

# Hello Area 92

November 2022

Panel 72, Issue 11

## Area 92 Newsletter

### Mission Statement

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



## Greetings Area 92!

Greetings everyone!

We are pleased to announce the new appointment of Ricky L. as the Area 92 Public information Chair. We hope that you will support him in this appointment and help with his committee.

His contact information will soon be available [pi@area92aa.org](mailto:pi@area92aa.org)

Best regards to all!

Benjamin G.  
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## Area Elected and Appointed Reports

### Area Delegate

Greetings WSEA 92 Fellowship!

Our October inventory assembly was an absolute success and pleasure to be a part of. The spirit of general service was in full swing, with a wonderful effort in preparation by District 4! The hybrid process is improving with every event, enabling more participation. It's exciting to see the increased participation of our Spanish speaking districts at

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quarterly events. Big THANK YOU to all Groups that “showed up and suited up” to conduct business and participate in the inventory of *their* Area. Our third legacy in unity and action!

My conference committee, Public Information, recently met with trustee P.I. chair Tom H. to lend our input on P.I. related proposed agenda items (PAIs). As one of the many benefits emerging from the virtual format, this was a first for entire committee participation. All 184 proposed agenda items are available on the DCM'S drive. The trustee committees will be reviewing these proposals from now up to their January weekend board meeting, at which time a final list will be available.

The 2022 Membership survey is in the books, and it has been reported that despite some distribution issues participation went quite well. The completion date was extended 2 weeks beyond October 15, giving those groups who opted for snail mail participation more time. The information collected will be analyzed and we should be getting feedback after the first of the year, hopefully a full report for the conference.

Translation committee chair Johnny A. and myself, will be traveling to Yakima to participate in a “service structure” workshop with our Spanish speaking friends of District 25. What a privilege it has been, and continues to be, serving the Groups of WSEA 92!

***“To a man, we of A.A. believe that our freedom to serve is truly the freedom by which we live - the freedom in which we have our being”***

***Warranty Six, essay, C59 A.A. Service Manual***

Thank you! Always grateful to serve,  
Ben

## Area Alternate Delegate

I enjoyed attending the Area 92 October 2022 Inventory Assembly in Richland recently. It is always great to get a chance to visit with everyone. The DCM for District 6, Michelle has requested a GSR School, so we are planning to have a hybrid GSR School on January 28th, 2023, At this point Gary P and Dolores E are the past Delegates to do the presentation. We would like to invite all past delegates to attend since their experience and knowledge is never too much and especially since it will be hybrid.

Our District 12 had a successful Gratitude Banquet last night in the Methow Valley. They provided lots of food and great fellowship. I'm looking forward to attending the District 5 Gratitude Banquet in Wenatchee in a couple of weeks.

Yours in service,

Diana M  
Alt Delegate & Registrar  
Area 92/Panel 72

## Area Chairperson

Greetings Area 92!

October was a busy month with the preparation for the Area 92 assembly in Richland Washington.

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I would like to thank District 4, Adam and Vickie and committee for the great event and venue planning for the Assembly. Thanks to our Tech Committee for the production and commitment that is helping make these events more enjoyable for all! Thanks to Jim B. for the voting demonstration and our participants in our Coffee-maker election. Thanks to Lisa D. for the wonderful Area Archives display and Eddie P. for the Literature Display. And lastly thanks to all in attendance for helping make this a great event!

There for a couple of weeks prior to the Assembly, there was writing Documents, preparing of the agenda, phone calls, video conferences, printing at Office Depot, and more. In addition to working with sponsees and attending meetings, and managing a couple of construction projects, I had a very full month.

I had the opportunity to attend the Area 72 Assembly in Bellevue with Ben N. and help with their election process. I also had the opportunity to view the Archives Display and some of the Area 92 materials being held in trust for our Archives. I also had the privilege of going to the Mic and addressing their assembly about a point of business in Area 92.

Since the assembly I have been discussing with various members of the Area committee the activation of the two newly passed motions. The Ad-Hoc Hybrid Committee and the Handbook Committee are working now to update The Area 92 Handbook as well as the supplementals "How to host" documents.

These updates will be ready for the January Quarterly, in Wenatchee WA. There will be a follow-up motion to the Hybrid motion that will effectively change specific sections of the Area Handbook.

I also have had the opportunity to visit the tentative new site for the Area 92 Archives Repository. It is wonderful to hear about the transfer of materials that Area 72 has been holding in trust for us until we could have a suitable area for the items.

I continue to host our area meetings each month on Google Meets with the Elected, The Standing Committee and The Area DCMs. As always, I am available for phone calls and emails, feel free to contact me at anytime!

Best regards to all!

Benjamin G.

Chair / Area 92 / Panel 72

[chair@area92aa.org](mailto:chair@area92aa.org)

## Area Alternate Chairperson

Greetings Area 92 Fellowship,

What a great Inventory Assembly in Richland, it was wonderful to see such a great turnout. It's hard to believe the first year of rotation for Panel 72 is almost over. Time fly's when you're having Fun! The registration forms are on the website for the January Quarterly. Please register as early as possible as this really helps the hosting Districts get a better idea of how many people to expect. There is no line for "hybrid option" on the flyer but you can just write on the form that you will be attending via hybrid when you send in your registration, so that we can get the zoom information sent out to you.

The holidays are busy times and there are usually quite a few sober holiday events, please send your flyers to the newsletter as well as the technology committee for inclusion on the website event calendar.

I continue to participate on the technology committee, this has been very helpful to me to be able to coordinate with the hosting districts and the technology committee in the planning of all our Area 92 events, and to also assist in the operation of the hybrid meetings, there is a whole lot of work that goes on in the background that most of us don't even realize. I can see going forward that there will need to be some possible additions to the Alt Chair position in the Area Handbook. I have also been working on translating the "how to host" service piece into Spanish.

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My sponsor says "Time is the most valuable gift we can give to someone"

Thank you all for your service and for showing me a new way to live, I am truly grateful for all the gifts sobriety and being of service has given me. Happy Thanksgiving Everyone, may your tables be blessed with love and family.

Lisa G.

## Area Treasurer

Well, I have been totally busy since the Assembly at work. It seems we get through a busy period only to land in another. This has meant over time and even working on a Saturday. I am thankful and grateful for the job I have and the humans I work with. It allows me to serve in Area 92 and have a job.

Checks finally have arrived and I have mailed out all reimbursement checks to trusted servants.

I may have found a bookkeeper that is available to help us as well.

I have posted an October expense report in the drive.

Total expense for October \$9,780.98  
Ending Balance in Checking is \$32,236.58

Thank you, Area 92, for your contributions. Reminder if you want to participate on the Finance Committee send an email to Bryan and he will gladly send you a invite for the committee meeting that meets on the first Monday of the month at 7pm on Zoom

Thank you for allowing me to serve. Fran

## Area Alternate Treasurer

Greetings to the body

Our October assembly in Richland was well attended and two motions successfully passed, one with an amended amount. Other business was brought to the floor and tabled for further consideration.

I am looking forward to joining our Corrections chair Marc Mc in Schaumburg Illinois for the National Corrections Conference this month. Many of you already know that I along with a good portion of our current and past servants have a soft spot for corrections.

Nothing more to report except that as of this writing I am finally producing accurate and on time contributions reports.

Thanks to all for your contributions.

October contributions total \$ 5,198.08

In Love and Service, Bryan B, Alt-Treasurer

## WA State East Area 92 Alcoholics Anonymous

### Contributions by Member Summary

October 2022

TOTAL

AREA 92

Cindy C 290.84

**Total AREA 92 290.84**

District 02 Spokane (S. of River)

1st Things First - 113726 10.00 Manito Morning Meeting - 000017160 186.25

**Total District 02 Spokane (S. of River) 196.25**

District 03 Spokane (N. of River to Wellesley)

Grateful Ladies - 000108038 70.00

**Total District 03 Spokane (N. of River to Wellesley) 70.00**

District 04 Tri Cities, Kennewick

Chapter 5 - 000098787 21.10 Richland Fellowship - 000057246 240.00 There is a Solution - 000005916 56.00 Women's Time Out Group - 000008960 23.33

**Total District 04 Tri Cities, Kennewick 340.43**

District 05 225.90 MainStreeter AA Group - 123514 100.00

**Total District 05 325.90**

District 06 A New Light - 000091631 102.15 AMAA - 000092039 292.00 East Valley Beginners - 000102747 120.00

**Total District 06 514.15**

District 07 Camas Prarie Group - 000097733 114.35 Happy Hour Group-164081 352.70 The Noon Group - 000037721 25.47

**Total District 07 492.52**

District 08 Best Avenue Group - 712782 276.75 Daily Reprieve II - 000100886 48.46 First Things First CDA - 000104533 46.00 Fort Sherman Chapel - 000104904 60.00 GMAA - 000107596 606.73 Spiritual Awakening Group - 000283537 50.00

**Total District 08 1,087.94**

District 09 Benjamin H 116.04 Wednesday First Step Group - 000027292 60.00

**Total District 09 176.04**

District 10 Cle Elum Group - 000099275 150.00 Sunday Morning Group - 000083949 50.00

**Total District 10 200.00**

District 13 Valley Eye Opener Group - 18649 125.00

**Total District 13 125.00**

District 14 Men's Book Study - 000024139 50.00

**Total District 14 50.00**

District 17 AA Welcome Home Online Group - 385.81 She Recovers 50.00 Thursday Nite - 92722415 73.00

**Total District 17 508.81**

District 20 Chance 4 Change - 000098688 25.00

**Total District 20 25.00**

District 22 Misfits AA Group - 644845 80.87

**Total District 22 80.87**

District 23 Primary Purpose Group - 000052044 155.40

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## **Total District 23 155.40**

District 24 Grupo 12 - 618027 10.00 Grupo Comunidad - 000023733 50.00

## **Total District 24 60.00**

District 25 Non Geo Spanish Speaking Grupo 30 De Julio - 000023118 30.00 Grupo Milagros - 000025212 60.00  
Grupo Sobriedad Viva - 000027819 30.00 Grupo Un Nuevo Camino - 000028717 20.00 Yose L S 40.00

## **Total District 25 Non Geo Spanish Speaking 180.00**

District 26 Libby, Troy 300.00 Glen C 18.93

## **TOTAL \$5,198.08**

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](mailto:alt-treasurer@area92aa.org)  
Finance Committee Chair

## **Area Secretary – no report**

## **Area Archives Chair**

Thank you, Area 92, for passing the motion to increase funding allowing the archives to be moved. There is much work to be done before the actual move can take place. Plans are underway.

On October 29th Lisa D. and I attended the Regional Archives Workshop in Tacoma. Before the workshop we visited the Area 72 archives repository and were given a quick tour. We both were quite impressed. After the workshop we returned to the Area 72 repository and were given the Walla Walla Collection (including the cup). We are very grateful to have these items returned to Area 92. Our thanks go to Maryland N., Area 72 Archivist who was very instrumental in making this happen.

YIS,

Valerie D.  
Area 92 Archives Chair

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## Area Archivist

Hi everybody!

We are moving! The funding for the new repository has finally been passed and we will be moving our archives hopefully by the beginning of 2023. So exciting! It could not happen at a better time because I am still finding deteriorating items due to the high humidity at our current location. I am so relieved that we will have a safe, appropriate place to receive, sort, catalog and store our collection. Thanks to everyone who worked hard to make this happen, especially the Archive Steering Committee!

Some more exciting news is we received some awesome new items into our collection from Mary who is the Area 72 Archivist. Area 72 decided that these items were better appropriated for our collection. They are from The Pioneer Group which was formed at Washington State Penitentiary and date back to the 40's and 50's. I have a lot of research to do to learn the history and we look forward to sharing it all in our traveling Archive display at the April Assembly. We are especially excited about a commemorative cup that a certain member of Area 92 has been very concerned about!

I will be hosting a work party on November 19th to start packing and figuring out how to safely move the archives. We will need lots of help so I will put out the word of how people can offer their support. This is a great accomplishment for Area 92 to commit to the great responsibility of taking care of our history and I just couldn't be happier that we are moving forward.

I hope everyone has a wonderful Thanksgiving!

Sincerely,

Lisa D.  
WSEA 92 Archivist

## Area Corrections Chair



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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

Things have been quiet since last month's report in Corrections. A reminder from last month, we have a NEW CORRECTIONS BRIDGE, Pete H. Welcome Pete! Thank you for your service! Be aware: All can contact our Corrections Bridge via email, [correctionsbridge@area92aa.org](mailto:correctionsbridge@area92aa.org). Also, since incarcerated members have access to email either through their personal tablets or through community kiosks, Inside Members can ask for a Corrections Bridge directly to [correctionsbridge@area92aa.org](mailto:correctionsbridge@area92aa.org). Until we put a handout together, the Corrections Bridge Requestee would best get connected if they were to provide the same information requested in pamphlet (see graphic).

f-163\_AA Corrections PreRelease\_Inside:

The October Assembly was productive and it was great seeing all of you who attended—both virtually and in-person. The attendees asked lots of questions about Corrections and I have some follow-up research to continue to answer those questions posed. Specifically, how to get the message of Alcoholics Anonymous to those incarcerated in mental health facilities that are classified "criminal."

In-person prison meetings are going well and it seems we have coverage for most major adult institutions. I know X-mas Eve is covered at WSP which will be a nice day to get a meeting while you're on the inside. We seem to have volunteers to cover the meetings but, as always, we welcome volunteers to join us taking meetings inside. If interested, please contact me at [corrections@area92aa.org](mailto:corrections@area92aa.org). Please tell me who you are, where you are (District), and contact details so we can talk further about this awesome service opportunity.

See you all as we Trudge the Road of Happy Destiny

See Attached for  
INSIDE

A.A. CORRECTIONS  
PRERELEASE  
CONTACT INFORMATION  
(Correctional)  
District: P.C., Region: 92  
Jail: 163  
A.A. Corrections  
A.A. Corrections

**PreRelease Request**

I would like an invitation to join a meeting. I am requesting an A.A. Contact who will provide a link for me to the A.A. community through incarcerated to meetings and introductions to other A.A.s.

Inside Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Sex: ☐ M ☐ F

One Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
One Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_  
State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_  
Religious (if any): \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Release: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address after release: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone No: \_\_\_\_\_

## Area CPC Chair

Attended an awesome Quarterly Assembly in Richland Washington earlier in the month. It was very informative and productive. It was exciting to meet and share with so many friends, new and old. I had an opportunity to visit with many members that are either directly or indirectly involved with CPC. I really valued each and every one of those discussions and look forward to furthering them and identifying ways to continue to reach the still suffering alcoholic.

Prepared a presentation and met with key administrators and educators from the University of Washington (Spokane campus) medical school. Looking forward to sharing about AA with current medical students.

We have continued to make inroads with two law enforcement agencies in the inland northwest on providing education about AA (what it is and what it isn't). We have a weekly meeting set up for law enforcement personnel in one of our districts at this time.

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I have invited Amanda, District 13 CPC chair to join me in an upcoming meeting with the leadership at Breakthrough Recovery (Spokane) Breakthrough has become involved in the Spokane area homeless challenges. We look forward to learning how AA may be of service in this regard.

YIS

Jay J.

## Area Grapevine and Literature Chair

### Area Newsletter Editor

Hello,

I have received quite a few newsletter requests and I thank you all for help getting the message out. I'm still not wear I'd like to be but its progress not perfection, right? I was thinking that maybe we should adopt a name for our newsletter other than Newsletter. What do you think? What are your ideas? Please share with me at [newsletter@area92aa.org](mailto:newsletter@area92aa.org). I'll post them in the next edition.

YIS

Doug M.

### Area Public Information Chair

Hi everyone, my name is Ricky L., and I am the new P.I. chair and I can't wait to have some fun and be of service to you whenever I can.

Ricky L.

### Area Technology Chair

### Area Treatment Chair

My Area 92 friends and family,

During October I was playing catch-up with my duties as I took about 3 weeks off during the month of September. Thank you to Sharon B., Judy M., and Michelle P. for carrying me during September.

I contacted the 13 in-patient treatment centers that I was aware of in our Area to offer them subscriptions to the Grapevine, complements of our Area. Only one of those treatment centers accepted my offer and I sent the paperwork to Fran L. on the 5<sup>th</sup> of October for processing. I will be following up with those treatment centers this month to repeat the offer and solicit help from the treatment chairs and/or DCMs in the Districts where the centers are located. Most of these centers are in the Yakima River Valley and in the Greater Spokane area.

I attended the Area Assembly in Richland in mid-October. Thank you to all the members of that District that made the Assembly possible.

For those Districts that do not have Treatment Centers there are many venues that you can carry the message into as a part of your Accessibilities service work. Some suggestions are: Psychiatric Hospitals, Nursing Homes, Youth Non-

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correctional Facilities, Shelters, Halfway houses, Outpatient rehabilitation offices and many more. If you can think of an underserved group in your district, they would fall under the heading of a "remote community" and warrant our attention.

Our treatment committee met on Sunday October 30 as I felt there would be too many disruptions on Monday October 31 from Trick or Treaters. We went over publications F-2 "Information of Alcoholics Anonymous" as a tool for contacting treatment centers and other venues. We also went over publication P-40 "Speaking at non-AA Meetings". Everyone shared their experiences, strengths and hopes on the use of the publications in helping them to carry the message.

I would appreciate input from anyone in the Area for questions for our Standing Committee Workshop in December. We are trying to make the workshops meaningful for our Area 92 members and are soliciting your input so that we can stay on track with our theme, "Unity through Service in Carrying the Message". Please send your questions for any of the Standing Committee members to [treatment@area92aa.org](mailto:treatment@area92aa.org).

## Area Translation Chair

Hello area 92,

Just a report from your translation committee about what's been happening. First off would like to say thank you to Dist. 4 for an awesome weekend and a great Assembly!

We felt things went pretty smooth. The interpreters, Virginia, and Juan did a great job thank you both. We had a discussion on our equipment. The Tech committee did an awesome job with the sound it was very clear. One thing we did talk about was it would be nice if the interpreters weren't so confine to the table. Meaning that the way things are set up with the head sets not being cordless. If they were cordless, they would be able to move around a little more. Had a brief conversation with Dan and he said he had some ideas, and it wouldn't be that difficult so will be looking into that.

As you all know Virginia is now on the committee and Jay D. just joined and speaks French, Spanish, and German as well as a little Japanese. What a great asset to Area 92. The committee is growing, and I fill is doing a great job and always welcomes anyone who would like to be a part of our team.

During the Assembly the question was asked what services we have available for sign language. I wasn't sure so I talked to Ed, and he said he would look into it. I'm also doing some research and will give a update next month. We're getting busy and haven fun and staying sober!!

Y.I.S.  
johnny A.

## Finance Committee

## Website Committee

## Hybrid Ad-hock Committee

We are at an interesting intersection. I've been looking at the documents that started this committee. One is called "Ad-Hoc Committee on Area 92 Hybrid Meetings." It sets the scope and procedure for the committee. Here it is in its entirety.

### Ad-Hoc Committee on Area 92 Hybrid Meetings

Introduction: In our October 2020 Inventory these two Questions were put forth to the Area 92 Body.

### 2020 INVENTORY QUESTIONS

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1. Is technology and computer software changing the way our Area does business, and how does it affect participation by groups and members?
2. Will the Area, Area Standing Committees, and Districts continue utilizing Virtual Conferencing after the Pandemic?

It is in response to these two questions that these Ad Hoc committees are being formed. To allow the Groups and Districts and Members at large to have direct input and participation in creating policies that affect our Area 92 Business.

## **Four Primary Questions of Concern for this Committee exist as:**

1. To determine by what process can Hybrid Meetings be practically implemented in Area 92?  
**1. We addressed this question by making a motion that Hybrid format be standard format for Area Assemblies, Quarterlies, and Standing Committee Workshops.**
2. What will be the financial impact to the Area?  
**2. This question is deferred to the Technology Committee. They are working on it now.**
3. What changes to the Area Handbook and Supplements are needed to support this new process?  
**3. This question is our "Phase 3" as described in the background for the Hybrid Ad-hoc Committee motion passed at the October Assembly.**
4. By what means can the Area body stay informed, educated, and participate in this process of evaluation, adaptation or change and implementation?  
**4. This question so far has been addressed through the newsletter, through DCM roundtable discussion, and through the monthly DCM meeting. It is an ongoing consideration.**

**Composition** Committee to be composed of DCM's and GSR's with a minimum 2 DCMs and 4 GSRs Committee Chair to be Appointed by Area 92 Chair. Committee Chair shall appoint an Ad-Hoc Group Secretary.

**Scope** The Scope and work of this committee will be to discuss practical implementation of an Area Hybrid Meeting Process. The fact-finding process and discovery related to the four primary questions should result in tangible suggestions to the Area 92 Body, that may result in future motions presented for discussion and vote.

**Procedure** The Ad-Hoc Committee should meet monthly, date to be determined by Ad-Hoc Committee Chair. It is suggested that the meetings be held using Google Meet as a video conferencing tool allowing the committee to have online meetings and discussions as needed. Area committee members and Standing committee Chairs as well as other relevant persons might be invited for discussion. Possible discussion with other Areas and Services Conferences (PRAASA, PNC, Forums, etc.) might be consulted. Transcripts of the 2020 Inventory will be made available to the committee. Minutes of the Monthly Meeting shall be taken and forwarded to the Area Chair each month and Published in the Area 92 Newsletter. The committee should be ever mindful of the Traditions and Concepts in forming and presenting possible recommendations.

This is the second document that guides us.

## **Questions for Hybrid Committee.**

1. Who in Area 92 has the delegated authority to determine whether an Area 92 event should be:
  - a. In-Person
  - b. Hybrid
  - c. Virtual or Online

Events included: Area Assemblies, Quarterlies, Standing Committee workshops, GSR/DCM Schools (By Area-Not Districts) other types of workshops or studies.

Is there one Standard in determining this or should there be special allowance due to extreme circumstance to change the nature of the event, such as State Law, weather conditions, fire, health concerns.? Who would make this decision?

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1. This question is addressed in two ways. First, the Area decided that hybrid format would be standard. Then, the second Hybrid Ad-hoc Committee motion addresses who would be responsible for determining Area format in the event of an emergency, as well as what constitutes an emergency. This motion has been prepared and will be presented for vetting at the January Quarterly.

2. Should a list of commonly used terms be added to our Handbook and supplements to create a common "dictionary" of technical and related terms to assist members of the area use and relate to a common technical language?

a. Example, use of the word "virtual" or "online"

b. Example, use of "Zoom" or "Google" which as a name brand might be considered an endorsement.

2. We addressed this question earlier in our April 2022 newsletter article. We thought about some words that could use clarification. Virtual, virtual host, online meeting format, participants, breakout rooms... I'm not sure what else we need to do about it, maybe add it to the How to Host booklets?

3. What changes to the technical requirements might apply to our Handbook Sections 2.0, 2.1, 2.2, and 2.3?

a. What would be the Area responsibility?

b. What would be the Hosting committees?

3. This is what we are addressing right now. The Technology Committee is also investigating the same concerns. We will surely be working together. Andy C., who left the Hybrid Ad-hoc Committee to chair another ad-hoc committee, is also on the Technology Committee. He shared with us his findings so far and we were delighted to have him with us after a fashion.

4. Should a new section be added to this section specific to "Hosting an In-person/ Hybrid / Online Standing Committee Workshop?

4. Since current Alt-Chair Lisa G. put together the booklet How to Host a Standing Committee Workshop, we have someplace to start. We are looking at that booklet now.

5. Should a registration fee be charged to an Online participant for In-person / hybrid events/ online Events? (Assembly and Quarterly, workshops)

5. We talked about this in our May newsletter article. "We concluded that while the ad-hoc committee may suggest that online participants pay a registration fee, it in no way can say how much that fee should be." The host committee sets the registration fee for Assemblies and Quarterlies. There is no fee for Standing Committee Workshops. The topic has been discussed at the Area DCM meeting and will surely be discussed again.

6. What special equipment might be needed for Hybrid Events? (Cameras, Computers, Lighting, Projectors, stands, etc.)

6. This is the purview of the Technology Committee. We have been doing hybrid format for a couple of years now, learning along the way what is necessary and what is not exactly necessary, but is nice to have. The Hybrid Ad-hoc Committee defers to the Technology Committee on this question.

In October we finished the motion addressing who decides format in the event of emergency and what qualifies as an emergency. Then we split into teams to go over the three existing documents (Handbook, How to Host Assemblies/Quarterlies, and How to Host SCWs) for what needs to be adapted to the new standard hybrid format. We will reconvene and go over each document together. This month we are meeting on the 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays at 5:30pm on Zoom. In December we plan to meet on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays.

We had a visitor the end of October. Any and all are welcome to join us at any time. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me at [dc2@area92aa.org](mailto:dc2@area92aa.org) or by phone at 509-279-5640.

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## Area Registrar

*Incoming GSRS Get Your Group Connected!*

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

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

Dianna M - WSEA 92 Alternate Delegate/Registrar Panel 70

[alt-delegat@area92aa.org](mailto:alt-delegat@area92aa.org)

## District and DCM Reports

### District 2

We got two new trusted servants this month! Mel stepped up for Secretary. He is also our Treatment Chair. He takes excellent minutes! Thank you, and welcome, Mel.

Dale B. stepped up for Corrections Chair. At the same meeting he was received, Dale gave a great report! He'd gone to the Standing Committee Workshop, and also, spoke with the GSR at The Landing Place at Airway Heights Corrections Center. We are pleased to have him on board. He's already had one Corrections Bridge Request! Rock on, Dale!

I want to shout out to Women Off the Hill and their GSR Oleta B. WOTH, as we affectionately call the group, held a hybrid group meeting, outside their regular meeting, at a member's home to go over the Area 92 Inventory Questions. They also held a Group Inventory – in a yurt! – facilitated by Past Delegate Delores E.

164 Book Study is back with us. It closed for a while. The person who started it died in the plane crash in Seattle. Now the people who enjoyed it are bringing the meeting to life. Wednesdays 6-7pm at Carl Maxey Center 3114 E 5<sup>th</sup> Ave in Spokane.

5<sup>th</sup> Ave Fellowship Hall is struggling. There's been road construction all around them for several months, plus tent-city just down the block. Check the meeting guide app for their meeting times – every day. Please support this group of meetings. They're at the Tapio Professional Center between Thor and Freya in the orange flag building in Spokane. Enter from 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave or Thor.

First Things First had to close their evening candlelight meeting due to transient interference outside the meeting place. They're still meeting every day at noon at New Community Church across from McDonald's on 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave. Enter from the alley parking area. They've been meeting there for more than 35 years! Go First Things First!

Rock on!  
Rainey M.  
DCM 2

### District 3

District 3 meets the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 6:30pm at the Corbin Senior Activity Center in Spokane. Our territory covers north central Spokane, then west on US 2 to Wilbur and southwest to Lind on US 395.

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We have been working on updating our handbook. The first draft of its revision will be handed out at our next meeting.

Spokane districts have taken in the responsibility of updating group information on the Spokane Central Office website. This is the data base used to update the Meeting Guide. So far, pretty good.

Current standing committees are Archives, Grapevine/literature, Treatment, Corrections, Social Activities, and CPC/PI. CPC/PI is the only unfilled position.

Corrections are starting to be more active with three correction facilities in our area. One has reopened and is having inside meetings.

Treatment is also getting busy as more treatment centers are opening back up.

We have a new group, Drowning Men, meeting Tuesdays at 7pm in east central Spokane.

One of our groups, Road to Recovery, is hosting the Gratitude Banquet, an annual event that benefits the Spokane Central Office.

Projects include:

- +Hosting the Christmas and New Year's Alkathon's.

- + Washington Conference of Young People in AA (WSCYPAA) is doing great things at the state level. Their GSL attends our District meetings regularly.

Our next meeting is November 8, 2022.

Yours in Service,

Larry E  
DCM 3

## District 4

## District 5

Greetings from District 5. How quickly things change. Just a couple weeks ago it was 80 degrees outside my front door and this morning the ground outside my front door was covered with snow and it was 25 degrees. Oh how I love the Pacific Northwest!

I am proud to mention that District 5 was very well represented at the October Assembly! We had five home groups represented, Mainstreeters, Women in Recovery, Cashmere Candlelight, Two Rivers, and Skookum. In attendance were eight District 5 members; myself, five GSRs, and two District 5 Past Delegates. There is nothing like an in-person Assembly with over 100 people participating in the business taking place.

District 5 is hosting a Gratitude Banquet at Sage Hills Church at 1601 Fifth St. in Wenatchee on November 19. There will be a very special speaker! Look forward to Basket Raffles and 50/50 Raffle! See the flyer in the newsletter and on Area92aa.org and aancw.org for more information.

Plans are well under way for the 2023 Area 92 January Quarterly at the McGuire Conference Center at Wenatchee Valley College on January 20 and 21. Registration has been posted on the Area Calendar on the Website and also in this edition of the Newsletter.



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Monthly Birthday potluck/cupcake/coin celebration is on the last Saturday of the month at Duncan Road Fellowship Hall, 2123 Duncan Road N, Wenatchee, WA. If you happen to be in town, please bring a side dish or dessert and join us.

District 5 holds its regular monthly GSR DISTRICT 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. Meetings are all in person now with just one very popular and well attended Sunday morning online meeting. It seems District 5 has returned to what I like to think is normal, and for that I am grateful!

The holidays are upon us. Thank you to all Veterans out there. May you all have a blessed Thanksgiving. Grateful In Service,

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

## District 6

## District 7

## District 8

Greetings District 8 trusted servants.

Notes from (**October 11, 2022**) District Meeting:

We had 16 GSR's and/or Alt GSR's, 4 officers, 7 committee chairs and 3 guests attend. Total of 30 district members present. We gained 2 new GSR's, Hank B. from Rough Riders meeting in St. Maries, ID and welcomed Dot R. back as new GSR representation for The Truly Grateful meeting in Post Falls. Welcome and thank you Hank & Dot for joining the district in service.

Concerns in the district are getting people to become involved specifically with the committees. Our committee chairs in Treatment, PI, CPC, and Corrections are very active in our district and have been doing an outstanding job. I have found that making announcements at meetings helps to get the message out. Zoom is available for our meeting, last month we had about 3 people attend on zoom. We have updated the equipment situation, thanks to the help of Helen F. filling in as our Web Chair. We now have 2 microphones to help with the audio. We have laptops and projection equipment in the room.

We filled 1 of our open chair positions David R. stepped up to be the Archives Chair and I have found a possible volunteer to be the District Secretary, more to be revealed on that. We still need a Web Chair and possible secretary, then all committee positions will be filled.

We discussed the importance of conducting a District Inventory. An ad Hoc committee was recommended with asking Scott R., past delegate to assist us in this endeavor. Committee needs to be set up.

### **Activities – DCM Attended Oct – Nov 2022:**

**Area Finance Committee meeting:** October 3, 2022 & November 7, 2022.

**Area 92 October Assembly:** October 14 through the 16 in Richland, WA.

I attended our October Assembly, October 14-16, 2022. It was very well attended by District 8! We rocked with 25 members of our district present at some part of the day. That number did include the 4 Area Chairs from District 8. After some debate both motions presented were passed and the floor motion presented was withdrawn. The motion



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to move our archives and approve a minimum budget amount was amended to \$750 a month max and passed. The tech committee motion also passed.

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

**November 12, 2022:** Spokane Gratitude Banquet, 4 – 10 pm, Mirabeau Hotel

**November 19, 2022:** CDA Gratitude Banquet, CDA Best Western,

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.

YIS,  
Catherine B  
DCM 8

## District 9

Hello Area, 92 friends.

It was really nice to see many of you at the Assembly in Richland last month. I learn more about AA and service every time I attend an event. Thank you District 4 for hosting and putting on a great event.

We as a district voted last month to help support any GSR's who wanted to go to the Assembly in Richland, and we got a couple of takers. District 9's table was full, with 5 GSR's, our treasurer, a newcomer (who pretty much nodded off all weekend, but he stayed sober) and myself. As always, I'm impressed with the way AA allows everyone's voice to be heard. I got to go to the mic to express the group consciences of our District regarding the Archives Motion. I stated that we as a District didn't have much interest in our own archives, so it was hard to help support a proposed budget of up to \$1500 a month for the Area Archives especially when they want to keep every single document even if it has been digitized. However, after listening to the body and the amendment of the motion being dropped to \$750 a month, I did vote yes on the Archives Motion. We as a District hope that the Area will be open to digitizing many of the documents and discarding unnecessary items as to save room for the items that are truly AA Archives.

We as a District also supported the Tech Committee Motion and are grateful that we will have tech support at our upcoming December Standing Committee Workshop.

We hope to see many of you here in College Place, WA on December 10th at the SonBridge Center from 10-3 for a Spaghetti Potluck and a panel style Standing Committee Workshop. Please see the flier on the Area Calendar for all the details.

We are also having our Gratitude Banquet on November 12, starting at 5pm. It will be held at First Presbyterian Church in Walla Walla WA. Please come join us for a fun evening of fellowship, speakers, music, prizes, a sobriety countdown and of course tons of food.

Happy Holidays to you all,

Judy Mc  
DCM 9

## District 10

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Cody L.

## **District 11**

## **District 12**

Joyful November!

I'm literally compiling this at the Gratitude Banquet. Wanting to share with the Area a play by play of District 12's fellowshiping after a 2-year hiatus due to the pandemic.

Leadership by trusted servant Banquet Committee Chair Liz B. & Committee participants.

Our Sobriety Countdown manifested a total of 1084 years & 5 months!

The food was delicious. The fellowship fine.

2023 Okanogan Valley Winter Round up Returns! Save the date: March 17-19th! Stay up to date by visiting our website:

<https://Okanoganvalleyroundup.com>

Let's lift our hats to these AA Sober Birthday folks!

October 2022

Todd 21

November 2022

Rob N. 33

Jenny 28

Steve D. 5

Wauconda Candlelight Group opened its doors again. Next month we'll share this Group's history in the Okanogan.

We send greetings of a Grateful Spirit to you all.

Jacqueline C

DCM District 12

## **District 13**

Hello again from District 13. As we all know November is gratitude Month and District 13 has its share of Events. District 13 is celebrating Thanksgiving Day with an Alkathon and dinner with all the trimmings @ Holy Trinity Church 2511 S. Pines Road, Spokane. We will have meetings from 10:00 AM thru 6:00 PM. Food will be available from 2:00 thru 6:30 PM. See attached Flyer. There is also the Annual Gratitude Banquet Mirabeau Hotel put on by the Central Office. There should be Flyer in the Newsletter. We continue to grow with participation at in person meetings. Everyone have a great Holiday Season.

## **District 14**

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## **District 20**

## **District 21**

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## **District 22 District 23**

## **District 24**

Greetings Area 92!

Hola my name is Mateo, and I am the DCM for District 24 and my home group is La Vina located in the Tri Cities. We are celebrating one more year with a Public Information Meeting, a dinner, and a dance.

I represent 7 groups in my area, and I am very content because in this meeting 6 group GSRs and various committees were present. District 25 invited our district to participate about a Concept and a Tradition.

Events

November 20<sup>th</sup>. A Traditions Workshop in the name of our cofounder Dr. Bob, hosted by the District 24 groups.

July 2023 Area 92 Quarterly. I am working to have a plenary session to form the committees.

Service is most important after recovery. I have a vision to see District 24 structured and with all of its committees.

Thank you and 24 hours.

Sincerely,  
Mateo  
DCM District 24

## **District 25**

Hola Area 92! Greetings from District 25 to the fellowship of A.A.

I had the opportunity to attend the October Inventory assembly in Richland. I would like to express my gratitude and congratulate District 4. The assembly was interesting and how technology is improving. Accompanying me were 4 GSRs, our coffee server and our treasurer.

We are working on our district's 13<sup>th</sup> anniversary with a Traditions and Concepts workshop. I visited District 24 in Pasco; they are having a Traditions workshop on November 20 in memory of Dr. Bob. They invited our district to participate with the sharing on Tradition 9. Our Intergroup Office has also invited us to share about Concept 6.

I wish you all a happy Thanksgiving Day and

Felices 24 hours.

Toribio N.  
DCM District 25

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## District 26

Hello Area, 92.

Well, I must say the Assembly went a lot more smoothly than I had anticipated. I hope everybody had a good time. District 26 is having a workshop on Robert's Rules of Order and how we loosely apply it as AA's. If anyone is interested, please get a hold of me. It will be Agenda Items time before we know it. I hope to see you all at the January Quarterly. I guess that's about all I have for this month. Thank you one and all for your service!

Todd D. District 26

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### MEMORANDUM

TO: General Service Conference Members  
FROM: Sandra Wilson, Director of Staff Services  
DATE: November 4, 2022  
Re: G.S.O. Staff Update

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Warmest greetings to all!

This note is to let you know about some recent changes happening within the Staff Services Department.

We are delighted to welcome three new A.A. staff members to our General Service Office family: Karina Cascante, Michael Riley, and Misha Quill.

Joining us in September, Karina is on the Group Services assignment and Michael is on the CPC assignment. Our newest staff member, Misha, who joined us on October 17, is on the Treatment/Accessibility assignment, taking over from Brenda Brown who left GSO effective November 2 to return to her home in Memphis – Brenda leaves with our love and gratitude.

There will be more about Karina, Michael, and Misha in a future *Box 4-5-9* article. But in the meantime, please join us in welcoming our GSO "newcomers."

An updated Staff Assignment (F15) will be distributed by our Staff Coordinator under separate cover.

All here at G.S.O. join me in gratitude for your dedicated service.



**2022**  
**Gratitude Banquet**  
Alcoholics Anonymous District 5

 **Join us for:** 

**Dinner, Al-Anon & AA Speaker and Fellowship!**

**Saturday - November 19th, 2022**  
Fellowship @ 4:00pm, Dinner @ 5:00pm, Speakers @ 6:00pm

**Location**  
Sage Hills Church 1601 5th St, Wenatchee, WA 98801

**Turkey, ham, dressing, potatoes & gravy provided**  
**Please Bring Salad, Side Dish or Dessert**  
**by Sober Month below:**  
Jan - April: Salads, May - Aug: Side Dishes, Sept - Dec: Desserts

Questions? Want to be of Service?  
Email: Kym S @ ksweppe0711@gmail.com  
Text: 206-948-9480

## !! Thanksgiving Day Alcathon !!

Meetings all day 10am -6pm

POTLUCK DINNER 2 - 6:30

PLEASE bring a side dish



*Hosted by District 13*

Thursday November 24th, 2022

HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH 2511 S. PINES RD SPOKANE, WA 99206

POC: Nicole K. 253-797-7592 Steffy R. 208-290-5645

We are excited to be together again.

# 2023 Okanogan Valley Winter Roundup Returns !



**Save the Date: March 17-19, 2023**

Registration and other details are coming soon

**New Location**



**The Winthrop Barn**

Stay up to date by visiting our website:

<https://okanoganvalleyroundup.com>

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TOTAL	\$51.00	\$ _____

Registrations received after January 6, 2023 cannot be guaranteed meals. Make checks payable to DISTRICT 5. Mail registration and check to District 5- Area 92 Quarterly, PO Box 3500, Wenatchee, WA 98807-3500. *Instructions for Zoom attendance will sent by e-mail.*

**BY: DEFINITELY STEVE | NASHVILLE, TENN.**

"It's progress, not perfection." If you see me "in action" at a grocery store, please, I beg you, don't tell my sponsor how I acted.

I've done it all. I don't drink. I go to meetings. I call my sponsor. I did the Steps. I gladly do service. And of course, I reach out to help other alcoholics.

But after all of this, there's more? Apply the principles of AA "in all my affairs"? Every day? Forget it. That's simply too much to ask this recovering alcoholic, no matter how many years I have in the program.

Most of the time I do quite well. Remember, "it's progress, not perfection."

At a restaurant, wedding, fancy party or ball game, I'm an AA superstar. But doing the family food shopping? Now that's another story. If you see me "in action" at a grocery store, please, I beg you, don't tell my sponsor how I acted when...

- 1) The shopper in front of me in the "15 items or less" line starts to place 27 items on the conveyer belt.
- 2) The guy in front of me leaves the checkout counter to get the one item he "forgot."
- 3) Someone has an endless conversation with the cashier about her granddaughter's amazing report card.
- 4) "Starving" shoppers reach and grab food from the salad bar, using their hands.
- 5) A driver cuts me off to get the last remaining parking spot.
- 6) I get to the store, and it doesn't open its front door one minute early, leaving customers to freeze outside. And...
- 7) An SUV has been parked so close to my car that I can't even open my door to get in.

I'm 76 years old with 28 years in the program. It may be too late for this grouchy old-timer to change no matter how many times I do the Steps. But thankfully, I can always do another Step 10. I'm an expert at apologies. Though I'd rather be an expert at "doing the next right thing."

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Sincerely yours in Service!

Doug M. Newsletter Editor     AREA 92 / Panel 72