops	400.00
B07-16 2016 Concepts Newsletter	67.32
B07-17 2017 Concepts Newsletter	2,006.27
B08-16 2016 Area Committee participation in	536.60
District Committee functions	
B08-17 2017 Area Committee participation in	21.60
District Committee functions	
B09-17 2017 ECR Conference of Delegates Past and Present	1,465.24
B10-16 2016 Area Operations	202.88
B10-17 2017 Area Operations	2,721.79
B12-17 2017 Spring Conference, Area	2,652.63
Committee participation	
B13-16 2016 Big Book Conference, hosting	-2,487.64
B13-17 2017 Big Book Conference, hosting	2,500.00
B14-16 2017 Spring Conference, hosting	-3,184.76
B17-17 2017 Service Committee Workshops	139.00
B19-16 2016 IL State Conference, hosting	-621.89
B20-16 2016 National AA Tech Workshop	870.62
Total Primary Purpose Basic	8,842.44
Total Expenses	\$8,842.44
NET OPERATING INCOME	\$23,677.37
NET INCOME	\$23,677.37

# **NIA Alternate Treasurer's Report**

Report date: 5/5/2017

The address for the NIA Treasurer for the Panel 66 rotation is: Northern Illinois Area, Ltd., P.O. Box 1056, Yorkville, IL 60560. Contribution envelopes are available at every NIA Assembly and committee meeting. Please complete the form on the envelope when making contributions to NIA so we can correctly account for your contributions. In service,

Nicole E., NIA Alternate Treasurer alt-treasurer@aa-nia.org

## Summary of contributions received from 1/14/2017 through 4/30/2017

Date deposited	(All)
Row Labels	Sum of Contribution amount
Pink Can contribution	\$4,592.28
District contribution	\$10,900.09
Green Can contribution	\$36.50
Group contribution	\$21,458.10
<b>Grand Total</b>	\$36,986.97

Date deposited	(AII)	

District	Group number		Group name	Contribution type	Total
	0	716596	Babes without Booze Big Book Group	Pink Can contribution	\$100.00
0 Total					\$100.00
	10	104200	Friday Morning Big Book Group	Group contribution	\$30.00
		104715	Grayslake Southsiders Group	Group contribution	\$30.00
		120246	Grapevine Group	Group contribution	\$60.00
		127397	Early Birds Group	Group contribution	\$66.00
		149852	Chain Of Lakes Discussion Group	Group contribution	\$120.00
		155891	Beginners Group	Group contribution	\$72.00
		167229	Keep It Simple Group	Group contribution	\$103.80
		600993	Miracles Do Happen Group	Group contribution	\$50.00
		602117	Easley Does It Group	Group contribution	\$30.00
		616733	Monday Early Birds Group	Group contribution	\$30.00
		642072	A Way Out Group	Group contribution	\$120.00
		646390	Shed Group	Group contribution	\$120.00
		647883	After Work Study Group	Group contribution	\$95.00
		652531	Road Of Happy Destiny Group	Group contribution	\$30.00
		665831	Red Door Group	Group contribution	\$75.90
		680672	As Bill Sees It Group	Group contribution	\$50.00
	703220	Earlier Risers Group	Group contribution	\$100.00	

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689268 Monday Night Priority Big Book Study Gro Group contribution \$6
694876 Big Book Group Group contribution \$6
698797 Sat. AM Mens Step - Dawn Patrol Group Group contribution \$15
699065 Men's Priority Big Book 5B Group Group contribution \$11
708825 Spiritual Progress Group Group contribution \$6
713487 Women's Big Book Group Group contribution \$6
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165716 Common Garden Variety Group Group contribution \$2
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12 Total \$42
20 163294 Grupo Mi Ultimo Refugio Group contribution \$4
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Green Can contribution \$1
Group contribution \$7
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20 Total \$26
21 104828 Wanderers #IV Group Group contribution \$3
636786 Womens 12 & 12 Group Group contribution \$8
672152 Wanderers #45 Group Group contribution \$4
678959 Sunday Night Steps Group Group contribution \$6
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21 Total \$33
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		124226	Back To Basics Group	Group contribution	\$25.00
		124908	Thurs Night West Dundee Group	Group contribution	\$90.00
		126340	Friday Morning Eye Opener Grp	Group contribution	\$73.00
		145124	Early Birds Group	Group contribution	\$108.00
		148142	Little Red Door Group	Group contribution	\$82.00
		148143	Womens New Beginnings Group	Group contribution	\$100.00
		148146	Wednesday Night Serenity Group	Pink Can contribution	\$100.00
		161787	Friday Nite Recovery Group	Group contribution	\$25.00
		164500	New Horizon Group	Group contribution	\$30.00
		614385	Monday Second Shifters Group	Group contribution	\$145.00
		615946	Today's Gift Group	Group contribution	\$105.00
		656609	Monday Night Big Book Meeting Group	Pink Can contribution	\$75.00
				Group contribution	\$100.00
		667861	Tuesday High Noon Group	Group contribution	\$30.00
		681573	As Joe & Charlie See It Group	Group contribution	\$30.00
		686393	Healing The Hearts Group	Group contribution	\$45.00
		686697	In Depth Big Book Study Group	Group contribution	\$36.00
		706085	Fellowship Of The Spirit Group	Group contribution	\$67.00
		715048	Open Big Book Study Group	Group contribution	\$20.00
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				District contribution	\$1,000.00
22 Total					\$2,666.00
23	3	632081	Wanderers 50 Group	Group contribution	\$75.00
		704903	Meat And Potatoes Group	Group contribution	\$340.00
23 Total					\$415.00
28	}	104365	Saturday Morning Mens Group	Group contribution	\$150.00
		104400	Friday Afternoon Women Group	Group contribution	\$30.00
		104755	Lake Zurich 12 & 12 Group	Pink Can contribution	\$92.00
				Group contribution	\$91.00
		128554	Sunday Night Salem Group	Group contribution	\$180.00
		134171	No Name Group	Group contribution	\$76.20
		175230	Wanderers Priority Big Book XIII (Men) Gr	•	\$51.00
		175535	Wednesday Night Beginners Grp	Group contribution	\$60.00
		600334	Tuesday Night 12 & 12 Group	Group contribution	\$30.00
		630250	Sun Morning Early Birds Group	Group contribution	\$160.00
		634567	Living In Recovery Group	Group contribution	\$88.75
		658285	Monday Night Serenity Group	Pink Can contribution	\$79.00
				Group contribution	\$20.00
		673285	Tuesday Real Time Home Group	Group contribution	\$315.00
		713901	Wednesday Night Women's Way	Pink Can contribution	\$63.70
				Group contribution	\$40.00
		716904	Still At It 12 & 12 Group	Pink Can contribution	\$35.00
		719094	Nooners Group	Pink Can contribution	\$20.00
	(blank)		Thursday Night Big Book Study Group	Pink Can contribution	\$60.00
			Stillwaters Thursday Night Women's Big B		\$64.00
			District 28	District contribution	\$1,020.00
28 Total					\$2,725.65
40		104943	Anona Center Earlybirds Group	Group contribution	\$30.00
		139541	Glen Oaks 449 Group	Group contribution	\$25.00

40 146676	C.D.H. Sunday Morning Group	Group contribution	\$176.20
148609	Wednesday Brown Baggers Group	Group contribution	\$55.00
148610	Womens Group	Group contribution	\$30.00
148611	Mens Group	Group contribution	\$100.00
174566	Big Book Group	Pink Can contribution	\$30.16
		Group contribution	\$35.00
176124	Gift Of Sobriety Group	Group contribution	\$30.00
600336	Twelve Steps To Willingness Group	Group contribution	\$20.71
636738	Words Of Wisdom Group	Group contribution	\$25.00
709345	Women's Big Book Group	Group contribution	\$47.00
(blank)	ANONA West Sunday Morning 1030	Group contribution	\$30.00
40 Total			\$634.07
41 104302	Elmhurst Splinter Group	Pink Can contribution	\$50.00
104777	Lombard Couriers Group	Pink Can contribution	\$25.00
117713	Stepping Stones Group	Pink Can contribution	\$121.00
120247	Solution Seekers Group	Pink Can contribution	\$60.00
137538	Lombard Kitchen Table Group	Pink Can contribution	\$100.00
		Group contribution	\$25.00
140725	Tues Night Men's Step	Pink Can contribution	\$16.00
156144	Resentmentville Group	Pink Can contribution	\$62.00
170702	Tuesday Nite Big Book Group	Group contribution	\$30.00
171276	New Hope Group	Group contribution	\$196.90
175712	Week-End Jump Start Group	Pink Can contribution	\$30.00
180103	Couples In Recovery Group	Group contribution	\$250.00
614267	Phoenix Group	Pink Can contribution	\$75.00
627761	Lombard Lunch Bunch Group	Pink Can contribution	\$39.00
		Group contribution	\$253.15
637845	Genesis II Group	Pink Can contribution	\$36.00
697094	Wednesday Serenity Group	Group contribution	\$85.72
41 Total			\$1,454.77
42 104344	Samaritan Big Book Group	Pink Can contribution	\$84.00
		Group contribution	\$100.50
104637	Darien Thursday P.M. Group	Group contribution	\$50.00
104654	Highlanders Group	Pink Can contribution	\$81.00
		Group contribution	\$176.80
104933	Burlington Beginners Group	Group contribution	\$60.00
122219	Dr. Bob's 12 & 12 Step & Trad Gp	Pink Can contribution	\$50.00
		Group contribution	\$100.00
126443	One Day At A Time Group	Group contribution	\$40.00
131678	Grateful It Works Group	Group contribution	\$120.00
132959	Tuesday Serendipity Morning Womans G		\$31.00
		Group contribution	\$80.00
143222	Parish House Big Book Group	Group contribution	\$80.00
147731	Unity Group	Group contribution	\$36.00
163425	Women Serenity Group	Pink Can contribution	\$70.00
170240	Sober Not Somber Group	Pink Can contribution	\$78.00
		Group contribution	\$210.00
171837	Grace Group	Pink Can contribution	\$22.50
		Green Can contribution	\$22.50
		Group contribution	\$100.00

42 17	77066	Step Into Sobriety (SIS) Women's Group	Group contribution	\$150.00
60	00913	Acceptance Group	Pink Can contribution	\$50.00
			Group contribution	\$90.00
60	04096	Finders Keepers Group	Group contribution	\$50.00
60	05348	Thank God Women's Group	Pink Can contribution	\$62.00
			Group contribution	\$60.00
60	08720	We Are Group	Pink Can contribution	\$165.00
		·	Group contribution	\$85.00
64	47853	Salt Creek Group	Group contribution	\$100.00
69	55927	Humble Beginnings Group	Group contribution	\$275.00
6	79832	24/7 Group	Pink Can contribution	\$50.00
		·	Group contribution	\$30.00
69	96588	Life Is Good Group	Pink Can contribution	\$459.00
		•	Group contribution	\$100.00
7(	08082	It's All About Me Group	Group contribution	\$21.25
(blank)		Our Primary Purpose	Pink Can contribution	\$113.00
42 Total		our community composed		\$3,452.55
	04272	Sunday Big Book Group	Group contribution	\$50.00
14	46628	Beginners Sampler Group	Group contribution	\$73.00
14	47736	Brownbaggers Of Naperville Group	Pink Can contribution	\$20.00
			Group contribution	\$90.00
1:	55901	Anniversary Group	Group contribution	\$60.00
	65272	How & Why Group	Pink Can contribution	\$294.00
·		The strong croup	Group contribution	\$319.50
1:	78942	Hope For Today Womens Group	Pink Can contribution	\$255.00
	01775	Womens Spirit Group	Pink Can contribution	\$150.00
	06539	Thursday Discussion Group	Group contribution	\$900.00
	37746	Do Not Be Discouraged Group	Pink Can contribution	\$100.00
	48705	Beyond Any Length Group	Group contribution	\$50.00
	83110	Daily Reflections Group	Group contribution	\$20.00
	91334	Wanderers 30 Group	Group contribution	\$100.00
	93126	Swinging Sobriety Sisters Group	Group contribution	\$200.00
	19127	Saturday Morning Men's 12 + 12 Study Gr	•	\$62.50
43 Total	10127	Catalady Morning Morro 12 : 12 Ctady Cr	Group Continuation	\$2,744.00
	04738	Steel City Group	Group contribution	\$50.00
	04739	St. Francis Sunday Open Mtg Group	Group contribution	\$60.00
	34454	H.O.W. Group	Group contribution	\$20.00
	40822	Big Book Believers Group	Group contribution	\$107.00
	64338	R.A.A.P. Group (Recovering A.A. People)	•	\$138.00
	29491	New Hope 12 Step Group	Group contribution	\$100.00
	40384	Manhattan Kitchen Table Group	Group contribution	\$105.00
	40883	New Hope Step Group	Group contribution	\$225.00
	43273	Candlelight Discussion Mtg Grp	Group contribution	\$90.00
	57249	Living Room Group	Group contribution	\$57.00
	59565	Saturday 12 Step Group	Group contribution	\$135.00
	82812	Sober School Group	Group contribution	\$100.00
	05132	Wednesday Night Ladies Group	Group contribution	\$45.00
	05741	A New Life In AA Group	Group contribution	\$100.00
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		Mixed Nuts	Group contribution	\$40.00

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			174027	Saturday Morning Alive Group		
62 Total						\$1,194.89
				HALT Club AA Sun AM Group	Group contribution	\$30.00
		(blank)		District 62	District contribution	\$450.00
			714876	A Good Start To Your Week Group	Group contribution	\$50.40
					Group contribution	\$73.80
			703591	Living Sober On The Hill Group	Pink Can contribution	\$13.00
			701331	12 Ways To Stay Sober Group	Pink Can contribution	\$10.00
			699614	Serenity Now Group	Group contribution	\$31.00
					Group contribution	\$156.54
			692050	Second Hand Sobriety Group	Pink Can contribution	\$41.00
					Group contribution	\$42.00
			677697	Recovery Discovery Group	Pink Can contribution	\$15.00
					Group contribution	\$22.00
			673300	Angels Gather Here Group	Pink Can contribution	\$22.00
			671120	As Bill Sees It Group	Group contribution	\$26.70
			173661	Young At Heart Group	Group contribution	\$25.00
					Group contribution	\$74.45
			148865	One Day At A Time Clsd Disc Gp	Pink Can contribution	\$52.00
	62		127727	Saturday Niters Group	Group contribution	\$60.00
61 Total						\$6,949.00
		(blank)		District 61	District contribution	\$5,000.00
			695363	Geneva Saturday Night Open Group	Group contribution	\$120.00
			650203	Twelve & Twelve Group	Group contribution	\$25.00
			612847	Phoenix Group	Group contribution	\$25.00
			610847	Dawn Patrol Group	Group contribution	\$300.00
			607029	Thursday Brown Baggers Group	Group contribution	\$100.00
			605016	B.Y.O.B.B. & B.B. Group	Group contribution	\$75.00
			172797	Step By Step Group	Group contribution	\$36.00
			171661	Dough Heads Group	Group contribution	\$75.00
			161010	Willingness Group	Group contribution	\$180.00
			146390	We Are Not Saints Group	Group contribution	\$36.00
			146299	Prayer & Meditation Group	Group contribution	\$190.00
			145928	Thursday Night Womens Group	Group contribution	\$20.00
			139409	Thursday Night Men's Group	Group contribution	\$100.00
			134943	Early Birds Group	Group contribution	\$337.00
			123798	Keep It Simple Group	Group contribution	\$95.00
			123728	Fireside Group	Group contribution	\$60.00
			120353	Friday Night Big Book Group	Group contribution	\$55.00
	61		104697	Wednesday Night Group	Group contribution	\$120.00
52 Total				coope can common (create) creap		\$641.89
			685865	Steps Our Solutions (S.O.S.) Group	Group contribution	\$105.00
			655944	Women To Women Group	Group contribution	\$20.00
			613245	Primary Purpose Group	Group contribution	\$90.00
			178844	BLT Group (Better Living Today)	Group contribution	\$135.00
			137836	First Things First Group	Group contribution	\$200.00
	ŰŽ.		134399	911 Group	Group contribution	\$66.89
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51 Total	51	(blank)		District of	District contribution	\$2,429.00
		(niank)		District 51	District contribution	\$1,000.00

	64		177764	Big Book On The Prairie Group	Group contribution	\$40.00
			672158	It's In The Book Group	Group contribution	\$143.46
	_		688756	24 Hr Group	Group contribution	\$75.00
64 Total						\$316.96
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65 Total						\$120.00
	70		122494	East Side H.O.W. Group	Group contribution	\$294.00
			145204	The Upper Room Group	Group contribution	\$50.00
			175694	Traveler's Rest Group	Group contribution	\$100.00
			176256	Augury Group	Group contribution	\$34.63
			616115	Healthy Solutions Group	Group contribution	\$60.00
			673419	Roscoe Recovery Group	Group contribution	\$32.00
			704726	McFarland Group	Group contribution	\$33.00
70 Total						\$603.63
	71		127172	Tuesday Nite Fellowship Group	Group contribution	\$35.00
			135496	Fox Valley Group (Non-Smoking)	Group contribution	\$20.00
			143422	Back To Basics Group	Group contribution	\$15.00
			165715	Pass It On Group	Group contribution	\$30.00
			167119	24 Hours A Day Group	Group contribution	\$40.00
			171278	Sandwich Steppers Group	Group contribution	\$50.00
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			654357	Sycamore Monday 5:30 12 & 12 Group	Group contribution	\$40.00
			660537	Pass It On Group	Group contribution	\$50.00
71 Total						\$390.00
	72		104692	48 Club Group	Group contribution	\$10.00
72 Total						\$10.00
	73		131270	Key To Sobriety Group	Group contribution	\$50.00
			173198	How It Works Group	Group contribution	\$70.00
			645840	A Way Of Life Group	Group contribution	\$90.00
			667354	Davis Junction Group	Group contribution	\$60.00
		(blank)		District 73	District contribution	\$1,880.09
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	79		626106	Aprendiendo A Vivir	Pink Can contribution	\$100.00
		(blank)		District 79	District contribution	\$280.00
79 Total						\$380.00
	90		164740	Rainbow Group	Group contribution	\$50.00
90 Total						\$50.00
	91	(blank)		District 91	District contribution	\$50.00
91 Total						\$50.00
			610497		Group contribution	\$306.00
			615496	Unknown Number	Group contribution	\$30.00
		(blank)		Personal Contribution	Pink Can contribution	\$50.00
				New Hope Group	Group contribution	\$64.39
				10AM Womens 12 Step	Group contribution	\$22.00
				Thursday 12&12 WSAC	Group contribution	\$50.00
				Wanderers 117	Group contribution	\$30.00
				Spiritual Renegades	Group contribution	\$50.00
				Thursday Night Open Speaker	Group contribution	\$105.00
				Monday Night Bensenville Tioga Group	Group contribution	\$50.00

(blank)	How And Why Group	Group contribution	\$60.00
	Monday Crystal lake Group	Group contribution	\$37.00
	Henry County Group	Group contribution	\$100.00
	Sat AM ARC Antioch	Group contribution	\$60.00
	Sunday Night Serenity	Group contribution	\$27.00
	\$10 Tue 7600 Men's, \$10 BLS Men's	Group contribution	\$20.00
	\$30 643018, \$30 141414	Group contribution	\$60.00
Total			\$1,121.39
Grand Total			\$36,986.97

### Registrar's Report

Presented at the Spring Committee Meeting May 12, 2017 Chris DeGrane, Area 20 Registrar Kiley Baldwin, Area 20 Alternate Registrar

First off, I'd like to welcome Kiley Baldwin to the Area and thank her for her service in the position of Alternate Registrar. She will be a tremendous help, and also receives all email sent to <a href="registrar@aa-nia.org">registrar@aa-nia.org</a>. She has already begun the task of running the district reports and all DCM's should have new reports by next Friday (if not before).

The cutoff for updates to be entered into the AA Regional directories was yesterday, so all of the group updates that I received (which selected the option to be listed in the directory) should be included.

We are experimenting with a PDF form which is currently on the website that can be downloaded, filled out and easily sent back to us. This is an excellent option to offer GSR's in your districts to expedite the update process, ensure that there are no errors, and help relieve the burden of having the district secretary be totally responsible for forwarding all updates to me. It was designed so that new (or old) GSR's can fill out their new information right from their phone!! Please see me if you need more details.

If you choose not to use the online form, the e-mail address for the Area Registrar is: <a href="registrar@aa-nia.org">registrar@aa-nia.org</a>. You can also mail changes to NIA20 REGISTRAR, Box 6621, Elgin, II. 60121. <a href="THE NUMBER">THE NUMBER</a> 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 present including 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. The best option however, would be to use the online form. 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 us to serve..

Respectfully submitted - Chris DeGrane & Kiley Baldwin

#### **Information updates since 3/15/17**

Group information	4
New groups/Pending Active	6
Folded/Inactive/Unknown	2
Group contact information	24
District/Individual contacts	27
Area contacts	2
Total updates	65