

“The Joy of Living”

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Area 92 Newsletter

Mission Statement

To Report directly “to those they serve”; to publicize AA events; to be a forum for sharing and comment.



Greetings Area 92!

Greetings Area 92! The “Joy of Living” is the theme of our 12th step. December brings us the many opportunities to love, to give, to be of service and to grow spiritually. I continue to look for Journalists, Writers and Artists that might be interested in submitting feature articles or contributions for the newsletter. Contact me if you would like to be on the mailing list. Thank you for the opportunity to be of Service!

Benjamin G. Newsletter Editor / WSEA 92 / Panel 70 / AA

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Area Delegate

Wishing Area 92 a 2020 Holiday Season that is filled with gratitude!

Given the current challenges facing global humanity, I confess to struggling a bit before choosing the above salutation and topic for December's Newsletter. Here is why.

Enlightenment came the evening of Dec. 5th after sitting through a truly remarkable, first-ever, virtual U.S. and Canada (USCAN) East Regions Forum. An announcement and flyer about this Forum, and the upcoming Dec. 19th USCAN West Regions Forum, was distributed across Area 92 and posted on our Website Events page in November.

Not surprisingly, anyone could register and attend - free. Indeed, 2036 members were registered in advance with main session attendance staying well above 1000. While most came from the East Regions, there were many attending from the West Regions including several from Area 92.

The Forum Program Committee worked with the Trustees and Delegates to select panel and workshop topics of keen interest to the attendees and recruited moderators and panelists with substantial relevant experience. These participants were drawn from Provinces of Eastern Canada and from the Central and Eastern States in the U.S. Key members of GSO and Corporate Boards and GSO Staff brought additional knowledge and information. Importantly, substantial time was allocated and well-used for comments and questions by attendees. I found every session thoughtful and intriguing. The closing Past Trustees Panel was profoundly moving.

As some of you may be aware, the normal, in-person 2020 Regional Forums had been cancelled due to the pandemic. Many of us who have previously attended were quite disappointed that our Pacific Region Forum was one of them. Meanwhile, the idea of holding combined, virtual, multi-regional forums, was being suggested by Sandra W. from the GSO staff. The idea was discussed at GSO Board meetings and among the Trustees earlier this summer. Sandra pointed out that doing this would mirror the AA program's admonition that we **"go to any length"**.

Shouldn't the AA Service side of our triangle do the same?

When I learned of Sandra's rationale, it struck me as compelling and reminded me of one of the truths I heard frequently repeated by the men of the New Elmwood Ave. Group where I got sober. They impressed on me that gratitude is not an emotional response caused by external conditions in my life, it is a state of mind that I must reach inside myself and choose. For an alcoholic like me, **"living life on life's terms and not picking up a drink"** is the vital component of making that choice. The new Elmwood Ave. men were insistent that it does not matter what the conditions are around me, it only matters what I do. I attended the Eastern USCAN Regional Forum, and was filled with gratitude.

So...I have a request to make and an AA gift to share. Please, navigate to the aa.org website, click the box in the top center of the landing page titled *"Regional Forums Information"*, and register through Eventbrite for the USCAN Western Forum to be held on Dec. 19th, 2020. There is no cost. You will receive zoom login credentials and a full Agenda before the event. Then, sign-on and attend on Dec. 19th. The Forums are translated in English, Spanish, French and ASL.

You will experience a full measure of the AA gift of gratitude!

Much love,

Gary

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Area Alternate Delegate

Greetings WSEA 92 AA Fellowship!!

Wow, one year later and here we are! I have to say what an honor and pleasure it has been to serve Alcoholics Anonymous and our Area these past 12 months. To experience everyone coming together to overcome this year's craziness, and tend to the business of Area 92 has been a privilege I will forever be grateful for.

That spirit will surely be demonstrated this December 12 when the WSEA 92 Standing Committee Chairs workshop their vital services. Come and join them! To get involved and support one of these Committees is a wonderful opportunity for service.

January Quarterly and Pre-Conference Assembly are just around the corner.....The "fly by the seat of our pants" virtual review of the General Service Conference Agenda items last spring will really pay off for 2021. That experience, along with a possible early Agenda delivery, should make for a fun and successful event. The "table is set". I am anxious to once again serve with all of you in gathering the collective conscience of Area 92 as we help prepare our Delegate for the 71st GSC.

Still available: The vast experience of our Past Delegates is shared as they present the Area GSR School. DCMS check this out on the Area website, partner up with your neighboring Districts, and click on <https://area92aa.org/gsr-calendar/> to schedule....this is Good Stuff!

One way to get started.... "Be an active member on an active Committee"

Always grateful to serve,
Ben N - Alternate Delegate Panel 70

Area Chairperson

I hope everyone had a happy and safe thanksgiving weekend. Ours was very quiet with just Terry and I. We roasted a 6-pound chicken instead of a turkey along with all the trimmings and of course pumpkin pie. We attended our home group meeting Thursday night on Zoom which is always a fun meeting as it gives us a chance to be grateful.

I've been attending the No American Chairs Rap Sessions at which we discuss a variety of topics including conducting business and the kind of events we hold. I've been able to listen to other chairs discuss issues and sometimes hear solutions.

I attended the DCM sharing session on the last Tuesday of the month which was November 24th. Four DCMs attended as well as Jennifer, our Digital Communications Coordinator. She came to offer help to anyone regarding the website meeting schedule. We welcomed a new DCM Keith from District 19. I do hope more of the DCMs will take advantage of the sharing session as there are always concerns regarding both district and group meetings discussed.

I'm looking forward to the Standing Committee Workshop next Saturday so hope to see all of you there. I also want to send my best wishes for a Happy and safe Holiday this year.

Diana M
Area 92 Chair
Panel 70

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Area Alternate Chairperson

Happy December and Merry Christmas Area 92.

I am praying that you all are well and warm. December brings a close to the calendar year of 2020 but not the close of service for AA as a whole. The Standing committee chairs meet this month on the 12th at 10:00am.

District 3 is gearing up for the January quarterly and there are many ZOOM workshops and events listed on the area website event calendar.

District 8 is hosting the April assembly via zoom, watch for that flyer and information coming soon to the area.

Speaking of the event calendar, please include dates and times on all your flyer submissions. This is essential in order for postings to be correct, and so others can forward the information to groups, individuals and other areas.

I have been able to post events from GSO and other areas, ZOOM is actually becoming the new informational network for AA as a whole. I wasn't very warm to it at first but it kind of grows on you after a while. At the very least it has helped me stay sober and continue my road to happy destiny... That's about all for this trusted servant for now, merry Christmas and happy new year, see you all on the screen.

Until next time, Gary H.

Area Treasurer

Hello AREA 92

Where Has the time gone?? It is already December and Christmas is right around the corner. I will not say I am sorry to see the year end. I am hoping for a healthier and less challenging New Year. Zoom meetings have been a saving grace in so many of our AREA events. Regardless, we still have a lot of Zoom challenges to iron out. Let us all hope and pray the New Year will open up more and we will be able to get more than a cyber hug. LOL I am missing all of you so very much.

At the end of December, I will prepare a year-end P&L statement to present at the January Quarterly.

The 2021 Budget will also be prepared and ready for perusal. In the meantime, please do not hesitate to get in touch with me to ask for budgetary answers to pass on to your home group and District. I am working hard with all your interests in mind to stay completely transparent.

We have nominal monthly bills. They are more staggered throughout the year, with the bulk being in the beginning of the year. Zoom meetings have saved the AREA the cost of hotels, meals, registration, and travel for all of the chairs and appointed officers. Needless to say, with this temporary set-back our treasury is growing.

However, because of Covid-19 GSO has had to dip into their reserve account. Part of the issue is most likely lack of contributions because the majority of groups are doing zoom only and possibly not getting 7th tradition monies. Covid 19 has also caused a lot of new, unexpected expenses. What is the Reserve Fund? Answer: The Reserve Fund is G.S.O.'s prudent reserve. Its principal purpose is to provide the financial resources to continue the essential services of G.S.O. and the A.A. Grapevine for up to a year in the event of an unexpected and substantial reduction in the normal revenues of the organization. Question: How are G.S.O.'s services funded? Answer: Approximately 80% of G.S.O. services' funding

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comes from group contributions, the Birthday Plan, central office/district/area contributions, and excess funds of A.A. events or conferences. The balance is made up of profits from the sale of A.A. literature.

With our assembly being online we did not incur any additional debt, besides our monthly bills. Our beginning balance as of November 1st was \$27,742.79. We had expenses of \$252.00 (storage) and \$788.16 (Newsletter). Our deposits were \$2,052.69, leaving our checking account balance \$28,755.32. Our Prudent Reserve is \$2,500.30.

I am so honored to be serving as your WSEA 92 Treasurer. As I prepare to begin a new year in that same roll, I pray for your health, happiness, and prosperity. God bless you all.
Please send all contributions to:

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YIS
Jan R.

Area Alternate Treasurer

Season Greetings Area 92

The contributions for the month of November 2020 were **\$2052.69**. Thank you to all of the individuals, groups and Districts for your contributions. I have emailed out the detailed November contributions report to the DCM's. This report will include all of the Districts in the Area. If you would prefer to only get your own District, let me know and I will modify it. I also want the District GSR's to make sure your DCM's are getting this information out to you. If you are not receiving it, let them know or email me and I will get you a copy.
Please send all contributions to:

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Or
PayPal
(accessed from our website Area92aa.org)

Please include your **Group Name, Group ID Number** and **District #** on the contribution(s) to ensure that I give proper credit to the contributing groups or if this is a personal contribution, indicate **"personal"** in the memo line.. Contributions can also be made on the AREA 92 website by PayPal. It is set up to generate all personal/group information. **If you use PayPal please be complete with your information.**

You will get a receipt for the contribution amount minus the fee. If you are in need of a receipt, email me with your information and I will gladly send them to you.

Wishing you all a Happy Holiday. Be safe, healthy and God Bless

YIS
Cindy H.
Area 92 Alt-Treasurer
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Finance Committee Chair

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Area Secretary

Happy December Area 92

Our 2021 January Quarterly will be upon us before we know it so I've been working on Quarterly minutes. I encourage all the DCM's to continue to be the messenger to your groups. The DCM report form is saved in the DCM drive for easy access. As I said in last month's report it was amazing to see so many GSR's who attended the assembly. I certainly hope to see that continue.

The Handbook Committee is meeting every Wednesday to continue suggested corrections so the Area Handbook can move towards approval from the body. I recently sat in on the PNC planning committee. It's exciting to see the event coming together as if we're not under such challenging times. I'm so grateful to be a part of something greater than myself.

Thank you for allowing me to serve as your Area 92 Secretary.

YIS Ann Marie

Area Archives Chair

Greetings Area 92,

I hope everyone had a wonderful Thanksgiving, I certainly did. I am so very grateful for the fellowship and the opportunity to give back to a society that I took so much from when I was active in my alcoholism. Service work has been essential in my recovery, simply because as my sponsor tells me "I'm not much, but sometimes I'm all I think about!" Service work helps me to put others first and foremost. I cannot imagine just going to meetings and taking what I need and not giving back to those coming in the doors before and after me, or to those who come again and again until they are ready to hear the message. Thank you all for keeping me sober another day.

I continue to meet with the Archives Steering Committee on the 2nd Thursday of each month via conference call. We recently approved the purchase of a couple more metal storage shelving units, cardboard tubes (for storage of banners) and the purchase of more banker's boxes, Lisa D., has been busy cataloging and making a digital master list of all contents within the repository, and trying to organize said contents. We seem to have a lot of materials that should belong in the District and Homegroup Archives and not the Area Repository, and she will be working on getting those items to the appropriate entities. I would encourage all Districts and Groups to start building their own Archival Repository, and we would love to help you get started with just a few simple things you can all do to preserve the history and legacy of your Groups and Districts.

I hope some of the Districts and Groups, Archives Chairs will join us for the Standing Committee Workshop on Dec 12th and bring with them questions, concerns and ideas that we can share with one another. Of course, you can always contact myself, Lisa D., or any of the Steering Committee members anytime, with any and all your archival questions, we would love to help out.

Wishing you all a very Merry Christmas and a bright and Happy New Year. Until we meet in person again, you all are in my thoughts and prayers. Stay Safe...

Love you all
Lisa G., Archives Chair

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Area Archivist

Area Corrections Chair

Greetings Area 92.

This month has been slow with corrections. Due to different levels of restrictions and mandates in our respective states and counties it has seemed wise to adopt a wait and see attitude for now. I will see where we stand in the next week or so and proceed from there. My plan is to discuss this at the Standing Committee Workshop and then schedule a meeting with the corrections committee. Other than that, I have nothing to report. Please keep in mind if you'd like to be on the corrections committee feel free to contact me. The more input we have the better. In the meantime, be safe and follow the Covid guidelines for your area.

YIS

Chris Jordan

Area 92 Corrections Chair

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Area CPC Chair

Hello Area 92!

I hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving! Our next virtual Standing Committee workshop will be on December 10:00-2:00. It will be hosted by District 14th. There will be a lot of great information.... The theme will be "AA Leadership in a Changing Time".

Michelle (Area 92 PI Chair) and I are having a CPC/PI zoom meeting on the 3rd Tuesday at 7:00. District 8 is also having a CPC/PI Zoom meeting on the first Tuesday of every month at 7:00. Please don't hesitate to contact me if you need anything!

YIS,

Brande

Area Grapevine and Literature Chair

If you are reading this and think you would be interested in participating or knowing more information, please do not hesitate to give me a call. I would love to hear from you. 509-406-2262

Yours in Service with a Heart of Gratitude,
Anna V.

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Area Newsletter Editor

December is here already!

It is an honor and privilege to serve Alcoholics Anonymous and Area 92! I had the opportunity to have contact with two new Newsletter Editors in Districts and add to the mailing list!

I chair an in-person meeting for my homegroup meeting the Daily Reprieve on Thursday nights at 5:30 pm. We meet at the North Idaho Alano Club. I continue to sponsor and participate with the District 8 3rd Legacy Committee. Thank you for all your support!

I looking forward to the Standing Committee workshop this month, see you online!

Yours in Service Benjamin G. Area Newsletter Editor / WSEA 92 / Panel 70 / AA

Area Public Information Chair

– Happy Holidays & Season's Greetings –

I have kept busy this month attending virtual AA and CPC/PI meetings, a book study, and preparing for this month's Standing Committee Workshop.

On November 7th I attended the San Francisco Public Relations Committee (formerly the Public Information/Cooperation with the Professional Community -- PI/CPC) meeting. It is a great way to be learn how another Area is functioning during this global pandemic to still reach the suffering alcoholic. This first meeting inspired me to make an Area challenge – more will be revealed at the December Workshop. If you are interested in attending the next meeting on Dec 14th at 7:00 pm contact me at pi@area92aa.org.

The Area 92 CPC/PI Committee met on November 17th. We are currently discussing community outreach focusing on physicians. Our next meeting is December 15th at 6:30 pm. If you are a PI or CPC Chair for your District, we would love to have you join us.

The District PI Committees of Area 11 will be hosting a workshop on December 12th beginning at 10 am EST. Since this is the same day as our December Workshop, I will attend from 7 to 9:30 am. I hope they are recording it so I can hear all of the speakers.

On December 19th I will be attending the virtual Western U.S./Canada Forum - "2020: Experience, Strength and Hope – what it was like, what happened, and what it is like now?" I am looking forward to this event.

Something I read resonated with me so I thought I would share it. "Listening, hearing, thinking, and reading about a spiritual awakening are fine, but if I really want this gift, there is something I can do about it: I can get involved." (Courage to Change, page 336).

YIS,
Michelle W.
WSEA 92 – Panel 70
Public Information Chair

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Area Treatment Chair

Happy holiday season Area 92 AA.

I send you hope, faith, strength and normalcy. Today I have faith that we will all soon be holding hands and reciting our favorite closing prayer. Mine today is the responsibility statement. I always long to have a hand out to those that are still suffering from alcoholism. This is some times easy and sometimes not.

The New Year always is a time for me to reset, set new goals, and look forward to what, is to come next. This time one year ago, I was awaiting a phone call from the committee that was meeting would I be chosen to serve as a standing committee chair. My heart was racing as, I wondered will, I have to wait yet another rotation or is this the year. My heart skipped a beat, when I received the call. I tried to hold back the tears as they fell from my eyes kind of like they are now as I reflect. It is such a honor to be selected to serve. Most of my life I felt unworthy, and felt as if, as alcoholics you know what I felt that is why I belong in the rooms of Alcoholics Anonymous.

So as we prepare for new budgets, new service events, let also remember why we do what we do. We are joined together for a singleness of purpose to find ways to help those who suffer from the same disease as we do, alcoholic-ism.

Since my last update I have had the pleasure of meeting my committee where we continue to discuss how to reach out to treatment centers. I am honored to report that I know two districts are carrying the message of hope into treatment centers one of which even was able to do a virtual, what I would consider a Alcolthon of sort via zoom meetings. Rumor has it some elected were willing and able to assist with this hope being carried in.

I also attend a All Area Zoom meeting for Accessibilities. This group meets on the 2 and 4th Monday of the month. Where we have been talking about many issues where Accessibilities is concerned. This last meeting our discussion was focused on ASL and translation. We should note as Area we have done little to none to ensure our deaf population has access to our Assemblies, we sometimes ask the questions who is missing in our rooms. We have also been talking about the Older Alcoholics how are we making sure they are getting in the meetings. Here in Colville, we as a district only know if there is alcoholic in a facility if he or she was a member before going in. What can we as members, districts, and a area do differently? As I age and loose mobility do I want make sure I have access to, the program that gave me a chance to grow older.

I also attended the Eastern Regional Forum, and have reserved my spot for the Western Regional Forum. Let me just say it was amazing. Why was it amazing? I had the privilege to sit, in on the Grapevine workshop. The facilitator was Ginger one of our past delegates hosting the workshop. Ginger and her late husband Mike were instrumental in my recovery. They showed up in meetings in good times and not so good times, because of them I learned to grieve in the rooms Alcoholics Anonymous. They taught me by example what it is to be of service. Ginger still today teaches me about just being a humble servant. Still in all her glory early this year when I was struggling with a situation, I reached out to her and she yes was willing offer some readings so I could find a solution. When, I finished the reading assignment I again identified the problem was me. I gratefully sent her a message in thankfulness. It goes to show that we all need a little guidance, faith, and to find solutions.

I digressed again I also sat in on a class act. Where I got to hear some amazing journeys of hope courage and willingness. Oh my.

However, my favorite part was the Accessibilities portion. The focus remains on how we can open the doors of recovery to those we know are missing, and maybe looking outward to identify those we may

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not know are missing. I know that my chair is Treatment and Accessibilities however the Accessibilities is key. The key that unlocks many doors for many individuals, and families. What we have is a family disease and if just one person gains access to AA endless people feel the ripple effect.

So please as we prepare for the new year, let's find new ways to make AA all inclusive, not exclusive. Let's find new ways to serve and be of service. New ways to communicate, new ways to join hands and share the responsibility statement.

Thank you all for the honor and privilege of being of service to Area92, Alcoholics Anonymous, and to my family and friends.

I love you all, and can't wait to see you all soon.

Fran Lyngstad

Treatment and Accessibilities Chair Area 92

Bridging the Gap (Treatment Committee)

Area Translation Chair

Finance Committee

See Alt. Treasurer Report

Happy Holidays Area 92:

November 2020 was a busy month for the Finance Committee. They met twice for very detailed reviews of the Area 2021 budget, going line item by line item to assure all amounts were in conformance with the Area 92 handbook, included new amounts via motion approvals at the October 2020 Assembly and to adjust for the known zoom Area Events that are going to be held in 2021. The Committee is also conducting a financial review of the Area to consider a future motion to the body for a contribution to be made to the General Service Office. It has been a challenge to try and predict what our future may hold, but your Area 92 Treasurer, Jan R. and the Finance Committee have been working extremely hard to take into account the restrictions that are being placed on us for in person events and having the finances in place if those restrictions are lifted. None of this could be possible without all of the individuals, groups and districts continuing to support the Area with your generous contributions. We are a truly blessed Area and I am so grateful to be a part of it. Thank you, Carole N., Debbie T., Janey A., Monte W., Dolores E. and Cameron J. for your service and dedication to Area 92.

I hope everyone has a safe and healthy holiday and I look forward to seeing everyone in the New Year for our January 2021 Quarterly.

YIS

Cindy H.

Area 92 P70

Finance Committee Chair

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Website Committee

See Alt. Chair Report

Hello area 92, the web team has been looking at different ways to host the voting assembly for October. Not that we think it will be virtual, however reality dictates that we explore all our options now rather than later.

We continue to use the Zoom license from California area 05, this saves us a lot of money at the area level. This piggy back license ends in June of 2021, hopefully we can continue to use California area 05 for the remainder of 2021. Other than that, we will need to purchase our own license which can be costly.

Currently we are spending \$30 a month for Zoom. Our own license could be as high as \$100 per month. Jennifer has been working overtime to get the meeting guide app synced up with our web site. For some reason it's not pulling out information very efficiently. Computers... go figure!!!

We still would like to have 2-3 more web team members; the handbook says we need a committee of 6 and I can't seem to get anybody interested. Surely somebody must have time to be of service, it's really quite fulfilling to be a part of this ever-changing dynamic. I don't understand when I hear of people saying "there is nothing to do"!! Quite the opposite from where I sit. Anyway, I'll see you all at the workshops and quarterly.

Till the next time....

Gary H.

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Area Registrar

Greetings WSEA 92 Fellowship!

AT LAST!!...I Just received long awaited news. I am scheduled for December 15 to complete training on the ERP (Enterprise Resource Planning) My Portal database. With that training, Area Registrars will have the ability to update and maintain current status of their Area's Group Information recorded with the General Service Office.

Now Group information can be changed or retrieved in a matter of moments. I anticipate by the end of this rotation Area 92's records will be as concise and current as possible. This will require participation from Groups not yet current and I will be reaching out to those Groups soon.

Maintaining current Group Information promotes unity by staying connected to our Area and AA as a whole. This is exciting, I look forward to helping the Groups of Area 92 get connected and informed!

***Is your Group Information up to date?? Please take five minutes to complete this form :**

<https://forms.gle/QpmDbGzhxzYzYJSP8>

THANK YOU!

Grateful to serve,

Ben N - WSEA 92 Alternate Delegate/Registrar Panel 70

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North American Alt-Delegates Meeting - December

NAAD - Alternate Delegates representing the 93 Areas of the United States and Canada. We meet online the first day of every month to share news, experiences, concerns, and whatever to promote Unity across the Areas.

Principle of Rotation

Much of this month's meeting was welcoming the newly elected Panel 71 Alternate Delegates and saying goodbye to our Panel 69 friends. Listening to both the excitement of the newly arrived and the nostalgia of those departing, Bill's beautiful words on the principle of rotation found in the service manual(S23) immediately came to mind. This spiritual journey of service *really* "can be a real step forward in growth"....that there can be no doubt listening to these enthusiastic trusted servants share as each move on to a new experience. The service structure of Alcoholics Anonymous is an amazing thing to be a part of!

Ben N.
WSEA Alt-Delegate - Panel 70

District and DCM Reports

District 8 3rd Legacy

Happy Holidays,

Well, we are just weeks from starting another and a NEW YEAR!! I for one have learned a lot about myself. I have learned to "STAY IN MY LANE" , "DO ONLY WHAT I CAN TO HELP THE STILL SUFFERING ALCOHOLIC" & WORK ONLY MY PROGRAM AND LEAVE THE REST TO GOD".

We held 3 workshops in 2021. 1) GSO Agenda Questions Discussions 2/29/20 2) AA in the NEW Digital Age 6/23/2020 & 3) Oct Area Assembly (in-person) workshop for those who could and wanted to meet at the church. 10/17/20

This month seemed full of events and so I chose to wait until the new year to hold a 3rd Legacy Workshop. I asked the GSR's to ask their groups for ideas for the January workshop. "WHAT DO YOU WANT TO LEARN, DISCUSS OR PARTICIPATE IN" and to bring suggestions back to the December District meeting.

I want to wish all of you a very safe, calm and sober Christmas and New Year!

Love and Laughter are gifts,

Natalie Forsyth-Walters

3rd Legacy Chair

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District 10

Greetings from District 10, Kittitas County,

Our district has been working on making sure our meeting schedule is up to date during this unsettling and ever-changing time!

In addition to the up-to-date meeting calendar on our website, we've posted a "Pandemic Edition" schedule (KittitasCountyAA.org), along with a link for those wishing to print it. We've been holding our District Committee meetings on Zoom, and we held our elections on November

11th, attendance has been pretty good!

Group and meeting news:

KVLS is a new zoom only literature study that meets three times a week (Mondays and Wednesdays at 6, and Saturdays at Noon). The business meeting is held on the 1st Saturday of the month & birthdays are celebrated on the last Wednesday of the month. Recent birthdays include Sharon H with 7 years, and Susan C had 29 years!

SOS is also meeting on Zoom at this time. They have a guest speaker meeting on the 1 Saturday of every month. Laura H. shared her story in November, and the December speaker is Mike C. Paul M celebrated 9 years in November and Gabe S. is celebrating 9 years in December!

R62's recent birthdays include Doug F. with 14 years & Vicki S. celebrated 33 years!
Other district birthdays include: Mike C. with 28 years, Peggy K. with 36 years, and Al P. celebrated 32 years!

Way to go everyone!
Stay safe and healthy,
District 10

District 14

Hello to Area 92

First of all thank you for your service to all who serve in area helping us stay connected to the rest of AA as a whole, we in District 14 have been fortunate to be able to continue reaching out to the still suffering alcoholic and that defines service work in AA. It does not matter how high tech we get or low tech we get the only thing that matters is are we reaching the alcoholic, and as a district we have been doing all we can thru PI/CPC corrections and treatment meetings that are reopening and reclosing no zooming and re-zooming to say that this has been a different time in AA is an understatement, just like when I first came in my older sobors told me it was going to get different and it did. So, I hang on to that experience and remember that different turned out better than I ever could have imagined. We are looking forward to hosting the next standing committee workshop even though we have decided against Hybrid due to the recent stage two modified in Idaho. We continue to meet face to face when we can many groups have found ways to stay open within the rules that meet in larger rooms or have two rooms available and some have went back to zoom either way its not about whether we like it, its about whether the newcomer can find us.

Thank you to all who do service work in Alcoholics Anonymous

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Sincerely Jerome W. / DCM 14

District 20

District 20's Here.

Alano Club 3rd Nob Hill Still Closed till Phase 4 of Covid.

Serenity Hall requires all meetings to mask up and respect Social Distances', hand sanitizer and Mask availability at door.

District 20's has From District 14 via DCM 14 a copy of Hand Book to look at

and maybe Model our Hand book, thanks Jerome.

District 20's Monthly meeting: 3rd Monday of the month at 6pm@ Serenity hall in Yakima.

Yours in service Jim S DCM 20

District 24

Hi to everyone at Area 92 from all of us at District 24!

Well, we're continuing with the challenges of Covid 19 restrictions in order to stay safe and healthy. Our District meeting was on November 29th in person. The effort to stay in touch with the GSRs has not been easy but by phone, text or in person we are managing. Most groups are having in person meetings. Newcomers continue to be referred to AA groups by treatment centers and by word of mouth. Some are becoming members.

Grupo Comunidad continues to tentatively plan their 33rd anniversary for February 2021. Most of the groups will have meetings during Christmas week and New Year's Eve. Usually there are marathon meetings, some are continuing others not. I attended the PNC meetings and some zoom AA Meetings. Thank you all for the info on the 5th Hispanic women's AA workshop. I did attend today! It was an overwhelmingly filling experience! Lots of Hispanic sisters sharing their experience, strength and hope ! Thank you Everyone in AA for sharing your experience strength and hope! See you soon by zoom or in person.

Merry Christmas!
Yours in service,
Virginia R
District 24 DCM

General Service Representatives

5 EASY steps to get CONNECTED



1. Go to Area 92 website: <https://area92aa.org/>
2. Under the “Area Committee” tab click on “Documents”
3. At that screen (on the left) click on “Other Documents”
4. Click on “Group Change Form”
5. Complete and click “submit”

Your Group Info is now up-to-date with Area and GSO!

??? QUESTIONS ??? Contact: alt-delegate@area92aa.org - Ph# 208-755-2345

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Financial Contributions

Our 7th Tradition states: "Every A.A. Group ought to be fully self-supporting, declining outside contributions."

Please send your contributions to:

Washington State East Area 92
1314 S. Grand Blvd. Suite 2, Box #103
Spokane, WA 99202-1174

Area Newsletter Submission Guidelines

The Area 92 Newsletter- Published Monthly

The Newsletter is our primary mode of communication in Area 92 and relies on the submissions of each

of us: Our DCM's, GSR's, Elected officers, Appointed Chairs and Delegates, Past and Present, as well as any member within Area 92. Geographically Area 92 includes Eastern Washington, Northern Idaho, Western Montana and Hermiston Oregon.

Submissions: Any Member of A.A. may submit information, questions, reports, ideas or discussion points to the Editor. All Submissions are subject to editing for Grammar, sentence structure and spelling.

Any opinions expressed herein are not endorsed nor approved by A.A. as a whole nor is any article or activity published by A.A. as a whole except when Conference approved literature is quoted or otherwise copyrighted by A.A.W.S.

The Submission deadline is the 5th of each month at 5pm. Pacific Standard Time. Each submission should be approximately 250 words.

Submission Methods: Email to newsletter@area92aa.org or US Mail to Address below

Area 92 Newsletter

212 Ironwood Drive Ste D #212

Coeur d'Alene, Idaho 83814

This is the disclaimer and submission guidelines that will be found in each monthly Area Newsletter.

Changes include:

- Submittal deadline has been changed from the 10th of the month to the 5th of the Month.
- No Phone Text entries will be accepted.
- The Mailing Address has been changed.
- All forms of Mail Accepted, US Postal, FEDEX, UPS, DHL Etc.
- All entries and flyers should be clear and legible.
- Submission does not guarantee publication.

Thank you for your cooperation

Sincerely yours in Service!

Benjamin G. Newsletter Editor AREA 92 / Panel 70

Missed an Issue???

Area 92 Newsletter Archive

Go to :

area92aa.org/newsletter

Area 92 Service Opportunities - Your local AA needs You!

Volunteer for the committee that interests you

TRANSLATION COMMITTEE

- Help arrange for Translation Services with our Hispanic speaking Districts in Area 92
- Helps with document translations needs for Area assemblies, workshops when requested.

Chairperson: Doug M. 509-319-7510

translation@area92aa.org



ARCHIVES COMMITTEE

- Assist the Chair in compiling a chronological history and help them maintain the history of the Area.
- Help maintain an inventory.
- Be available to display the archives at Area 92 functions and other invited functions.

Chairperson: Lisa G. 406-334-7091

archives-chair@area92aa.org



LITERATURE COMMITTEE

- Inform groups, district or area assembly members of AA approved literature, audiovisual material and other special items.
- Become familiar with the information on G.S.O.'s A.A. website (www.aa.org).
- Provide literature for groups, area, and district functions.
- Consider suggestions regarding proposed additions to and changes in Conference-approved literature and audiovisual material.
- Encourage A.A. members to read/purchase A.A. literature.

Chairperson: Anna V. 509-406-2262

literature@area92aa.org



CORRECTIONS COMMITTEE

The purpose of a corrections committee is to coordinate the work of individual A.A. members and groups who are interested in carrying our message of recovery to alcoholics behind the walls, and to set up means of smoothing the way from the facility to the larger A.A. community through prerelease contacts.

Chairperson: Chris J. 406-291-0093

corrections@area92aa.org



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C P C COMMITTEE

COOPERATION WITH THE PROFESSIONAL COMMUNITY

Members of these committees provide information about A.A. to those who have contact with alcoholics through their profession, including healthcare, E.A.P. and H.R. professionals; educators; members of the clergy; lawyers; social workers; military professionals; government officials; and those working in the field of alcoholism. Information is provided about where we are, what we are, what we can do, and what we cannot do.

Chairperson: Brande G. 509-868-4123

cpc@area92aa.org



P I COMMITTEE

PUBLIC INFORMATION

The purpose of P.I. service work is to provide accurate A.A. information to the public when requested. P.I. committees visit schools, businesses and community meetings for this purpose. They also serve as resources for our friends in the local media, emphasizing our Traditions of anonymity, singleness of purpose and non-affiliation, as well as offering A.A. public service announcements to media outlets such as radio and television stations.

Chairperson: Michelle W. 509-388-6086



pi@area92aa.org

TREATMENT/ACCESSIBILITIES COMMITTEE

- With approval of the facility, takes A.A. meetings into treatment settings within its area.
- Encourages group participation. In some areas each group has a representative on the Treatment Committee.
- Coordinates temporary contact programs, such as Bridging the Gap.
- Arranges purchase and distribution of literature for these groups and meetings.

Chairperson: Fran L. 509-936-1045

treatment@area92aa.org



WEB COMMITTEE

- The Area 92 website provides and maintains information about our local group meetings and services of AA. Maintains an events calendar which includes local and Area 92 events.
- Committee members exchange ideas on Web site design, format and content.
- Seeks feedback from AA Groups, GSRs, Service committees on Web site functionality/content.
- Posts newsletters, other AA resource links, etc

Chairperson: Gary H. 509-670-8860



alt-chair@area92aa.org

Online AA Meetings

Good afternoon fellow trusted servants!

Attached you will find the new "G.S.O. Information Form — Online A.A. Meeting"

- This new form from GSO is for **newly created online meetings** who wish to be included in a confidential service piece and in the confidential A.A. Directories published by G.S.O. to allow members to get information about the meeting.
- It is also for in-person meetings who have changed to online meetings **permanently**.
- Meetings completing this form will be issued a NetSuite ID number used for GSO communication, contributions, etc
- This form **does not** apply to temporary online meetings that intend resume in-person meetings.

***Note:** This form is for GSO records and is **NOT** a requirement to list your online meeting on our Area 92 website meeting schedule.....Please do not hesitate to call me if you have any questions....THANK YOU!

Grateful to serve,
Ben Nelson
WSEA 92 Alt-Delegate - Panel 70
208-755-2345
alt-delegate@area92aa.org

G.S.O. Information Form — Online A.A. Meeting

Online A.A. Meeting Name

Meeting Contact E-mail*

Contact Person:

Name

Street Address 1

Street Address 2

City

State/Province Zip/Postal Code

Phone Number 1

Phone Number 2

E-mail Address 1

E-mail Address 2

Submitted by:

Name

Phone Number 1

Phone Number 2

E-mail Address 1

E-mail Address 2

* *This e-mail address will be included in lists of contact emails for online group in a confidential service piece and in the confidential A.A. Directories published by G.S.O. to allow members to get information about the meeting.*

Three ways to return this form:

Mail: A.A. World Services, Inc., Grand Central Station, P.O. Box 4-5-9, New York, NY 10163

E-mail: records@aa.org

Fax: (212) 870-3003

OnlineFRM, Revised 09/13

Area 92 Standing Committee Workshop



December 12, 2020

10Am to 2 PM

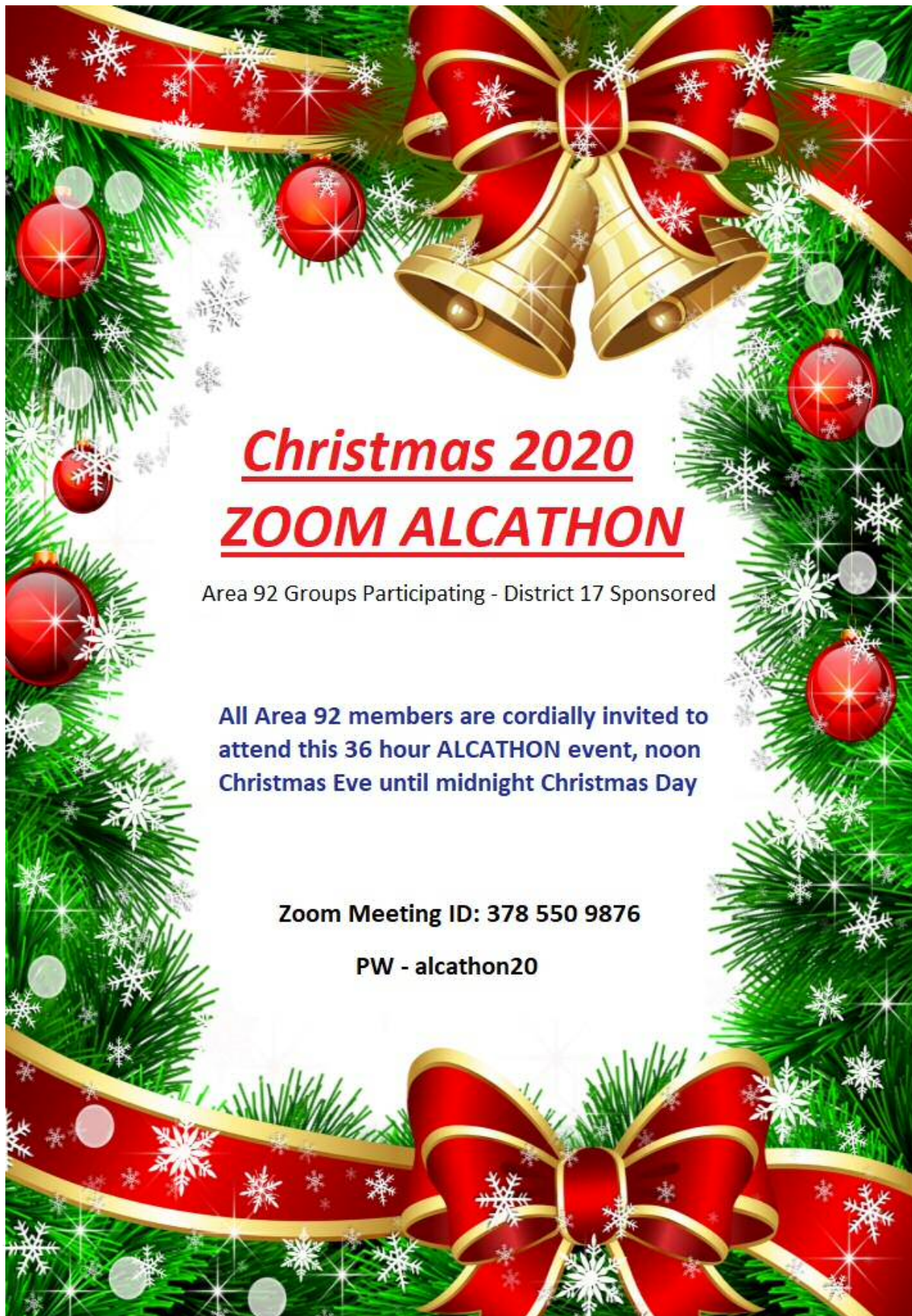
*Guest Speaker Area92 Chair Diana M.
On AA Leadership*

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/95590981949>

Meeting ID: 955 9098 1949

Passcode: 151109



Christmas 2020
ZOOM ALCATHON

Area 92 Groups Participating - District 17 Sponsored

All Area 92 members are cordially invited to
attend this 36 hour ALCATHON event, noon
Christmas Eve until midnight Christmas Day

Zoom Meeting ID: 378 550 9876

PW - alcathon20

A vibrant night scene of a New Year's Eve celebration in Sydney. The Sydney Opera House is illuminated in white and blue, with its iconic sails clearly visible. The city skyline is lit up with various colors, and numerous fireworks are exploding in the dark sky, creating a spectacular display of light and color. The water in the foreground is dark, with some boats visible.

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The A.A. Service Manual

A Study Of The First 12 Chapters

— UNLOCK THE MYSTERY



Thursdays Jan 7- Feb 11
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm ET

Zoom ID 837 3047 2616
Passcode 462942

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A.A.s Legacy & Introduction

Terry H.~ Nikki O.~ Cynthia T.

Panel 70 Delegates

12, 28 & 29

The Group and its GSR

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The District and the DCM

Billy N. Past General Service Trustee

The Area Assembly and Activities

Monica F. Panel 71 Area 19 Delegate

The Area Committee

Lori M. Area 29 Chair

The Delegate

Bob W. Past Trustee At Large

The Annual Conference Meeting

Elaine McDowell, Trustee Emeritus, GSB

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The Boards Operating Corporations

Jimmy D. S.W. Regional Trustee

The General Service Office

Phyllis H. Past GM GSO

The AA Grapevine

Cindy F.

Past Delegate Area 71

Current Non-Trustee Director Grapevine
Board

Join us in this collaborative rendition of unlocking the mystery of
The A.A. Service Manual.

Areas 12, 28 & 29 are pleased to invite you to join us on Thursday evenings
from 7 pm – 8:30 pm (ET)
Beginning January 7 – February 11 2021

Come be part of the informative presentations and lively discussion

ONE DAY AT A TIME

I HAVE THIS SPECIAL STORY TO TELL,
ABOUT A FRIEND THAT I ONCE KNEW WELL.
HE GOT UP EVERY MORNING IN THE USUAL WAY,
BUT HE DIED A LITTLE MORE EACH DAY.

AT FIRST LIGHT HE HAD HIS BOTTLE TO DRINK,
HE SAID THAT IT ALWAYS HELPED HIM THINK.
BY EVENING TIME HE TURNED TO THE SMOKE,
BECAUSE HIS LIFE WAS JUST A JOKE.

THE PIPER PLAY HIM A DIFFERENT TUNE.
AND MY FRIEND PLAYED WITH THE NEEDLE AND SPOON.
AND THE FRIEND THAT I KNOW WOULD LIKE TO GO HOME,
BUT THE JOKE HAD TURNED TO STONE.

I SAID...
TAKE IT FROM ME, YES I'LL GIVE IT AWAY.
TAKE IT FROM ME, YES I'LL GIVE IT AWAY.
TAKE IT FROM ME, YES I'LL GIVE IT AWAY.
I LIVE EACH DAY BY DAY... ONE DAY AT A TIME.

THE JOKER PLAYED HARDER EVERY DAY.
AND MY FRIEND HOPED FOR A DIFFERENT WAY.
BUT THE ROAD WAS A HUNDRED MILES LONG,
AND EVERY TURN WAS WRONG.

THEN NIGHT FELL DARKER THAN THE BOTTOM OF A WELL.
AND THE ROAD LED DOWN TO THE DARKEST OF HELL.
WHERE THE PIPER PLAYS WITH HIS FATAL CHARM.
AND THE JOKER SMILED WITH A HOLE IN ARM.... HOLE IN HIS ARM.

CHORUS REPEAT.

I WENT DOWN TO THE DARKEST OF HELL,
TO CALL THE PIPER AND BREAK HIS SPELL.
TO HELP MY FRIEND AND SET HIM FREE.
FOR THE JOKER WAS REALLY ME.

THE ONLY WAY I COULD SEE WHAT WAS RIGHT.
WAS TO SEEK THE ROAD THAT LEADS TO THE LIGHT.
IT STARTS WITH TWLEVE STEPS ON THAT WAY.
AND I LIVED EACH DAY BY DAY ONE DAY AT A TIME.

CHORUS REPEAT.

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