

Hello Area 92

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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!

Hello, my name is Ben N. I am an alcoholic; my sobriety date is February 21 2014. I gratefully serve as delegate for Washington State East Area 92, Panel 72.

My topic today is: “How to introduce General Service to the Fellowship, especially those members who feel negatively about G.S.O.” I suppose the best way to introduce general service to the folks who have negative feelings about the General Service Office, would be to share my experience. In the spirit of “one alcoholic to another”. I recall in the early going at my home Group business meeting, they were looking for someone to step up to the position of GSR. After the duties of GSR were read, one being, *serve as the mail contact with G.S.O.* An “old timer” with 30+ year’s sobriety, who many looked up to, bellowed out: “the G.S.O. is nothing but a bunch of fat cats in 3-piece suits blowing our seventh tradition money!” (I was to learn much later our 7th tradition contributions are actually made to, and managed by the General Service Board). He went on to say our Group would be just fine without the General Service Office and the Trustees. That was my first impression of general service and New York.

When my sponsor agreed to work with me, she “suggested” I get into and stay in service, she said: “service is one third of our spiritual journey.” Rather than commenting on that gentleman’s opinion, she

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suggested I investigate for myself what this was all about...I could never have dreamed what I was to discover. At my 1st assembly, I experienced an overwhelming, indescribable feeling of being where I was supposed to be. That was the beginning, and the feeling is still with me today.

As GSR, attending our Area election assembly, our Regional Trustee, Joel C., there to facilitate the election, offered this instruction: "before we begin, consider that while sobriety time and experience is important, what is equally if not a more important qualification is availability and enthusiasm, because we don't do this alone." That one statement removed from me any fear, reservation, and feeling of not being "qualified". I was available and I was enthusiastic... I must be qualified!

While serving as an alternate DCM and DCM, I began to get a glimpse of the larger picture of A.A. as a whole. It became apparent that carrying the message was worldwide, not just limited to Groups, Districts, and Areas. I began to understand the vital role of the General Service Office in the flow of materials and information traveling up and down our triangle. An A.A. presence can be found in approximately 180 nations worldwide.... Who knew?

While serving as Area corrections chair, it was suggested that all standing committee chairs contact their G.S.O. counterpart and introduce ourselves. Up to this point my experience with G.S.O was limited to receiving Box 459, a service position kit or an occasional email. Remembering what that old-timer had said about New York, I must admit that when the General Service Office Corrections desk answered the phone on the second ring, I almost fell out of my chair! I still had some lingering preconceived image of a lofty bureaucrat with not a whole lot of time for a corrections chair out in Idaho. Talk about "*Contempt prior to investigation*"!! I could not have been more mistaken. Diana L., who I would later meet at the National Corrections Conference, was knowledgeable, pleasant and eager to help me in my new position. Communicating regularly with Diana and other G.S.O. staff reinforced those words: "we don't do this alone"

After serving Area 92 as alternate delegate, my "spiritual journey" brought me to the 72nd General Service Conference. Walking into that big ballroom at the Brooklyn Marriott I was overcome by that same magical feeling of that first assembly. Over those six days, my eyes were opened to the dedication and love for Alcoholic Anonymous demonstrated by everyone there. The awe and appreciation I now have for our General Service Office and fellow conference members is difficult for me to describe. Experiencing firsthand the loving, tireless effort these folks put forth to support our Fellowship is something I will never forget. I am blessed with their lasting friendship. I thank God for my sponsor who

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insisted that I “get into and stay in” this beautiful third legacy of service!
Thank You

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Area Elected and Appointed Reports

Area Delegate

Greetings WSEA 92 Fellowship!

Wow, our friends in Libby as usual, out did themselves hosting the July Quarterly! Listening to all the reports and the respectful, open-minded discussions of the motions presented, reminded me of the spiritual nature of our third legacy of service. To share that experience with our Pacific Region delegates, and all Areas of the Fellowship at various workshops and sharing sessions is one of my duties I am most grateful for. Thanks to everyone for all you do! You make it possible to share Area 92 "experiences and viewpoints" with our Fellowship year-round, not just the one week in April.

I recently spent a "Conference report back" weekend in Yakima and Wapato. Many thanks to Michelle and Districts 20 and 6 for the warm welcome (117 degrees! :0)) and a wonderful Saturday afternoon. We had some great questions and discussions. Travel was a fun, good ole fashion A.A. "road trip" with my friend Johnny A., Area Translation Chair. Johnny facilitated the Sunday meeting with our Latino friends of Districts 24 and 25. Like the day before, it was a pleasure answering questions and sharing the experience of our General Service Conference. Member Virginia R. served as interpreter, and we became a pretty good team once Virginia got me to slow down! We had a lot of fun. To everyone showing up this weekend: THANK YOU for your service!

I am excited to be hitting the road this month and September with the remaining scheduled GSC report backs. (See Area 92 events calendar for date/times). Also, I am all set to attend and participate in the Pacific Regional Forum, September 16-18, and looking forward to sharing that with all of you in October. Busy, busy, busy.... I love it!

"Bill believed the wisdom of A.A. was found in the Group conscience that came out of church basements, and not from the pulpit; that it was directed from the Groups through the delegates and conference structure, rather than the other way around."

... Dr. John Norris 21st GSC

Thank you! grateful to serve,

Ben N. WSEA 92 Delegate – Panel 72
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Area Alternate Delegate

It was good to see everyone at the July Quarterly in Libby, Mt. a few weeks ago. I enjoyed the road trip with fellow AA members, Dolores E and Valerie D. We have missed the fun we had on the road trip the last few years.

We have a couple GSR Schools coming up in August. District 4 will be hosting one on Saturday August 20, 2022. They will be getting a flier for us soon. The past delegates hosting this one is Gary P and Scott R. We will have a fun time so hope lots of you will attend. Then the Spanish Districts will be hosting a GSR School on Sunday August 28th, 2022 in Yakima. The flier is in the newsletter so we hope to see you at one of these GSR Schools.

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If your district is interested in hosting a GSR School please contact me. There are GSRs and members in your districts wanting to learn about service and what better gift to give them than a GSR School. Remember we can also offer virtual GSR Schools as well as in person. Contact me at alt-delegate@area92aa.org.

I had to make a choice between attending the Regional Forum in Salt Lake City or going to our District 12 Standing Committee Workshop. I choose the local event instead and I want to support my home District. The weekend before Jennifer W and I will be attending the (NAAT) National AA Technology Workshop in Seattle. I'm looking forward to learning more about technology and having good fellowship with friends in Seattle.

I'm hoping to see you at a GSR school or workshop soon. I'm getting ready for the Serenity Sisters Women Campout this weekend. Sure, glad it has cooled off so we can have a fun time celebrating sobriety together.

Yours in service,
Diana M
Alt Delegate
Area 92/Panel 72

Area Chairperson

Greetings Area 92!

It has been a great month and busy with activity!

Our Area quarterly in Libby, Montana was a great success. Thank You to District 26 and Todd D. for hosting the event. It was wonderful to see new GSRs and our Hispanic Districts and members in attendance. The discussion of a possible Conference Motion from the Three Forks group in District 22 was a first for this area in a long time. It was interesting to hear the different Ideas from members concerning this and the cooperative discussion, we had to give input to the maker of the Motion. I hope that we see more discussion like this and possible motions from the groups of our area.

Since the Quarterly I have hosted the usual monthly video conferences and have heard much discussion concerning our Area Inventory and the process with which we will be gathering questions from the groups and districts. I have had emails and phone calls with a few DCMs concerning this and I hope that we can get some really relevant questions for this Inventory from the Area groups because this is about what they think and want to discuss. Keep it simple... usually is best in the hope of engaging more of our members and groups. Discussions concerning our implementation of Tradition 1 and Tradition 5 consistently points us in the "right direction".

We forwarded two significant motions from the July Quarterly to the body this month for discussion with the Homegroups. The motions concerning the Hybrid Meeting process and the Motion for the Archives Repository will be heard at our Area Assembly in Richland Washington, this October. If there are any questions or additional information is needed, please feel free to contact me at any time concerning these.

This month I have had the opportunity to work with some people new to the AA Service Structure. It is always great to introduce new members to the AA Service Concepts and AA Traditions, as well as our area's business practice. I feel it is always our concern in carrying the message of AA's Third legacy of Service to new people, for this is our future generations of Service workers. Service Sponsorship should always carry great priority.

It is always a privilege to AA and Area 92.

Until next month, best regards to all!

YIS. Benjamin G. Area 92 Chair / Panel 72 / AA

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Area Alternate Chairperson

Area Treasurer

Area Alternate Treasurer

Greetings to the Area Body

The July assembly in Libby produced two floor motions for consideration that involved funding. One regarding formal adoption of a virtual component to all Area assemblies and workshops, and the other requests funding for Archives to procure a "climate controlled" facility. I encourage everyone to discuss and provide opinions to your representatives on them.

By the way, Libby Montana and the surrounding area is beautiful!

This month's financial report incorrectly allocates as "contributions" \$68 of handbook money as that I received at the Libby event. I apologize for this discrepancy that will be corrected shortly, but not in time for this report.

July contributions total \$3,174.82

In Love and Service, Bryan B, Alt-Treasurer

Please send all contributions to:

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

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. Thank you very much for your support.

YIS
Bryan B.
Area 92 Alt-Treasurer
alt-treasurer@area92aa.org
Finance Committee Chair

Contributions by Member Summary July 2022

	TOTAL
District 02 Spokane (S. of River)	
Women Off The Hill Book Study - Spokane - 000037187	45.00
Total District 02 Spokane (S. of River)	45.00
District 04 Tri Cities, Kennewick	
Happy Hour / Pasco - 000109392	20.00
Richland Fellowship - 000057246	200.00
Womens Time Out Group - 000008960	17.95
Total District 04 Tri Cities, Kennewick	237.95
District 05	
Skookum Group - 000071719	121.57
Total District 05	121.57
District 06	
A New Light - 000091631	292.49
WagonAAs - 000020335	139.48
Total District 06	431.97
District 07	827.94
Clearwater Canyon Group - 000099360	103.42
The Noon Group - 000037721	118.62
Total District 07	1,049.98
District 08	
First Things First CDA - 000104533	62.00
Fort Sherman Chapel - 000104904	60.00
Rathdrum Prairie Dogs - 000051299	100.00
Young In Years - 000240671	70.00
Total District 08	292.00
District 10	
630 AM Group	70.00
Cle Elum Group - 000099275	100.00
Total District 10	170.00
District 12	
Native American Group - 000029359	90.00

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District 12	
Native American Group - 000029359	90.00
Total District 12	90.00
District 13	
Valley Eye Opener Group - 18649	150.00
Total District 13	150.00
District 17	110.35
Early Bird - 000029681	86.43
W.A.L.K Again Group	49.57
Total District 17	246.35
District 21	20.00
District 24	60.00
District 25 Non Geo Spanish Speaking Walla Walla	25.00

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WA State East Area 92 Alcoholics Anonymous

Contributions by Member Summary

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	TOTAL
Grupo 30 De Julio - 000023118	50.00
Grupo Milagros - 000025212	60.00
Grupo Sobriedad Viva - 000027819	30.00
Grupo Solo Por Hoy - 000027967	40.00
Total District 25 Non Geo Spanish Speaking Walla Walla	205.00
Sisters in Serenity - Spokane	55.00
TOTAL	\$3,174.82

Area Secretary – no report

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Area Archives Chair

I attended the July quarterly in Libby, MT. last month where I presented the archives steering committee motion. It passed there and will be presented to again at the Area assembly in October. The motion and background will be in this newsletter and sent out to the DCMs and area committee.

I have been working with District 12 preparing for the Standing Committee workshop on Saturday September 17th at the Community Presbyterian Church, Omak. It is from 10am to 3pm. We'll be serving a spaghetti for lunch with potluck side dish, salad or desert. The flyer is on the Area website's calendar.

Have a great summer!

Valerie D.

Area 92 Archives Chair

Area Archivist

Hi everybody! Hope everyone is staying cool in this extreme summer heat we are having!

I am so excited to see that the Archive Motion to increase funding for a new repository was passed to be voted on at the October Assembly. The Archives Steering Committee has put a lot of work into making sure Area 92 has all the information needed to pass the motion. It is very important to provide a place where our archives will be safe from deteriorating due to temperature and humidity problems that are currently causing damage. We are one more step closer in making that happen. We have also had an offer to rent a facility in Hayden Lake Idaho and I had a chance to go out and look at it. It not only looks like it would work beautifully but the price at \$600 per month would be perfect too! This would be significantly lower than the estimated \$1500 limit we were asking for. I just knew that if we put out the word that we had a serious problem, that there would be an answer. Nothing is impossible in Alcoholics Anonymous. There is a lot more research to do but I am hopeful.

I have been continuing to catalog documents and just started my 21st content list box. This is significant because of the number of documents that need to be cataloged. It is a slow and tedious process removing staples, identifying documents and placing them safely in acid free folders and boxes. I have found some more bleeding documents and overhead slides. They must be lined with buffered paper to make sure they don't continue to destroy other documents next to them. I am hoping we get the new repository so we can slow the process down and save our history.

I have also registered to attend the National Archive Workshop in Little Rock, AK in September. This is the first workshop that has been available in person since I became WSEA 92 Archivist in 2020 due to the pandemic. I am hoping to learn a lot to help me perform my archive duties especially in creating Digital Archives. This is a huge project that is long overdue. With the prospect of a new repository within our grasp, where we can plug in equipment to digitize and scan with, it is time to get started. I am hoping to get a lot of information and with the help of the Archive Steering Committee will form a committee to get this project going soon.

That's all for now, have a safe and sober summer!

Sincerely in Service,

Lisa D.
WSEA 92 Archivist

Area Corrections Chair

June 2022 Corrections Report

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Hello All,

Reminder for all in Area 92; Corrections *Focus* for Panel 72:

Connect, Inform, Network, and Serve All Levels of Corrections

We have had some reduction in correctional meetings this past month due to COVID outbreaks at major institutions. But we can still focus on FOCUS on connection. I am here to inform and network with Area 92 members to find volunteers interested in serving in our correctional facilities, have been vaccinated against COVID and have at least the suggested one year of sobriety, please write me at: corrections@area92aa.org and share who you are, where you are from, and your contact information and we will do all we can to get you into your perspective facility to Share Alcoholics Anonymous with our "Inside Members!"

The Quarterly in Libby, MT was awesome! Thank you for all that were of service.

Area 92 Corrections is still looking for a volunteer to fill the Bridge Program Coordinator position which is a very important service position in helping those getting a bridge from incarceration-to-the-Fellowship of Alcoholics Anonymous. If anybody is interested in this position or would like to join the Corrections Committee, please let me know at corrections@area92aa.org! Please...we need help here.

Love you all and grateful/honored to serve...Marc Mc.

Area CPC Chair

Area Grapevine and Literature Chair

Area Newsletter Editor

Greetings all,

I just want you to know that I am very grateful to be the newsletter editor. I am learning a lot (forgetting reports) by making errors but, I am truly having fun doing it. Everything we do in A.A. should cause us to work through the fears of failure, the jitters of "I can't do that", to not knowing how, or feeling not good enough and stretch us to grow into a better human being. Many of us came into A.A. full of pride and ego, our protective armor concealing our fears of life. Then slowly we start peeling away the armor as we become a member of the fellowship. Soon our armor is gone and we are left with a clean slate in which to build upon. Humility sets in and we find we out that we only know a little bit but more will be revealed. We just have to ask God for help and guidance in our prayers and the answers will come. I've found in service that so many are willing to share their experiences to help us along and make us successful in a new service position weather in the group, district or area. The is also the nature of rotation, to allow others to grow in a service position. So, stay awhile but don't make it a career!

Doug M.
Newsletter Chair
Panel 72/Area 92

Area Public Information Chair

Area Technology Chair

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I like to kid that the Technology Committee got really good after I joined, but talk about walking into a talented group. Some advice for all: want to look smart, hang with smart people.

We debriefed on the Libby Quarterly technology and performance of our team in the last committee meeting. Overall, we did well but identified some places where we (mostly me) could improve.

We have been providing functionality that is outside our defined scope of the committee and plan to propose that scope change for our committee. We can provide a cost saving way to provide audio/visual support and recording for all area events. We also managed to improve hybrid functionality without any additional expense except for committee member time. We have demonstrated this functionality in recent events.

Just like the other committee chairs, I now know that the toughest part of my job is keeping our committee filled with the needed skills to provide these services for our area. We are also working on how to back each other up and how to involve the right people for the future technology committee needs. If you are interested in finding out more about our committee, email me: technology@area92aa.org

Thanks for the opportunity to serve,
Dan

Area Treatment Chair

I attended the Area Quarterly in Libby, Montana in mid-July. I received a list of inpatient treatment centers for the State of Washington from Jason U., our Bridging the Gap (BTG) area coordinator.

On 25 July 2022 we had our monthly Treatment/Accessibility meeting. Mel M. from District 2 made an appeal for people to support the Treatment Centers in his District. If you are in the greater Spokane area and are willing to carry the message into treatment centers, please get in touch with Mel M. through Rainey via DCM2@area92aa.org. I still have not received any workbooks or treatment kits from the GSO, they are still on backorder. I downloaded the Treatment Committee Kit list of references, the guidelines for Treatment, Accessibility and Deaf/Hard of Hearing. I also put the committee on copy of the Washington Inpatient Treatment Facilities list. Someone mentioned that there is an App that can be downloaded for translation/interpretation that is available online for different languages.

Michelle, my Accessibility co-chair is now set up with an e-mail address for the area. If you have accessibility issues with any of the A.A. groups, districts or other Area functions, please let Michelle know via Accessibilities@area92aa.org. Michelle will be sending out a survey in the near future to assess accessibilities needs in our area. Please respond at the group level as soon as possible after you receive Michelle's survey.

I will be on vacation the last half of September, so I will miss the Standing Committee Workshop in Omak. Sharon B. and her friends in Omak will be giving a presentation regarding working with the other district committeepersons.

Yours in Service (YIS)

Michael O.

Area Translation Chair

Ad-Hoc Inventory Committee

Area 92 - July 2022 Quarterly

2022 Ad Hoc Inventory Committee Report

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Good morning Area 92, I'm Gary P. an alcoholic and a Past Delegate who served with the Pandemic Panel 70's. I am delighted to be here, even on-line. Observing and listening to our fellows is always deeply fulfilling.

I want to thank Benjamin for asking me to develop and work with a 2022 Ad Hoc Inventory Committee. At the time I agreed to do this, I was unaware that I would encounter just a few days later some pesky heart pump issues. These would derail me for several weeks. While the heart issues are not entirely abated, a couple of mildly invasive procedures and medications have allowed for improvement and I am now able to function better and to make a bit of progress. Many thanks are owed for the capable assistance and counsel of our committee members along with past Panel 66 delegate Scott R. I confess that a fair portion of what follows in this report was obtained by extracting text from AA publications and previous AA reports regarding general service inventories. In A.A., we benefit greatly from what we receive from others.

It seems to me that a solid understanding of the overall objective of the Service Inventory is crucial. In other words, why are we doing this and what is the desired end-result? And following that, what commitment in scale, resources and time is required to achieve the objective?

Let's examine the objective first. The content in the following couple of paragraphs is extracted from the A.A. General Services Conference Inventory – Compendium 2013 – 2015.

"Taking an inventory, in the best sense of the word, is a fundamental aspect of A.A.'s program of recovery. Bill W. reflected in A.A. Comes of Age (page 231), "Just as each AA must continue to take his moral inventory and act upon it, so must our whole society if we are to survive and if we are to serve usefully and well."

"An inventory, then, at the level of general service is a natural outgrowth of that which is done to maintain individual sobriety throughout the A.A. Fellowship. However, when applied to A.A.'s general services and for the purposes of the General Service Conference inventory, the "Twelve Concepts for World Service," not the Twelve Steps for Recovery, provided the lens through which to evaluate current Conference practices and procedures, to determine how they relate to the original plan, purpose and structure of the General Service Conference."

*"Self-assessment is a pervasive part of our A.A. program; fully half of our Steps are directly related to it. Inventory of the Conference and personal inventory in the Steps are not quite the same, however. At the Conference, **the emphasis will be on effectiveness in carrying out the purposes of the Conference**, not on 'character defects.'"*

"We don't take inventory simply because it is, in and of itself, a good thing (like kindness, or generosity), but rather because it is an important element of our continued sobriety. The same holds true for our service inventories, including the Conference inventory.... We are not here to take pride in doing the responsible thing by taking an inventory. We are here to help assure the unity and effectiveness of A.A. in its mission to carry the great message of hope to anyone, anywhere, who has a desire to do something about his or her drinking problem."

While this text is only a very small portion of the GSC Inventory Report, it clearly states the singular objective is to perpetually improve our ability to "Carry the Message". I can attest that the remaining 27 pages of the report are similarly focused. In last evening's report on the Warranties, Scott R. verbalized that in his experience as a delegate, the GSO and the Conference itself were fully devoted to A.A.'s Primary Purpose. My experience as a delegate with the GSO and the GSC was precisely the same.

Now, to the Issues regarding the scope of the commitment necessary to achieve the objective.

The previous quoted text was extracted from the introduction to the Final Report for the GSC inventory that encompasses 28, 8½ X 11 pages, fully printed. The Inventory itself took 3 years, 2013 through 2015, to complete. When including the planning that was begun in 2008, the entire effort required 7 years. Clearly, this GSC

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Inventory was comprehensive, covering 14 broad Themes (Topics), and 44 specific questions. Many questions were carefully composed in the context of an applicable Concept. Collectively, the 44 questions addressed a very wide range of General Services in direct support of practices and procedures that “Carry the Message”.

In contrast and like most Areas, Area 92 has historically narrowed the scope of the Service Inventory objective to a more achievable and manageable scale. At the 2013 WSEA Assembly held in Pasco, a motion was passed that allows for a {2} hour Area Inventory Report during non-election October Assemblies. It begins at 3:00 PM on Saturday of that Assembly and is chaired by a Past Delegate. The inventory will contain {3} to {5} inventory questions which could come from any of the following: Home Groups, GSR roundtable meetings, DCM roundtable meetings or from the Area Committee. Unfortunately, this language regarding the inventory process is contained in the “passed motions” on the website and is not codified by any specific section or paragraph in the Area 92 Handbook.

Last evening, we asked for input from this Quarterly’s (2022) GSR and DCM roundtables and also have 2 suggestions already submitted by the Area Committee. We agreed during the meetings to continue to accept additional questions until July 31st.

During August, the committee will combine where appropriate similar questions and begin the process of condensing the list. A key step in this process will be to rank the items in order of their potential benefit to Area 92, eventually selecting the top 3 to 5 questions based on that estimated benefit. We anticipate that this will be concluded by August 31st.

The committee will spend the month of September, assembling the inventory questions along with their respective background information, any applicable member commentary or recommendation into a final package that will be delivered at the October Assembly.

At 3:00 pm on Saturday, October 15th, at the October Assembly, a 2-hour session is scheduled to review and discuss each final question from the inventory. The Assembly has the latitude to choose any action it deems appropriate for each question.

Members who are interested in reviewing previous service inventories may find it informative and useful to review these two Inventories:

- 1. A.A. General Service Conference Inventory; Compendium 2013 -2015 (28 pages)**
- 2. WSEA 92 October Assembly Inventory – 2018 (8 sections – 11 pages)**

These have been placed on the g-suite Drive along with this **2022 Ad Hoc Inventory Committee Report**.

In closing, the committee has discussed the need to develop a section in the Area 92 Handbook with the Handbook Committee that details the duties and responsibilities of the Ad Hoc Inventory Committee. Several paragraphs and sentences could be extracted from this report as a starting point. Our committee members are willing to assist the Handbook committee with this effort.

The volunteers on this Committee are; Anna V., Lisa D., Valerie D., Lorri T., Todd D., Dan M., Mike Mc., and Emily W. We all thank you again for this opportunity to serve.

Gary P.

Finance Committee

Website Committee

Hybrid Ad-hoc Committee

The Hybrid Ad-hoc Committee presented our motion at the July Quarterly. The motion was approved to go to the home groups for the final decision, and our committee was given until the end of July to revise our background to better address the financial impact on the Area.

After fully discussing two thoughtful presentations by committee members, we revised the “financial impact” part of the background.

Financial Impact:

- *This motion on its own does not have a financial impact.*

This motion is simply deciding whether we want to continue doing hybrid Area Assemblies, Quarterlies and Standing Committee Workshops. There’s no point in figuring out the cost of it if we haven’t decided we want to do it. For example, before considering whether you can afford a car, you first decide whether you want a car at all. THEN you go look at your income and expenses and see what you can afford for a car.

- *Cost of the virtual platform is already budgeted.*

The Zoom license is not a line item on the 2022 Budget. The Area Treasurer says it is simply part of “Area Expenses.”

THE FOLLOWING PHASES LAY OUT THE PROCESS CLEARLY AND SUCCINCTLY:

- **Phase 1** - Do we support the reasons to make hybrid format a permanent part of the Area meeting?

Do we want to do this at all? This is the necessary starting point and the ONLY point of the motion under discussion.

- **Phase 2** - Completion of specifications and cost/budget for implementing the format. IF we decide we DO want to do this, what will it take to do it well? The Technology Committee will answer that question. It is their area of expertise and their responsibility. It would be a waste of time addressing this issue if we decide we do *not* want to continue using hybrid format.

- **Phase 3** - Additions to the Area Handbook and Hosting Guidelines for hybrid meetings.

Again, IF we decide we want to continue using hybrid format, THEN, based on what the Tech Committee says we need to do, we would update the Area Handbook with a statement of intent to use hybrid format and certain job descriptions for those trusted servants who have something specific to do with the hybrid format. The How to Host booklets, while not on the same authoritative level as the Area Handbook, would be updated to guide hosting districts on how to work with the Alt Chair and the Technology Committee with regards to hybrid format.

The motion now belongs to the Area. Members of the Hybrid Ad-hoc Committee can answer questions and offer further clarification. Contact the committee chair at dcm2@area92aa.org or 509-279-5640. Committee members are also available to address districts or groups as needed. However, our intent was to present a complete and clear enough background that further explanations would be unnecessary.

Area Registrar

I continue to attend the North American Area Registrar Sharing Session which is held monthly. This past month I also attended the quarterly GSO Registrar roundtable session which I reported on at the quarterly.

At this time the dashboard is showing we now have 478 groups registered and 5 virtual groups. I was asked by a DCM to make about 17 groups inactive as they no longer provide meetings.

I’m repeating what I said last month when I reported that I reviewed the Area 92 meeting schedule on the website and there are approximately 160 meetings listed as online. This includes those both hybrid and online. If your meeting has changed and is no longer online, let me know so they can be changed back to in person only. If any of you want your meeting registered with GSO as online please let me know.

Also, if your group was made inactive during the pandemic and your DCM has not made it active, please let me know so we can get it updated.

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If you have any questions about the status of your groups, please contact either your DCM or myself, as we would like to help you with any questions. DCMs do have access to the Fellowship Connection to review reports. If there are changes to be made, they should contact me and I will attempt to make the changes. If I can't, because I don't have access to them, I will notify GSO members services to make the changes.

Yours in service,

Diana M
Alt/Del/Registrar
Area 92/Panel 72

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

alt-delegat@area92aa.org

District and DCM Reports

District 2

Our four active committees are just that – active! Archives is working on archiving hundreds of emails. CPC/PI is meeting with a local library manager-type. Grapevine/Literature tells us something interesting every month – this month we heard all about the Grapevine podcasts. Treatment/Accessibilities is taking meetings into three places! Our Central Office trustee actively reports the news from there. This month we had the president of Central Office visit our district meeting, too. The DCM is actively working with the other three local districts on the All-District Potluck & Speaker meeting, and on coordinating with the Central Office on the Meeting Guide App information.

Our October 2023 Election Assembly Committee is gearing up. Our Treasurer is disbursing money according to the District 2 Handbook we just approved this year. We need a Secretary and a Workshop/Activities Chair. We get about nine GSRs at District meetings. Together with the district trusted servants and guests, we had 16 people at the last District meeting, which is hybrid.

Note: Step Sisters will have a Speaker Meeting open to all on the 5th Wednesday of August. It starts at 5:30pm at Manito United Methodist Church in Spokane.

District 2 rocks!
Rainey

District 3

Greetings from District 3 from north central Spokane and places west on US2 and US395.

District 3 Alt DCM, Dave K, and I have been learning how to create and edit meetings for listing on the Spokane Central Office website and the Meeting Guide app. I know this is old stuff for all you other DCMs but it's new to us. That's because the four Districts in Spokane (2, 3, 13 & 17) have only recently taken over that responsibility formerly handled

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by the Spokane Central Office. The effect in our district has been to strengthen our relationships with the groups we're serving, a very pleasing result.

Two groups have been added to our mailing list that goes out to GSRs and Contact folks: She Recovers Women's Meeting (online at 8 AM Saturday mornings and Basic Life Support (in person 5 PM on Tuesday, Spokane).

All Officer positions are filled and all committee chairs are filled, except Bridge and PI/CPC, which are still vacant.

To quote my dear friend and senior AA guru, Bob J, "We've got to keep this thing going!"

Yours In Service,

Larry E,

DCM District 3

District 4 Sadly No Report

District 5

Greetings from District 5. The weather has been very hot in central Washington to kick off August. We ended July and started August at 110 degrees. But by today, the fourth, it was 82.

I am happy to announce that after about five plus years District 5 now has a PI Chair. Marti P. happened to come to our District meeting on the 2nd, Tuesday, and share a PI story from another time and place. We asked her if she would want to be the PI chair for the District and she accepted! Welcome Marti! We are so happy to have you join us!

On the last Sunday of July, the Cashmere group hosted their annual picnic at the Mission Creek Community Club. Thank goodness for air conditioning, for those with low tolerance for high heat. There was happy hour entertainment by acoustical guitarist and soloist Cameron N., who is a member of the Cashmere group as well as our District Treasurer. And after dinner entertainment by Rule 62 of which two members are also Cashmere home group members and one is our District Activities/Entertainment Chair. Not to mention games outside for the heat lovers!

The last Saturday of August will be the last outdoor birthday potluck at Walla Walla Point Park on the river for the summer, hosted by Pass It On. There will be cupcakes and coins for those celebrating AA Birthdays in August. Starting on the last Saturday in September the Birthday Potluck will be hosted at Duncan Road Fellowship Hall on Duncan Rd in Wenatchee.

District 5 holds a regular monthly business meeting on the first Tuesday of the month at 7:00 PM at Duncan Road Fellowship Hall, 2123 Duncan Road, Wenatchee.

Respectfully Submitted,

Carole N
DCM
DISTRICT 5 AREA 92
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District 6

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Hi everyone, hope you are enjoying a fabulous August. Camp outs, river floats, fireside meetings and picnics. What a beautiful time of the year. I went camping at Rimrock Lake with my granddaughter and Anna V's family. It was an amazing 2 days at the beach. I am planning a trip to Bumping Lake later this month.

District 6 is staying active. We met 2 weeks ago and we began talking about the motions to be presented at the October Inventory Assembly. I plan on an in-depth study at our next meeting so the GSRs are prepared to present the motions to their Home Group for their Group Conscience in September. It seems we are always chasing the event before I get all of the Home Group's votes, but that's a good challenge. I need to get to all those meetings before October.

The weekend of July 15th, Anna V. and Jodi C. joined me for a road trip to Libby, Montana, for the July Quarterly. We stayed with Lisa G. and Scott R. at their beautiful home. We sat outside and watched the hummingbirds fly around and drink nectar. The mosquitos were out too so we had to go in when it started getting dark. I am so grateful for their hospitality while they were hosting the event. I collect painted rocks that have been hidden and I paint rocks and hide them for others. On Saturday, Anna found an adorable rock to add to my collection. I celebrated 20 years on the 15th so I named the rock "Libby" and she will travel with us as we trudge the road to happy destiny. Before we headed home, we drove around town and took some pictures of the hand-sculpted eagles.

On July 30th, Ben N., our Delegate, gave a report back on the General Service Conference held in April of this year. It was attended well and Ben did an amazing job explaining what happened at the conference and how he voted on all of the Agenda Items. I really appreciate the power point presentation and Ben is allowing me to make it available to anyone interested in seeing it. True transparency.

Here in Yakima, we have a Fellowship of the Spirit FB website. I have begun utilizing this tool to disseminate Area and District information. I am looking forward to seeing if it creates some interest.

YIS,
Michelle W
A92 DCM6



District 7 Sadly No Report

District 8

July- August 2022

Greetings District 8 trusted servants. Summer is here! I am looking forward to several upcoming events as we move towards Fall. Welcome to our new 3rd Legacy Chair Cliff H. Cliff brings a wealth of experience to our district committee. District members and GSR's keep an eye out for educational and inspirational workshops in the future.

Notes from (**July 12, 2022**) District Meeting:

We had 13 GSR's, 5 officers, 6 committee chairs and 7 guests attend. Total of 31 district members present. We elected a new 3rd Legacy Chair.

Activities – Attended June – July 2022:

DCM monthly meeting: June 28 & July 26. Meet w/Area DCMs & Area Chair Benjamin G.

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Our Delegate, Ben N. will be giving his GSC report this weekend, Saturday August 13, 1:30 at the Alano Fellowship Hall, 1:30 to 4 p.m.

Our Alt DCM, David R & I are researching a technical service company to assist us with our zoom meetings. I will report more on that later.

Please remember to have your reports, changes or flyers into Carin C., our newsletter chair by the 5th of the month so she has time to put together the District newsletter. Her information is in the DE as well as a form for submission.

I am sorry I missed the July quarterly hosted by District 26 in Libby MT one of my favorite places. Thank you to those of you that attended. I hope all that were able to attend had a wonderful experience.

Our October Assembly is coming up, October 14-16, 2022. It will be hosted by District 4 in Richland, WA. The registration forms are attached and have been sent out by email. Please get your registrations in early. There will be 2 motions being considered and our bi-annual Area inventory will be conducted. (More will be revealed on this).

Upcoming Events: (Flyers that are available can be found on Area 92.org website or in the DE)

August 13, 2022: District 8 & District 26 Delegates Report Back, Alano Hall 1:30 – 4 p.m.

September 16-18, 2022: Pacific Region Forum, Marriott @City Creek, SLC, Utah

October 14-16, 2022: October WSEA Assembly, District 4 host- Richland, WA

As your DCM, I am willing to help you in any way I can please let me know if there's anything you need or anything I can help you with. Please keep an eye out for my emails as my primary job is to facilitate communication from district, Area 92, GSO in all matters A.A.

Thank you for letting me be of service.

Catherine B
DCM 8

District 9

Hello Area 92 from District 9 in Walla Walla!

Things are pretty slow in our District so not much to report.

I enjoyed the Quarterly in Libby Montana and made some new connections. I truly enjoy watching how AA works and learning about the whole process that takes place outside of just attending meetings.

We are looking forward to hosting Ben N for the Delegate Report Back on August 27th, 2022. I'm most excited for District 4 from Tri-Cities to be joining us for the event. It is a snack-luck so please bring some munchies to share and we will provide the coffee and water. It will be held at SonBridge Center, 1200 SE 12th Street, College Place, WA from 1-4pm. It is a hybrid event and you can find the flyer with the login information on the Area Website at www.area92aa.org under the Calendar tab, or www.wallawallaaa.org. Better yet come visit us in person!

We are looking forward to the October Assembly in Richland WA and have been expressing how much we would like our GSR's to be part of this event. I am hoping to see the District 9 table filled up!

Next business meeting is August 14th, at SonBridge Center, 1200 SE 12th, College Place WA at 6pm. All are welcomed.

Judy Mc
DCM 9

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District 10

District 10 would like to celebrate the following birthdays for July!

Maggie 3 years
Jeff 19 years
Nathan 60 days
Don 30 days
Cindy A 2 years
Kimmi 2 years

Thank you!

Cody L.

District 11 Sadly No Report

District 12

Hello Area 92 Family!

First, we want to thank District 26 for a wonderful WSEA 92 July 2022 Quarterly in beautiful Libby, Montana and all the service, seen and unseen, that made for a successful Fellowship weekend.

We're gearing up for our Delegate Report Back on Zoom, August 20, 2022! Come if you've got a few folks that could not attend past opportunities to listen and participate. Here, we'll listen to the Delegates experience at the General Service Conference and YOU are encouraged to ask questions about the Agenda Items you most want to hear about! Log in: 823 2823 9529 Passcode: 82000
All are welcome.

Liz our Gratitude Banquet Chair is preparing us for the needs and details of our banquet in November. Liz will be using a series of Zoom meetings this month and the coming months to keep up abreast!

We're also preparing for hosting Area 92's next Standing Committee Workshop in September 17, 2022. We'll be fellowshipping at Community Presbyterian Church, in Omak or you can join us via Zoom! We're ready to go!

We look forward to seeing your smiling faces and serving you.

Although we voted to not have a District meeting in August, we have much work to do or continue. Here's a chunk of what's going on for us in District 12 (besides picnics!), groups are, if they choose, submitting inventory questions to Gary P. and the Area's Ad Hoc Inventory Committee for review. We've been given a new deadline of August 15th to submit our questions! The questions are framed around the 12 Traditions or 12 Concepts. With 3-5 questions being picked, in October the Assembly will review the final questions and is empowered to recommend actions on any item. On the archives front Valerie D. is reaching out to each District's archivist, archives chair's or anyone interested in archives, with the opportunity to provide a workshop by Lisa D., providing knowledge on the purpose and importance of archives in Area 92. Reviewing the Archives Handbook is key to becoming informed in such matter as classifications, administrative, correspondence and artifacts will be covered in this workshop. The date of workshop has not been revealed yet.

Diana M. our Area Alt- Delegate is working away on inviting DCM's to become familiar with and inventory our meeting app for each of our Districts. She's ready to receive what we discover. Doug the Areas Newsletter Chair has created a flyer on how to sign up for Area 92 Newsletters to be mailed directly or emailed directly to you! Think of our members who don't leave home often or rurally have limitations. Great idea Doug!

One of our members from Twisp was able to bring to Electric City new schedules due to being in the area. Thank you! Do you carry A.A. Materials with you when you're out and about? Happy Birthday to our August members!

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Much more to say. But...it's time.
We are here and moving around.

"A quiet, objective view will be our steadfast aim." 12x12 pg. 82

Jacqueline
Area92 DCM District 12

District 13

Hello again from District 13. This is turning out to be a spectacular summer for AA. As we continue to bounce back from all the Covid shutdowns. AA is getting together "In Person" once again. The quarterly Pot Lucks put on by District 13, Happy Hours "Fun Night's", I Don't Need a Meeting meeting having their annual spaghetti feed and finally the Districts 2, 3, 13 & 17 Pot Luck with speakers all happening soon. Flyers for this should be included in the News and letter. I think in the coming months we will start thinking about our goals that we can start working on now for the coming year.

Thank you,
Jamie Kane District 13 DCM

District 14

Another busy month. Since I spaced out for the June report, I will cover both months. Our June district meeting was in Sandpoint. The meeting focus was on our Corrections and Treatment efforts. We continue to have challenges getting meetings back into the jails in Newport, WA, Bonners Ferry, and Sandpoint, ID. We will continue to reach out. One of our district members suggested contacting the Chaplin Service that goes into the jails as an avenue to get back in. We also discussed putting an archive effort behind interviewing past District 14 DCMs to document their service and the efforts made during their tenures to carry the message and support the fellowship. We had more discussion around Pink Can Fund issues. A motion was written and committee agreement gained to forward the motion on to the groups to clarify that the Pink Can Fund and its administration is not part of the district 14 stewardship.

To that point, at the July district meeting in Bonners Ferry, the motion was passed to clearly state the district does not have stewardship over the Pink Can Fund and its administration. Groups have not been passing the Pink Can for some time as the current balance is around \$1200 and there is very little demand for literature in the jails. It was pointed out to me by a long-time member that it really is individual members who contribute "pocket change" to the Pink Can. It is not a group contribution. I have asked the GSRs to discuss what their groups want to do with the Pink Can. I am going to suggest to my home group that it drops the Pink Can. I feel normal contributions to the district should be used for literature needs for jails.

The July district meeting focused on our website and actions for consideration to update it. We don't have a technology committee; we have a one-person webmaster. After gaining an understanding of the current state, we agreed to try and get a group together to help define the desired state for the site. We are actively looking for volunteers for this important project.

Thanks to District 26 for hosting the July Quarterly meeting. It was great to reconnect and new-connect with members of the Area. The Standing Committee reports were valuable, particularly the report given by Michael O. on Treatments & Accessibilities. Lots of activity going on and I hope we can implement some of the ideas in the district. The motions presented were determined by vote to be clear and concise enough to send on the districts/groups for review prior to the October Assembly. Some pre-selling and protesting occurred at the mic, but it generally went okay. The upcoming Area Inventory was presented during the DCM roundtable and in the general session. The timeline is very tight for getting inventory questions to the responsible committee, and thankfully this was changed to allow more time to gather questions from the groups. I hope the committee follows the lead of the groups, and what they feel are the most

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important questions to be addressed. I felt there was too much emphasis to focus questions around the Concepts. We need to listen to the groups and what is most important to them.

Andy C
D14 DCM

District 15 Sadly No Report

District 16 Sadly No Report

District 17 Sadly No Report

District 18 Sadly No Report

District 19 Sadly No Report

District 20 Sadly No Report

District 21 Sadly No Report

District 22 Sadly No Report

District 23 Sadly No Report

District 24 Sadly No Report

District 25

Hola Area 92! I hope this finds everyone well! The heat has come upon us, and we need to save ourselves drinking lots of water!

In our district we have been supporting a group that is low in membership. My home group held a Public Information meeting on July 30th. there were good speakers, and two new persons came. They were both given A.A. books and A.A. Information brochures. Also, in my home group a group member Jose F. will celebrate his 1-year sobriety on August 6. Grupo Solo Por Hoy will be hosting a Traditions Workshop on August 12. Our Representative to the next Washington State A.A. Hispanic Convention is working with Host District 21 and keeping us informed on the work taking place for next year's convention. I attended the July Quarterly in Libby, Montana and was accompanied by 2 GSRs and our District 25 coffee server. We had a great trip and a great time there. We are grateful for the hospitality of everyone and the Translation Committee Johnny, and Lisa, Scott, Virginia and Juan. On August 28th. our district will be hosting a GSR School in Spanish. It will be held at Grupo 30 de Julio in Yakima, from 11a.m to 3p.m.

On July 31st. we were visited by our Delegate Ben, Johnny and Virginia. Thanks Ben, for coming all the way to Wapato with your report to inform us about the Conference. Thanks Johnny and Virginia for Spanish interpretation. This is all for last month.

I wish you all happy 24 hours.

Toribio N.
DCM District 25

District 26

Hello everybody in Area 92! District 26 would like to thank everyone for the privilege of having hosted the Area 92 July Quarterly 2022. We would like to thank the Tech Committee both online and in person for all the help. You made our weekend SOOOO! much easier.

Combined attendance was about 82 I'm told by the Area 92 Alt. Chair Lisa G. We believe that we have more than \$500 to send back to the Area 92 Treasury. We know a guy who is involved in the operations of the venue we used, so we got a very good price on that. Final reports are being completed and should be available soon.

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I would like to thank the Hispanic Districts for coming and for bringing us those delicious cherries! If it wasn't for leaning a little self-control in this wonderful fellowship, I would have eaten myself sick!

We're having our annual Sober Float on the Kootenai River Saturday September 3rd. It's a beautiful float if you need a mini vacation. If you're interested, please let me know.

There will be a Delegates Report Back at the Couer d' alene Alono-Club on Saturday the 13th of August, at 1:30 pm. So, if you're not busy come on down!

Well, that's about all I've got this month. Thank you all for your service my friends.

Todd D.
1-406-210-8958

Current Motions in Process

HYBRID AD-HOC COMMITTEE MOTION #1

The Hybrid Ad-Hoc Committee moves that Area 92 use hybrid format for Area Assemblies, Quarterlies and Standing Committee Workshops.

What will happen if this motion is adopted:

Accessibility:

- It makes it easier to attend if a meeting is a long way from a group or district.
- Hybrid meetings allow for ongoing engagement when physical attendance is not possible.
- Gives everyone a choice to attend in person or virtually without denying anyone access.
- Closed captioning allows people with hearing impairments to be able to participate better.
- Affordable option for groups that are not able to pay for the cost of travel and accommodations.

Inclusion:

- Hybrid format facilitates the right to participate.
- The more people involved, the stronger the voice of AA as a whole.
- With more participation, allows for a broader group conscience.

Unity:

- The more we engage, the better we understand each other.
- Increased communication between the groups, the Area, and AA as a whole. Cost savings:
- Districts and groups with limited resources can still participate.
- Recording, required per the Area 92 Handbook, is included in the virtual platform. Changes to the Area:
- The Hybrid Ad-Hoc Committee will work with the Handbook Committee to draft changes to the Area Handbook and "How to Host an Assembly/Quarterly" and present them to the Area.
- Technology Committee will create training for Standing Committee Chairs. Financial Impact:
- This motion on its own does not have a financial impact.
- Cost of the virtual platform is already budgeted.
- Phase 1 - Do we support the reasons to make hybrid format a permanent part of the Area meeting?

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- Phase 2 - Completion of specifications and cost/budget for implementing the format.
- Phase 3 - Additions to the Area Handbook and Hosting Guidelines for hybrid meetings. **What will happen if this motion is not adopted:**
 - Hybrid will still be an option but there would be no protocols in place.
 - Inconsistent application of hybrid format could continue on a case-by-case basis.
 - The people who have been able to attend because it was virtual may not have that access anymore.
 - Therefore, we may lose participants.

Embracing the technology of today we are investing in the future of carrying the message to the still suffering Alcoholics.

Archives motion:

The archives steering committee moves that Area 92 increase funding, not to exceed \$1500/month to enable the repository to be moved to an appropriate location in the Spokane area on an experimental basis of 5 years.

BACKGROUND:

WSEA 92 decided to have a permanent repository in the Spokane area eight years ago. A temporary location in Airway Heights was found that was considered "climate controlled" by the facility. The previous and current Archivists have both found that this facility does not meet the requirements as stated in the GSO Archive Workbook (about 70F and 45% humidity). Nor does this facility meet the guidelines suggested for a repository. The archives need to be accessible and allow for the interaction of our fellowship with the history that is stored there. This "living history" is how the archives pass information and keeps our historical facts accurately recorded.

Due to the current storage temperatures and conditions, suitability and parameters are not being met and documents are deteriorating. In December of 2019 a hygrometer, which measures temperatures and humidity, was placed in the facility and has validated why the collection is in decline. This means that we are losing our history in real time. It is imperative that we locate a new repository so we can house our collection SAFELY and perpetually.

Presently we are spending \$288 per month for 2 storage units approximately 300sq ft. total which is insufficient for the amount of items coming in. The current repository makes on-site cataloging of the estimated 75,000 or more items extremely difficult without electricity and wi-fi being available for computers and printers, nor is it possible to adequately set up future equipment to digitize the collection. Currently we remove items to catalog which places them at risk of loss and/or damage.

The Archives Steering Committee has done research on the leasing of a commercial space for a repository in the Spokane area and would like to share our findings with the body. In the hope that this information will help clarify the expenses we will incur with the motion's passage, here are some of our findings on the matter: Commercial property is leased in numerous ways, as one can imagine, so here are some of the options: triple net, double net, gross lease, modified gross lease and all of these methods address the costs of leasing a commercial space either by bundling all the costs of the property into one payment or having the lessee pay taxes and utilities separately. In the final analysis the payment will be the same. The lessor is also responsible for liability insurance for the property. If we are responsible, then we are the lessee. If the building owner is responsible then they are the lessor.

In speaking with property management professionals, the \$1,500 per month seems to be a workable number to cover all expenses for our needs and it should be noted that these numbers apply to Spokane. Some owners require a deposit and first month's payment, and a lease agreement is a [1] year commitment and can run up to [5] yrs. with clauses to adjust payment amounts as per economic conditions.

To sum up the above information: we will be responsible for the payment for the property, taxes, utilities, liability insurance, Wi-Fi, etc. Savings might be possible if we were open to a basement property or a non-ADA accessible property so there are a lot of options.

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The Steering Committee will agree to the size, location and suitability as described in the Steering Committee guidelines.

We have located a facility in Hayden, ID that would possibly meet our needs. Rent being about \$600 per month including utilities.

Examples of what other areas pay as follows:

Area 72 rents a 1400 sq. ft. commercial property in Stellacom Square, Lakewood, WA for \$1,494.55 per month, including utilities and Wi-Fi.

Oregon 58, rents a garage-sized Repository something like 30'x30', maybe more. Rent is \$915 per quarter, or \$3,360 per year. It is located in an out of the way town at the edge of the state.

Southern California Area 05 rents a public storage facility for approximately \$130 per month.

A new repository will also provide an area to catalog items on-site, provide hands-on training opportunities to new archivists and volunteers on how to catalog and store our collection safely.

The purpose of this motion by the Archives Steering Committee is to be able to fulfill our responsibility not only as the Archives Steering Committee, but as an Area to protect and preserve archival materials in a climate-controlled repository as stated in our Area handbook under 8.2.2, Archives Steering Committee duties.

If this motion passes it will give the committee the flexibility to secure a repository at the monthly cost of \$1500 or less and will give us the ability to control the environment and do the archival work necessary to preserve and protect Area 92 history.

Bill wrote: Concerning any given service, we therefore pose but one question: "Is this service really needed?" If it is, then maintain it we must, or fail in our mission to those who need and seek A.A.

We believe that if we ask our Home Group members, "do they want our history preserved?" Their answer will be yes, we want and need our history.

Valerie D.-Area 92 Archives Chair
Lisa D.-Area 92 Archivist
Lisa G.-Past Area 92 Archives Chair
Sarah B.-Past Archives Chair
Gabriele v.-District 17 Archivist
Tom W.-Intergroup Archivist Chair
Allen D.-Past Area 92 Delegate P68
Gene D.-Past Area 92 Delegate P52
Scott R.-Past Area 92 Delegate P66

UK Twelve Concepts Illustrated

Have had numerous requests for this, so I thought I would pass it along.....

Below is the link to the British animated "12 Concepts of World Service" we showed at the July Quarterly in Libby. This was an Agenda Item the Literature committee presented to the conference for approval:

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Literature Item E. Review Progress report regarding the pamphlet "Twelve Concepts Illustrated"

The committee **recommended** that the video animation of the pamphlet "The Twelve Concepts Illustrated"(currently published by the General Service Board of A.A. Great Britain) be adapted and produced by the Publishing department. **Passed 121 - 10**

ENJOY!

<https://www.alcoholics-anonymous.org.uk/About-AA/12-Concepts>

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MEMORANDUM

July 19, 2022

To: 2022 Conference Members
General Service Board Members
A.A.W.S, and AA Grapevine Board Members

Re: Adjusted timeline for the 72nd *Final Report*

As you may know, G.S.O. strives to make the Conference *Final Report* available in August every year.

This year's timeline is being impacted by a couple of major circumstances in the category of things we cannot control, including unforeseeable staffing changes that are affecting all projects and timelines in the Publishing Department as well as global supply chain issues.

Due to these circumstances, the timelines for the availability of 2022 Conference *Final Report*, in English, Spanish and French, are adjusted as follows:

- Digital, anonymity-protected version: mid- to late September 2022 • Print version: December 2022/January 2023

We will notify you as soon as the anonymity-protected, digital version of the 2022 Conference *Final Report* is available and posted to the Conference dashboard. At that time, we will also provide an update on the status of the print version.

Thank you for your service and patience as we work through these challenges.

2025 International Convention, Alcoholics Anonymous

Frequently Asked Questions About the 2025 International Convention & Travel to Canada Updated July 12, 2022

1. When and where will the 2025 International Convention take place?

The 90th anniversary of Alcoholics Anonymous will be celebrated at the 2025 International Convention in Vancouver, BC, Canada, July 3 – 6, 2025.

2. What is the theme of the 2025 International Convention?

The theme of the 2025 International Convention is "90 Years – Language of the Heart."

3. Have A.A. International Conventions been held in Canada before?

Yes. There have been International Conventions in Toronto (1965), Montreal (1965), and Toronto (2005). As you may know, the Responsibility Statement was adopted at the 1965 International Convention in Toronto.

4. Are there any restrictions or regulations affecting travel to Canada in 2025?

Yes. The U.S. and Canada each have restrictions and regulations that apply to citizens and visitors who travel from one country to the other. Border crossing into Canada has significantly changed, particularly in the last two years. (For more information: access links to Canada Border Services Agency website (CBSA) provided below question #6)

5. Who will have to process forms and applications to gain admission to Canada?

It is suggested that those who believe they have some past legal incident, such as a DUI or felony that could inhibit their attendance at the 2025 International Convention, seek assistance/information by accessing the CBSA links provided below question #6.

6. What Canadian travel information is currently available?

The International Convention assignment at G.S.O. is not yet up-and-running. However, below is a resource to aid members in making plans to attend the 2025 International Convention (most questions can be answered by connecting to the links below). Also, a good travel book on Canada will provide valuable information on needed documents and border crossing requirements, as well as vacation tips.

Information for those who may have entry issues due to past criminal history:

<https://www.canada.ca/en/immigration-refugees-citizenship/services/immigrate-canada/admissibility/overcome-criminal-convictions.html>

<https://www.canada.ca/en/immigration-refugees-citizenship/corporate/contact-icc/offices/international-visa-offices.html>

For general information members may also access <https://www.cbsa-asfc.gc.ca/menu-eng.html> or contact the Border Information Service (BIS) at CBSA by calling:

Within Canada

Toll-free

1-800-461-9999

TTY (for those with hearing or speech impairments)

1-866-335-3237

Outside Canada

Long distance charges apply

1-204-983-3500

1-506-638-5084

Press "0" to speak to an officer during regular business hours – Monday to Friday
8 a.m. to 4 p.m. (local time) excluding holidays.

When will registration and hotel information be available?

General registration and housing information will be available on the International Convention webpage in early 2024. Actual registration site links, forms, and hotel booking links will be communicated to the Fellowship in August/September 2024.

If travel to Canada is difficult for some U.S. members, why are we holding an International Convention in Vancouver?

The Fellowship of the United States and Canada makes up the General Service Structure of Alcoholics Anonymous in North America, and functions as one entity in spirit and in service to the Fellowship. As this event rotates through the regions of A.A., there will be times when it takes place in the U.S., and other times when it is held in Canada.

Laws and other circumstances may impede some members from traveling from one country to the other. For instance, some Canadians could not attend the 2000 International Convention in Minneapolis because of the difference in value of the Canadian dollar and U.S. dollar. Rotation of International Conventions provides accessibility for all members. The Metro Vancouver Convention & Visitors Bureau has assured A.A. that Canada will do whatever is possible to welcome and cooperate with members for the 2025 International Convention in Vancouver.



2022 AA Pacific Regional Forum

WHO'S READY TO FELLOWSHIP? In

Person Event - Free from GSO

Marriott Downtown at City Creek, Salt Lake City

Room Block Rate - Good Thru August 25th: \$199 / night

Other hotels in the vicinity: Little America Hotel, Comfort Inn.

Marriott Downtown has a Starbucks in the lobby. And coffee shops in the attached mall.

**GSO is
bringing an
entire crew
with them!**

**Presentations by GSO Staff,
Grapevine Staff, AA Board of Directors, Class A
and Class B Trustees.**

**Workshops - topics & agenda are still
being settled on.
(But I can tell you that the 2 forums in Canada this
year discussed items such as attraction to AA,
traditions and technology.)**

**Presentations by Pacific Region delegates,
trusted servants. Also - meet our new
Pacific Trustee!**

**We're ready to see each of you at our 2022
Pacific Regional Forum! In Person, as it was
always meant to be.**

Service & Fellowship - we love it!

**Hotel, Transportation, Visiting Salt Lake & Utah
- information can be found on our website.**

September 16 - 18, 2022

The registration for the Pacific Regional Forum is now open!

GSR SCHOOL

SUNDAY, AUGUST 28TH 2022
11:00 AM - 3:00 PM

1106 TIETON DRIVE
YAKIMA, WA

GRUPO 30 DE JULIO
HOSTED BY DISTRICT 25

FOR NEW AND OLD TRUSTED SERVANTS



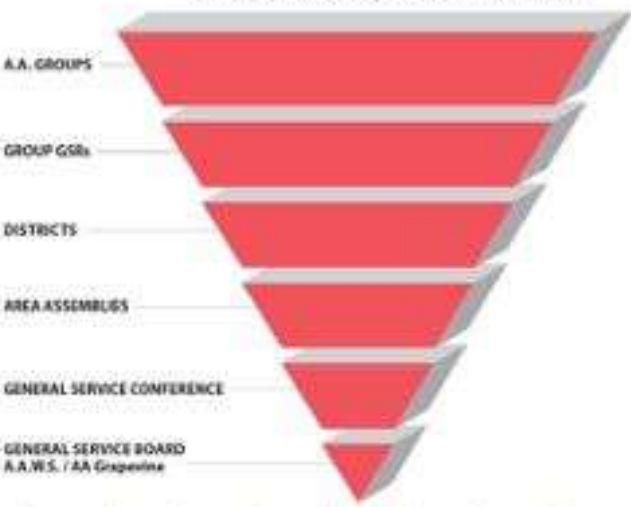
Presented to you by:

PAST DELEGATES
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For more
information:

Virginia R
509-521-4127

Structure of the Conference U.S. and Canada





A decorative graphic featuring several autumn leaves in shades of orange, yellow, red, and green. A central white rectangular box with rounded corners contains the event details. The leaves are scattered around the box, with some overlapping it.

Delegates Report Back

September 10th

at 9am-12pm

Clarkson Alano Club

1435 Elm Street

Clarkston WA, 99403

Sponsored by

District 7 & District 22

And a big thank you to RTFB for
accommodating the space!



Washington State East
AREA 92
Alcoholics Anonymous

October 2022 *Hybrid* Assembly

Holiday Inn Richland On The River
802 George Washington Way, Richland, WA 99352

October 14-16, 2022

HOST HOTEL	QUESTIONS
Holiday Inn Richland on the River (509) 946-7611 \$99/night – Group Name “Area 92 Conference” Group ID “AAA” CUTOFF: October 1, 2022	Registration Chair Katelyn W (509) 596-1501 Accessibilities Requests oct2021area92accessibilities@gmail.com Host Committee Chair Adam P (509) 895-4039
OTHER NEARBY HOTELS Riverfront Hotel (509) 946-4661 Homewood Suites (509) 371-1550	

One Form per Person	
Name: _____	Registration Fee \$20 _____
Address: _____ _____	Friday Night Ice Cream Social \$8 _____
	Saturday Lunch (Taste of Tuscany Buffet) \$42 _____
Phone: _____	Saturday Dinner (Backyard BBQ Buffet) \$49 _____
	Sunday Breakfast (All American Buffet) \$24 _____
Email: _____	Souvenir Mug \$5 _____
District : _____ Position: _____	TOTAL _____

Make checks out to **District 4**. Registrations received after September 23, 2022 cannot guarantee meal availability. Mail your completed registration form & check to: **District 4, PO Box 5491, Kennewick, WA 99336**. Instructions for virtual attendance will be sent by email to all registrants.

Quarterly Contribution Report for Area 092 - Washington State East

Group Contributions Summary
Q2 2022 - 4/1/2022 through 6/30/2022

District Name	District Information		Contribution Information	
	Total Group Contributions Received from District (in USD)	Number of Groups Listed with GSD	Number of Groups Contributing to GSD	Percentage of Groups in District Contributing to GSD
District Unknown	\$0.00	22	0	0%
District 01	\$0.00	1	0	0%
District 02	\$1,151.40	40	8	20%
District 03	\$210.00	27	1	3.7%
District 04	\$1,282.04	33	9	27.27%
District 05	\$123.75	25	2	8%
District 06	\$274.03	30	2	10%
District 07	\$630.71	28	5	17.86%
District 08	\$2,009.62	44	10	22.73%
District 09	\$284.83	17	3	17.65%
District 10	\$225.00	14	2	14.29%
District 11	\$0.00	6	0	0%
District 12	\$158.42	25	1	4%
District 13	\$761.53	18	4	22.22%
District 14	\$160.00	21	3	14.29%
District 15	\$0.00	17	0	0%
District 16	\$0.00	6	0	0%
District 17	\$272.28	26	4	15.38%
District 18	\$0.00	5	0	0%
District 19	\$65.00	29	2	6.9%
District 20	\$375.00	14	2	14.29%
District 21	\$30.00	10	1	10%
District 22	\$413.58	12	2	16.67%
District 23	\$425.00	12	4	33.33%
District 24	\$200.00	7	3	42.86%
District 25	\$225.00	7	2	28.57%
District 26	\$0.00	4	0	0%



Spokane Central Office



Three Rivers BigBook Weekend III

Eastern Washington's Woodstock of AA

September 23th—25th 2022

At the Riverfront Hotel & Convention Center
50 Comstock Street, Richland, Washington 99352



Get registration costs and Information at
<http://www.threeriversbigbookweekend.org>

"WHERE THE RIVERS MEET"

A New Style BigBook Weekend with 8 Guest Speakers emphasizing BigBook Steps and Topics into their stories. The place chosen for this special gathering is at the confluence of three large river systems, which, when including the many tributaries that flow from the great Cities, Counties and States of Montana, Idaho, Canada, Oregon and Washington.....

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SAVE THE DATE! **SEPTEMBER 23-25, 2022** **MONTANA AREA 40** **FALL ROUNDUP**

Red Lion Inn

Kalispell, Montana

 **“ANY
LENGTHS”**



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**AA & Alanon
Workshops!**

Recovery!

Fellowship!

Entertainment!

Marathon Meetings!

Snacks!

Coffee!

Speakers:

*Friday: John A.
Missoula, MT*

*Saturday Al-Anon: Pat Q.
Bigfork, MT*

*Saturday night: Scott R.
Libby, MT*

*Sunday: Hugh M.
Great Falls, MT*

**Watch for more
information at**

**Alcoholics
Anonymous - Area 40
- Calendar of Events
(aa-montana.org)**

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
3834 N. Normandie St.
Spokane, WA 99205

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.

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Doug M. Newsletter Editor AREA 92 / Panel 72

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