

**NEW:** ZOOM Meeting ID 892 3337 6213

*Passcode: DISTRICT10*

**NUMBER OF ATTENDEES:** 31

**CALL MEETING TO ORDER.** Quiet time followed by Serenity Prayer.

**ANNIVERSARIES SINCE LAST MEETING?** Sean Christa S. 6 months

**ANY BIRTHDAYS?** Katie, June 5th 40

**FIRST TIME ATTENDEES: To this District Meeting.** Kenny, visitor from Florida, Scott from Wanderers 123, Grayslake

**SECRETARY'S REPORT** Minutes from previous meeting (Christa S.)

Any questions/corrections? Motion to approve the minutes.

May's Revision:

Pink Can Distribution Amendment Rick T. Motion to Approve

Pink can fund monies can Only be used for the specific purpose of purchasing literature for jail inmates, monies are not to be sent to Area 20.

2nd by Mark.

All in favor 26 - Opposed

Motion to Approve.

Motion made by John C. Pink can funds can only be used to purchase AA approved literature.

Motion 2nd by Rick T.

All in favor 22 - Opposed 4. Minority opinion was heard, no one wanting to change their vote, the motion passed

**TREASURY REPORT** (Erik W.)

Any questions/corrections? Motion to approve the Treasurer's Report.

Question on payment to Serenity House

Sean, monthly payment. Should not be moved to lump sum.

Working on renewing Tax-Exempt.

Katie, Events flyers will be moved to separate payment.

Correction, John C. and Kevin.

**DCM's REPORT** (Lorrie F.)

Attended Planning Meeting for 2024 Tri County Conference. John C. will report more on that.

Attended Area 20 Assembly Meeting At Lord of Life Church in Elburn. Chris D. our Delegate gave a report on the New York Conference.

During the conference discussion regarding rewriting the 12 x 12 decided it needed to go back to the membership. Could take 2 years.

Motion to allow Archivist to attend Conference was approved

Area 20 will reimburse each District up to \$400 (with appropriate receipts/documentation) for attendees at the East Central Regional Forum in Indiana. It will be same weekend as Soberfest. Nov. 12-14

Please send your request to DCM before September 15th. We will decide who at the September District Meeting.

Other motions tabled

Upcoming Events:

- August 18 - 20 th Illinois State Conference & Assembly at Hyatt in Schaumburg
- Life's a Beach August 12 th

## ALT. DCM'S REPORT (Dawn O.)

- Distributed from D-10 Locker Archives data to the D-10 Archives Chair, picnic stuff to our D-10 Activities chair, and making room for the AV Equipment.
- Invited our Delegate, Chris DeGrane, to our July 23rd District meeting to review his report from the General Service Conference.
- Attended the D-12 Summer picnic- nice to support our sister district.

## OPEN FORUM

**OLD BUSINESS** - Fill OPEN Officers, Committee Chair and Alternate positions: Secretary, Alternate Treasurer, Alternate Archives, CPC Chair, Alternate Grapevine

## NEW BUSINESS

## 2024 TRI COUNTY CONFERENCE

### *Committee Reports*

#### **Accessibilities** (John C.)

Alt. (Rachael M.)

Rachel and I discussed some ways to become more active and increase the awareness of accessibilities issues. We'd like to go beyond the typical aspects of sight and/or hearing loss. A workshop is one obvious answer, but we haven't yet heard any interests expressed in having one. We also considered offering to give ten-minute presentations at any meeting that wants one. Please let us know if your group is interested in either activity. You can mail me at [accessibilities@district10nia.org](mailto:accessibilities@district10nia.org) or call me at 847-421-1341.

Here are a couple of things you can do to improve your communication with anyone you think has hearing difficulties. Hearing challenged people often unknowingly rely on lip reading to augment their poor hearing. If you think the person you are talking to has hearing difficulties, always face them directly when speaking. Try not to mumble or have anything in front of your mouth. This is especially necessary when speaking to a group.

In addition, hearing loss is not always about volume or frequency of sound. It also involves comprehension. If the person doesn't understand something you said, repeating it louder may not help. Try using other descriptive words while speaking directly to the person.

Finally, if you know someone who might have hearing difficulties and is not being treated, encourage them to see an audiologist. If untreated, hearing loss may never be restored.

#### **Answering Service** (Felicia J.)

Alt. (James M.)

Read by Christa S.

Service is running normal.

From May 25, 2023, until this morning of June 25, 2023

49 total calls came in ...12 were repeat calls (left brief message, then called again with another brief message).

That leaves a net of 37 callers to the District Answering Service.

20 of the 37 were "fielded" by the Weekly Group Volunteers

17 calls were handled by the Weekly Group's Team Leader. The calls went through the volunteer ring cycle and then went on to the Team Leader's email where it was handled.

However, 6 calls were from an unidentified number So I don't know if they were handled by the Team

Leaders or not.

-- the 6 all came in within 30 minutes of each other, starting at 4:06 A.M. June 8, 2023 and ending with

the last at 4:36A.M.

--I honestly don't know what makes a caller's number unidentifiable.... maybe they work for the CIA...

That's a joke, I'll call FVS and find out for next month.

It's time to remind all Committee Chairs if you are using the District Answering Service phone number.

on any literature, please make sure it's current. The old answering service number currently has a recorded message directing calls to our current number That will stop in August of this year.

Thanks and Yours in Service,  
Felicia and James

DID RECEIVE REPORT, NOT PRESENT

**Archives** (Sean M.)

Alt. (Dean D.)

Consolidation of District Archives to new storage location continues.

Met with Dawn & Cindy during the month, to temporarily remove three crates of additional material still needing to be reviewed and properly stored.

Once the audio-visual equipment is put into the storage locker, we will have a better idea on if additional space is needed. Our hope and my strong suspicion is that we can store all in one location.

Dean and I will be reviewing the material along with existing District archive & memorabilia currently stored at Serenity House. We will then be coordinating with Dawn & Mark to move the materials to the Round Lake storage locker.

**Bridging The Gap** (Jeff S.)

Alt. (Zoya M.)

For our district I have ordered cards to give out to the next new person leaving treatment or jail. I have given out a few this week. The purpose of these cards is for Zoya and I to connect anyone who calls to a contact person in their area to guide them or meet them at a meeting. Unfortunately, there are a lot of technical issues with the area in Bridge the Gap and Jim T. (Area chair) wrote in the NIA. Concepts newsletter a long explanation on his findings for Bridge the Gap in Area 20.

Here are some concerns that Jim wrote about:

- BTG may no longer be able to operate as it was originally conceived and intended.
- HIPAA Privacy Regulations, effective in 1996, changed AA's access to treatment patient contact information.
- Technological advancements in the last 30+ years have eliminated the need for 50% of BTG's original function: helping people find their way to AA meetings. The internet; smartphones; AA meeting apps; AA websites; QR codes leading to directories, AA answering services, and (411) all solve that problem.
- A database created for the NIA with 341 temporary contact volunteers for BTG is hopelessly out-of-date, and it has potentially fatal technical issues that need addressing. (The database may have been pronounced dead before you read this due to circumstances beyond our control).
- That database was supposed to be updated annually by each district. Today 66% of the names are between 4-7 years old. The communities will need to maintain it if it lives on.
- Jim agrees with the General Service Conference (GSC) and believes the TF & CF committees could perform all BTG efforts because they are already in place at the facilities. The GSC has consistently not moved to establish a Service Manual for the BTG "committee."
- Trusted Servant rotation; lack of committee succession planning; facility shut-downs due to the pandemic; lack of maintenance; service work apathy, and technology advancements all contributed to today's BTG condition

There is a 2nd page of questions that Jim is proposing in which I need to connect with him and learn if anything was decided or any motions brought forward at the Summer assembly. I was not able to attend.

**Corrections** (Ted S.)

Alt. (Chandler W.)

Continued need for used GVs, contact Ted for collecting them.  
Have an appointment with the LC jail Director July 11.  
Nothing else to report.

<b>C.P.C.</b> (OPEN)	Alt. (OPEN)
<b>Directory (Brian B.)</b>	Alt. (OPEN)
No report	

<b>Events (Cindy C.)</b>	Alt. (OPEN)
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Per my communication with Eric (our Treasurer) the research and steps to take for the tax exempt certificate is underway. This will need to be done to provide the certificate to the Parkway Banquets for the Fall Breakfast.

I'll ask that each GSR take to their meetings a request for donations for gift baskets/gift cards to raffle at the Fall Breakfast - and that we come together before the District mtg in September to assemble the baskets, etc. 4:30 or 5pm??

I'm hopeful to receive info on where to print the tickets for the Fall Breakfast. And

HOW MANY do we want to order? We can have up to 400 - Should we go with 300?? Are we going to give 100 to District 12?

I'll also want to print "Save the Date" flyers. I'll ask Paul for assistance with that.

Flyers will be printed for the Picnic this week (will be available at the District mtg) and need to be distributed to all meetings.

I've secured a speaker for the picnic -thanks to Lorrie - Marcia Stiff

Checking with Mark H. that we have all the speaker set-up, etc.for the picnic

I got all the picnic stuff from the storage locker and will provide an assessment of what will be needed for the picnic.

Does anyone have talent such as face painting skills &/or can be in charge of kid's games at the picnic? Do we have prizes for kids??

My Events Co-Chair has resigned, therefore I'm in need of asking for a new co-chair.

Christa Volunteered to assist with children's activities.

Invited District 12 to next month's meeting. Split it down the middle available tickets. Jeff S. suggested we also invite District 11.

<b>Grapevine (Jack D.)</b>	Alt. (OPEN)
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This is Jack D., the District 10 Grapevine Chair. I'm writing to let you know that I am stepping down from the position due to some personal reasons. I am confident that somebody will do the position more justice than I have, and I wish you all the best in completing your own terms in your positions.

<b>GSR Contact (Karl M.)</b>	Alt. (Robert B.)
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No report

New GSR register in the District Website, and you will receive a kit. ALT GSR should still register.

<b>Literature (Jeff C.)</b>	Alt. (Daniel B.)
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Will email report

<b>Newsletter (Katie D.)</b>	Alt. (Paul W.)
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Keep us posted on the quantity of newsletters at the meetings you attend so we can gauge if we are printing a sufficient amount. Seems to be a lot are still getting tossed at the end of the month —be mindful of how many you take.

Serenity House already has copies.

Kevin suggested when taking these to the meetings, talk about them being a resource for

<b>Public Info.</b> (Robin D.)	Alt. (Victoria H.)
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Not present, Read by Christa

Visited 3 libraries in district

- Grayslake Public Library: Given FAQs about AA, schedules, Big Book
  - Fox Lake Public Library: Had to talk them into accepting Big Book- FAQs about AA, schedules, Big Book
  - Round Lake Public Library- Would not accept Big Book, but dropped off schedules and FAQs about AA
- Emailed various churches in Antioch offering AA Literature and schedules

**Treatment (Gina L.)**

Alt. (Leslie D.)

ATP: Monday Evening 7:30-8:30P(open to public)  
Friday Evening 7:30-8:30P  
Saturday Morning 10A

WRS: Thursday 7:30-8:30P Q&A Panel (closed meeting)

Gateway: Friday Evening 7:00-8:00P (open to public)

Lake County Haven: TBD

Plans for June 2023:

- purchase literature
- continue newsletter and meeting directories
- drop off grapevine magazines
- provide BTG business/contact cards
- flyers provided to treatment centers for upcoming events

**Website (Mark H.)**

Alt. (Bob L.)

We maintained the usual daily monitoring and maintenance of the site. To inform visitors to our site of

upcoming events, please send fliers of A.A. events to altwebbl@district10nia.org or webmaster@district10nia.org.

Metrics for the past 30 days are; sessions-1403, pageviews-2803, duration-43 seconds. Total users-820.

Motion to Adjourn. Close Meeting.

Motion to Adjourn by: ?

2nd by: ?

***"I am responsible...When anyone anywhere reaches out for help, I want the hand of A.A. to be there, and for that, I am responsible."***

**NEXT DISTRICT 10  
MEETING- 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of  
the next month:  
St. Gilbert's Church,  
Sunday, July 23rd.  
Traditions meeting at  
5:30pm  
District Meeting at  
6:00pm**