

District 61 Meeting Minutes

via email for

July 30, 2025

Serving Batavia, Elburn, Geneva, LaFox, Maple Park, St. Charles, and Wayne

This is being reported via email in place of an in-person meeting, as the Pizza Party and GSR School are being held in lieu of our regular meeting.

1. Roll Call: [Will count at GSR School](#)
2. [Tradition 7 and Concept 7 - add to August](#)
3. Introductions and recognition of new members: [add to August](#)
4. A.A. Anniversaries: [add to August](#)
5. 7th Tradition
6. **Guest speaker:** [GSR School & Pizza Party for July](#)
7. **OFFICERS REPORTS:**
 - District Committee Member (DCM):** Katie R, Alt: Kyle W
 - [In the “Spirit of Rotation”, we will hold elections for Officer and Committee positions in December for those who have served 2 years or more. Please consider encouraging your meeting members to “give back so freely” in the way of service at the district level:](#)

Key aspects of the spirit of rotation:

➤ Continuity and Growth:

Rotation ensures a constant influx of new members into service positions, providing a vital and growing pool of individuals dedicated to serving the fellowship.

➤ Humility and Anonymity:

It helps to prevent the development of "status" within AA, encouraging humility and reminding members to place principles before personalities, as stated in the Twelfth Tradition.

➤ Shared Responsibility:

By rotating service roles, the burden of carrying the message of recovery is spread among many, ensuring that no single person feels solely responsible for the group's well-being.

➤ Preventing Entrenchment:

Rotation helps prevent individuals from becoming overly attached to service positions, which could lead to a sense of ownership or even power within the fellowship.

- [Sent email to district Delegate's report regarding the 2025 General Service Conference in New York.](#)

• **Events:**

- 8-2-25 District 61 Picnic Lions Park, Elburn – No Pets 12-4 pm
- 8-15 thru 8-17 Women's Retreat Villa Desiderata
- 10-18 , BB Conference, Elburn 9:30 am to 3:30 pm
- 11-14 thru 11-16 State Conference 2025 , Schaumburg

Secretary (None): Dawn V, Alt: Kate K

- [No report this month](#)

Registrar: Betty F, Alt: Rick N

- [All submitted changes have been updated and sent to the NIA 20 Registrar.](#)

Treasurer: Lance T, Alt: Rich N:

- [See attached.](#)

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8. **GSR REPORTS:**

- [See Old Business below](#)

9. **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Accessibility: Julie P, Alt: Carol Ann M

- Bria going well, always looking for more support on Wednesdays at 6 pm
- Plain Language BB read through is starting up again in August on Thursdays.
Zoom Meeting ID: 834 1687 9125 Passcode: access
Questions? Contact Chris E. – NIA20 Access. Comm. Chair
847-847-8319 or accessibilities@aa-nia.org.

Answering Service: Interim Chair-Natalie G, Alt: Lee Ann W

- No report this month

Corrections: Todd M, Alt-Women: OPEN, Alt-Men: OPEN

- All going well this month.

CPC & PI (Coop. w/ Prof. Comm. & Public Information): Janan O, Alt: Larissa MacN (NP)

- Still waiting for more materials; otherwise, speaking begins again in the fall at St. Charles North.

Grapevine: John C Alt: Sarah L:

- We connected with the staff at the Batavia Public Library and they are reviewing a sample Grapevine before starting a donated subscription. Carrying the Message!
- As always, please encourage Grapevine subscribers to save their copies for corrections.

Literature: Al S, Alt OPEN:

- No report this month

Treatment: Steve H (NP) , Alt: Therese S:

- All going well. We're pleased to report that we've been working with District 22 (Elgin) Treatment Chair and are now available to present at Footprints in Elgin as needed. We already covered one meeting, which had 25 participants.

Webmaster: Betty F, Alt: Rick N:

- Final amount for renewal of website hosting through GoDaddy was \$287.76 for 2-year hosting.

10. **OLD BUSINESS:**

- (Short discussion in August regarding this and our Traditions) Jeff- group had brought up the question about what other groups think/do about Lord's Prayer. The group's concern is that the Lord's Prayer can be off-putting as a newcomer. His group feels that meeting is spiritual not religious and Lords Prayer is associated with a religious organization. He asked that GSRs take this back to their meeting and bring their feedback to the next meeting.

11. **NEW BUSINESS:**

- None.

NEXT DISTRICT MEETING

- Wednesday, August 27, 2025, 7pm