

Alternate Registrar Report

Presented at the NIA Summer Assembly Meeting, LaFox, IL, 6/27/2009
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Introduction

In NIA, the Area Registrar and Alternate, together, are responsible to handle group and individual information updates in GSO's Fellowship New Vision (FNV) database. Until we successfully merge district information into FNV (more on this later) we also maintain a separate database of district information for NIA. We make this information available to other NIA trusted servants as needed; for example, from this data we create mailing lists for area assembly meeting minutes and the Concepts newsletter.

This report summarizes activity for the past few months.

Group Information Updates

In March, we began our push to update group information on GSO's Fellowship New Vision (FNV) database. The push was motivated by the 2010 Regional Directory cutoff date of May 23rd for group information changes.

DCMs must have got the word out, because we received *lots* of change requests. In fact, in April and May we received and processed 172 requests to change group information and 359 requests to change contact information for individual group contacts, GSRs, etc. Our hats are off, way off, to the DCMs and GSRs for getting their information updated! *Congratulations to our DCMs on a job very well done!*

Since the beginning of the year (as of 6/7) we have received and process changes for 229 groups and 546 individuals.

Unknown groups

As of 6/7, 184 Groups in NIA have an *Unknown* status in FNV. These groups do not receive GSO mailings and do not appear in their Regional Directory. This section is intended to identify these groups and to provide sufficient background material to enable an informed group conscience, should any of them wish to change this status.

In FNV, each group has a status that is either *Active* or *Unknown*. I don't know why GSO chose the words "active" and "unknown" – a less confusing choice might have been "known" and "unknown." Nevertheless it is important to realize that *Unknown* does not mean "inactive." *Unknown* simply means that GSO does not have enough information about a group to deliver on its responsibility to provide basic group services (like mailings of Box 459, GSO Quarterly Reports, etc.). To make matters more confusing, though, GSO requires not only a primary contact for a group but also at least

one meeting time in order for a group to have an *Active* status. Unfortunately, this one status is used for two purposes – only *Active* groups get GSO mailings and only *Active* groups are listed in their Regional Directory. *Unknown* groups get neither. Confusing? Definitely. Unfair? You bet. The only saving grace is that the situation is very easy to rectify.

To deliver on its responsibility to communicate with groups, GSO requires each group to have a primary contact. The primary contact does not have to be a GSR or to hold any service position whatsoever. Primary contacts are simply those members of the fellowship who are willing to share their full name and address with GSO and, optionally, to receive GSO mailings on behalf of their group. These optional mailings include Box 459, GSO quarterly reports, etc. Then, to ensure that Regional Directories are useful, GSO requires each group to provide at least one meeting time in order to be listed. The only way a group can be marked *Active* is to provide both pieces of information and this is most easily done by e-mailing a completed group information change form, available at <http://www.aa-nia.org>, to us at niaregistrar@gmail.com.

Unknown Groups		
Dist- rict	Service Number	Group Name
10	104340	Northsiders Group
	120532	Monday 7:00 Step Meeting Group
	120534	Saturday Morning Step Group
	121126	Winners Way Group
	127397	Early Birds Group
	128557	Lindenhurst Group
	132728	Recovery By The Lake Group
	157855	Lacon Group
	170116	12 & 12 Group
	173547	Sobriety Seekers Group
11	608888	Sobriety Progress Big Book Group
	613375	Mens Promises Group
	625260	Big Book Chapter 12 Group
	630028	Ingleside Men's Wanderers Grp
	631429	The Subject Is Relapse Group
	662281	Friday Night Wanderers Group
	129030	Sunday Big Book Group
12	147408	Grupo El Poder Superior
	104263	Starting Over Group
	104644	Deerfield B-1 Group
	104753	Lake Bluff Wednesday Nite Grp
	104919	St. Theresa Hospital Group
	104921	Thursday Night Group
	104922	Tuesday 6 P.M. Group
	104924	Wednesday Daytime Group
	123696	First 164 Group
	126433	Dry Dockers Group
	131976	Saturday Morning Womens Group
	135295	New Beginnings Group

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	136342	Wednesday 6 P.M. Group
	136397	Lake County Treatment Group
	139904	Compass Group
	140428	T.G.I.F. Group
	608326	Pondering Mondays Stuff Group
	617243	Moonlighters Group
	629884	Kept Coming Back Group
	634149	Knee Time Group
	641691	Live & Let Live Group
	642909	Wed Night Procastinators Group
	660968	Woz Big Book Group
17	643769	Pearl City A.A. Group
20	161011	Grupo San Jose
	660547	Grupo Casa De Esperanza
	660564	Grupo Renacimiento
	660580	Grupo Nueva Luz
21	104881	Wanderers #244 Group
	128437	707 Group
	161598	Tues Nite Wanderers #112 Gp
	169791	8:08 Lesbian & Gay Group
	605167	Tuesday Night I.D. Group
	616904	Wanderers #42 Group
	639135	Team Serene Group
	657492	Sisterhood In Sobriety Group
	667386	Goose Hung High 181 Group
22	117174	Big Book 12 & 12 Group
	123511	Tuesday Night Group
	124226	Back To Basics Group
	614385	Monday Second Shifters Group
	656616	Mon A.M. Ecker Group
	686341	Service Is The Secret Group
	686344	Come As You Are Group
	686346	Thirsty Thursday Group
	686388	12 X 12 Group
	686392	Midnight Madness Group
	686393	Healing The Hearts Womens Group
	686394	Fresh Start Big Book Group
	686395	Going To Any Lengths Group
	686977	As Bill Sees It Elgin Group
23	128811	No Nonsense Group
	648688	Emergency 911 Recovery Group
	651361	Saturday Night Reflection Grp
28	626899	Thurs Mens Blah Blah Blah Grp
40	104210	Steps (1-12) Thurs Nite Group
	148867	Womens Choice Group
	178807	Wanderers No 5 Group
	661883	Saturday Women's Group (p)
	662000	Tuesday Men Group (p)
	662004	Wednesday Men Group (p)

	662011	Monday Men's Group (p)
	662278	Hope & Possibility Group
	668068	Recovery On the Mind Group (p)
41	104302	Elmhurst Splinter Group
	104413	Tioga Monday Night Group
	104672	Open Group
	104907	Sunday Closed Step Group
	117713	Stepping Stones Group
	139257	Anonymity Group
	164633	Seek & Help Mens Group
	167120	Quarry Rats Group
	173813	Wednesday Night Camel Group
	655258	5 X 5 Group
42	104938	Saturday Morning Straight Gp
	104941	Wednesday Afternoon Disc Group
	125333	Woodridge First Nighters Group
	131676	7:00 P.M. Step Group
	158405	5:00 P.M. Tuesday Afternoon Grp
	159305	Hinsdale 12 Step Group
	172354	Big Book Mens Mtg Group
	624880	Women Living Sober Group
	670247	Back To Basics Beginners Group
	671096	Rebels With a Cause Group
43	139807	12 & 12 Tuesday A.M. Group
51	104175	No B S Gut Level Group
	104176	Thursday Nite Beginners Group
	104177	Morris Community Thur Group
	104736	Open Fellowship Group
	104743	Wednesday Night Gut Level Grp
	118603	Frankfort Hot Dog Group
	138303	Mon Nite Step & Traditions Grp
	141896	Peotone Pathfinders Group
	149900	Saturday Open Speaker Group
	164212	Young Peoples B/B Study Group
	164213	Reaching For Recovery Group
	165480	Friday Night Step Group
	169789	As Bill Sees It Group
	175703	Spiritual Group
	648182	Shorewood Big Book Group
	648959	Lincolnway Kitchen Table Group
	657491	Ladies in Sobriety Group
	663899	Mentors With Substance Group (p)
	666415	Mokena Fri Morning 10 AM Group
	676694	Custer Park Big Book Study Group
52	137837	Wednesday Night Anonymous Grp
61	118948	Batavia Sundowners Group
	123798	Keep It Simple Group
	128072	It Really Doesn't Matter Group
	134212	Sunday Night Fellowship Group

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	137035	Golden Anniversary Group
	140518	Restored To Sanity Group
	172164	Progress Not Perfection Group
	173118	Saturday Night Madness Group
	174680	T.G.I.F. Group
	600092	3-11 Group
	603109	Delnor Newcomers Group
	650200	Big Book Study Group
	650201	12 Steps To Wellness Group
	650202	Hip To Be Square Group
	650205	Step "N" Up Group
	659389	No Choke Group
62	126195	West Side Group
	140551	Saturday Night Closed Group
63	137888	Tuesday Nite Big Book Group
	165026	Recovery Plus Group
	607310	Young Peoples Group
	610611	Monday Starter Group
	613044	Monday Morning Closed Disc Grp
	642967	Miracles Are Us Group
64	104398	Penthouse Group
	119977	Sunday Evening Big Book Group
	131670	Wilson Hall Group
	148251	Will Try Group
	149190	Early Times Group
	165383	Came To Believe Group
	179934	Live & Learn Group
	674552	Wednesday Night Big Book Study Grp
70	130338	S.H.E. Group
	159817	Rural Street Steppers Group
	175696	Byron Group
	672955	Serenity Sisters Group
	673413	Over 50's Group
71	150000	Better Off Sober Gp(Non-smoking)
	164882	One Day At A Time Group
	172933	Easy Does It Group
	177975	We Are Not Saints Group
	178151	Sat Nite Open Speaker Group #1
	614570	Fresh Beginning Group
	616198	Program Of Recovery Group
	650779	Kingston Friendship Center Grp
72	149309	Open Door No 4 Group
	149394	Shannon Monday Niters Group
	155900	Attitude Adjustment Group
	161301	Mon 10 A.M. Galena Group
	172878	Wed Noon Brown Bags Bg Bk Grp
	628586	Big Book Study Group
80	663862	Real Life Group

90	104878	Triangle Group
	129321	Cambridge House Group
	136508	Coal Valley Beginners Group
	139934	Cleveland Group
	159121	Port Byron Hill Top Group
	173812	H.O.W. Group
	640215	Stutsman Group
	640580	Orion Serenity Group
91	651894	B.Y.O.B.B. Group