

Hello Area 92

September 2022

Panel 72, Issue 9

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!

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STORY SOLICITATION FOR

A.A. MEMBERS WHO GOT SOBER LATER IN LIFE
DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION: September 23, 2022

In response to a committee consideration from the Cooperation with the Professional Community-Treatment/Accessibilities Committee of the 72nd General Service Conference that the pamphlet “A.A. for the Older Alcoholic” include sharing from a broader and more diverse representation of A.A. experiences, the trustees’ committee on Treatment/Accessibilities has reopened a call for recovery stories to add to the pamphlet.

A.A. member experience being requested includes the following:

- Finding recovery at the age of 60 and over
- Mental health and diverse abilities
- Attending online meetings
- Diverse ethnicities, cultures and languages (including immigrant experiences) • LGBTQ+ communities
- Diverse spiritual pathways

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Please include your complete name, address, and email/phone information on the first page of your manuscript. A copy of your manuscript should be retained for your files. The anonymity of all submitters will be observed whether your story is selected for publication or not.

Instructions for submitting your story:

Deadline: Please submit on or before September 23, 2022.

Email: access@aa.org

Subject Line: A.A. for the Older Alcoholic.

Postal Mail: Attn: Access Assignment, General Service Office, Box 459, Grand Central Station, New York, NY 10163.

Area 92 Newsletter Submissions newsletter@area92aa.org or
Mail to: Area 92 Newsletter
3834 N. Normandie St.
Spokane, WA 99205



Area Elected and Appointed Reports

Area Delegate

Greetings WSEA 92 Fellowship!

It is hard for me to express how much fun, and the privilege it has been, reporting back to our Groups my conference experience. Whether on the road, or virtually, the spirit of "unified in love and service" was my experience at every stop. Most recent was a visit with our friends from Districts 9 & 4 in Walla Walla. The warm welcome, enthusiasm, and support from all our Groups is a testament to this area's commitment to carry our message of hope. Our service manual states *"The Delegates are charged with understanding the experiences and viewpoints and group conscience of their areas...."* Your eager participation has helped me do just that. What a wonderful thing to be a part of! Thank you all!

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The last two 72nd GSC report backs are scheduled; a virtual only for September 3 and in-person September 10 in Clarkston, WA for our friends in Districts 7 & 22. See area calendar for details. DCMS, just a reminder, all conference related materials, i.e., reports, presentations, correspondence, ect can be accessed on the Google DCM drive to share with your Groups.

Don't forget to come out and support our hard working trusted servants at the Standing Committee Workshop this September 17 in Omak. I will be attending the Pacific Regional Forum in Salt Lake that weekend and look forward to reporting back to you on that event.

Here we go again! Preparation for the 73rd GSC is already underway. The first batch of **preliminary** PAIs (*proposed* agenda items) have been received and posted to the DCM and Panel 72 shared drive. Check it out, keeping in mind these are *preliminary* and have not been through the "scoring process" ...Thanks to all for your service!!

***"Genuine faith," a thoughtful spiritual leader tells us, "is more than insight.
It fortifies the will. It begins as an experiment and ends as an experience"***
"The sense of the meeting" GSC 1951

Thank you! grateful to serve,
Ben

Area Alternate Delegate

I hope everyone has been enjoying all the fun gathering with family and friends this summer. I've continued to attend the North American Alternate Delegates monthly meeting. This month we discussed the Six Warranties from Concept XII and how they are applied to both GSO and the Areas. Next month our discussions will be focused on Area inventories. I'm looking forward to learning more about how other areas conduct their inventories.

Both District 4 and 25 requested GSR Schools in August. District 4 hosted one on Saturday August 20, 2022 at the Richland Fellowship Hall, the past delegates hosting this one were Gary P and Scott R. District 25 hosted a GSR School on Sunday August 28th in Yakima. Allan D and Dave Mc came from Spokane to do the presentation. The food and fellowship were awesome. 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 or 509-429-1683.

I will be attending the (NAAT) National AA Technology Workshop in Seattle with Jennifer W from the Area 92 Technology Committee. I'm looking forward to learning more about technology and having good fellowship with friends in Seattle.

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. Hope to see some of you in Omak Saturday September 17th.

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

Area Chairperson

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Greetings Area 92!

August was a hot month of activity! I attended the Delegate Report held in District 8 in Coeur d'Alene with a great turnout and lots of good questions and a lot of fellowship! Thanks to Ben N. for representing us at the General Service Conference this rotation.

Next, I was able to attend the GSR Workshop held in Richland Washington, hosted by District 4. Great job Vickie C, DCM 4 and crew. It was 105 degrees outside and about 90 inside the building but we hung in there for 5 hours. Wow! Thanks to Diana M. Gary P. Scott R. Lisa G. and all the rest for helping with the first in-person Area / GSR workshop of this rotation and actually about 2 and a half years for the 92 Committee.

These events brought to light some questions about the responsibilities of the Area and the Districts about hosting responsibilities and how we may improve the experience for All. At our DCM monthly meeting in discussion with the districts it was thought that a set of guidelines would be helpful. Lisa G. will be taking suggestions, comments and ideas in creating a basic "How to Host" checklist-guide for future events.

I have been in communication with the Area Inventory Committee and Gary P. and am eagerly looking forward to hearing the final questions for this rotations area inventory.

I also have been in communication with one of our Area's DCM's and District about facilitating a district inventory. This is currently in the planning phase and will share more as we progress with this. It is an honor to be of service and share experience in this capacity.

I was contacted by Area 72's Alt-Chair Karla and invited to participate this October along with our Delegate Ben N. in helping to facilitate the Elections Process for Area 72 this Year. After much discussion about the choices for the food menu, we have our reservations and will be attending the Area 72 assembly in Seattle, the weekend before our assembly. They will be having a hybrid assembly and it will be interesting to see another Areas effort in this use of Technology.

In addition to all of this I have been handling extra questions from DCM's and GSR's about the 2 motions that are being discussed at the assembly next month. Many really good questions and it is great to hear this information is being discussed in the homegroups now.

As always it is a privilege and honor to serve Area 92!

I am always available for questions, phone calls and emails!

Best regards to all!

Benjamin G. Area Chair / Panel 72 / A.A. chair@area92aa.org

Cell # 360.713.2374

Area Alternate Chairperson

Hello Area 92,

I hope everyone has been enjoying their summer, it's been a busy one for sure. I attended one of Ben's Delegate report backs in Coeur D' Alene this month and traveled to Richland to the GSR Workshop, there was a great turnout at both events. Things are shaping up nicely for the October Inventory Assembly in Richland, make sure to get your registrations sent in for both in person and hybrid option the zoom login information will be sent out prior to the event to those that register. Remember we will be taking bids for the October 2024 Inventory Assembly, so talk to your Districts and think about hosting an area event. It's such a great opportunity to get newcomers excited about service and even some old timers!

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I am happy to report that due to a great price on the facility in Libby, the July Quarterly had an overage of \$454.29 which has been sent to the area. These are not money-making events but it certainly does help us balance out a little as the assemblies can be costly, as we have been seeing lately. Something I would like to see us get back to, is finding a little more affordable venues and maybe offering alternative housing for folks again, Scott and I had 5 people stay at our home in July, it's that little extra special fellowshiping we get to do today that enriches my sobriety tenfold. I love to be of service. If there's anything I can do to help anyone, please reach out, I am always available.

I am looking forward to seeing you all soon either on screen or in person... Happy 24!!

YILAS, Lisa G., Area Alt Chair

Area Treasurer

Life is not always how we plan. We learn, change and grow in ways we never see coming. Let me just say I was sad; that I missed the errors in the reports before I presented them to everyone attending the quarterly. That is not how I expected things to go. I am not only sad but embarrassed just know this is not who I am. I want to be clear that I have been working diligently to ensure that you as a body have a clear idea of how we are doing financially.

For me it has been learning about QuickBooks. Since we met in Libby, I have been making sure all our expenses are correct in the software so you can see where your donations are spent.

I am so happy to announce I have corrected all the expenses.

I am sad to announce that even though the debit side is fixed I am still working on the final side of correcting the deposit side. My goal is to make sure the software is completely up to date before we meet in Richland. Please remember that I am but just one human working hard to serve this body to the best of my ability.

I am looking forward to seeing everyone next month in Richland. I don't remember ever attending an Assembly in Richland, so this is going to be an amazing adventure.

Tonight, I get to meet with the finance committee. What an amazing group of folks. I am so thankful for this group that are always willing to engage in conversation and discuss pending financial questions.

I am planning on attending the Standing Committee Workshop in Omak as it is a short drive from home for me and always a great place to learn and have amazing fellowship with others.

We also will be meeting as an Elected body on the Second Monday of the month. I am also looking forward to some amazing conversations with them.

This is a reminder for Elected Officers and Appointed Chairs to submit your registration forms to me so we can get hotel accommodations made for Richland. This includes if you need one bed or 2 beds in your room.

So, if you want additional financial information, please send me an email. treasurer@area92aa.org

Our current balance in our checking account is \$36, 808.61

Our Prudent Reserve in our savings account is \$2,500.72

I am attaching a simple excel spreadsheet that shows what has been spent since January. Detailed expenses can be provided to anyone by sending an email to me.

Thanks for letting me serve this area.

My life is blessed. Fran

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Month	Beginning Balance	Expenses	Budgeted amount
January 1, 2022	31,864. 51	\$ 2,212.65	\$ 19,313.55
February 1, 2022	\$33,218.61	\$ 2,962.90	\$ 338.00
March 1, 2022	\$38,009.29	\$ 3,573.03	\$ 1,771.00
April 1, 2022	\$36,822.49	\$ 8,019.09	\$ 6,647.00
May 1, 2022	\$29,646.20	\$ 1,169.00	\$ 338.00
June 1, 2022	\$33,931.85	\$ 1,934.52	\$ 1,308.00
July 1, 2022	\$34,810.49	\$ 6,840.80	\$ 4,799.50
August 1, 2022	\$32,714.20	\$ 521.17	\$ 338.00
		\$ 27,233.16	\$ 34,853.05

Area Alternate Treasurer

Greetings to the Area Body

This month I look forward to attending the National AA Technology Workshop (NAATW) in Tukwila as well as the Pacific Regional Forum in SLC Utah. I'm not sure if I will learn anything that benefits me in my current position, and I have plenty to learn, but still very much looking forward and there will be A92 people at both events so it's a chance compare notes and just enjoy the company.

Disclosure: Although all PayPal contributions have been received, deposited, and accounted for they are not included in this report due to my own blunder. The net effect is several hundred dollars in contributions not included. Very sorry. I commit to correct this deficiency prior to next month so that future reports going forward include PayPal contributions.

Thanks to all for your contributions.

July contributions total \$4,540.46

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.

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

WA State East Area 92 Alcoholics Anonymous

Contributions by Member Summary

August 2022

	TOTAL
District 02 Spokane (S. of River)	78.97
1st Things First - 113726	30.00
Manito Book Study - 600931	60.00
Manito Morning Meeting - 000017160	224.46
South Hill Noon Group - 000076023	65.00
Unity (Spokane) - 000017432	34.00
Wednesday 11th Step Meeting - 000026955	18.00
Total District 02 Spokane (S. of River)	510.43
District 03 Spokane (N. of River to Wellesley)	
Prescription For Living - 160878	240.00
Sisters In Sanity	44.11
Total District 03 Spokane (N. of River to Wellesley)	284.11
District 04 Tri Cities, Kennewick	
Hilltoppers Group - 000110549	100.00
Kennewick Nooners - 000037716	30.00
Total District 04 Tri Cities, Kennewick	130.00
District 05	
AA Pass It On - 000047545	100.00
Celebrate Womens Group - 693933	90.00
One Day At A Time - 000043327	166.50
Sisters In Recovery - 698942	155.41
Total District 05	511.91

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District 06	100.00
District 07	
Camas Prairie Group - 000097733	129.61
Good Orderly Direction - 669857	42.00
Jokers Wild - 000112410	35.22
Round Table 2 - 000059344	99.50
Total District 07	306.33
District 08	
5-15 Group - 168327	143.38
Daily Reprieve II - 000100886	137.18
Fort Sherman Chapel - 000104904	120.00
Grateful Ladies Group	47.00
Plan B Post Falls Group - 717253	40.00
Total District 08	487.56
District 09	
Early Birds Group - 000102425	34.50
Total District 09	34.50
District 10	
630 AM Group	105.00
Total District 10	105.00

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District 12	
Riverside Here And Now - 711216	90.00
Total District 12	90.00
District 13	
Happy Hour - 608627	150.00
Total District 13	150.00
District 14	
Attitude of Gratitude Group - 419309	238.50
Total District 14	238.50
District 15	50.00
Dry River Rats - 126664	100.00
Total District 15	150.00
District 17	
B.Y.O.B.B. - 000096905	200.00
Saturday Morning Live Group - 000063249	144.40
Soul Sisters - 000256053	50.00
Total District 17	394.40
District 19	
Early Morning Group - 000102479	50.00
Odessa Group - 000041652	15.00
Tuesday Noon Group - 000043881	10.00
Tuesday Open Meeting Ephrata	43.00
Total District 19	118.00
District 20	
Chance 4 Change - 000098688	75.00
Total District 20	75.00
District 22	
Misfits AA Group - 644845	91.27
Moscow Happy Hour - 000027209	47.45
New Beginings - 147502	36.00
New Freedom Group - 000032308	30.00
Total District 22	204.72
District 23	
Living Sober Group - 000013492	200.00
Total District 23	200.00
District 24	
Grupo 12 - 618027	75.00
Total District 24	75.00
Kootenai River Fellowship	300.00
Misty Durkin	25.00
Philip Wolf - individual	50.00
TOTAL	\$4,540.46

Area Secretary – no report

Area Archives Chair

Hello Area 92 and hello September,

August was a busy month for me. The first weekend of the month I attended the women's campout at Alta Lake State Park. The fellowship with my sisters in sobriety was wonderful and the weather was perfect. The second weekend my husband and I attended Step Ashore in Ocean Shores for another great weekend of AA fellowship. Later in August we traveled to Hayden, ID to check out a possible new location for our archive's repository. I do hope the archives motion for additional funding passes so that we can move forward with moving the archives to a proper place.

I have been involved with District 12 in planning the next standing committee workshop which is on September 17th in Omak. We hope to have some of the District 12 archives on display. In the archive's roundtable discussion, we plan to talk about what to collect and what tools are needed and try to answer questions about archives. We will be serving spaghetti and French bread along with potluck side dishes and dessert for lunch. We are looking forward to seeing you there.

In April Gary P. our past delegate asked me to be a part of the ad-hoc inventory committee so I have been meeting with them to finalize questions for the October assembly.

Valerie D.
Area 92 Archives chair

Area Archivist

Greetings! Hope everyone is having a lovely summer!

It has been another very busy month in Archives. I have been processing documents and artifacts from past Delegates Rad M. WSEA 92 Panel 58 and Delores E. WSEA 92 Panel 64 which were recently donated. Each and every artifact is put into craft boxes, numbered so they can be found and cataloged into a searchable master list. There are some amazing and beautiful items that will be on display at the October Assembly. Every single item donated whether it is a pin, document, souvenir, button, book, record, CD, Banner, shirt, cup, Newsletter, magazine or name badge, will be boxed and cataloged so it can be located for viewing or research. I am hoping that once we have a proper place to receive new donations our collection will continue to grow. I have not received a lot of additional items since I have been the Archivist. Although our collection is very large (approx. 100,000 items) we need items to continue to be donated so we can keep documenting history. A lot of items can be done digitally of course but if you have items to donate, please contact me.

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I am looking forward to going to the 25th National A.A. Archives Workshop in North Little Rock, AR from September 22nd to the 25th. The theme this year is "Does History Carry the Message?" In my experience I know it does. The challenge is getting this message out to our members. Archives service work is more than mere custodial activity. It is the means by which we collect, preserve and share the rich and meaningful heritage of our fellowship. I found this excerpt on an item that was recently donated. It was taken from a letter dated January 23, 1954 by Bill W:

"If (our) story is going to have the importance it deserves, it simply has to be told by those who have lived through the experience..."

We will be voting on the motion to increase funding for a new repository at the October 14th - 16th Assembly, I will be filling in for Valerie's Archive Chair position doing the Archive Report and presenting the motion. See you there!

Sincerely in Service,

Lisa D.
WSEA 92 Archivist

Area Corrections Chair

Hello All,

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

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

We are continuing to go CONNECT in Washington State Penitentiary (WSP) but still paused due to COVID at Coyote Ridge Correctional Center (CRCC). We have had two CONNECT "Bridge" forms submitted this month from Airway Heights Corrections Center (AHCC). 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!"

A new prison group was registered this past month at WSP, "True North" group at Medium "South" Complex. We are bringing in the motions and taking their Group Consciousness to District 9 here.

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 and I do not have the bandwidth to cover both Corrections Chair and Bridge Chair.

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

Area CPC Chair

Area Grapevine and Literature Chair

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Literature Delays Bulletin:

<https://www.aa.org/sites/default/files/literature/Aug%20Communication%20on%20print%20delays.pdf>

Area Newsletter Editor

Greetings Area92,

I just recently got back from working as a school bus driver in Wasilla, Alaska. Wasilla is about 45 miles north of Anchorage with a school district the size of West Virginia. There is a bus driver shortage across the country and I enjoyed helping out. Anchorage is about the same size in population as Spokane and Wasilla is about 10,000 and is just one of many communities in the Matanuska-Susitna Borough. However, there were no live AA meetings in Wasilla. The closest was in Palmer about 20 miles away and I didn't have any transportation. Besides, I was getting up at 4:30am and getting back to hotel around 10am then go back to work at 1:15pm. We had 27 drivers from Washington all on slightly different schedules sharing 4 buses. So, I found a noon hybrid meeting in Anchorage that worked well for me. Thank goodness for Zoom. Technology like Zoom is a life saver for the alcoholic who is closed in and I was closed in due to the work situation. Many elderly individuals or persons living in sparse areas, with internet access, can attend and be a part of the herd. So, go Elon Musk and Space X and get those satellites out to connect the world.

Doug M.

Area Public Information Chair

Area Technology Chair

The Technology Committee is meeting every other week.

We presented an ask for reimbursement on some audio-video equipment purchased to train a backup person to run the equipment. This became an immediate need due to our existing AV person going on vacation during the September Standing Committee workshop and the October assembly. Our committee has been providing the equipment and expertise for the last couple events. Almost all of this equipment was borrowed.

With the possibility of our committee taking on more responsibilities for the Area, we are training to have at least two committee members skilled in pieces of these responsibilities.

As chair of this committee, it has become obvious that the most important and difficult matter is keeping the quality of volunteers that we have at this point. Some ideas about how to do this have been discussed.

Suggestions:

1. Encourage districts to have a tech person - possible duties
 - a. Help DCM's navigate Google Workspace
 - b. Help with website technology preferably using same tech as Area website
 - c. Help DCMs with meeting info adds, deletes, and changes on Area sites.
2. Maintain required equipment and software
 - a. Make equipment and software available to committee members to train
3. Keep the committee aware of needs of the Area to be ready to create new solutions

I want to express my appreciation for the opportunity to serve with this talented group on our technology committee!

Thanks for the opportunity to serve,

Dan Maher

Technology Committee Chair

technology@area92aa.org

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Area Treatment Chair

Area Translation Chair

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.

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 150 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.

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

Finance Committee

Website Committee

Hybrid Ad-hoc Committee

The Hybrid Ad-hoc Committee met in August to continue work on our next project. The committee was asked to consider a decision-making policy and process in the event of an emergency, like the shelter-in-place order we faced in 2020.

We discussed the common denominator for different kinds of events that might precipitate an emergency decision. So far, the consensus is that it would be an unexpected far-reaching event presenting some sort of danger to event participants, or a possibly a last-minute irreplaceable loss of a venue.

If the Area decides to use hybrid as our standard format, we're thinking that an emergency decision might be to hold an event entirely online. Before the pandemic, virtual events were not even considered. Now we are aware of the option.

However, the goal is to determine who ought to be responsible for and authorized to make an emergency decision rather than try to imagine all possible scenarios and solutions. In AA we work with principles. That's what we're looking for in this discussion.

The conversation continues...

Rainey M
Chair

2022 Ad Hoc Inventory Committee - Update

September Report

As summer is fading out and autumn is settling in, the Area 92 Ad Hoc Inventory Committee is well aware that the October Fall Assembly will arrive in just a few weeks.

The purpose of this report is Three-fold. First, to highlight the process used to collect questions from Area 92's membership. Second, to describe the methodology for prioritizing and condensing those questions down to the few that can be discussed in a 2-hour window. Third, to ensure the membership has an early opportunity to review the questions. Allowing time for additional research and collaboration with a service sponsor, should foster a more open and better-informed Area inventory discussion.

The Ad Hoc Committee of seven is composed of a cross-section of trusted servants, who diligently assembled the input for the Area inventory from an equally diverse mix of Area 92's membership. By the numbers, we received 32 questions from 8 Districts hailing from Libby to Lewiston to Okanogan. Each question was reviewed by all members of the committee, who then participated in lengthy collective discussions, to determine clarity (is the question understandable) and relevance (does it fit the Area 92 inventory).

Some narrowly framed questions (e.g. *"For conferences, can the body vote on who the featured speaker is?"*.) could be readily addressed by references to specific sections of existing publications like **"the Area 92 Handbook"**, **"the Twelve Traditions"**, and **"The A.A. Service Manual combined with The Twelve Concepts For World Service"**. The Committee concluded that it would reply directly to the authors of these specific questions, with straightforward references via email. Because these topics will not reach the floor of the Assembly, the committee also determined that it will share copies of those questions and their respective responses to the membership prior to the Assembly. Anonymity of the original author will be preserved.

In perhaps any comprehensive inventory, one quickly realizes that there are numerous opportunities for questions which address similar themes. Accordingly, questions with similar thoughts were combined where it made sense, into fewer and generally more comprehensive questions. For example, 5 treasurer and finance related questions have been combined into one overall finance question.

When the consolidation was complete, and after removing the previously mentioned questions that will be accommodated by a written response, the committee members then discussed and deliberated the remaining questions to rank and select the Inventory Committee's collective top 6. These 6 final questions were then "prioritized" by each member to reflect their individual sense of the preferred order of benefit to Area 92's inventory discussions. The collective priorities were then averaged to determine the order of discussion.

The Table that follows includes 2022's top 6 questions in the sequence that they will be available for presentation and discussion. Two Ad Hoc Inventory Committee members (names included) will serve as Presenters, introducing a

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question, recognizing members in the sequence they arrive at the microphones, and keeping notes for tracking any action items.

Ranked list of Area 92's Top Inventory Questions for 2022:

2022 Inventory - Top 6 Questions	Presenter
<p>1. In Light of Concept XII, Warranty Four (p. C53 in the Concepts) <i>"...that all important decisions be reached by discussion, vote and whenever possible substantial unanimity;"</i>.</p> <p>Is Area 92 acting in the full spirit and "high ideals" intended by this Warranty as it focuses on the pursuit of unity and primary purpose? How can we do better?</p>	Mike M., & Emily W.
<p>2. In the spirit of Tradition 5 and in the fulfillment of Step 12, connecting with alcoholics <u>where they are and through the media they use</u>, is vital. To quote Bill from the forward to The A.A. Service Manual, <i>"Our Twelfth Step—carrying the message—is the basic service that the A.A. Fellowship gives; this is our principal aim and the main reason for our existence. Therefore, A.A. is more than a set of principles; it is a society of alcoholics in action. We must carry the message, else we ourselves can wither and those who haven't been given the truth may die. Hence, an A.A. service is anything whatever that helps us to reach a fellow sufferer — ranging all the way from the Twelfth Step itself to a ten-cent phone call and a cup of coffee, and to A.A. 's General Service Office for national and international action. The sum total of all these services is our Third Legacy of Service."</i></p> <p>What Area 92 technology implementations would increase the accessibility of information to the fellowship's program of recovery and its service activities?</p>	Dan M. & Lorri T.
<p>3. As prescribed by A.A.'s Pamphlet P-16, an Informed Group Conscience is achieved by;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Studying all pertinent information regarding an issue. ○ Obtaining individual member's points of view. ○ Considering minority opinions with an open mind. ○ Working slowly and placing principles before personalities on sensitive issues. ○ Discouraging formal motions until a clear sense of its collective view emerges ○ The membership is wary of dominant opinions. ○ A group's voice is heard when its membership arrives at a well-informed decision. ○ The Group Conscience achieves Substantial Unanimity with 2/3 minimum vote. ○ Because the result rests on more than a "yes" or "no" count -- it is the spiritual expression of the group conscience. <p>In considering these spiritual principles, how can Area 92 improve how the body is informed of area finances?</p>	Valerie D. & Todd D.

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<p>4. Concept 9 - Leadership <i>Good service leaders, together with sound and appropriate methods of choosing them, are at all levels indispensable for our future functioning and safety. The primary world service leadership once exercised by the founders of A.A. must necessarily be assumed by the Trustees of the General Service Board of Alcoholics Anonymous, Also see Appendix I for the Big Book pg 561 - To those now in its fold, Alcoholics Anonymous has made the difference between misery and sobriety, and often the difference between life and death. A.A. can, of course, mean just as much to uncounted alcoholics not yet reached.</i></p> <p><i>Therefore, no society of men and women ever had a more urgent need for continuous effectiveness and permanent unity. We alcoholics see that we must work together, else most of us will finally die alone.</i></p> <p><i>The "12 Traditions" of Alcoholics Anonymous are, we A.A. believe, the best answers that our experience has yet given to ever-urgent questions, "How can A.A. best function?" and , "How can A.A. best stay whole and so survive?" Also see Traditions 1, 2, and 5.</i></p> <p><i>How can Area 92 instill a culture of Service Sponsorship that focuses the education of members and trusted servants on A.A.'s Principles (Traditions and Concepts)?</i></p>	<p>Mike M., & Emily W</p>
<p>5. Area 92 traditionally conducts all business matters that affect policy and/or significant financial expenditures, under a well documented Motions Process which is guided generally by Roberts Rules of Order. (Refer to The Area 92 Handbook and Motions Process, as well as The AA Service Manual; Appendix W. - How the Conference Operates?).</p> <p><i>What Area 92 information requirements and operating procedures could be adopted to improve the effectiveness of its "motion driven" business activities?</i></p>	<p>Dan M. & Lorri T.</p>
<p>6. In a 1960 Article "AA in an Era of Change", Bill W. wrote, "...When you think about it AA is a unique means of communication: our lives have depended on communication; our unity depends on communication; our function depends on communication. Everything depends on this business of communications...".</p> <p><i>How can Area 92 provide more open, thorough and timely communications throughout its upside-down triangle?</i></p>	<p>Valerie D. & Todd D.</p>

The Area 92 Inventory Program is on the October non-election Assembly Agenda and is scheduled for 2 Hours. Consistent with past Assemblies, the committee is targeting a maximum 30-minute time allowance for each question. This allocation should accommodate 3 to 4 questions. More if the question sessions are completed faster than planned, fewer if the discussions are slower. Historically (2018 and 2020) the Inventories did not get beyond 3 topics. The area's traditional microphone policy allows each participant 2 minutes of commentary (4 minutes if Hispanic translation). Please use the time judiciously.

Prior to the Assembly the Ad Hoc Inventory Committee will distribute to the membership through the DCM's, a list of all questions/topics that were submitted and any committee authored responses. In the event that questions intended for the 2022 Inventory are not discussed due to time limitations, they may be re-submitted for the 2024 inventory committee.

The Committee will produce a final Inventory report that summarizes the 2022 Inventory process, provides an overview of comments from the Assembly, and includes a list of action items. This is targeted for completion by the January 2023 Quarterly.

Finally, the Ad Hoc Committee and Elected Area Trusted Servants have observed that the overall biennial Area 92 Inventory Process is neither well organized nor well documented. Accordingly, a separate report with recommendations

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for improving overall processes, operating procedures and timing, will be provided to the Area Chair for consideration with future inventories.

In closing, the committee advocates that GSRs and DCMs discuss any remaining inventory questions with their Service Sponsors. Further, the Committee encourages bringing those questions to a future Quarterly or Assembly for discussion at either a GSR or DCM roundtable and/or orientation. That would benefit all in attendance. Area 92's typical Friday evening "Ask-it-Basket" session has proven to be a particularly valuable venue for learning about the experiences of multiple delegates.

Thank you in advance for your thoughtful participation in this latest Area 92 Service Inventory. We will see you in Richland!

Area 92's 2022 Ad Hoc Committee:

- Dan M. Technology Chair, District 17
- Emily W. GSR – District 8
- Gary P. Past Delegate - Panel 70, District 5
- Lorri T. Newsletter Editor, District 7
- Mike M. Past Delegate – Panel 54, District 3
- Todd D.DCM, District 26
- Valerie D. Archives Chair – District 12

District and DCM Reports

District 2

District 2 discussed the two motions for the Area so that GSRs can answer any questions their home groups have. We also discussed the concept of an Area Inventory. The purpose of an Area, District, or Group Inventory is to explore how well we are doing what we're supposed to be doing, so we talked about what an Area is supposed to do: Facilitate AA communication via the Area Delegate with the General Service Conference; be responsible for funds contributed to the Area; and support and assist local service committees.

District 2 is hosting the Election Assembly in October of 2023. We now have a chairperson for that committee and they have begun meeting! If you're interested in participating, contact me at dcm2@area92aa.org.

Rock on!
Rainey

District 3

Greetings from District 3 serving north central Spokane and west on US 2 to Wilbur and US 395 to Lind.

We had a great All-District Potluck at the Spokane Alano Club on August 7th. It was coordinated by Districts 2, 3, 13 and 17 and was well attended and a lot of fun. We hope to have this every month, each time hosted by a different Group.

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Alt DCM Dave K and I are learning how to update meetings on the Central Office website that feeds the Meeting Guide app. So far, so good.

The Thursday Men's Step Study is putting on its annual Dessert Potluck on September 10 at 6 pm, the first in person DP since 2019. I've attached a poster.

That's all the news that fits!

Larry E
District 3 DCM

District 4

District 5

Greetings from District 5. I hope everyone had a wonderful summer and a great Labor Day Weekend.

Each month we have a Birthday Potluck with cupcakes and coins for the AA birthday people. It is hosted by a different home group each month and during the summer months we are at Walla Walla Park on the Columbia River. This month we will be back at Duncan Rd Fellowship Hall, and will be there each month until next May or June.

Last month we discussed hosting a Gratitude Banquet this fall. We haven't hosted one since before COVID. It seems there is always so much to be grateful for. More on that to come.

District 5 holds its regular monthly business meeting on the first Tuesday of the month at 7:00 PM at Duncan Road Fellowship Hall, 2123 Duncan Road, Wenatchee. We represent 23 groups. Groups are now meeting person with one Sunday morning online meeting. Contributions are starting to come back to what they were pre-COVID, which is so refreshing to see. Not just for financial reasons, but it's an indication of a return to normalcy. And for that I am grateful!

Respectfully Submitted,

Carole N
DCM
DISTRICT 5 AREA 92
DCM5@area92aa.org

District 6

Happy Fall ... I have packed all the camping gear up ... I've deep cleaned my home ... I've washed and transplanted plants and I am enjoying our summer cucumber harvest.

District 6 met on Thursday, August 18th. We discussed the two motions to be presented by the GSRs to their home group for review and discussion. Unfortunately, we do not have any financials to review at this time which could gravely affect these two motions. I am looking forward to receiving this information as soon as possible as the home groups need to know where we stand financially before they can make an informed group conscience that involves expenditures of thousands of dollars annually.

I will be puppy/house sitting on September 17th so I'll be attending the Standing Committee Workshop via zoom. I would not be able to attend unless the meeting was hybrid. This is an invaluable asset to Area 92 that the Technology Committee is striving to provide. I hope the Fellowship can see how important this is for our Area.

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I will see all of you in October at the Assembly. Take care and enjoy the fresh, crisp fall air.

Michelle W
A92/DCM 6

District 7

District 8

Greetings District 8 trusted servants.

Notes from (**Aug 9, 2022**) District Meeting:

We had 13 GSR's, 3 officers, 8 committee chairs and 5 guests attend. Total of 28 district members present. Garrett B. stepped down as Corrections Committee Chair however we have a member, Kyle that is interested in taking over which we will address at the September meeting.

Activities – Attended July - Aug – 2022:

DCM monthly meeting: July 26, 2022 & Aug. 20, 2022. Meet w/Area DCMs & Area Chair Benjamin G.

Delegate Report: Area 92 Delegate, Ben N. August 13.

Of Note*- I spoke with Danielle P. from Juno a technical service company to assist us with our zoom meetings. I forwarded their information to Dan M. with the Area tech committee which I think they would be better suited to assist.

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.

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 NOW.** There will be 2 motions being considered and our bi-annual Area inventory will be conducted.

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

September 10, 2022. D8 Handbook workshop & GSR School, Church of the Nazarene, 9am to 4 pm.

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

September 17, 2022: Standing Committee Workshop, Omak, WA, hybrid

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

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 from District 9 (Walla Walla area)

I can't believe it is September already!! August flew by quickly.

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We were so happy to have our Delegate Ben N here in College Place, WA on August 27th to give his Delegate Report Back. His enthusiasm for AA was felt in the room. We had over 30 people in attendance which was great to see. Thank you, Vicky, DCM from District 4, for joining us and bringing the Tri-Cities crew. It is always nice to meet new friends in the program.

Thank you to everyone who attended and helped make this event a success. Thank you, Ben, for your service!!

We held our last business meeting on August 14th with good attendance. We are working on putting together an Ad Hoc Committee to update our District guidelines. Our business meeting happens on the second Sunday of every month at SonBridge. 1200 SE 12th Street, College Place, Wa 99324. All are welcome.

We talked about the importance of GSR attendance at Area events, particularly the upcoming assembly, being held in Richland, WA. Some groups have very limited attendance or funds so we are talking about the District helping to support those groups in sending a group representative /GSR so the voice of the members can be heard. I expressed my hopes in filling up the District 9 table. I am excited for the newer GSR's and District chair members to see what goes on outside of a regular AA meeting.

Looking forward to seeing you at the October Assembly in Richland, WA.

Judy Mc
DCM

District 10

August is an amazing month over here in District 10.

We would like to acknowledge the amazing amount of recovery with you all; the following members celebrated time with us

Pete 18 months
Scott 6 months
John 33 years
Jerry 7 years
Barbara 24 years
Scott M 11 years
Nathan 3 months
Caden 1 year
J Don 2 months
Alice 3 year

Cody L.

District 11

District 12

Although District 12 voted to postpone our District Meeting in August, the time in between stretched out into 2 months of not gathering together as a District!

But!!! We are here and have been moving about!

We have had some Zoom meetings related to our upcoming Gratitude Banquet in November 2022. Thank you, Liz, for keeping us on task! (Liz is celebrating 37 years of sobriety on 9/1, too!) Our next District 12 meeting is Sunday,

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September 11th. We will be reviewing what's been established in hosting Area 92's Standing Committee Workshop in Omak, WA. Go to our Area 92 website to get further details or see the flyer attached to the newsletter. We look forward to serving you. We are ready to receive all! And those curious about AA's different committees? This is the place to be. Find out how you can serve your Area 92! Join the conversation.

We've had some folks attend the Technology Workshop, some of us enjoyed PI Committee's Workshop speakers Morgan, Patrick and Tom's presentation on the 2022 Comprehensive Media Plan/Analytical Performance Metrics/& Anonymity on Social Media Update Workshops. Did you know the last edition update to the PI Workbook was in 1994? Very informative presentations!

We were left with GSO asking us these questions regarding PI.

"What changes are needed in the PI Workbook/Kit?"

"What barriers are we encountering in reaching to the general public?"

"How are things changing in library interactions?" "Schools?" "Other institutions?" Your groups voice counts!

Send your answers and/or inquiries to Publicinfo@aa.org

Also Public Announcements Downloads:

Audio

<https://www.aa.org/audio-public-service-announcements-downloads>

Videos

<https://www.aa.org/downloadable-videos>

We also enjoyed listening to our Area Delegate Ben share his experience while in New York at our General Service Conference. We Thank You for the Spirit of Fellowship you brought to share with us.

Here's a quick story. A member who attended Ben's Zoom presentation was touched with something I'd like to share.

At a meeting day's later, this person realized, "although they served AA with limitations & based on their desires, that they had enough and quit serving." They went on to say, "After all these years, after I heard Ben's talk, I realized I robbed myself, because I made up excuses to not be of service." As he came to tears he realized that "he owed AA more than he gave back."

It only takes one alcoholic talking with another.

Godspeed ~

Happy Birthday to our September members!

Jacqueline C
DCM-District 12
In Service!

District 13

Hello from District 13,

Things are going well here. We just filled our PI/CPC and Central Office Trustee. I believe all our positions are filled. Our District is putting on another Pot Luck/Speaker Meeting on Saturday September 10th 4-7 pm at the Advent Lutheran Church 13009 E. Broadway Spokane Valley, 99216. Our meetings are well attended with new sobriety coming in all the

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time. Looking forward to the WSEA Area 92 Assembly and we are greeting the information out to the GSR's to share with their Home Groups. We should be well informed by the time of the assembly. That's about it from me. Everyone stay safe.

Jamie Kane,
District 13 DCM

District 14

We covered a lot of topics at our August 14 district meeting. Highlights of the initial draft of revisions to the district guidelines, now proposed to be titled district handbook, were shared with the district committee. The draft was sent to committee members for their review, particularly for their specific positions. We will take this up at our September meeting, with the hope we will have a draft ready to send on to the district for initial review and inputs. The goal is to have this completed by November, but we will take the time necessary to get the best handbook possible with the district groups weighing in and voting on it when the final draft is done.

We discussed the Area 92 motions for Archives and Hybrid Meetings. Both motions have been posted to the district website to help increase visibility. The Archives motions has raised district concern about Area 92 finances including the Area's ability to fund this and other efforts. The district feels better financial information is needed to help in guiding decisions like this. The discussion about Area 92 finances led to a discussion about district finances. Currently, the district does not have an annual budget. A budget process is proposed in the district handbook revision. We will work on providing the financial tracking/reporting the district feels is needed to help assure district funds are being used appropriately.

Inventory questions were considered during the meeting, and the final list was forwarded on to the Area 92 Inventory Committee. During the monthly DCM call, the process for condensing down the questions was shared, and the make-up of the committee that will do it. We will finalize our district inputs on the final inventory questions during our October 9th district meeting.

I continue to participate on the Area 92 Technology Committee, and the Ad Hoc Hybrid Meeting Committee. The Tech Committee is making good progress sorting through mission scope, job/task analysis, and prioritization. I think the greatest challenge will be the ability to stay focused on the top priority projects. It can be very easy to get caught up herding cats with all the potential projects that can be suggested. The Ad Hoc Committee continues to work on follow up issues that will be triggered in phase two if the Hybrid Meeting motion is approved.

Andy C, District 14 DCM

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District 25

Hola Area 92! I hope this finds everyone and your families as well in good health.

Activities in our district: We have formed a committee to support a group that is low in membership. On August 27th a member of Grupo Sobriedad Viva celebrated his 1 year of sobriety. On August 28th our Area 92 visited us and held GSR School in Spanish.

We thank each one of our trusted servants, Diana, Allen and Dave for sharing their time, and Virginia for her service interpreting. Several GSRs were present from District 25 and one GSR from District 24 and the membership primarily from Grupo 30 de Julio. Some of the comments made were that they felt free to share and ask questions and that it was all interesting. On this same day August 28th, we were also invited to and went to District 16, Grupo Alegria de Vivir to share on the topic of The Attributes of a DCM and a GSR. On September 9th we are holding a Traditions Workshop at Grupo Sobriedad Viva.

24 hours.

Toribio N.
DCM District 25

District 26

Hello Area 92! It's been a great monthly to be sober!

We just had our annual sober float and it was great! We had about thirty people from Libby and Troy that attended. That's about four times as many participants as last year. Six or eight of us ended up in the water on accident. But it would have been thirty if we were still drinking, so progress not perfection certainly applies. We hope to get a flier on the website next year so everyone in Area 92 can get into the action.

We discussed the motions that will be voted on at the October Assembly and believe we've reached a group conscience. Other than that, it's been business as usual. I thank all of you lovely alcoholics for your service!

Sincerely,
Todd D.

Area 92 Motions

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.

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

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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

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.

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- 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?
- 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.

24th Alcoholics Anonymous World Service Meeting - Final Report

https://www.aa.org/sites/default/files/literature/assets/f-150_25th_WSM_finalreport_2018.pdf

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September 10, 2022



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Sponsored by the
Thursday Night Men's Meeting

- Featured Speaker: **Ron H.** from **Canby, Oregon**
- Plus our own **Kevin B.**
- Bring a dessert and share the fun
- Everyone is invited

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Potluck

All-District Speaker Meeting



Community Event
SUNDAY, October 2nd
5:00 – 7:00pm

Alano Club
1700 W 7th Ave
Spokane, WA 99204

For more information or to volunteer, contact
Rainey M 509-279-5640; Jamie K 425-246-9934

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.

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Spokane, WA 99205

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Doug M. Newsletter Editor AREA 92 / Panel 72

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