



Summer Committee Meeting Report 9/12/26

Alternate Chair's Report

Thank you's to our Hosting Committees:

- District 40 for hosting today's Fall Assembly at Village Green Baptist Church in Glen Ellyn.
- Districts 62 & 64 upcoming GSR Shool 9/19/26 in Aurora*
- District 22 for hosting the upcoming Fall Committee Meeting 10/3/26 at Lord Of Life, Elburn

Attended the Illinois State Conference in Oakbrook and Chaired a Panel on Inventory. The Conference had 24 Panel Options to attend. Certainly a lot of information shared. Conferences are such a blessing.

Also attended the Monthly DCM Zoom meeting to discuss hosting of Committee Meetings, Assemblies and PreGeneral Service Conference. I have a quick list of requirements I can send on request. Please consider your District to host one of these 9 events. We would like to have our calendar for 2027 finalized quickly as locations can get difficult to secure the later they are requested. Locations fill up quickly these days.

CONFERENCE PLANNING:

Big Book Conference 2026 – Planning is still going smoothly for this event coming up in October. District 11 has the conference well in hand. Please register asap.

Big Book Conference 2027 – District 10 will be hosting this event at Lakeland Community Church in Gurnee in October. 2027.

2027 Spring Assembly Conference – Planning meetings are going well and the next meeting will be tomorrow, in person (versus usual Zoom) at Church of the Brethren 155 Boulder Passw, Montgomery, IL. We really need a District to step up and host the Assembly at this conference. PLEASE consider hosting soon so you can be part of the planning process. Everything is in place, so it will be more collaboration with the committees. Excellent opportunity to get people involved and learn more about service work.

CONFERENCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE – No report.

GSR SCHOOLS :

***Upcoming GSR SCHOOL Scheduled:** Sept. 19th for Districts 62 & 64. 11:30am-2:30pm Pizza and Area's famous Chocolate chip cookies. Westminster Presbyterian Church in Aurora. Thank you, Josh J. & Kappie S. for hosting.

Consider Hosting a GSR School. Our next one will not be until January, so there is ample opportunity within the next couple months to schedule. It's a great way to get more participation within your District and adjoining Districts.

MONTHLY GSR MEETINGS – Held the monthly meeting on Zoom 8/24/26 and discussed Electronic contributions and 7th Tradition – Where does our money go? with Chris E., our Area 20 Treasurer. Group Treasurers were also invited and some did attend!!! The meeting included participants from multiple districts including Districts 10, 11, 20, 23, 41, 43, and 70. This meeting focused on electronic contributions and financial processes within Area 20 provided detailed instructions on how groups, districts, and individuals can make online contributions to both the General Service Board and the NIA. Chris explained the process for using AA.org for individual contributions and the area website for Area contributions, including the use of PayPal and Zelle payment methods, with specific instructions for including group information in the transaction details. The discussion covered various payment platforms like Venmo and the use of QR codes for electronic basket passing, with participants sharing their experiences from different districts and groups. Seventh Tradition contributions are used, explaining that approximately 30% of contributions funds literature development and distribution, while other funds support various AA services including corrections correspondence, accessibility services, and technology support. The conversation ended with information about available pamphlets and resources for group treasurers, including "Self-Support Where Money and Spirituality Mix" and other financial guidance materials.

Next meetings: TODAY at our breakout and next month on Zoom on Monday, 10/19 at 7:30pm with a new ID number: 850 7911 5649 Passcode: GSR. A paper copy of these monthly meetings is available today.

Thank you for allowing me to serve as an Officer of Area 20.

Lorrie F.

NIA 20 Alternate Chair

"The only ones among you who will be really happy are those who have sought and found out how to serve." Albert Schweitzer

Expenses to date: \$2,261.96

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