

Greetings Area 92

February 2022

Panel 72, Issue 2



Area 92 Newsletter

Mission Statement

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

Area 92

We are pleased to announce that we have selected 3 new Area 92 Standing Committee members today!

Bryan B. as the new Technology Committee Chair.
Ed P. Jr. as the new G.V. and Lit. Committee Chair.
John A. as the new Translation Committee Chair.

We hope that all will support these new members of our Area 92 Standing Committee, and would like to thank them for making themselves available. We look forward to their support and service to the groups and members of Area 92!

We are still accepting Service Resumes for Public information and Area Secretary. If you have any questions or wish further information, please contact me at any time.

Best Regards!

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Greetings WSEA 92 Fellowship!

At the 5th General Service Conference in 1955, a resolution was passed declaring Alcoholics Anonymous had "come of age". Our Groups were to assume possession of A.A.'s three legacies: Recovery, Unity, and Service. The representative General Service Conference became **"The guardian of the Traditions of Alcoholics, the perpetuator of the World Services of our Society, the voice of the group conscience of our entire Fellowship, and the sole successors to its co-founders Dr. Bob and Bill W."**

I was 2 years old when this resolution unanimously passed! Now at 69, it is with all the gratitude in me to attend the 72nd GSC on behalf of Area 92 and Alcoholics Anonymous as a whole. I am very excited and need your help to prepare!

The wait is almost over.... We are days away from beginning the 72nd General Service Conference Agenda Item review process. Our goal: **1.** Provide Groups with all Agenda Items and background by Feb 27. **2.** Sharing/Q&A at the March 19th Standing Committee Workshop. **3.** An Area-wide informed discussion at the April Pre-Conference Assembly.

The principle of "group conscience" comes to life as we become informed, discuss, and express our experience and viewpoints at these events, and the many sharing sessions we'll have along the way! What a wonderful opportunity to participate in the process that will shape Alcoholics Anonymous today and into the future. **Our Great Responsibility....**

There is much work yet to be done in service to our Groups. Our responsibility now is to get the discussion started, become informed, and let the voice of WSEA 92 be heard at the April Pre-Conference Assembly. I have no doubt that WSEA 92 will come together, **"United in Love and Service"**

I am eager to visit your District/Group in-person or virtually for questions or clarification regarding this year's Agenda review...contact me **anytime!** THANK YOU!

*72nd GSC Theme
"A.A. Comes of Age 2.0 - United in Love and Service"*

Ben N - 208-755-2345
WSEA 92 Delegate - Panel 72

Area Alternate Delegate

February 5, 2022

Since we are in a new rotation, I am getting to learn many new things such as the Fellowship Connection Program. I'm enjoying getting to meet the new DCMs and Alt DCMs as they have been busy updating the Groups in their districts by asking for a Group list, which I've been able to provide to them. We are continuing to add new GSRs to the Fellowship Connection Program.

I've been meeting with several of the past delegates attempting to help finalize the GSR Schools for Saturday February 12th on Zoom. Both Rad and Dolores are reviewing the GSR School PowerPoint on the Area 92 website to use for the school. We discovered several items needing updating which we will have completed by the 12th of February. Carole, the current DCM for District 5 is hosting the meeting and will have a few words before we start the school. I'm looking forward to the first GSR School for the Panel 72 rotation. Hopefully we will get to meet many new GSRs.

I'm also working with Jennifer to get all the DCMs and Alt DCMs set up with their area google email addresses. I have been calling some of you to remind you that in order for you to access the Google Drive you need to use your new Area google email address. Once set up you will be able to receive all the email being sent out by the area officers as well as access the Google Drive, Calendar, and many other Google workspace items.

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I am again looking forward to serving you this rotation as your Alternate Delegate.

Diana M.

Area 92 Alternate Delegate

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Area Chairperson

Greetings Area 92!

January was a busy month! There have been a lot of different activities each requiring its own time and effort!

The selection of the Area 92 standing committee members has been a continual process since October of 2021. It has been an interesting process, that has extended outside the process described in our Area 92 handbook. We, as a selection committee have continued to meet each month to appoint these positions as we have received service resumes. It looks as if we are nearing the end of this process with just two remaining positions left to appoint. So, reaching out to any individual that might be interested, we have need still of a Public Information Chair and an Area Secretary. Anyone interested in these positions, please feel free to review these descriptions in our Area 92 Handbook and contact me at any time.

The January Quarterly held in Yakima on the 14th and 15th was a great event! Representing the first Area Hybrid business meeting, I hope to see more of this type of business meeting in the future of Area 92! Special thanks to District 6 and Michelle W. (DCM) for the wonderful support as the Hosting District!

We now are in the process of planning upcoming events, the March Standing Committee workshop in Ephrata WA. on Saturday the 19th of March, And the April Pre-conference Assembly to be held in Coeur d'Alene ID on April 8-10th. Both host committees have secured locations and are moving forward with the planning for these events.

The Ad-Hoc committees that were introduced at the January Quarterly are in the beginning stages of the committee formation and are active at this time.

Lastly, I have been in close and constant contact with our Delegate, working on the entire Area 92 Pre-conference discussion process. There has been a lot of planning up to this point and it will begin to manifest in March and April. It is a pleasure to work with Ben N. in this comprehensive process, which will reach out to all of the members and groups of Area 92, in the hope of reaching the greatest Group conscience of Area 92 possible!

It is a privilege and honor to Serve Area 92!

Yours in Service

Benjamin G.

Area 92 Chair

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Area Alternate Chairperson

Hello Area 92,

A big Thank you to District 6 for hosting our first WSEA 92 Hybrid Quarterly in Yakima. We had a couple bumps, but we anticipated that. The turnout was amazing both virtual and in person, thank you all for your patience and understanding as we transition into a possible new way of doing our area business.

A big welcome to Bryan, Eddie and Johnny as our newest incoming appointed chairs, I look forward to working with all of you.

Mark your calendars for the March Standing Committee Workshop being hosted in Ephrata by District 19 on Saturday March 19th, 2022. We will be reviewing and answering any questions you may have regarding the GSC Agenda Items, I would encourage everyone to be a part of the conversation.

The April Pre-Conference Assembly will be held in Coeur d' Alene, Idaho on April 8th, 9th, and 10th, 2022.

Thank you to District 8 for volunteering to host, flyers and registration information will be forth coming.

District 26 in Libby, Montana is hosting the July Quarterly 2022 at the Libby Memorial Events Center, July 15th and 16th, 2022. I have reached out to Vicki in District 4 to check in on the preparations for the October Inventory Assembly, but haven't been able to make contact as of yet.

Friendly reminder if you are a hosting district for an Area event, per our handbook (2.1 G) (2.3 F)

Registration flyers shall be distributed and placed on the WSEA 92 website and WSEA 92 Newsletter in ample time for pre-registration (90-120 days prior to the Assembly/quarterly date). Don't forget to translate for our Linguistic Districts as well.

Any questions, please feel free to contact me anytime.

Thank you for allowing me the gift to be of service.

Lisa G., Alt Chair, Area 92, Panel 72

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Area Treasurer

Treasurer 2/2022

Good day Area 92 and thank you for the honor of being your treasurer. I am absolutely loving learning my new position. It's unbelievable how alive I feel as I work on the financials.

AA is all about living life and growing as a human. I came too, I came to believe. Today I have faith in myself and those around me. I came to trust and allow myself to ask questions, when I don't know the answers.

Life is amazing and I am so grateful.

Our financial status is solid. I am in the process of a financial reconciliation for the month of January. I will be meeting with the finance committee on Tuesday.

I had the opportunity to meet with the selection committee to appoint new chairs. However, we still need you. That person that is looking for personal and spiritual growth. We still have some opportunities for service please consider jump on the train for a rotation of fun and growth.

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We just received the General service agenda items and we will be moving forward with our teams to generate summary to send out to our groups and members. If you have a passion to work on a summary team, contact us and we would be honored to have you join our teams.

Passion and compassion are truly blessings these are gifts I have received in AA. Share your with the world.

Thanks again for allowing me to serve.

Fran L
Area92 Treasurer

Area Alternate Treasurer

Welcome to the incoming DCM's, GSR's and Panel 72. At this time, I will be continuing to serve as your temporary Alternate-Treasurer until the April Assembly when a new one will be elected by the body. Please pass on that this position needs to be filled and if there is someone who is interested, has reviewed the position and would like to ask questions, I would be happy to speak with them.

I have sent out the 2021-year end reports on contributions. If you did not receive them and would like a copy for your group or district, please email me and I will get one to you. Your yearend total for 2021 was \$ 33,791.57. Please pass on to your new treasurers that it is very important to indicate your group, group number and district on your contribution to ensure that it is credited properly. There are several groups that use the same name so at the very least, a district number is most helpful. We are also using the new group numbers designated by GSO. If you do not know what it is, contact our Area Alt. Delegate, who also serves as the Registrar, and she will get that information for you. For those that may be new to your positions, the Area Alt-Treasurer is the one who processes contributions. It was pointed out that it can take a while for a group or district check to clear. I would like to take a minute to explain this process. All contributions are mailed to a UPS store in Spokane. They hold the mail for a period of time (usually 2 weeks) and then they forward it all to my address. I go to the bank a couple times a month if possible or at the very least once with all contributions. If a package comes in at the very end of the month, it may not get to the bank until the following month's deposit. So you can see it is more than likely going to be a month or more for your contribution to be deposited. This will vary depending on the location of the bank to the residence of the Alt-Treasurer.

If at any time you have questions, please contact me at alt-treasurer@area92aa.org or go to the Area website and there is a list of contact information there. DCM's please pass this information on to your groups. I am more than happy to email monthly or quarterly reports to individual groups if requested.

In closing, I would like to thank last night's panel speakers. I really enjoyed your talks and took away some great reminders on why we are all here today. Thank you for allowing me to be of service.

Be safe, healthy and God bless
Cindy H.
Area 92 Alt-Treasurer
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For new treasurers and people making contributions, 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.

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It is set up to generate all personal/group information. **If you use PayPal please be complete with your information. There is a memo line to put this information in.**

Again, PLEASE add your group name and/or district to your memo line or put a note in the envelope. The next Alternate Treasurer will need this information to make their transition as smooth as possible. I would also encourage the outgoing GSR's to pass this information on to the incoming Group Treasurers so they are aware of this information. Thank you very much for your support.

Area Secretary - Open Position

Area Archives Chair

Hello Area 92,

Last month my husband and I were blessed to be able to spend two weeks in Hawaii. We found an A.A. meeting that met at noon daily on the beach and we attended nearly every day. It is so nice to be able to find meetings when we travel, thanks to the meeting guide app. Via Zoom I was able to attend the January quarterly. I am looking forward to meeting with my steering committee this month to discuss the progress made in our search for a new repository. I have been in contact with Lisa D. She continues to work diligently on cataloging boxes of the archives. I plan to visit the repository as soon as weather permits. I also plan to attend the Standing Committee workshop in March.

Valerie DeWitt
WSEA 92 Archives Chair, Panel 72

Area Archivist

Hi Everybody!

Things are moving along nicely for the archives this month. The hunt is on for a new repository so we can move into the future with digitizing our collection and finding a safe roomy place with electricity, air conditioning, heat and WIFI to fit our needs. If you have a lead on rental space that might work for us shoot me an email at archivist@area92aa.org to let us know!

I have been continuing to catalog our collection and have been working on documents and correspondence from when Area 92 split from Area 72 in 1995-96. All the work that was done leading up to the creation of the new delegate area and after was simply astounding. There were also a lot of items that Area 72 donated to us that were much older and I am handling it safely to make sure it is stored and made available for those that might want to research this very important history of Area 92 in the future.

I will be scheduling a Work Party to archive our book collection at the repository as soon as it warms up a bit in the spring. They will need to be handled carefully with buffered paper dusted with baking soda and topped with acid free tissue paper before being put in polypropylene boxes. This must be done to ensure no moisture that might be in the books can do any damage during storage.

Although the progress is slow, we are making progress! I believe in being very thorough and handling everything with tender loving care. Doing so will make sure we extend the life of our precious Area 92 Archive collection.

Sincerely in Service,

Lisa D.
WSEA92 Archivist

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Area Corrections Chair - No report

Area CPC Chair - No report

Area Grapevine and Literature Chair - No Report

Area Newsletter Editor

A memory to share,

Several years ago, as a DCM I was contacted by another DCM in Florida regarding a newcomer who was moving to Spokane for a job. I called the DCM, interested in knowing how she located me. Using the address, the new comer gave her, she found out what district it was in by using the district maps from our area website she then went to the Area contact list and found me. What a great use of tools! She then emailed me asking me to call her. After talking to the DCM, I got the information about the newcomer and found out the what she needed. I was then able to arrange for a temporary female sponsor for her and got them communicating so when she arrived, the temporary sponsor would be available to her and take her to meetings and introducing her to her new Spokane AA family. Even as a rare this event was, it was a great example of how Bridging the Gap can help newcomers.

This is our responsibility, to help people make the transition from treatment programs, jails, institutions or when they move and leave one family to join another. It is our responsibility for the hand of A.A. to always be there to help.

Grateful to serve

Doug M

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Area Public Information Chair - No report

Area Treatment Chair

Treatment/Accessibilities Report 2/7/22

I am still trying to get my Google workspace organized. I picked up some materials from Fran L. for treatment on February 4th. If there are any Hispanic treatment chairs in need of a treatment workbook/packet, I have one available. If you are a treatment chair for your district, please let me know by email at treatment@area92aa.org. I have been looking over the agenda items for treatment and am looking forward to working with the Treatment Agenda Review Committee and would welcome any others who are interested in this topic.

YIS,

Michael O.,

Treatment/Accessibilities Chair, Area 92, Panel 72

Area Translation Chair - No report

Finance Committee – No report

Website Committee - No report

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Area Registrar

Incoming GSRS Get Your Group Connected!

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

<https://forms.gle/QpmDbGzhxzYzYJSP8> and take advantage of GSO services: GSR Kit, Box 459, (quarterly news and notes from GSO), contribution reports, important announcements, and more.

Dianna M - WSEA 92 Alternate Delegate/Registrar Panel 70

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District and DCM Reports

District 2

District 2 now has a bona fide District 2 Handbook! It is very simple, explaining our service positions' qualifications, terms of service, and proposed activities. The Handbook says who can vote, and addresses the decisions we've made about how to handle our finances. Yay!

We have a new Grapevine/Literature Chair. Welcome Karyn L.

We will be deciding on the 2022 Budget and getting together committees for Area events we will be hosting. We're hosting the Standing Committee Workshop in June this year, and the Election Assembly in 2023.

We have about a dozen people at District meetings, split pretty evenly between in-person and online. We're an easy-going group of GSRs and group Contacts. Anyone is welcome to visit, and we do get visitors who share in the discussions. You're invited!

Rainey M

DCM

District 3

District 6

Boy did that month go by fast. I have been very busy with the planning of January 2022 Hybrid Quarterly. I was the Chairperson for the event. We bid on the quarterly at the October 2021 Assembly. We met in November to get the ball rolling being months behind in many areas. We had an exceptional committee with most positions filled. Many of these people are new to general service and new to sobriety. We met on January 7, 2022, to discuss whether the quarterly should proceed virtually due to lack of funds. We had 19 pre registrations and 2 zoom registrations and a \$475 deficit. I was concerned as to whether we should convert from a hybrid event to a zoom only event. The planning committee voted for the event to remain a hybrid meeting so I reached out to Lisa G. for direction. I received a response that evening and all of my concerns were addressed.

With the December 2021 Newsletter there was an announcement encouraging any members attending on zoom to register for the event. There was an outpouring of registrations received making this quarterly self-supporting, this could not have been without your help. We had an outstanding turn out. 59 people in person and 26 people on zoom for a total of 85 members registered. It was noted that we had 57 participants on zoom. This would increase attendance to 116 participants. This is an amazing showing of alcoholics to conduct Area business.

Yours in Service,

Michelle W

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District 8

DCM Report - Dec 2021-JAN 2022

Hello District 8 servants:

We have closed out 2021 and survived a year of changes and can now reflect on the great opportunities we have moving forward in our new rotation for the 72 GSC Panel.

As we begin this New Year, may the spirit of service remain strong in our hearts. I am grateful for all of you that have served in the past year and I look forward to working with our new rotation in our commitment of service to help carry the message of AA this coming year.

Notes from (**December 14, 2021**) District meeting:

Thank you to David R Alt-DCM for filling in for me while I am out of town. I attended the meeting virtually.

We had 11 GSR's, 4 elected/officers, 5 Committee chairs and 6 guests were present at meeting. Total present 26 District members. We welcomed new GSR's – Ed. W for Young in Years & Mindy for WEIS and Jean A. for Serenity Sisters

We elected Rachel H. to be our new Treasurer.

Notes from (**January 11, 2022**) District meeting:

David R. Alt-DCM filled in for me again. We Had 16 GSR's, 4 officers, and several committee chairs and guests attend. I do not have a final account for members present. We welcomed 3 new GSR's, Rolf M. for Daily Reprieve, Gloria for Sober Sisters, Ruth D. for KISS.

Activities - December & January:

Dec 2021 SCW: I virtually attended the December SCW which our District hosted in person with the Area CPC Chair Brande. We had a great turn-out both in person and on zoom. This was our transition of Committee Chairs to the new rotation. Raves received on the chili that Emily prepared for lunch. Welcome to the new Area Chairs and District chairs, I look forward to working with you.

Our 3rd Legacy committee held a Christmas party and workshop on, "How to Survive the Holidays", on December 18, 2021 at the CDA Alano Club. This was an in person only event and I was unable to attend.

January 2022 Area 92 Quarterly: January 14 & 15 hosted by District 6 in Yakima WA. Event was hybrid and I attended by Zoom. We had about 100 Area members attend. Ben N. started the process for assigning districts to the 72 GSC agenda items. District 8 was assigned to the Report & Charter Committee.

Upcoming events: (Flyers that are available can be found on Area website or in DE)

Wednesdays, December 22, 2021 thru March 16, 2022: Weekly service manual workshop, 5 pm-virtual only.

February 12, 2022, GSR School: 10 am to 3 pm on Zoom.

March -March 4-6, 2022, PRASSA: Virtual Meeting. Registration is now open at the PRASSA Website.

March 19, 2022: Standing Committee Workshop. 10 am – 3 pm. Hosted by District 19 In Ephrata, WA. Hybrid.

April 8-10, 2022: Area 92 Pre-Conf Assembly. Coeur d'Alene, District 8 host. Hybrid.

Unity and fellowship are essential to a purposeful life in sobriety. How and why, we interact with each other is how and why we recharge our core humanity. Let's not forget AA's cornerstone of fellowship and its relation to service. The willingness to serve others is a gift that we receive from the fellowship of AA.

In Love & Service,

Catherine B.

District 8 DCM

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District 9

DCM Report February 2022

Hello from District 9 here in the Walla Walla area.

When I was asked if I would consider being DCM. I was told that it was a very easy position. I would basically be a glorified secretary and if I put more than an hour of time in a month than I was working too hard!! Well, as you all know, this was probably the biggest understatement ever! :) I think I got tricked into service! I am glad I said yes as this position has given me the opportunity to meet and work with so many people here in District 9, as well as people in the Area. Thank you to everyone who has put up with all my questions. It amazes me how many people are eager to help.

I have had many opportunities to do things I've never done before such as hosting my first GSR meeting, giving my first DCM Report, attending the weekly Service Manual Workshop, joining in for the monthly DCM sharing sessions and attending my first quarterly assembly meeting (in person) in Yakima last month. Needless to say, I have put in more than my monthly hour of service :)

All of our District service positions are filled and most GSR's are attending our district meeting so I have gotten to work with many of them. We previously had Schedules and Webmaster service positions as two separate positions but voted to combine both positions into the District 9 Technology Committee. One of the biggest contributions I have been able to make so far is working with our newly formed Technology Committee Chair who has been updating our local website to make it more user-friendly and add more useful information. We are also seeing the need to have more virtual meetings and this Committee will help in implementing these changes making sure anyone who needs to attend virtual meetings can find them and attend! Despite the rising COVID rates, most meetings have continued to meet in-person so there have been no disruptions so far.

I am looking forward to seeing many of you at the upcoming Conferences.
Blessings,

Judy Mc

District 13

This is District 13 monthly Newsletter Report. As I stated in last month's report, we held our elections and going into the next rotation we are in pretty good shape as far as Chair positions being filled. We have our District Meeting the 2nd Tuesday of the month @ 6:30PM. It is Zoom only and most would like to keep it that way. We are having our first District meeting of the new rotation soon so hopefully we will have a good turnout and more news to share.

Thanks, Jamie K. District 13 DCM

District 24

District 25

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We are practicing the First Tradition by making unity with the groups that form District 25. El Grupo 30 de Julio, Grupo Solo por Hoy, Grupo Milagros, Grupo Un Nuevo Camino and Grupo Unidad of Toppenish. The Traditions workshop is held in the groups.

District 25 meets at Grupo Nuevo Camino every 2nd Sunday of the month at 4:00pm.

It has a representative to the Intergroup Office and a representative to the CPC.

Today I am accompanied by the secretary, Liberato R., treasurer, Jose L., and the GSRs of Grupo Milagros, Jaime, Grupo 30 de Julio, Cireno, and Grupo solo por Hoy, Rene. I would like to thank the group for their presence to the companions, Maria, Jose R, Enrique A., Saul and Jorge.

I wish you happy 24 hours to the Alcoholics Anonymous community and may God bless you with your service.

Toribio

DCM District 25

District 26

Hello Area 92 Newsletter readers, and thank you all for your service! District 26 is alive and well and we are making presentations for our hosting of the Area 92 July Quarterly. We will be meeting later this month to nail down some of the details, but we have the facility reserved and the rooms blocked at two of our local hotels. It's less than a five-minute drive from the hotels to the facility. This will be a hybrid meeting I believe. Don't quote me on that yet please. We have been assigned, along with District 6, CPC for the Agenda review and summary. We are looking forward to working with them! We don't have any other activities planned in the near future, but we like to stay busy so I'm sure that will change shortly. Several of us will be attending the Agenda Summary Review Meeting, which will be done by the time this is seen, so I hope to see you all at the March Standing Committee Workshop.

Y. I.S. Todd D.

72nd General Service Conference Committees

Agenda Items

Timeline

- **February 15-27** - Receive Final GSC Agenda - Item Summary Sheets created, and forwarded to Groups for review.
- **March 19** - Standing Committee Workshop - Team leaders will host their respective breakout rooms for sharing and any needed clarification.
- **April 8-10** - Pre-Conference Assembly - Team members will share in presenting Agenda Items to the body for discussion and clarification.

Agenda item summary teams should be contacting assigned Districts to make plans and set meeting dates to review background information and create agenda item summary sheets for the groups. As the WSEA 92 Committee we Elected, Appointed and DCMs it's our responsibility is to support our Groups by providing this information, and assist with any clarification or questions on the agenda items. A sample summary sheet from last year to review.

Panel 71 General Service Conference 2021	
Area 92 - Agenda Item Review Summary	
SAMPLE	
District:	Group Name:
Team Name:	GV/LT
Conference Committee - Item	Grapevine - Item C
Agenda Topic:	C. Consider a request to develop an AA Grapevine pamphlet on how the AA Grapevine can be utilized to carry the A.A. message.
Historical Context: Why is this item on the Agenda?	<p>Background information:</p> <p>Area 39 Literature Chair suggested that a new pamphlet be made titled "How to use the A.A. Grapevine to Carry the A.A. Message." The pamphlet would have ideas in it for members on how to use the Grapevine as a tool for recovery. The pamphlet might have a paragraph suggesting specific areas of A.A. life such as; Meeting Topics, Corrections, Newcomer Packets, Treatment Facilities, A.A. Anniversary Gifts, Military A.A. 's serving overseas, and etc. It would be an aid to the Grapevine Group Rep. and should be published in English, French and Spanish.</p> <p>Grapevine and LaVina are vital links to AAs who cannot go to meetings and have little contact with their fellow AAs. Homebound AAs or those in nursing facilities, as well as AAs who live in remote settings or places often rely on the magazine, phone or internet to stay in contact. It's also a great aid to emotional sobriety and spiritual growth.</p> <p>Why is this on the Agenda? AAs have been using the Grapevine to carry the message to active alcoholics, AA members, and the general public since 1944 and the LaVina since 1996. Bill W. often used the Grapevine to communicate to A.A. as a whole.</p>
What does the Delegate need to know?	Should a pamphlet be created, explaining and giving ideas on how to use the Grapevine Magazine?
Preference?	
Support/Oppose:	
Add Comment(s):	

SAMPLE

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2022 GSC - Area 92 - 72nd GSC Agenda Item Review Teams

Agenda Committee	Agenda Category	Team Name	Agenda Item Count	Agenda Item Summary Teams			Focus By District
				Past Delegates	Elected	Chair/Appointed	
I. Agenda1	Secondary	AG	5	Gary P	Benjamin G	Johnny A	4, 16
II. CPC	Primary	CPC	5	Mike M	Diana M	Jay J	6, 26
III. Corrections	Primary	CORR	4	Gene D	Ben N	Marc M	12, 13, 23
IV. Finance	Secondary	FIN	3	Rad M	Fran L	Fran L	7, 15
V. Grapevine	Primary	GV	4	Allen D	Lisa G	Eddie P	11, 2
VI. Literature	Primary	LIT	21	David M	Ben N	Eddie P	17, 21, 8, 9, 13, 14
VII. Policy & Admissions	Secondary	P&A	7	Rad M	Diana M	Brian B	2, 3
VIII. Public Information	Primary	PI	18	Scott R	Ben N	Jay J	10, 22, 26, 14, 5
IX. Report & Charter	Secondary	R&C	5	Mike M	Lisa G	Johnny A	8, 24
X. Treatment/Access	Primary	T&A	7	David M	Fran L	Michael O	9, 25
XI. Trustees	Secondary	TRU	7	Gary P	Benjamin G	Doug M	19, 23
XII. Archives	Primary	ARC	1	Allen D	Lisa G	Valerie D	14
XIII. Intl. / Conv. / Forums.	Secondary	ICF	2	Mike M	Benjamin G	Valerie D	5

72nd General Service Conference Committees

Agenda Items

I. Agenda

- Review suggestions for the theme of the 2023 General Service Conference.
- Review presentation/discussion topic ideas for the 2023 General Service Conference.
- Discuss workshop topic ideas for the 2023 General Service Conference.
- Review the General Service Conference Evaluation Form, distribution process and 2021 Evaluation Summary.
- Discuss progress report on Conference improvement.

II. Cooperation with the Professional Community

- Review progress report on A.A.W.S. LinkedIn page.
- Review suggested revisions for the draft pamphlet "A.A. in Your Community."
- Review progress report on the development of outward facing pamphlets for the mental health professionals.
- Consider creating a new pamphlet designed to help C.P.C. committees reach as many doctors as possible.
- Review content and format of C.P.C. Kit and Workbook.

III. Corrections

- Review contents and format of Corrections Kit and Workbook.
- Reconsider use of the term "person in custody" in A.A. literature.
- Consider requests to limit changes to the book Alcoholics Anonymous.

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- D. Discuss request to make A.A. literature changes slowly and with A.A.'s primary purpose in mind.

IV. Finance

- A. Review Self-Support Packet.
- B. Consider request to add a historical disclaimer to the front of the book Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions.
- C. Consider request that all proposed changes to the book Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions be handled in footnotes.
- V. Grapevine/La Viña
 - A. Review progress report on AA Grapevine Workbook revisions.
 - B. Review progress report on Grapevine and La Viña Instagram accounts.
 - C. Consider the list of suggested Grapevine book topics for 2023 and later.
 - D. Discuss the wide-ranging impact the Preamble change has had on our A.A. Fellowship.

VI. Literature

- A. Annual review of recovery literature matrix.
- B. Review draft language regarding safety and A.A. to be included in Living Sober and the pamphlet "Questions and Answers on Sponsorship."
- C. Review draft pamphlet based on A.A.'s Three Legacies.
- D. Review draft pamphlet "The Twelve Steps Illustrated."
- E. Review progress report regarding the pamphlet "The Twelve Concepts Illustrated."
- F. Review progress report regarding the pamphlet "Too Young?"
- G. Review draft of the revised pamphlet "Young People and A.A."
- H. Review progress report regarding update of the pamphlet "A.A. for the Black and African-American Alcoholic."
- I. Review progress report regarding update of the pamphlet "A.A. for the Native North American."
- J. Review progress report regarding development of a Fourth Edition of the book Alcohólicos Anónimos.
- K. Review progress report regarding the translation of the book Alcoholics Anonymous (Fourth Edition) into plain and simple language.
- L. Review progress report regarding requests to develop study guide workbooks for A.A.
- M. Review progress report regarding development of a Fifth Edition of the book Alcoholics Anonymous.
- N. Discuss the existing version of the pamphlet "Twelve Traditions Illustrated."
- O. Discuss G.S.O. Publishing updates per the A.A.W.S. print policy:
 - 1. Review the draft update of the pamphlet "Is A.A. for You?"
 - 2. Review the draft update of the pamphlet "Is There an Alcoholic in Your Life?"
 - 3. Review the draft update of the pamphlet "Frequently Asked Questions About A.A."
 - 4. Review the draft update of the pamphlet "This Is A.A."
- P. Review progress report regarding strategy to make current literature accessible in all possible formats.
- Q. Review progress report regarding Literature Committee workbook.
- R. Discuss changes to the text of the book Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions as directed by the 71st General Service Conference.

VII. Policy/Admissions

- A. Review G.S.O. general manager's report regarding General Service Conference site selection.
- B. Review dates for the 2026 General Service Conference.

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- C. Discuss the procedure: "Process for Approving Observers to the Conference."
- D. Review progress report on the development of a process using virtual meeting technologies for polling the G.S.C. between meetings.
- E. Discuss report on the Equitable Distribution of Workload process.
- F. Consider request to restore a paragraph in the story "Freedom from Bondage" in the book Alcoholics Anonymous.
- G. Consider request to revise the pamphlet "Questions and Answers on Sponsorship" to reflect shared experience on service sponsorship.

VIII. Public Information

- A. Review the 2022 Public Information Comprehensive Media Plan.
- B. Public Service Announcements (PSAs):
 - 1. Review the distribution and tracking information for two video PSAs:
 - i. "Sobriety in A.A.: My Drinking Built a Wall"
 - ii. "Sobriety in A.A.: When Drinking is no longer a Party."
 - 2. Review the 2021 report on the "Relevance and Usefulness of Video PSAs."
- C. Review a progress report and the G.S.O. Podcast Plan.
- D. Review report on "YouTube Performance."
- E. Review report on "Google Ads Performance."
- F. Review report on "Meeting Guide Performance."
- G. Review the "2021 Fourth Quarter Report on A.A.W.S. Board Oversight of G.S.O.'s A.A. website."
- H. Review report on "AAGV/La Viña Website, Marketing and Podcast."
- I. Discuss feasibility research on paid placement of PSA videos on streaming platforms.
- J. Discuss Public Information pamphlets/materials:
 - 1. Consider suggestion to revise the flyer "A.A. At a Glance."
 - 2. Review suggested revisions to the pamphlet "Speaking at Non-A.A. Meetings."
 - 3. Review suggested revisions to the pamphlet "Understanding Anonymity."
 - 4. Consider request to retire and replace the "A.A. Fact File."
- K. Review request to create a new form of communication to address anonymity on social media.
- L. Review report on development and distribution ideas for the "A.A. Triennial Membership Survey."
- M. Review content and format of P.I. Kit and Workbook.

IX. Report and Charter

- A. Discuss General Service Conference Final Report.
- B. Review The A.A. Service Manual, 2021-2023 Edition.
- C. Review progress report from A.A.W.S. Publishing on a new section to be added at the end of the Twelve Concepts for World Service titled "Amendments."
- D. Consider request to include a G.S.R. preamble in the pamphlet "G.S.R.: Your Group's Link to A.A. as a Whole."
- E. Consider requests that the chapter titled "The Doctor's Opinion" be returned to page one, as it was in the First Edition.

X. Treatment and Accessibilities

- A. Review progress report on pamphlet "A.A. for the Older Alcoholic."
- B. Review progress report on military audio interviews.
- C. Discuss draft version of A.A. Guidelines for remote communities.
- D. Review contents and format of Treatment Kit and Workbook.
- E. Review contents and format of Accessibilities Kit and Workbook.
- F. Consider request to revise the pamphlet "The A.A. Group" to reflect the

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importance of the group as a “spiritual entity” as stated in the Long Form of Tradition Five.

- G. Consider request to revise text in the chapter “Getting plenty of rest” in the booklet Living Sober.

XI. Trustees

- A. Review resumes of candidates for:
 - 1. Eastern Canada Regional Trustee
 - 2. Pacific Regional Trustee
- B. Review slate of trustees and officers of the General Service Board of Alcoholics Anonymous, Inc.
- C. Review slate of directors of A.A. World Services, Inc.
- D. Review slate of directors of AA Grapevine, Inc.
- E. Discuss the revised “Procedures for a Partial or Complete Reorganization of the General Service Board, the A.A.W.S. or AA Grapevine Boards.”
- F. Consider revising text highlighting service roles at the group level in the pamphlet “The A.A. Group.”
- G. Consider request to revise the pamphlet “Do You Think You're Different?” to include stories reflecting greater diversity.

XII. Archives

- A. Review content and format of Archives Workbook.

XIII. International Conventions/Regional Forums

- A. Discuss update report on methods of closing the Big Meetings at the International Convention.
- B. Discuss ways to encourage interest in Regional Forums and attract first-time attendees.

Please call me **anytime** should you have any questions!

Always grateful to serve,
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It's your A.A.! The collective conscience of all A.A. Groups will determine the direction of our Fellowship today and into the future. Bring your Group's experience and viewpoints on the Agenda to the April Pre-Conference Assembly. Let's unite in the Fellowship of love and service for an *informed* discussion of your 72nd GSC Agenda.....THANK YOU for your service!
Ben N. WSEA 92 Delegate – Panel 72

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Dear A.A. Friends,

First and foremost, thank you for your participation in our Seventh Tradition with contributions to the General Service Board. Our co-founder Bill W. posed the question, where do A.A.'s services fit into our scheme of things and why should we provide these functions with money? His answer was simple and still holds true today, that "Every single A.A. service is designed to make more and better Twelfth Step work possible, whether it be a group meeting place, a central or intergroup office...or the world service Headquarters." It is with this spirit that the General Service Office (G.S.O.) supports your efforts to carry the message of hope to the still-suffering alcoholic.

For decades, all correspondence to G.S.O., including our contributions, have been sent to Box 459, Grand Central Station, New York, NY 10163. Over the years, Box 459 became such an integral part of A.A. that we named the G.S.O. newsletter after it.

Now, your office and board are excited to announce that we are embracing a new method of processing our Seventh Tradition contributions that will reduce costs, ultimately allowing for more investment in services to members and groups. To this end, we are excited to announce that **a separate post office box has been established for Seventh Tradition contributions only.** This change will enable us to process contributions much more efficiently and at a significant savings to the Fellowship.

Effective immediately, please send contribution checks to:

Post Office Box 2407
James A Farley Station
New York, NY 10116-2407

Over the next few months, we will be updating and reprinting our contribution envelopes and literature to reflect this change. To help this change be embraced as fully and quickly as possible, we ask for your assistance in sharing this information with fellow A.A. members and groups.

We have tried to anticipate and answer questions you may have about this change. If you do not see your question below, please contact our Member Services team for assistance at memberservices@aa.org or 212-870-3023.

Why is this change necessary?

Opening contributions envelopes, scanning the contents, and depositing the checks in the bank requires two to three full-time staff and a significant amount of time. To save time and money, we are outsourcing this work to our bank which has the specialized equipment and personnel to perform these tasks more quickly and at a lower cost. The bank requires that we use a unique post office box number for this service.

How will the bank uphold the Seventh Tradition?

After the contribution is scanned but before it is deposited, the bank will make the scan available to our office staff who will verify that the contribution comes from an A.A. member or group. For each contribution, staff will instruct the bank to either process the deposit or return it to the submitter if it is determined not to be from a member or group.

How will the bank assure the anonymity of Fellowship members?

The bank has physical, electronic, and procedural safeguards that meet federal standards for keeping your information safe from unauthorized access or use. Information is protected with 128-bit encryption.

Is this new post office box number for all correspondence with the G.S.O.?

No, this new post office box is *only* for contributions. Please continue to send literature orders and correspondence to Post Office Box 459, New York, NY 10163-0459.

What happens if I accidentally send a contribution to Box 459?

The contribution will be forwarded to the G.S.O. mailroom which will forward it to the new box number. Your contribution will still be received, deposited, and acknowledged, but the process will take longer and be more costly.

What happens if I accidentally send a literature order or a letter to the new box number?

The bank will send the envelope to the G.S.O.

Are there any other ways I can help reduce contributions processing time and cost?

Yes, there are two ways you can reduce contributions processing time and cost:

1. Make your contribution online at www.aa.org using a major credit card or PayPal.
2. Provide an email address with your contribution. This enables us to acknowledge your contribution promptly and saves A.A. the cost of acknowledgement printing, mailing, and postage.

For more information, please contact our Member Services team at memberservices@aa.org or 212-870-3023.

In fellowship,



Bob W.
General Manager

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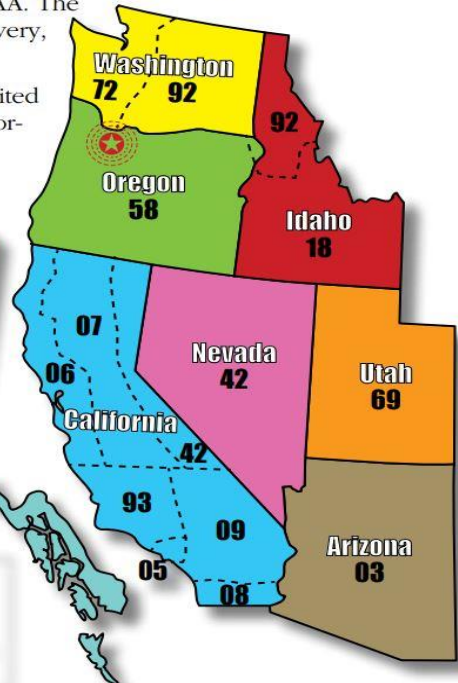
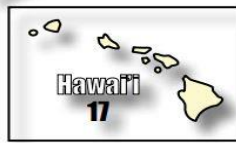
WHAT IS PRAASA'S PURPOSE? The purpose of PRAASA is to develop greater unity among the members, groups, and Areas of the Pacific Region; to encourage the exchange of ideas and experiences; and to provide an opportunity for members to discuss pertinent aspects of AA. The Assembly and the PRAASA committee should always foster the Recovery, Unity and Service legacies of AA.

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