



NAVIGATING THE NIA SITE

Information you can use

Where exactly is the NIA website?

aa-nia.org

Most of the information on current or upcoming events, past motions, and contacts are on the NIA site

The Front Page



Is AA for you?
This takes a person to the GSO site with 12 questions



This is the same as “Is AA for you?” in Spanish



The “Talk to an Alcoholic” section includes phone numbers for each district in NIA, along with Southern Illinois Area 21 and Chicago Area 19

This page also includes “Find a meeting” (also in Spanish), “Area 20 Contacts”, “District Contacts”, and “Events in NIA” which will be covered further as we go through the header menu

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Is AA for you?

Let's start with the navigation bar above



¿Qué es AA?



Find a meeting



Encuentra una reunion



vents in NIA



Talk to an Alcoholic

NIA 20 Tools and Resources

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The “About NIA”

Section What is NIA?

The principal function of Northern Illinois service Area 20 is to be a forum for effective communication between the Groups and the General Service Conference through its Delegate. In addition to counseling its Delegate about the collective Group Conscience of the Fellowship in Northern Illinois, NIA will assist its Districts, Groups and members to carry the message to the alcoholic who still suffers in a broad variety of ways, including but not restricted to conducting workshops, sharing sessions and seminars in all fields of general service.

NIA Statement on Self-Support

Our Seventh Tradition states that “Every A.A. group ought to be fully self-supporting, declining outside contributions.” Northern Illinois Area 20 wants our fellowship to endure, and be ready for the still-suffering alcoholic to come. NIA makes this possible by taking care of its essential services such as website. The groups and districts in Area 20 fund this website thru their continued contributions and support. For additional information see the A.A.

NIA Statement on Singleness of Purpose

Our Third and Fifth Traditions state that “The only requirement for membership is a desire to stop drinking.” “Each Group has but one primary purpose – to carry its message to the alcoholic who still suffers. And as a Fellowship we do one thing only: “- share our program of recovery.”

NIA Declaration of Unity

This we owe to A.A.’s future: To place our common welfare first and to keep our fellowship united. For on A.A. unity depend our lives and the lives of those to come.

These pages may include links to other sites. NIA is not responsible for the content on other sites. We will do our best to keep the links on this site up-to-date.

Constructive criticism is always welcome. Please take some time to pass comments on to your GSR, DCM, or any NIA committee member.

Questions or concerns? [Contact the webmaster](#)



The Next Heading is called “Meetings”

NIA District Meeting Schedules

Click on District Meetings for their meeting schedule.

Phone numbers listed are 24/7 hotlines.

Find District by Town Name

[District / Town Cross Reference](#)

[Map](#) of NIA AA Districts

Special Needs - [NIA Signed Meeting Schedule](#)

[District 10 Meetings](#)

Western Lake County

847-362-1811

[District 10 Web Site](#)

[District 11 Meetings](#)

Algonquin, Crystal Lake, Cary, Harvard, Huntley,

Marengo, McHenry, Spring Grove, Woodstock

815-455-3311

[District 11 Web Site](#)

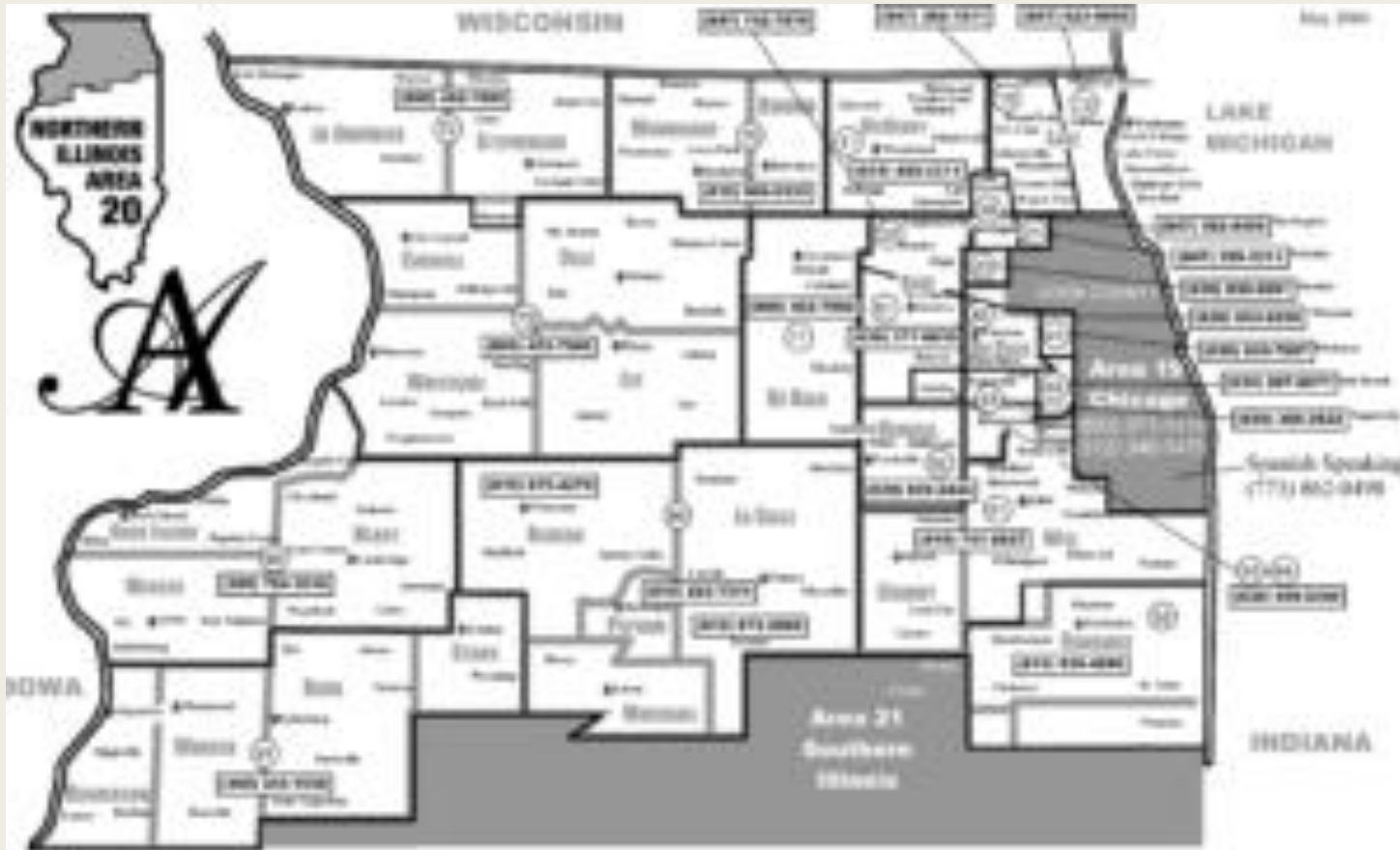
[District 12 Meetings](#)

Eastern Lake County - Highland Park, Lake

Forest, Waukegan, Zion

847-623-9660

[District 12 Web Site](#)



Answering Services listed normally service all surrounding cities and towns within the District or the Area of the District indicated

Northern Illinois Area 20
Answering Service Numbers

- District 20 (Spanish Speaking Meetings) (847) 495-1123
 - Deaf & Hearing impaired: use 711+ Phone number Listed
 - Area 20 Northern Illinois Area Website – www.ai-nia.org
- ★ Indicates a County Seat ② indicates a District number

The next section is “Contacts”

NIA Contact Information

Click on the map for a larger view.

(Click a position title below to send an email to that person)

Treasurer

Allen J
 Northern Illinois Area Ltd.
 PO Box 808
 Streamwood, IL 60107-2971

Registrar

Chris E

Chairperson

Rob M

Secretary

Kate D

Delegate Panel 72

Chris D

Alternate Delegate Panel 72

Erik L

Alternate Chairperson

Dawn B

Alternate Secretary

Sue M

Alternate Treasurer

Jeff L

Committee Chairs:

The next section “Events”, will have the calendar section and the conference section. You can plan your year ahead by using this section

The next section, “Committees”, will give you information on each NIA Committee by clicking on the name.

[Committee pages](#)

[Accessibilities](#)

[Archives](#)

[Bridging the Gap](#)

[CONCEPTS Newsletter](#)

[Corrections](#)

[CPC](#)

[Delegate’s page](#)

[Grapevine / La Viña](#)

[Literature](#)

[Public Information](#)

[Technical Committee](#)

[Treatment](#)

[Website](#)



The next section is called
“Anonymity on the Internet”

Anonymity on the Internet

*Can I keep my anonymity on social
media?*

Can I keep my anonymity in email?

The answers are not simple, but
here are some references from
the General Service Office:

- [Anonymity online](#) service material
- [Internet Guidelines](#)
- [Understanding Anonymity](#) pamphlet
- 67th GSC [Anonymity Workshop](#) summary

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aa-nia.org/flyer-submission/

Type here to search

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The next section is called “Information”. It is... full of information



The first link of that section is “Submitting event flyers”, This clarifies the guidelines of what can/cannot be put on the NIA site.

The next link is “Group change forms” With the exception of the contribution and DCM form, these forms should be filled out and given to your District Secretary, who will then move them on to the Area Registrar. These are extremely important for keeping your group information up to date.

Forms for Districts and AA groups

[2022 Contribution Form for Groups – PDF format](#)

The forms below should be used for any district or group changes including new GSRs and Alternate GSRs.

[2022 DCM or Alternate DCM Change Form – fillable PDF](#)

[2022 New Group Information Form – fillable PDF](#)

[2022 Group Information Change Form – fillable PDF](#)

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The next section is NIA Agendas, Cover Letters, Motions and reports. Pre-2021, there is an archive that is linked.

NIA Agendas, Cover Letters, Motions and Reports

Pre-2021 Reports and Minutes are [archived at the link here.](#)

2022 Summer Assembly on June 11, 2022 (at Kankakee Life Compass Church and Virtual)

[Agenda](#)

[Alternate Chair Report](#)

[Delegate's Complete Report \(final\)](#)

[Treasurer's Report and Finance Committee Minutes](#)

[Profit and Loss](#)

[Balance Sheet](#)

[Contributions Report](#)

[2022 PPR](#)

The next section is NIA forms, which are useful for Area Committee members and DCMs.

NIA Forms

[2022 NIA Expense Reimbursement \(.PDF\)](#)

[2022 NIA Expense Reimbursement \(.XLS\)](#)

[Primary Purpose Reimbursement Account Listing](#)

[NIA Meeting Financial Summary \(PDF\)](#)

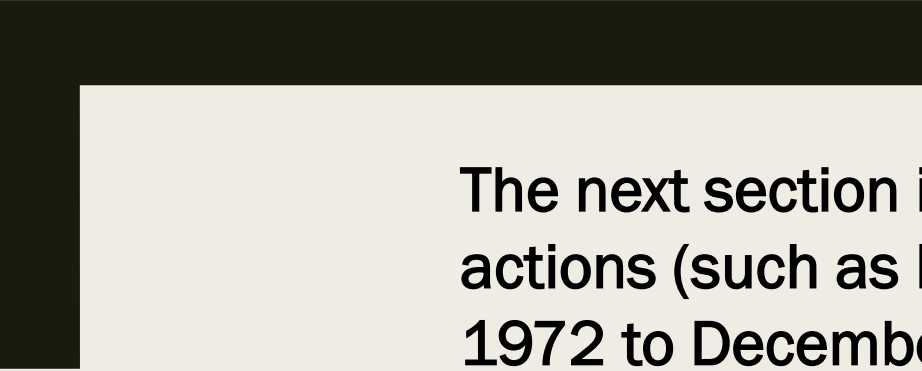
[NIA Meeting Financial Summary \(XLS\)](#)

[District Service Chair add/change form \(docx\)](#)

Current Mileage Reimbursement = \$0.40 per mile

[Revised 2022-](#)


[DCM_ALTDCM_Change_Form_Panel72](#)



The next section is NIA Assembly Actions, it will show you the actions (such as Elections, Conference Bids, and Motions from 1972 to December 2021

NIA Assembly Actions

[Assembly Actions 1972 to December, 2021](#)



The next section is NIA Guidelines. In this section you will find the Service Manual, Planning Procedures, The Secretary Handbook, among other very useful information

NIA Guidelines

Handbooks

[Area 20 Service Manual \(r. 12-2020\)](#)

[Manual de servicio NIA \(r. 12-2020\)](#)

[NIA District Secretary Handbook](#)

Other guidelines

[Primary Purpose Financing](#)

[Financiamiento de propósito principal en español](#)

[Planning Procedures](#)

[Procedimientos de planificación en español](#)

[Procedures for Submitting Event Flyers](#)

[Website Policy and Guidelines](#)

[Política y directrices del sitio web en español](#)

[Accessibility Checklist for Meetings](#)

[Public Information, Guidelines for Non-AA talks](#)

[Guide Questions for Oral Histories](#)

Service Manual Revision History

[01-15-2019 Service Manual](#)

[08-06-2017 Final Draft Service Manual](#)

[10-14-2017 Service Manual revision summary](#)

The next section is GSC inventory. There is none currently, so there is no link. The next section after that is the NIA Inventory. We have one from 2011 and one from 2018

NIA Area Inventory

[2018 Area 20 Inventory Questions](#)

[2018 Area 20 Inventory Summary](#)

[2018 Area 20 Inventory Slide Presentation](#)

[Area 20 Inventory Summary \(Published 2011\)](#)

[Area 20 Inventory Results \(Published 2011\)](#)

The next section is Service Orientation Presentations, which you could use in your homegroup

Service Orientation Workshop Presentations

2017 Service orientation workshop

[From Home Group to General Service \(PowerPoint\)](#)

[From Home Group to General Service \(PDF\)](#)

[Role of the GSR \(PowerPoint\)](#)

[Role of the GSR \(PDF\)](#)

[Service Committees \(PowerPoint\)](#)

[Service Committees \(PDF\)](#)

[Upside Down Triangle \(PowerPoint\)](#)

[Upside Down Triangle \(PDF\)](#)

[Why Service \(PowerPoint\)](#)

[Why Service \(PDF\)](#)

Role of the GSR (older):

[Role of the GSR in PowerPoint format](#)

[Role of the GSR in PDF format](#)

[Role of the GSR, PDF \(2 slides per page\)](#)

[Role of the GSR handout](#)

Self-Support (older):

[Self-Support in PowerPoint format](#)

[Self-Support in PDF format](#)

[Self-Support, PDF \(2 slides per page\)](#)

[Self-Support handout](#)

The next section is the History of AA in Northern Illinois Area 20, with instructions on how to compile your group's history, and guidelines for that

Explore the History of AA in Northern Illinois Area 20
[An AA History in Northern Illinois Area 20 \(Complete Second Issue\)](#)

• [Add your group's history with the Area 20's Group History Project](#)

• [Guidelines for gathering info for Area 20's Group History Project](#)

Questions or concerns? [Contact the webmaster](#)



The next section is useful AA and Al-Anon Links

A.A. Related Links

[Online Intergroup of AA](#)

[Chicago Area 19](#)

[Southern Illinois Area 21](#)

[Northern Indiana Area 22](#)

[Iowa Area 24](#)

[Southern Wisconsin Area 75](#)

[Traveling? Find local A.A. in other areas](#)

[Is Al-Anon For Me?](#)

[Al-Anon World Services](#)

[Northern Illinois Al-Anon Family Groups](#)

[Illinois State Conference of Young People in AA
\(ISCYPAA\)](#)

[McHenry's Soberfest](#)

[MMAAC Convention](#)

[The AA Grapevine](#)

[Box 459](#)

[The Big Book Online](#)

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**The next section is
copies of our Area
Service Newsletter,
“Concepts”.**

The editions of Concepts
on the site goes back to
Winter of 2014, and
there is a link to click on
to request older issues

The Sidebar, “NIA Tools and Resources

These will take you to the same pages we have gone over on the top bar.

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The next section is other AA links you might find helpful

Other AA Tools and Resources

- ◇ AA World Service Videos
 - ◇ 2019 - 69th GSC Final Report
 - ◇ 2020 - 70th GSC Agenda
 - ◇ General Service Office (GSO)
 - ◇ Grapevine and La Viña
 - ◇ The Birthday Plan
 - ◇ GSO/GSB Job Openings
 - ◇ Information and links

I hope that this presentation was helpful for you and that you took away something new. Thank you very much for listening. It's been my pleasure to meet with and serve you. Never hesitate to reach out to me if I can be of any help. You can reach me through the site in the "Contacts" link, or by emailing me at:
alt-chair@aa-nia.org

In Service,

Dawn B.

NIA 20 Panel 72 Alternate Chair