CHICAGOLAND GA INTERGROUP

Minutes for September 10, 2024

Chicagoland GA Intergroup Officers:

Chairperson	Tony C	Present
1st Chair	Sue M	Present
2nd Chair	Al A	Present
Secretary	Eileen Z	Present
Co-Secretary	Brian V	Absent
Co-Treasurer	Doug K	Present
Co-Treasurer	Tom H	Present

Area 8 Trustees	Present	Not Present
Cindi M	X	
Dianna R	X	
Donna M	X	
Mary D	X	

Attendees were as follows: Participants representing 19 rooms, highlighted below in yellow, 7 officers, 4 trustees, 8 Committee Chairs, and 3 Event Chairs.

Meetings – 19 of 57 rooms available (below)

TC = Temporarily Closed; Hybrid = Zoom and Live; Zoom = Zoom Only; Live = Mtg In Person; X = Meeting Represented

1	Sun – Champaign-Urbana	7:00 PM	LIVE		30	Wed – Hoffman Est.	7:00 PM	ZOOM	X
2	Sun – Chicago St. Gertrude	7:00 PM	LIVE	X	31	Wed – North Shore	7:30 PM	ZOOM	
3	Sun – Elgin	4:00 PM	LIVE		32	Wed – Oak Park	7:00 PM	LIVE	
4	Sun – Evanston	7:00 PM	ZOOM		33	Wed - Wheaton	6:30 PM	LIVE	
5	Sun – Naperville	6:00 PM	LIVE	X	34	Thur - Algonquin	7:00 PM	LIVE	X
6	Mon – Arlington Hts.	7:00 PM	ZOOM		35	Thur – Burbank	7:30 PM	HYBRID	
7	Mon - Bloomingdale	7:00 PM	LIVE		36	Thur - Chicago North	7:30 PM	LIVE	
8	Mon – Chgo - Our Lady/Holy Family	6:30 PM	LIVE	X	37	Thur – Downers Grove	6:30 PM	LIVE	X
9	Mon – Highland, IN	6:30 PM	LIVE		38	Thur – Elk Grove	7:00 PM	LIVE	X
10	Mon – Joliet	7:00 PM	LIVE	X	39	Thur – Gurnee	6:30 PM	PHONE/ LIVE	
11	Mon – Lisle	7:00 PM	LIVE	X	40	Thur – Kankakee	7:00 PM	LIVE	
12	Mon – Loves Park	6:30 PM	LIVE		41	Thur – Lisle	7:00 PM	LIVE	
13	Mon - Mt. Prospect	7:00 PM	LIVE		42	Thur – Orland Park	7:30 PM	LIVE	
14	Mon – Oak Lawn	7:30 PM	HYBRID	X	43	Thur – Peoria	7:00 PM	LIVE	
15	Mon – Naperville/Aurora	7:00 PM	LIVE	X	44	Thur – Rockton	6:30 PM	LIVE	
16	Mon - Peoria	7:00 PM	LIVE		45	Thur – St. Charles	6:30 PM	LIVE	X
17	Mon - South Holland	11:30 AM	LIVE		46	Fri – Bolingbrook	7:00 PM	LIVE	X
18	Tues – Algonquin	7:00 PM	LIVE		47	Fri – Buffalo Grove	7:00 PM	LIVE	
19	Tues – Bloomingdale	7:30 PM	LIVE	X	48	Fri – Chicago Northwest	12:30 PM	LIVE	
20	Tues - Chicago Loop Early Riser	6:00 AM	ZOOM		49	Fri – Hinsdale	6:30 AM	ZOOM	

Tues – Chicago South – Willa Raw ls	7:00 PM	HYBRID		50	Fri - Ottaw a	7:00 PM	LIVE	
Tues – Chicago NW - Edison Park	7:00 PM	LIVE		51	Sat – Cherry Valley	9:00 AM	LIVE	
Tues – Palatine	11:00 AM	LIVE	X	52	Sat - Chicago Northside	6:00 AM	LIVE	X
Wed – Aurora	7:00 PM	ZOOM		53	Sat – Dow ners Grove	9:00 AM	ZOOM	
Wed – Bloomington/Normal	7:00 PM	LIVE		54	Sat – Dow ners Grove	9:00 AM	LIVE	X
Wed – Burbank	10:00 AM	LIVE		55	Sat – Forest Park	9:30 AM	LIVE	
Wed - Chicago Lincold Park	7:15 AM	LIVE		56	Sat - Park Ridge	8:00 AM	ZOOM	
Wed - Deerfield	7:30 PM	LIVE	X	57	Sat – Schaumburg	9:00 AM	LIVE	X
Wed – Dow ners Grove	7:00 PM	LIVE						

Meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by Tony C.

Readings:

Unity Program – Yellow Book	Bob D
Unity Step #9 – Red Book	Larry J
A Day-at-a-Time – September 10th	Mary D

Guidelines for the meeting were read by Tony. The collection and attendance list were passed for collection donations and sign-in.

August 2024 minutes: Motion by Mary D seconded by Dianna R to approve the minutes. Motion passed.

New Intergroup Reps Acknowledged:

Name	Meeting Time	Location
Keenan C	Monday Night	Chicago

Unfinished Business:

- A motion made last month was postponed to this month. Allen H made the amendment to the motion which Tony C has deemed out of order. Mary D withdrew the original motion.

New Business:

- Motion made by Mary D seconded by Cindi C that Chicagoland Intergroup Treasury shall cover the cost of all pins for pinnings though the end of this calendar year at an approximate cost of $500 or less. Motion passed.
- Motion made by Bob D seconded by Joe L to donate the entire collection taken tonight to ISO and match it with Intergroup funds in honor of Gratitude Week. Motion passed.
- Tony talked about Roberts Rules of Order. When a motion is made if it is seconded, we have to proceed to discussion and a vote. If no one seconds the motion, it dies. Discussions are timed at 10 minutes. Motions can be amended for greater clarification. There is no limit to the number of amendments. When voting, it starts with the latest amendment. The Chair can rule a motion Out of Order, but it can be overturned.
- October begins the nomination process for November nominations. All Officers and Committee Charis are being asked to give a report of what is involved in their committee/position.

Activities – Brian V and Steve K – No report

- Bowling league started. Plays the 2 Sunday of the month and there is room for more bowlers.
- Golf on Monday at Lombard Golf Course will continue through September

Annual Conference 2025 – Brian V, Jimmy M, Nathan W, and Rob M – No report

Anniversaries – Pam E – Eileen Z reporting

A total of 284 years of recovery were reported to ISO in August

JUNE

Laura P.	Schaumburg	5 yrs.	6-15-19

JULY

George S.	Buffalo Grove.	44 yrs.	7-15-80
Cindi C.	Palatine.	21 yrs.	7-22-03
Jim N.	Naperville.	14 yrs.	7-19-10
Guilo D.	Aurora.	8 yrs.	7-13-16
Nathan W.	St. Charles.	6 yrs.	7-20-18
Linda R.	Joliet.	2 yrs.	7-1-22
Ann P.	Joliet.	2 yrs.	7-18-22

AUGUST

Dave M.	Bloomingdale.	40 yrs.	8-15-84
Alan H.	Chicago.	32 yrs.	8-8-92
Stan C.	Naperville.	32 yrs.	8-25-92
Becky G.	Joliet	16 yrs.	8-26-03
Paul A.	Lisle.	15 yrs.	8-24-09
Kevin B.	Aurora.	13 yrs.	8-24-11
Steve S.	Joliet.	13 yrs.	8-29-11
John E.	Aurora.	12 yrs.	8-8-12
Sue M.	Lisle.	9 yrs.	8-24-15

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Please remember to report your room's anniversaries.

- *You can provide information to anniversaries@gachicago.org or bring your information to Intergroup.*
- *When submitting names please indicate the first name, last initial, meeting room, clean date and how many years Deadline to submit is the 17th of every month.*

Budget – John R – No report

GA Chicagoland Website – Mike O and Brian V - No report

- *Send information/updates* **info@gachicago.org**

Holiday Party – 2024 – Mary D reporting

- Date is Sunday, December 8th
- Place and details are to be determined.
- Cost will be $25 and will include crafts & activities

Joys, Cares & Concerns – Gina K – No report

- *Send info to sunshine@gachicago.org*

Meetings – Paul A and DeWayne T – Eileen Z reporting

- New meeting beginning Thursday September 26th
  - 11:30 am – 1:00 pm – Therapy Meeting
  - St, Mary Immaculate Church
  - 15623 Illinois Route 59
  - Plainfield, IL
  - Our Lady of the Fatima room in the north wing

Meetings requesting support:

- Wed. Oak Park, 7:00 pm start

- Send updates to meetings@gachicago.org

Phone Service – Peggy H & Laura P – Peggy H reporting

Total Calls – August 1 - 31	38
Accepted	7
Voice Mail	1
Missed Calls: Fri 8/2 6:30a, 9:11p; Thurs 8/15 6:44p; Tues 8/20 11:07a; Fri 8/23 4:30a; Tues 8/27 9:00p, 11:04p	7
Hang-ups (on-line less than 60 seconds)	12
Robo Calls (not included in total calls)	12

Attended conference call on National Phone Call Hotline Platform. We have 6 months to decide if we want to convert.

We are always looking for volunteers for the hours you are available. 6 months clean time is required. Information is on the website on how to be of service answering hotline calls.

Please communicate any questions or concerns with the phone service; email Peggy at phoneservice@gachicago.org.

Pinnings –Sandy M & Laura P – Laura P reporting

DISCLAIMER – Note that this Pinning list in the meeting minutes is effective only on the date of the Intergroup meeting at which it was reported. For the latest Pinning information, go to www.gachicago.org, to the Member Page, then look for the Pinnings link.

Pinning Chair email: pinnings@gachicago.org

DATE	DAY	TIME	LOCATION	PINEE	CELEBRATING
9/23/24	Monday	Refreshments-6:30 PM Pinning 7:00 PM	Chicago Meeting Our Lady of the Family Parish Church Notre Dame de Chicago 1334 W Flournoy St Chicago, IL. 60607	Ben S. Jake D. Ryan C.	1 year GA 1 year GA 1 year GA
9/26/24	Thursday	6:32 PM Food first, Early welcome Pinning starts 7:17 sharp	Lisle Meeting (Thursday) Trinity Lutheran Church 1101 Kimberly Way Lisle, IL 60532 Pinning will be in Gym Open Pinning	Tyler S. Mike P. Dorie D. Michelle R. Guilio D. Dale T. Paul A.	1 year GA 5 years GA 5 years GA 5 years GA 5 years GA 15 years GA 15 years GA

10/7/24	**Monday**	**7:00 PM** **In-Room Pinning** **Desserts and Beverages to follow**	**<u>Lisle Meeting (Monday)</u>** **Trinity Lutheran Church** **(Main Entrance -Café)** **1101 Kimberly Way** **Lisle, IL 60532** **In-Room Pinning** **Meeting will be followed by Pinning** **Men welcome**	**Brigid J.**	**25 years GA**
11/1/24	**Friday**	**6:30 PM** **Food first; pinning to follow**	**<u>Bolingbrook Meeting</u>** **Friendship United Methodist Church, Choir Room** **305 East Boughton Road** **Bolingbrook, IL 60440** **Open Pinning**	**Andrew S.** **Mark Z.**	**1 year GA** **1 year GA**
11/2/24	**Saturday**	**9:00 AM** **Food first; pinning to follow.**	**<u>Schaumburg Meeting</u>** **St. John's Evangelical Lutheran School** **1800 S. Rodenburg Road** **Schaumburg, IL 60193** **Pinning will be in lower-level gymnasium** **Parking lot is on the east side of Rodenburg Road – across street from the church**	**Cynthia L.** **Linda B.** ***(likely adding additional pinnee(s))***	**1 year GA** **1 year GA**

- *To schedule a pinning, please call or email Sandy M at pinnings@gachicago.org or call 630-263-1962.*
- *Important: To ensure that the Supplies Chair(s) are aware of pins that need to be ordered, please advise the Pinning Chair if you need to order a pin(s) at least 6 weeks in advance to ensure they are received in time for your pinning.*
- *When you submit information for a pinning by email please include (meeting room/location, date, and if you* need *a pin(s) in your email). Please ensure you include a phone number when submitting pinning requests in case of questions.*
- ***1-year pins will be provided by Intergroup; subsequent pins will be provided by Intergroup until the funds dedicated to pins depletes – as of August, 2024, funds have been depleted.***

<u>Chicagoland GA Pinning Scheduling Guidelines</u>:

- *For a pinning event to be added to the pinning list, it requires submission to the Pinning Chairperson-Sandy M at least 30 days prior to the pinning date and preferably at least one day prior to the Intergroup meeting. Intergroup Reps can do this by emailing or calling a submission to the Pinning Chairperson.*
- *It is recommended that no meeting schedule more than 1 pinning event in a 30-day period. This is done in order to prevent pinning events being scheduled on the same date in different meeting locations.*
- *Chicagoland Intergroup will pay for 1-year pins once the pinnee has qualified to be added to the pinning list. The Intergroup Rep will be asked if the member requesting a pinning, by their own admission, has met all following requirements to qualify.*
- ***To be eligible to be pinned, a member must have (Per the Gamblers Anonymous Guidance Code, Article VII, Section 4 stating):*** *Abstinence from gambling and regular attendance of at least thirty-nine (39) Gamblers Anonymous meetings (exceptions can be made, via group conscience decisions, for medical reasons and military stationed overseas) in the prior 12 months, by the member's own admission, is required for pinnings and for all successive anniversaries. Date of abstinence starts from your first meeting after your last bet.*

<u>Pinning General Guidelines:</u>

- *Announce at beginning of pinning that **"As this is a program of anonymity, we ask that Family & Friends be mindful of this and ask before taking pictures. This is also why we provide first name and last initial only for GA members when introducing them."***
- Announce prior to a collection being taken that: ***"Donations will be accepted only from GA members. While we appreciate contributions offered, our organization is self-supporting."*** (See Unity step 7 regarding declining outside contributions.)

Pressure Relief – Joe L - No report

Public Relations – Allen H and Nathan W – no report

- *If you'd like to volunteer or have any ideas for public relations, please email to publicrelations@gachicago.org.*

Supplies – Fran S and Nathan W reporting – Nathan W reporting

- Pinnings must be approved before you get a pin from supplies.
- There were some price changes of which we were not notified. An updated supply form will be published on the website. Some things were discontinued, but nothing that we've been ordering.
- Motion made by Cindi C seconded by Nathan W to retroactively pay for the pin that was purchased in August. The room may elect to receive $25 in supplies. Motion passed.
- *For big orders of 10 or more items, please try to email to supplies@gachicago.org so they can ensure they have it for you at the next meeting*
- *Please complete the forms in their entirety; Name, Room Location and Night of Meeting; if this is not completed, the order will not be filled. Pay the treasurers, have them sign the order and present to Nathan or Fran.*
- ***Reminder:** Your room will need to place a Supply order for the pin(s) far enough ahead of time to ensure it is available for the pinning event. (Your room will not be charged for a 1-year pin as this is a CIG expense to reflect the new policy passed at the March, 2022 IG meeting). **Please tell Pinning chairperson (Sandy M or Laura P) if you need a pin and let a Supply chairperson (Nathan W or Fran S) know, as well.***

Trustee Reports

Cindi C: The unofficial agenda for the next Trustee meeting is on the website. Discussions are being had about digitizing GA literature.

Dianna R: No report

Donna M: Trustees try to go to every pinning. The pinnings in November are at a time when no trustee can attend.

Mary D: - Mary has copies of the document that was passed out at the Spirituality Conference that are available for people to take. They cannot be used in a room since they are not approved literature, but are available and cover the 12 steps.

Treasurers' Report – Doug K and Tom H – Tom H reporting

Reminder that if your room requires an insurance policy, we have a blanket insurance policy

- *During Intergroup, please ensure room contributions are submitted as soon as possible; contributions received after 8:00 p.m. do not allow for the treasury report to be completed before the end of the meeting.*
- **Intergroup collections totaled $1,748.35. Cash of $516.10 and checks of $1,232,25. ISO room donations $554.00 plus all of IG collection of $103 totals $657.00 which will be sent to ISO along with the $103 match**

approved by motion for a total of $760 to ISO. Chicagoland Intergroup donations were $558.00; Supplies - $88.25, Bowling Funds in Trust - $255.10

- Contributions can be made via Zelle or Pay Pal email to **giveback@gachicago.org**

Chicagoland Intergroup Treasurer's Report					September 2024	
Date	**Account**	**Num**	**Description**	**Memo**	**Category**	**Amount**
BALANCE 8/31/2024						**$ 31,769.14**
8/13/2024	Checking	4231	Bob Dur	Picnic/Spirit Conf	--Split--	$ (1,597.19)
8/13/2024	Checking	4232	Mary D	Picnic/Spirit Conf	--Split--	$ (656.58)
8/13/2024	Checking	4233	Nathan W	Supply Order	[Supplies]	$ (817.00)
8/13/2024	Checking	4235	GA ISO	Intergroup Aug Collection	[ISO Collections]	$ (434.00)
8/13/2024	Checking	Deposit	Deposit		--Split--	$ 4,815.75
8/14/2024	Checking		PNC Bank	Service Charge	Fees & Charges:Bank	$ (5.00)
8/14/2024	Checking		Interest	Interest	Interest Inc	$ 0.26
8/13/2024	Supplies		Nathan W	Supply Order	[Checking]	$ 817.00
8/13/2024	Supplies		Deposit		[Checking]	$ (932.75)
8/13/2024	ISO Collections		GA ISO	Intergroup Aug Collection	[Checking]	$ 434.00
8/13/2024	ISO Collections		Deposit		[Checking]	$ (434.00)
8/13/2024	Pinning Funds		Deposit		[Checking]	$ (88.00)
					8/1/2024 - 8/31/2024	$ 1,102.49
					BALANCE 8/31/2024	**$ 32,871.63**
Checking Balance 8/04/2024		**$ 30,605.87**			TOTAL INFLOWS	$ 6,067.01
					TOTAL OUTFLOWS	$ (4,964.52)
Pinning Funds		$ (3,166.54)				
Bowling Funds		$ -				
Supplies		$ 5,539.50				
ISO		$ (107.20)				
TOTAL Other Accounts		**$ 2,265.76**				
OVERALL TOTAL		**$ 32,871.63**				
		$ (5,539.50)	Less Non-cash asset			
		$ 27,332.13	**Approximate Funds Available to Chicagoland Intergroup**			

Motion made by Mary D and seconded by Bob D to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed and meeting ended at 8:12 PM with the Serenity Prayer.

Respectfully submitted by Eileen Z, Intergroup Secretary

CONTRIBUTION REPORT = SEPTEMBER 2024	CIG		ISO		SUPPLIES	
Group Name	Month	YTD	Month	YTD	Month	YTD
Algonquin - Christ United Tuesday	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.00	304.00
Algonquin - Christ United Thursday	0.00	20.00	0.00	185.00	0.00	256.50
Arlington Heights Zoom Monday	0.00	20.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Aurora Zoom Wednesday	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	79.00
Bloomingdale - Church of the Incarnation Tuesday	0.00	50.00	0.00	50.00	0.00	119.00
Bolingbrook - Friendship United (Friday)	135.00	635.00	45.00	320.00	0.00	201.00
Buffalo Grove - Youth Center (Friday)	0.00	50.00	0.00	25.00	0.00	173.25
Burbank - Our Savior (Wednesday)	0.00	175.00	0.00	50.00	0.00	38.25
Burbank - Our Savior (Thursday)	0.00	417.00	0.00	417.00	0.00	220.25
Bloomington/Normal - St Matthews Wednesday	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Cherry Valley - United Methodist (Saturday)	0.00	95.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	56.00
Chicago - St. Gertrude Sunday	0.00	19.00	0.00	14.00	15.00	86.00
Chicago - Our Lady of the Holy Family Monday	0.00	160.00	0.00	150.00	0.00	52.50
Chicago - Early Risers Zoom Tuesday	0.00	10.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	15.00
Chicago - St Elizabeth of the Trinity Friday	0.00	0.00	0.00	30.00	0.00	86.50
Chicago - Lincoln Park Alano Wednesday	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Chicago - St John's Episcopal Thursday	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	229.00
Deerfield - Kingswood United Wednesday	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	25.00	100.50
Downers Grove - Glory Dei Thursday	0.00	175.00	0.00	175.00	0.00	140.00
Downers Grove - St Luke Saturday	0.00	195.00	134.00	326.00	0.00	46.00
Downers Grove Zoom Saturday	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Edison Park - Edison Park Lutheran Church (Tuesday)	0.00	52.00	0.00	52.00	0.00	73.00
Elgin - St Hugh of Lincoln Sunday	26.00	63.00	26.00	63.00	0.00	61.00
Elk Grove Village - Alexian Brothers Sunday	62.00	82.00	0.00	25.00	0.00	75.00
Elk Grove Village - St Nicholas Thursday	0.00	100.00	0.00	50.00	0.00	33.75
Evanston Zoom Sunday	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Forest Park - Hannah House (Saturday)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	35.00
Gurnee - Weckler & Assoc. Thursday	0.00	320.00	0.00	88.00	0.00	0.00
Hammond - St Margaret Mercy	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	87.00
Hinsdale Zoom Friday	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Hoffman Estates Zoom (Wednesday)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	32.00
Joliet - 1st Presbyterian Church (Monday)	18.00	309.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	98.00
Kankakee - Riverside Medical (Thursday)	0.00	120.00	0.00	160.00	0.00	0.00
Lisle - Trinity Lutheran Women's meeting Monday	19.00	370.50	13.00	130.00	0.00	45.00
Lisle - Trinity Lutheran Thursday	0.00	63.00	0.00	56.00	0.00	30.00
Loves Park - Javon Bea Hospital (Monday)	0.00	20.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	180.50
Miscellaneous Supplies/Literature Sales	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	242.00
Mt Prospect - Northwest Covenant Monday	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	180.00
Naperville - West Suburban Fellowship (Sunday)	0.00	230.00	0.00	230.00	0.00	36.50
Naperville - River Glen Church Monday	68.00	352.00	68.00	352.00	0.00	178.25
North Shore Zoom Wednesday	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
North Shore Alano - (Saturday)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	51.50
Oak Lawn - Pilgrim Faith (Monday)	0.00	100.00	100.00	200.00	0.00	17.75
Oak Park - The Grateful House (Wednesday)	0.00	60.00	0.00	60.00	0.00	0.00
Orland Park - All Saints Lutheran (Thursday)	0.00	250.00	0.00	250.00	0.00	20.50
Ottawa - First Baptist Church (Friday)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	29.25	45.25
Palatine - Good News Church (Tuesday)	50.00	195.50	77.00	177.00	0.00	57.00
Park Ridge Zoom Saturday	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Schaumburg - St. Johns Evangelical (Saturday)	50.00	182.00	22.00	79.00	0.00	140.25
St. Charles - Hosanna Lutheran (Thursday)	30.00	238.00	50.00	258.00	0.00	117.50
South Holland -Christ Community Church (Monday)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Wheaton - Trinity Episcopal Church (Wednesday)	0.00	51.00	0.00	50.00	0.00	105.00
Willa Rawls Zoom Tuesday	0.00	150.00	0.00	150.00	0.00	0.00
Gifts/Internet Collection	100.00	1,522.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Intergroup collections	0.00	264.00	103.00	367.00	0.00	0.00
Total Collections	558.00	7,115.00	657.00	4,658.00	88.25	4,144.50