

March 2023 Newsletter

Panel 72 Issue 15

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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I would like to thank all of the many Area Committee members, DCM's, Past Delegates, Standing Committee Chairs in the effort to create the 2023 General Service Conference Agenda Summary for Area 92.

I would like to announce that these summary pages are now available to view and download from the Area 92 Website. area92aa.org

Click on the Resource Tab and then the Agenda Summaries link. This will bring you to a listing on the Google Drive Space organized by committee where all of the items are listed in English and Spanish. The files are PDF and should be able to be viewed or downloaded by just about anyone.

This email is being sent to all the registered Area 92 GSRs. These are for you and your groups to discuss prior to our April Assembly, which we hope will bring us to an informed group conscious of Area 92 and help our Delegate Ben N. prepare to represent us at the Conference this Year.

We hope that the many GSRs can begin discussion with their groups, and over the next few weeks possibly attend some of the Area events and join in our Pre-Conference Discussion.

At this time the discussions will focus primarily on those items that begin with the words "Discuss or Consider", we will always remain open to discussion of any item as time may allow.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at anytime as well as our Delegate Ben N. at delegate@area92aa.org

Thanks again and have a great weekend!

Benjamin G.

Area 92 Chair

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DCMs/GSRs please inform your District Groups:

FYI: The **73rd General Service Conference Agenda** complete with **background by committee** is now available on the Area 92 website under the "**Resources**" tab or you can click:

<https://area92aa.org/area-committee/#tab-1520866058376-6-3>

The Area Committee will be completing summaries for each agenda item on or about February 28, 2023. The agenda summaries will be posted in the same location at that time.....I look forward to an informed Area discussion of this years' agenda at our **Pre-Conference Assembly in Lewiston, April 14-16!** Thank you all for your service!

Always Grateful to Serve,

Ben Nelson - Area 92 Delegate - Panel 72

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Area Elected and Appointed Reports

Area Delegate

Greetings WSEA 92 Fellowship!

It seems like yesterday we were at this point in time, poised and ready to begin the General Service Conference agenda review. And here we are! As last year, Area 92 Committee teams summarized each Agenda Item for our Groups to review. These summaries, along with the complete background information is posted on the Area website (<https://area92aa.org/>) under the **Resources** tab. My heartfelt thanks to all of those who committed to preparing the agenda summaries in such a very short timeframe, meeting our February 28 timeline. It is an honor to serve alongside such trusted servants!

I am excited for the days ahead leading up to our Pre-Conference Assembly in April. We will be having a few informal "townhall" review sessions along the way before the March Standing Committee workshop. Look for the flyers! I am encouraging our GSRs to review the 73rd GSC Agenda with your Group and bring their thoughts to the Assembly. This agenda will determine the direction Alcoholics Anonymous will be moving today, tomorrow, and well into the future. The General Service Conference is **"the active voice and the effective conscience of our whole Society in its world affairs"**. To be an effective member of the Conference, it is imperative I understand the collective conscience of Area 92. I am eager to listen to an informed discussion this April.

Just back from PRAASA in LA, and rather than file a "report", I will follow the advice offered by our past Regional Trustee, Joel C. In his introduction to this year's event, Joel suggested we return and share our *experience*. In short, the Pacific Region Alcoholics Anonymous Service Assembly was a reminder of the role general service has played in my spiritual journey of sobriety. My first service event was a January Quarterly in Walla Walla where I discovered something that changed my life and filled a void in my recovery. I discovered for the first time in my life I could be useful, and that felt right! Our Big Book expresses what I am unable to: **"Our very lives as ex-problem drinkers, depend on our constant thought of others and how we may help meet their needs"**....what a beautiful way to live!

March Standing Committee Workshop, Ephrata WA....SEE YOU THERE!

73rd GSC Theme:

A.A.'s Three Legacies – Our Common Solution"

Grateful to serve,

Ben

Area Alternate Delegate

Area 92 was well represented at PRAASA 2023 in Los Angeles this past weekend. One of the highlights was the opportunity to meet the other Pacific Region Area Alternate Delegates for the first time. We were all in two roundtable sessions discussing our planned presentation for the (NAAD) North American Alt Delegates later this year. We also discussed how we are helping our Area prepare for the Panel 73 Conference Agenda Items. I'm already looking forward to next year which will be in San Francisco. The Panel presentations were inspirational and fun. I attended all but one panel and that was because I needed a short nap. 8 am to 11 makes for a long day.

I am continuing to attend the (NAAD) No American Alt Delegates meeting once a month as well as the Area Registrars meetings online. I was only able to attend the NAAD this month as I was in the air flying during the Registrars meeting Sunday. I look forward to next month's meeting.

If your district or large group is interested in hosting a GSR School please contact me either by email, phone or schedule a date on the Area website GSR School calendar. There could be members in your groups considering stepping up to be either a GSR or alternate GSR but have lots of questions and these presentations are a great place to ask them and get feedback from fellow members. What better gift to give new and interested members than an opportunity to learn about becoming a GSR. We try to keep these sessions open to questions as I know when I first came around I had lots of them.

I would like to help your District or group set up a GSR school either in person, online or possibly both. Not sure how but it is always worth a discussion. We want to keep everyone informed and involved. If you have any questions regarding GSR school or any of the online meetings I attend please feel free to contact me

Yours in service,
Diana Marchiney
Alternate Delegate Area 92/Panel 72

Area Chairperson

Greetings Area 92!

The Month of February was about participation, preparation and creation of the Area 92 - General Service Conference Summaries. It was a lot of work in a very short time and the many trusted servants of the area really stepped up to the challenge once again. Congratulations and Great job to All!

From a historical context, the amount of information now available to the members and groups keeps getting better and better. 35 years ago, when I came into AA and Service work, the conference agenda and background usually was presented in "Phone Book" sized documents and discussion was limited to a few selective items that the delegates were able to present at "Quarterlies" and "Pre-conference Discussions" usually involving multiple districts.

Early in the 2000s, the Agenda and background began to come on CD-ROMs that we busily copied and distributed by hand to the groups or anyone that had a computer and printer.

Now today, the ability to post and download files from our website and make these summaries in English and Spanish, available to members and groups within the space of 2 weeks is absolutely amazing. What more is the ability to truly have an informed group discussion and Area conscience. We have come along way! Thank you to all the members and previous rotations of trusted servants that have brought this to pass.

This month I look forward to these Pre-Conference Discussion. I will be attending the multi-District discussion in Spokane and the Standing committee Workshop in Ephrata, Washington.

I still am accepting resumes for the Position of Area CPC Chair(Cooperation with the Professional Community). If you would like further information or have any questions, please feel free to contact me any time.

Best Regards to All, it is a privilege and honor to serve you!

March 2023 - Benjamin G. – Area Chair- Panel 72

Area Alternate Chairperson

Hello Area 92,

I just returned from PRAASA in Los Angeles, what a great experience of Love in the fellowship. It was so great to see old friends and make a ton of new ones, I was amazed at the amount of first-time attendees and GSR's present. The panel speakers all did an awesome job, especially our very own Diana and Bryan. Job well done my friends. Fran and I also participated, Fran as a reader and myself as a timer, it was a privilege to be of

service to the fellowship, I heard so many great things at Praasa its hard to put it all into words, except that I have been rejuvenated with the love for service and our fellowship as a whole. On Sunday morning as I was outside doing a little prayer and mediation on our last day of PRAASA , the song that came on overhead was “I wanna know what Love is, I want you to show me” at that moment I felt my higher power was speaking to me answering a question I’ve been asking myself for a very long time and being in that moment with 2000 other members of Alcoholics Anonymous, I know what Love is for me today and you all have shown me. So, with a full and grateful heart I would like to say thank you.

I am looking forward to attending the Standing Committee Workshop in Ephrata this month and the April Pre-Conference in the LC Valley, and lets us always remember to Have fun and Make friends in General Service... most importantly keep going, raise your hand, you never know what your Higher Power has in store. Enjoy the moment, and as we go through the agenda items lets us all remember, there is nothing that affects AA as a whole that we can’t discuss with Love and Kindness.

Happy 24 Hours! Lisa G.

Area Treasurer

Highlights well as I write this article I am in LA for the final moments of PRAASA. I never could have dreamed that I, a once alcoholic woman, full of fear, low self esteem would be here at this moment.

Seems like just the other day when I walked through the doors of AA. I was able to stand at a podium and read in front of a room that would hold over 1000 humans. I would do this unthinking at the suggestion of Ben, our delegate. I was fully prepared to be just an observer, just a human in the room. Yet Alcoholics Anonymous gives me yet another firsts in my life.

Each year I sit in the rooms making myself available to go some place, do a service position or yet just be present to maybe gain a little experience. These are the moments I never want to miss.

Joel, our past Trustee started our weekend here in PRASA and he left this with me. Remember to keep our triangle as equal as possible with Unity, service, and recovery. Because we can’t sit comfortably on one or a two legged stool. So keep that stool in balance and you will never fear falling on your ass.

Lisa and got to travel to PRASA together meeting up with others along the way. I am grateful for the moments we have gotten to spend together as she introduced me to others she had met before and I will get to meet again as we walk in service together. I got to see a past trustee Ginger that once lived in Colville when I got sober. She and her husband taught me by example what to do when hard days happen to suit up and show up. I will always be grateful and thankful. Ginger has also been a part of my circle of love when a perplexing service question arrived; she was just a call away.

So never be afraid to ask a question. Never be afraid to look for solutions. Most of all, never be afraid to ask for help.

Here at PRASA I have found some amazing humans with resources to continue, to help us muddle our way through the learning curves of QuickBooks online and, let me just say we are not alone in this learning process.

I look forward to seeing many of you in Ephrata for the Standing Committee workshop to review Agenda items

I also want to take a moment to thank our past Alt treasurer Cindy for her dedication and service to Area92 in helping us reconcile our QuickBooks and checking account. She is the kind of woman I want to be when I grow up. Thanks again Cindy.

So where does money and spirituality mix is my question?

We currently have \$2,500.84 in our prudent reserve this is a increase of \$.02 in interest

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| Our ending balance for December was | \$31,376.54 |
| Our ending balance for January was | \$29,270.78 |
| Our ending balance for February was | \$27,213.44 |

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| Donation for February were reported as | \$ 2,948.72 |
| Expenses for February were | \$ 2,123.40 |

Thank you Area 92 for your generosity. We could not continue without you. If you would like more information regarding our financial situation please feel free to contact me by email: treasurer@area92aa.org

By phone at 509-936-1045

With all my love in service Fran L your trusted servant.
Always remember I am here for you and to serve you.

Fran L.

Area Alternate Treasurer

Greetings to the body

I am off to PRAASA tomorrow for the weekend and have been involved with the upcoming 2023 Agenda for the conference. Looking forward to our upcoming pre-conference assembly. The AA wheels seem to be turning well.

Fran and I have been working with Cindy (who is now my hero) getting our financial reporting reconciled. This should be forthcoming and I'm confident this month's report for February contributions will be spot on accurate.

Thanks to all for your contributions.

Contributions for February were \$2,948.72.

In Love and Service, Bryan B, Alt-Treasurer

| District | TOTAL | District | TOTAL |
|---|---------------|--|---------------|
| District 02 Spokane (S. of River) | 119.00 | District 13 | |
| 1st Things First - 113726 | 10.00 | Millwood Madames - 000023159 | 10.00 |
| Manito Group - 125197 | 10.00 | Monday Valley Womens Group - 000018801 | 10.00 |
| Unity (Spokane) - 000017432 | 24.00 | Total District 13 | 20.00 |
| Women Off The Hill Book Study - Spokane - 000037187 | 45.00 | District 14 | |
| Total District 02 Spokane (S. of River) | 208.00 | Close Encounters Group - 134449 | 96.62 |
| District 03 Spokane (N. of River to Wellesley) | 150.00 | Total District 14 | 96.62 |
| RX For Living - 160878 | | District 15 | |
| Thursday Men's Step Study - 000007152 | 120.00 | Serenity Breakfast Group - 696025 | 139.00 |
| Total District 03 Spokane (N. of River to Wellesley) | 270.00 | Total District 15 | 139.00 |
| District 04 Tri Cities, Kennewick | 68.76 | District 17 | |
| Up For Sobriety - 000017895 | | AA Welcome Home Online Group - | 339.54 |
| Total District 04 Tri Cities, Kennewick | 68.76 | She Recovers | 50.00 |
| District 05 | 72.90 | Total District 17 | 389.54 |
| One Day At A Time - 000043327 | | District 18 | |
| Women of Courage - 000077876 | 115.00 | Waitsburg Group - 20419 | 480.00 |
| Total District 05 | 187.90 | Total District 18 | 480.00 |
| District 06 | 70.00 | District 19 | |
| On Awakening - 713089 | | Odessa Group - 000041652 | 21.00 |
| Total District 06 | 70.00 | Total District 19 | 21.00 |
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| | | Chance 4 Change - 000098688 | 25.00 |
| | | The Underground AA Meeting - 351249 | 20.00 |

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| District 08 5-15 Group - 168327 | 43.86 | Total District 20 | 45.00 |
| Daily Reprieve II - 000100886 | 53.24 | District 22 Misfits AA Group - 644845 | 40.54 |
| First Things First CDA - 000104533 | 48.00 | Moscow Happy Hour - 000027209 | 46.80 |
| Fort Sherman Chapel - 000104904 | 60.00 | Sunday Morning Meeting - D22 - Moscow | 60.00 |
| Young In Years - 000240671 | 70.00 | Sunlight Of The Spirit Group | 30.00 |
| Total District 08 | 275.10 | Three Forks Group - 000006386 | 10.06 |
| District 09 Early Birds Group - 000102425 | 13.38 | Total District 22 | 187.40 |
| Thursday Nite Open - 7862 | 150.00 | District 23 Living Sober Group - 000013492 | 200.00 |
| Total District 09 | 163.38 | Total District 23 | 200.00 |
| District 12 Native American Group - 000029359 | 32.80 | District 24 Grupo 12 - 618027 | 10.00 |
| New Beginnings Group - 000031098 | 75.00 | Grupo Fortaleza Y Esperanza - 661717 | 9.22 |
| Total District 12 | 107.80 | Total District 24 | 19.22 |
| | | GRAND TOTAL | \$2,948.72 |

Please send all contributions to:

Washington State East Area 92
1314 S. Grand Blvd. Suite 2, Box #103
Spokane, WA 99202-1174
Or
PayPal
(accessed from our website Area92aa.org)

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

PLEASE add your group name and/or district to your memo line or put a note in the envelope. The next Alternate Treasurer will need this information to make their transition as smooth as possible. Thank you very much for your support.

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

Area Secretary – no report

Area Archives Chair

Hello Area 92,

February was a busy month for me personally. My husband and I moved to our new place just a few miles north of Omak. We had a lot of help from our friends in A.A. as well as family members, for which we are extremely grateful. Moving any time is not easy but it is especially difficult when there is snow on the ground. At least it didn't snow the weekend we rented the Uhaul. Anyway, we are settling in. I took time out from unpacking to go to the International Women's Conference in Dallas, TX. Nearly 3,000 women attended in person and about that many online. There were

lots of great panels, speakers and fellowship. When I returned from Dallas it was time to focus on the Conference agenda items. My team and I were assigned to summarize the Archives agenda item and International Conventions and Forums items. All the summary sheets are posted on the Area 92 website under Resources. I have not yet had the chance to visit the new repository since the move but plan to do so sometime this month. I also plan to attend the Standing Committee Workshop in Ephrata on the 18th of this month.

Thank you for the opportunity to be service,

Valerie
Panel 72 Archives Chair

Area Archivist

Hi Everybody! I hope everyone is staying safe and warm during these last days of winter.

We are continuing to organize and sort out everything after the move to our new repository. Tom W. installed some new blinds for our one window to make sure we can block direct sunlight when items are being worked on and displayed. Thanks Tom!

One of my main goals for this month is to prepare the traveling archive display for the April Assembly. Valerie D. will be making a trip to help me with that. So many new items to share!

My first work party will be to catalog and prepare our book collection for some to display and store. The boxes I had planned to use for this were discontinued right in the middle of this project and I had a hard time finding replacements. As soon as they arrive I can set a date for that.

We are also planning an open house but have not set a date for it yet. We are thinking about a BBQ in the parking lot in May or June and a tour of the repository but no food or drink near the archives! It will be a lot of fun!

SIS,
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

There has not been a lot going on with Corrections this month. We have all of our major adult institutions covered for meetings. WSP (Washington State Penitentiary) is discussing finally opening Closed Custody and another Medium Custody that houses "special housing areas for the mentally ill" as Volunteer Coordinator Debra Gilbreth termed this area. So, these two areas are opening up to AA meetings which means up to like 400 more men will have access to AA meetings IF we can provide enough volunteers to cover the meetings. This also calls for quite a bit more literature to cover the more persons in custody included in the Fellowship. I will keep you posted on our progress at WSP.

Also, all the Washington State facilities have switched from JPay to Secures Tablets which mean those persons in custody all get their own state-issued tablet and they can, not only get downloaded AA literature at no cost, they can use their tablet like a cell phone (almost like real life since they don't go to a phone booth now). This is CONFIRMATION AA Publishing Literature and Grapevines are available through Secures (formerly JPay).

We have had some Corrections' Bridge activity and Pete H., our Corrections Bridge Chair, is working on those.

Last, we have three Corrections Agenda Items to cover at the Standing Committee Workshop on March 18th in Ephrata so, please, won't you come and join us. Hope to see you there!

See you all as we Trudge the Road of Happy Destiny

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

Area CPC Chair

Area Grapevine and Literature Chair

Literature is going OK, got plenty of flyers and a few workbooks. I did order a few jacket less big books and I want a little heavier purchase on Spanish literature. If anyone has any special requests or needs me to get you books or pamphlets please email me and I will find a way to get those to you. If you're a long way from Yakama I don't mind taking road trips. I like to cruise.

Ed P.

Area Newsletter Editor

Hello Area 92,

The Newsletter is a bit late this month for some of our elected traveled down to California to be at the PRAASA Assembly, which began March 3rd and ends March 5th. If you didn't know, PRAASA stands for the Pacific Region Alcoholics Anonymous Service Assembly. I've been to one when it was held in Spokane years ago and it was quite informative and uplifting. We should have some reports with information about the assembly.

Doug M.

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Area Public Information Chair

First of all I want to thank everybody as a whole for giving me the opportunity to serve as the panel 72 P.I. chair. Then I would like to thank my agenda committee. And I hope everyone else had fun with their agenda items. So we do have a P.I. committee for all districts that would like to be involved. We meet on google meet on the second Friday of every month at 6:30 pm. So anyone who is interested can email me at pi@area92aa.org and I will get an invite sent out. Well I hope to see everybody at the workshop in Ephrata.

Yours in Service
Ricky Leonard
WSEA 92 - Panel 72
Public Information Chair

Area Technology Chair

The Technology Committee has been meeting on a biweekly basis.

We finished the motion to fund the Technology committee.

If you have any questions about the motion, please get in touch with me at technology@area92aa.org.

Our committee provides support for DCMs to keep their district's meeting information correct on our website and in the Meeting Guide mobile application. A good explanation of this application is here. <https://www.aa.org/meeting-guide-app>

Our website has been having some issues with slow response times, which can display an error message. It is usually only a temporary problem, so refresh your browser and try again. If you do encounter any problems accessing the website area92aa.org, please get in touch with us at technology@area92aa.org

If you want your district's events on the WSEArea 92 website, you can submit flyers at <https://area92aa.org/flyer-submissions/>.

Looking forward to meeting some of you at the Workshop in Ephrata,

Dan Maher
Technology Committee Chair
technology@area92aa.org

Area Treatment Chair

Area 92 Treatment and Accessibilities Friends,

During the month of February I worked on several different issues related to Treatment and Accessibilities.

I received a request from Louise, treatment chair for District 9, to assist in a literature request from the Veterans Administration Medical Center (VAMC) in Walla Walla. The request was placed and literature was sent out on or about the 17th of February. Moving forward with the support of the Veterans Treatment program. I suggested that Louise might place a request for support through the Area 92 Newsletter for support from individuals and groups. With a large facility like that some issues are: 1) There district is not large enough to support that regional facility on their own, 2) Cooperating with the facility without affiliating with it. (Tradition 6), 3) Singleness of Purpose (see the pamphlet "Problems other than Alcohol").

My Treatment and Accessibilities Agenda Committee met and submitted summaries of 9 Agenda Items related to Treatment and Accessibilities. In addition to the summaries, those of you wishing to dig deeper into the background information should have access to the background information on the Area 92 website.

Last week on Monday evening, the Treatment and Accessibilities Committee met to review an Accessibilities Questionnaire for submission to the groups. It is a work in progress and we hope to have the questionnaire out to the groups, the information collected and tabulated for a report at our Assembly in July.

Michael O.

Area Translation Chair

Finance Committee

We held our first meeting on February 14. We reviewed the initial scoping document for the committee. Assignments were accepted by Lisa G and Dave G to review the Handbook to develop a list of the current assignments for the Treasurer and Alt. Treasurer. They will also review the Treasurer Monthly Guidelines. I will review the Finance Committee Guidelines. Our goal is to better understand the expectations and deliverables.

We also discussed how best to understand what the body needs and wants for financial information and reports. We will look at a potential survey to use with the area as a tool to use in gaining more insight, and how to implement it based on the committee's direction. The next meeting is scheduled for March 14.

Andy C.

Website Committee

Hybrid Ad-hoc Committee

We met February 21st on Zoom from 5:30 to 6:30 pm. The revitalized committee is composed of four GSRs, five DCMs and two AA members, one of whom is on the Handbook Committee.

Diana M. is currently our Alt-Delegate. She was the Area Chair when the Covid-19 pandemic hit. She came to share her experience going through the state shutdown and how that affected Area 92. She said that (in a nutshell) she consulted with the other elected servants, the appointed servants and the DCMs. They had to figure out what to do when we could not meet with more than 5 people outside our personal households. Idaho and Montana did not have the same restrictions, nor the same population and virus communication risks. The Area Committee had to consider the good of the entire area.

Diana shared with us the guidance given to the Area and the Area Chair in the Area 92 Handbook from a working, experiential point of view.

Communication was initially by conference call and email. Diana had heard that GSB was thinking about using Zoom and asked someone to research it for us. That was the first time we had ever even thought of using a virtual meeting platform!

Diana has kept her notebooks from the time and has a very thorough record of Area history during the pandemic of 2020-2021. It will eventually be released to Area 92 Archives and what a jewel that will be for future members of Area 92!!

Diana said that the elected trusted servants are guided by the Area 92 Handbook, the AA Service Manual, their individual Higher Powers, and their group conscience. When we elect trusted servants, from GSR to Delegate, we ought to ask ourselves, "Do they love AA as much as I do?" If they do, then we can be assured that they will do their job for the good of AA and the Area.

Andy C. shared this from the November 2022 Quarterly Report from GSO:

"A class A trustee shared how there are high-trust and low-trust organizations. Our natural inclination is to be trusting; in low-trust organizations there is bureaucracy, rules, pyramids, the pressure that someone's watching, and we must work twice as hard. High trust pays dividends, it means less stress, more engagement, is collaborative and productive. We can take an honest look in the mirror to appreciate how we can continue to grow towards supporting one another."* Page 2

Right before that is this insightful and relevant paragraph:

"Josh highlighted how Concept 3 says that "Our entire A.A. program rests upon the principle of mutual trust. We trust God, we trust A.A., and we trust each other. Therefore, we trust our leaders in world service. The "Right of Decision" that we offer them is not only the practical means by which they may act and lead effectively, but it is also the symbol of our implicit confidence." Josh shared that to get to a place to be on the same team, there is an immense amount of vulnerability needed to be open to forgiving. In our work, it is a requirement of this service, as it says in the literature, "We are people who normally would not mix." I do not have to like you, but I have to love and respect you, with the spirit of being open, honest, vulnerable, and exposed. Instead of criticizing and critiquing, displaying contempt or a lack of respect, rolling eyes, defensiveness, not being able to receive, being reactive, or stonewalling. You cannot connect if your decision is not to talk about it anymore, and putting off an answer is not a way to find trust. I believe in my heart that even the most challenging of people, even when it is myself, can find love and forgiveness, he said."* (ibid.)

Next month, Lisa G. has agreed to visit the Hybrid Ad hoc Committee and talk to us about her point of view as Alt-Chair. Allen D. has been invited to speak to us in April.

Rock on!
Rainey

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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

District and DCM Reports

District 2

We had 9 GSRs, 4 District servants and 3 visitors - 16 total at the February District meeting. Seven people were online.

The Corrections Chair, Dale B., met with the other local Corrections Chairs. They are each doing something different and are excited to be coordinating at last! Dale is making paper coins for the incarcerated AAs. He got a punch, like a notary's stamp. Then he had some coin dies made up for it, months and years. They come out really well – raised words and numbers.

The Treatment Committee is taking meetings into Sun Ray Court Men's facility (Mel M.) on Fridays at 7:00 pm, and into Sacred Heart (Oleta B.) on Tuesdays at 6:45pm. We're working on getting one going at Women's Hearth downtown (Pat O.). If you're interested, contact me. I'll hook you up. dcm2@area92aa.org or 509-279-5640

The Grapevine/Literature Chair, Karyn B., highlighted the Grapevine half-hour variety show. It's similar to a podcast, but more fun and interesting. Find it at www.aagrapevine.org/podcast. You can listen on your phone or computer.

The Activities Chair, Gail G., is working on arranging for us to host a meeting with the Area 92 Delegate to discuss the General Service Conference Agenda Items. We'll look at those items assigned to the four local districts first, then branch out to other parts of the agenda.

The All-District Potluck will now be called the Spokane Districts Potluck. We talked about publicizing it online. It is not associated with the Central Office. All funds raised go to support the potluck itself.

Rock on!
Rainey

District 3

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

All GSC Agenda Items have been sent to GSRs. They are urged to attend the April Pre-Conference Assembly online or in person.

There seems to be a 10 to 20% downturn in attendance at District groups. No obvious reason.

District 3 is starting to plan for its hosting of the December Standing Committee Workshop.

A Road to Recovery and Spokane Young People in AA are each hosting a Spokane Districts Potluck, both happening this summer.

The Spokane Districts Corrections Chairs have begun meeting monthly to share news and information.

Current standing committees are:

Archives, Grapevine/literature, Treatment, Corrections, Social Activities, and CPC/PI. Our Archives chair resigned due to work conflicts. The position remains open. Our next meeting is March 14, 2023.

Yours in Service,
Larry E
DCM 3

District 5

District 6

At our District 6 meeting last month, we discussed the importance of the Meeting Guide App. I asked each GSR to fill out a form I created for their home group meeting and some GSRs volunteered (lol) to get information from a meeting other than their own. I will utilize these for updating the Meeting Guide App with more information, including accessibility and a one-tap option for all hybrid and online meetings. If the group did not have a GSR I asked for a phone number and email address for a contact person. This will enable me to contact as many groups and meetings as possible with the Agenda Item Summaries and motions, even if I can't get to the meeting personally. Thank you for being my inspiration Rainey. In February, a GSR asked me for a list of dates to put on her calendar for the next year, a girl after my own heart, so I created a brief spreadsheet for our GSRs.

For the past few weeks, the assigned teams have been working feverishly on the summaries so they could be posted on the Area website and made available to the **entire** body of Alcoholics Anonymous. Minus a few glitches, the website is working smoothly. District 6 will be discussing the CPC Agenda Item Summaries, two proposed motions, and the Area's finances in relation to the Technology motion, at our monthly business meeting on Thursday, March 16th at 6:15 pm at the Yakima Alano Club.

On March 3rd the D6/20 Service Workshop committee met and reviewed job duties, finances, and speakers. The workshop will be held at the Bethlehem Lutheran Church, in Yakima, Washington, on May 20th from 10 am to 2 pm. Everyone is invited to attend this annual event. We will be discussing service work, committee work, and our Third Legacy. Many great speakers are lined up to share their experience, strength, and hope! Please join us, bring your friends, bring a side dish, all are welcome!! This is a great opportunity to fill that spiritual cup and keep sharing and giving to the newcomer. For more information contact Anna V. at altdcm6@area92aa.org or Steve O. at altdcm20@area92aa.org.

The 2024 PCA (Pre-Conference Assembly) committee is meeting concurrently with the D6/20 Service Workshop committee since many members have a commitment on both committees. We have open chair positions and committee positions. We encourage and welcome you to join us. We meet the first Friday of each month at 6 pm at the Yakima Alano Club. Our next meeting will be April 7th. We are currently searching for a facility that provides for our needs, including the cost for the desired space, and that meets our technology needs. We will have a 'Save the Date' flier at the 2023 PCA. The 2024 PCA will be held on April 12, 13, & 14, 2024, in Yakima, Washington.

If you are interested in receiving any of the above-mentioned forms, please contact me at dc6@area92aa.org or 509-517-9138.

YIS,
Michelle W.
AREA92/DCM6

District 7

Hello WSEA92!

Currently we are in the final planning stages of the spring assembly! This is taking much of our attention at this time so other activities by the district have not been planned. Our next planning meeting and district meeting will be Saturday March 11 at 11: 30am for the planning committee and 1:30pm for the district meeting at the Clarkston Alano Club. We do still have positions open in the district including PI, CPC, Corrections, and Treasurer. I am still hopeful to fill these before the end of the rotation! It was a pleasure to work on the summary sheets with many others in the area and looking forward to the discussions to come! We have one group planning a June 10 AA birthday event

which will be really exciting! I will get details to the area as soon as we have a flyer! I hope you all travel safely to Ephrata as well as here in april!

Yours in Service

Kyley S.

District 8

Greetings AA's trusted servants. Coming up we have our District 8 inventory which we have picked the date of May 6, 2023 and we have the April Area 92 pre-conference Assembly to prepare for. All of the conference agenda items have been posted on the Area 92 website under the "resources" tab in addition to the summary sheets. There will be a March 11 agenda item review in Spokane from noon to 3 pm if interested. The agenda items and summary sheets to be addressed will be sent out shortly.

Thank you all for attending our district meetings, there has been some discussion about attendance concerns expressed to me that we do not have enough participation. As of this year's rotation we have 20 groups that are noted as "home groups" with business meetings. Of those 20 we have 3 groups that currently do not have GSR. Those are: KISS, Ft. Sherman and Good Morning AA. We have 17 Groups with GSR's. In our District, we have 5 officer/elected positions- currently 4 are filled we do not have an alt-treasurer. We have 9 committee positions, 8 are filled as we need a new Web Chair person. Helen has been filling in for now. This totals 34 positions not including the Central Office in District-plus we have people holding 2 positions or fill-ins at the meeting if a person is not available. We also have guests from the district that are counted as attending. Considering we have 5 unfilled positions, 1-3 double served our average attendance is 24 members. Some months we have more and some months we have less. In 2022 our lowest attendance was in December where we had 20 members and our highest month was March 2022 with 31 (5 guests). I have a chart with the numbers that I have put together if anyone is interested.

Updated: General timeline for the conference agenda items:

- February 28 – Completion of summary sheets and forwarded to Groups for review. (IN PROCESS)
- **March 18 - Standing Committee Workshop - Team leaders will host their respective breakout rooms.**
- **April 14-16 Pre-Conference Assembly. Lewiston ID, Hosted by District 7.**
- **April 22 - 28** General Service Conference, Brooklyn NY.

Notes from (**February 14, 2023**) District Meeting:

We had 13 GSR's, 3 officers, 7 committee chairs and 2 guests attend. **Total of 25 district members attending.**

Activities – Attended Feb-Mar 2023:

Finance Committee meeting: February 6 & March 6, 2023

Ad Hoc Inventory Meeting: February 18, 2023

DCM January Meeting: Monthly DCM roundtable with Alt-Chair Benjamin G.

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

GSC Agenda Item discussion: March 11, 2023-noon to 3 pm. (flyer in DE)

District 8 Inventory: Ad Hoc committee met on Feb 18, 2023. Next meeting April EOM.

Standing Committee Workshop: March 19, 2023. Ephrata, WA. ZOOM: 889 8342 5988 pw 121222

Pre-Conference Assembly: April 14-16, 2023. Registration now open, flyers in DE.

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

****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 there is a form for submission. Please send completed forms to Carin @ newsletterdistrict8@gmail.com.**

District 9

Greetings to all from District 9, we are alive and well in the greater Walla Walla area. The district has been working on updating our guidelines and we have received an array of responses from groups and from other district DCM's which is greatly appreciated. As with any change in AA, it is a process but things work out just like they are supposed to in the end. This month and next we will be working on review and input on the Agenda items for the General Service Conference. Our Treatment and Accessibility Chair, Louise T, has coordinated with Michael O to get GV subscriptions into local treatment facilities. Our fellowship members have planned a fun bowling event for March 12th which should be a Big Strike. I look forward to seeing many of you in Ephrata this month and Lewiston in April as I will be attending on behalf of our DCM, Judy. Last but not least is a shoutout to the members of the district fellowship who attend meetings, open the doors and make coffee, without these basic of all service activities, we wouldn't have AA.

Sincerely
Richard B
Alt DCM 9

District 10

District 10 would like to celebrate the following long list of birthdays for February!

Damon 8 months
Scott 1 year
Tim 35 years
Lisa 33 years
Andrea 34 years
Diana 30 days
Kristin 4 years
Isabelle 36 years
Matt 13 years
Dawn 9 months
Chelsey 6 months
Faithlynn 90 days
Don 8 months
Jim 22 years
Pat 14 years
Roger 9 months
Caden 18 months

Cody L.

District 11

District 12

Hello!

Here it is March 2023. And boy are we gearing up for plenty of activity, listening and carrying the message!

First, I want to welcome District 12's newest GSR, Betty N. Representing the Grand Coulee/ Electric City AA groups! Honestly, they found us. My footsteps hadn't taken me to this county ...yet! But these guys are on fire! They elected various chairs and service positions and are even putting on a Public Information Workshop, March 10th, 2023, 5:00-6:30pm at the Rural Resources Center, 19 Midway Ave. Leroy W. Is the PI Chair who's put this workshop together. Topics will include AA's History and Development. What we do and what we don't do. Personal Stories. Ending with dinner and fellowship. It not their first rodeo...they did one a couple of years ago.

With quick succession we have a couple of carloads from all over District 12 coming to attend and help in any way we can! I hope you all can meet them at our Standing Committee Workshop so that additional connections can be

made! Or just come that night!

Sharon, our Treatments Chair, hosted two separate panels at our local OBHC. Word from the staff at OBHC is that the panelists who attended really caused an effect on the attendees by sharing their experience, strength and hope with them. In fact some of those folks found their way into the rooms after their treatment according to Mike A.

The Tonasket Serenity Group has dibs on a 16x16 office space in a 1912 building that's currently being gutted and restored. It'll have access to a small kitchen and a restroom. We are grateful to the member who put in a word for us and who is also helping to restore the building.

We're also gearing up for the Standing Committee Meeting, Okanogan Winter Round Up, Agenda Items work to our groups, receiving newcomers, making mistakes, getting back up and beginning again.

Bill W. says, "Every man and woman who has joined A.A. and intends to stick has, without realizing it, made a beginning.... Pg. 35 12x12

Here are our March Birthdays!

Gary 31 years

Greg 13 years

Lisa B. 2 years

Peace

Jacqueline C

Area92 DCM D12

District 13

Hello from District 13. We are as busy as ever with new meetings and activities. New Meetings like Take the Steps and Liberty Lake Happy Hour and they are in the schedule. There are different events like Bingo Night and the All District Potluck speaker meetings along with the upcoming events like the Standing Committee Workshop and the Assembly in April. See attached flyers. See ya soon.

FLYERS are in the back of the newsletter..

Jamie K. District 13 DCM

District 14

Another busy month for District 14. In spite of Super Bowl Sunday, we had an excellent turnout for the district meeting. A new Corrections/Treatment Chair has taken on that role, and we are beginning to get meetings back in the Bonner County jail. Christina has developed a good relationship with the key contact, and she is working to get members registered to bring meetings into the jail. We discussed holding two workshops ahead of the October district elections to help build understanding of the district committee and the positions, and hopefully build more interest in serving at the district level. We also reviewed the new draft for forming a district technology committee chair position. We will review it one more time before we send it on to the groups for their consideration of the motion. We will bring the motion up for a vote at the April meeting. We also discussed the timeline for reviewing the Pre-Conference agenda items, and how the district committee wants to process them this go around. We will do the deep dive on the agenda items at our April meeting.

I had the pleasure of working with the Archives, Public Information and Literature teams to help prepare summary sheets for the GSC agenda items. We are all more familiar with the process and how to condense a lot of information down to key summary points. The process was efficient, and we got the summaries done within a short time frame. Thanks to all for continuing to make the process better.

Andy C.

District 15

District 16

District 17

Greetings from your newly elected DCM 17.

My name is Patsy Mc. And I am an alcoholic.

My sobriety date is 4-6-1988

I want to say hello to the Groups and Districts as a new DCM. I have previously been in service in District, Central Office and in Area 92. My term as GSR for Prescription for Living was up and it was rotation time in our Group and District 17. I must remember that this is a WE program not a Me program. I am excited to serve and hope to see and hear from all of you soon.

Since I felt that I was now physically able again to serve, I have had medical issues in the past and was unable to do much. I am doing better now and feel I can do the service work with a little help from others. Our Alt DCM Ed was stepping down because of his own ongoing health issues and he was not making himself available for DCM, and I really want to thank Ed for all that he did stepping into the DCM role as an alternate for District 17.

Please feel free to contact me with any concerns, questions, or comments. You or your groups may reach me at dcm17@area92.org

Your in Service,

Patsy Mc

District 18

District 19

District 20

District 21

District 22

District 23

District 24

District 25

District 26

Hello everyone. Hope you all had a great month. Well agenda summaries are done for another year,I hope the GSR's find them helpful in gathering their groups conscience. Thank you to everyone involved in the process.

Here in District 26 we are starting to prepare for the June Standing Committee Workshop. It would be wonderful to see you all in person,Libby is a beautiful place to be that time of year!

We are going to revive the Blue Moon camp out this summer, there will be more details to come. If I'm not mistaken we plan to get a flier posted on the website in plenty of time for all of you to make plans to attend. Don't forget that we also have the Gazebo Boys camp out the first weekend in June at Bull Lake.

Well have fun reviewing the agenda items and we will see you at the March Standing Committee Workshop.

Thank you for your service,

Todd D.

Past Delegate FYI

Happy New Year Area 92

I have been promising myself for years to set down and write something for the Newsletter. As a long time servant of the Area as GSR and by continuing to be willing to make myself available to Delegate and now Past Delegate, over 32 years of service to both Area 72 and then Area 92 after the split. Many might wonder what exactly is a Past Delegates position in the Area. Actually as we stand – Nothing except the bearer of a lot of History and knowledge. Each of the Delegates was assigned to a committee at their individual Conferences. Where they gained a lot of experience in the workings of AA structure and firsthand experience of the Traditions and Concepts at work. But along the journey a dose of Love for the brilliance of the institution of the General Service as conceived by Bill Wilson and a group that provided Bill with the council that formed the Charter that has saved so many lives. And Bill's insistence that the Conference be formed and he gave us an outline of the principals for which we conduct ourselves as the purveyors of the Enduring life-giving program of Alcoholics Anonymous. Our lives like yours have been filled with the joy of serving and the extreme admiration of learning from the giants that stood ahead of us.

Mike Mc.

Motions

Motion:*

The Technology Committee moves that WSEA 92 establishes an initial operating budget for the Technology Committee of up to \$3000 for 2023 and then a budget of \$1500 for 2024 and thereafter.

Background to support funding for Technology Committee Operating Budget

During these last couple of years of trial, error and success, WSEA 92 has seen the benefit of the new and expanding technologies. The technology committee believes that as WSEA 92 embraces these new technologies and their management, the area will continue to grow and remain united. Currently, in addition to their existing duties, the Technology Committee has been shouldering the ever increasing demands of providing avenues and resources of technology to WSEA 92 with borrowed equipment and donated time in order to provide a hybrid option for our area events. As the Technology committee has reflected on the current circumstances existing in WSEA 92, with a vision to the future, we believe the demands on the Technology committee will only increase with time. The Technology Committee needs a yearly operating budget to be fully self-supporting and not be dependent upon personal donations. Annual funding will vary based on existing requirements and new obligations delegated to the Technology committee. For example, initial costs to implement the hybrid meeting format won't be recurring. A maintenance and replacement budget would be lower than the initial startup costs. Recurring costs would include onsite support for fulfilling the onsite and online audio-visual requirements.

The formation of the Technology Committee was approved by the WSEA 92 Body in 2021. While the Technology Committee Chair position is funded for attending WSEA 92 Assemblies, Quarterlies and Standing Committee workshops, funding has not been approved to support the responsibilities and functions listed in the WSEA 92 Handbook and the approved motion creating the Technology Committee. Additionally, with the approval of hybrid meeting motion, the area has the responsibility to implement hybrid (in-person and online) functionality to all Assemblies, Quarterlies and Standing Committee workshops.

The functions and responsibilities the Technology Committee are currently providing include:

- Record all WSEA 92 Assembly and Quarterly meetings
- Provide audio/visual capabilities for all Assembly, Quarterlies and Standing Committee Workshops
 - In person/facility AV capabilities
 - Online AV capabilities
- Maintain an online meeting platform to support virtual and hybrid meeting requirements.
 - Includes platform license
 - Includes additional online functionality required by the Area
- Support the WSEA 92 Website and all its functions
- Support the technical needs for the newsletter and archives committees
- Support voting/polling system that meets the requirements for Assembly and Quarterly meetings
- Develop and provide technical training for the WSEA 92 Elected, appointed and DCM's
- Support and maintain the WSEA 92 owned equipment necessary to fulfill the requirements listed above
- Recommend technology solutions to the WSEA 92 body and if approved, implement the

solution.

- o Examples include potential online meeting registration/payment.
- Provide technical expertise to support other functions of the Area

Technology Committee Areas:

Hardware :

Computers, A/V Mixers, Cameras, Microphones, Projectors, Auxiliary Equipment, Headsets, Translation Equipment, Printers, Scanners, Monitors

Website :

Internet Service Provider, Domain Registration, Programming, Maintenance, Meeting Management, Group Management, New Functions

WSEA 92 Google Workspace:

Gmail, Google Drive, Google Meet, Google Calendar, Google Docs, Google Sheets, Google Translation, Online Databases, Google Forms, Google Spaces

Software / Programing:

Current Software and Programs, Evaluation of new software and Programs.

Technical Support:

Pre, during and Post onsite A/V support and production, Onsite Recording, Translation support , Training Support (New Rotation, WSEA Website, WSEA 92 Google Workspace)

Training for Tech Committee (A/V Systems, Website, Google Workspace, New Technologies)

Labor:

In Person (Recording, A/V Person, Online In-Person liaison)

Online (Online Host, Online Co-Host)

As a technology committee tasked with providing the necessary equipment for our AA Area, we have gained a thorough understanding of the costs involved in acquiring and maintaining audio-visual equipment. We have also developed a system that is compatible with most facilities and staffed with trained personnel to ensure smooth operation. Our goal has been to create a seamless online and in-person experience while also efficiently conducting AA business. To achieve this, we have experimented with borrowing equipment and evaluating different options based on cost. However, we have found that the cost of renting audio-visual equipment from facilities has been increasingly expensive. By funding the Technology Committee, we can realize significant savings for our Area.

If Passed:

The Technology Committee will be funded and the handbook will be updated and modified to reflect the requirements of this motion.

If Not Passed:

The Technology Committee will not be able to meet the requirements and duties outlined by prior motions.

Ad-Hoc Hybrid Committee Motion

The Hybrid Ad-hoc Committee moves that we change

Section 2.0 WSEA 92 Assemblies

From

WSEA 92 requires that all floor motions presented at WSEA 92 Assemblies and Quarterlies be submitted by the maker of the motion, with copies to be placed into all WSEA 92 Committee and DCM mailboxes by noon Saturday, with Spanish translations made available to Spanish speaking Districts.

To

WSEA 92 requires that all floor motions presented at WSEA 92 Assemblies and Quarterlies be submitted **to the Secretary by 5pm Friday** by the maker of the motion, with copies to be placed into all WSEA 92 Committee and DCM mailboxes by noon Saturday, with Spanish translations made available to Spanish speaking Districts. **The motion will be distributed electronically to those attending the event online by noon on Saturday.**

Background

Hybrid format is now the standard format for Area Assemblies, Quarterlies and Standing Committee Workshops (Motion passed in 2022). Providing motions to the Secretary by 5pm on Friday gives time for the Secretary to make sure the motion is ready for electronic distribution by noon on Saturday to those attending the Assembly or Quarterly online.



WSEA 92

2023 STANDING COMMITTEE WORKSHOP

SATURDAY MARCH 18, 2023

OUR REDEEMER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

172 IVY St SE, EPHRATA, WA 98823

9:00-NOON, LUNCH PROVIDED, 1:00-3:00

PLEASE NOTIFY ASAP FOR VEGAN MEALS OR SPECIAL NEEDS

CONTACT: NATE M. dcm19@area92aa.org

HYBRID MEETING HOSTED BY DISTRICT 19!

PLEASE RSVP FOR IN PERSON ATTENDANCE (FOOD)

ZOOM MEETING ID: 889 8342 5988

PASSCODE: 121222

2022-2023 SCHEDULE AREA 92 STANDING COMMITTEE WORKSHOPS

WORKSHOPS BEGIN AT 10 AM

March 19th 2022 - District 19 - Ephrata, WA.
June 18th 2022 – District 2 – Spokane, WA.
Sept. 17th 2022 – District 12 – Omak, WA.
Dec. 10th 2022 - District 9 – Walla Walla
March 18th 2023 – District 19 - Ephrata, WA.
June 17th 2023 – District 26 – Libby, Mt.
Sept. 16th 2023 - District 6 - Yakima, WA.
Dec. 9th 2023 – District 3 – Spokane, WA.

ZOOM MEETING INFORMATION

Meeting I. D. :
889 8342 5988
Password : 121222

AREA 92 WEBSITE INFORMATION AREA92AA.ORG

CONTACT INFORMATION CHAIR@AREA92AA.ORG

**ALL AA
MEMBERS
WELCOME**

IN- PERSON AND HYBRID MEETINGS

Lunch Provided for
In-Person Attendees

NO REGISTRATION FEE

RSVP for In-person
Lunch.

COMMITTEES

Archives
CPC
Corrections
Grapevine & Literature
Newsletter
Public Information
Technology
Translation
Treatment &
Accessibilities

**JOIN IN AND
CARRY THE
MESSAGE OF
A.A.**



Washington State East
AREA 92
Alcoholics Anonymous

April 14, 15, 16
2023

Pre-Conference Assembly

Hells Canyon Grand Hotel

621 21st St. Lewiston, ID 83501

Hosted by: District 7

| Host Hotel | Other Nearby Hotels |
|--|---|
| Hells Canyon Grand Hotel – (208) 799-1000 621 21 st St, Lewiston, ID 83501 \$129.00 (taxes not included) – Rate until 3/15/23 Group Name: WSEA92 | FairBridge Inn & Suites – Lewiston (208) 746-3311 1325 Main St, Lewiston, ID 83501 \$99.00 (taxes not included) – Rate until 2/1/23 Group Name: WSEA92 |
| <u>ONE FORM PER PERSON</u> | Registration Fee – in person (\$30.00)..... \$ _____ |
| Name: _____ | Friday Ice Cream Social (\$12.00*)..... \$ _____ |
| District _____ Position: _____ | Saturday Lunch (traditional buffet-\$23.00*)..... \$ _____ |
| Phone: _____ | Saturday Dinner (bite size steak buffet-\$35.00*)..... \$ _____ |
| Email: _____ | Sunday Speaker Breakfast (\$24.00*)..... \$ _____ |
| Address: _____ | Registration Fee – Hybrid (\$30.00)..... \$ _____ |
| | TOTAL..... \$ _____ |
| | (*20% gratuity & 6% sales tax is included in meal costs.) |

****Every A.A. Group ought to be fully self-supporting, declining outside contributions****

Your reservation of rooms at Hells Canyon Grand and participation in meals pays for this event. We look forward to seeing full participation in April. Thank You!

Please make your check payable to District 7

Coffee Mug Available

Mail your completed Registration to:

District 7, P.O. Box 1834, Lewiston, ID 83501

Registrations received after April 5, 2023—cannot guarantee meal availability

Reserve your room early please! Room block rate held until

March 15, 2023 at Hells Canyon Grand (February 1, 2023 at FairBridge Inn & Suites)

QUESTIONS:

| <u>Reservations:</u> | <u>Special Accommodation Needs</u> |
|---|--|
| Reservation Chair: Brenda Mc (208) 805-9110 – dist7preconf@gmail.com Co-Chair: Greg F. (208) 503-9378 | Host Chair: Heather G. (208) 305-3544 Co-Chair: Jason B. (208) 596-3125 |
| Alternate Housing Options: Kyle S. (208) 305-1573 | |

Please direct all
communications to:
P.O. Box 459
Grand Central Station
New York, NY 10163
Fax: (212) 870-3000

General Service Conference Delegates
Intergroup and Central Offices
International General Services Offices

Date: February 15, 2023

Warm greetings – we hope that this letter finds you well. We are writing today to inform you of an upcoming price increase affecting our English, Spanish, and French books, booklets, and pamphlets. The new prices will go into effect on April 3, 2023, and generally reflect a 20% increase on books and a 30% increase on pamphlets (with rounding and some minor adjustments).

Some of you have indicated that you anticipated the need for an increase. For historical reference, the last price increases were made in 2014 (18.75%) and 2009 (33.3%). The decision to raise prices in 2023 resulted from prudent fiscal planning with the goal of longer-range stability. Alcoholics Anonymous is not immune from the changes that are impacting all businesses, and one of the greatest to us has been a notable drop in the margins associated with the sale of our literature. To be specific, prior to the SARS-CoV2 pandemic, the costs associated with the production, material, warehousing, and shipping of literature, collectively known as the cost of goods sold, hovered between 31-34% of sales. These same costs have fluctuated from 42-56% of sales in the last two years, resulting in a revenue loss that is greater than \$1.2 million each year. We do not expect this change in the cost of goods sold to resolve in our favor, and the impact is great when considering that the General Service Office is supported through both voluntary contributions and this revenue associated with the sale of literature. We continue to monitor and trim expenses where possible, being mindful of the immense significance of each ‘nickel in the basket’ sent to the General Service Board.

Because we appreciate that there may be high demand in ordering leading up to the increase, we will be taking steps to ensure that purchasing not be monopolized by large buyers during the transition. We will maintain the reduced shipping charges schedule that was adopted in 2022 and the mixed-title quantity discount schedule that was adopted at the close of 2022. The new pricelist, [which can be found here](#) will be reflected on the online store as the increase goes into effect. We anticipate issuing a revised and updated literature catalog in digital and print versions in the coming months.

With gratitude as we await spring.



Deborah K.,
AAWS Board Chair



Bob W.,
General Manager of the General Service Office



MAY 20, 2023

6/20 SERVICE WORKSHOP & POTLUCK 10-2

Main Dish and Drinks Provided-Bring Sides

Everyone is invited to attend this annual event. Hosted by Districts 6 & 20. At this event we will be discussing service work, committee work, and our Third Legacy. Many great speakers lined up to share their experience, strength, and hope! Please join us, bring your friends, bring a side dish, all are welcome!! This is a great opportunity to fill that spiritual cup and keep sharing and giving to the newcomer.

**Annual 6/20
Service
Workshop**

**POTLUCK STYLE
Main Dish &
Drinks Provided**

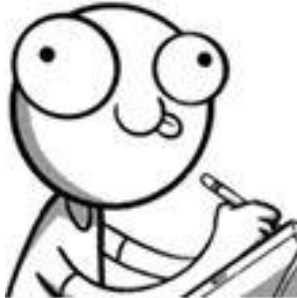
**Bring a SIDE
DISH**

Great Speakers

**Please Join Us
in this Great
Event and |
opportunity to
hear about
service work
and how vital it
is to Alcoholics
Anonymous.**

BETHLEHEM
LUTHERAN CHURCH
801 Tieton Drive Yakima,
WA 98902
Questions: Anna
Alt-DCM6
509-406-2262
May 20, 2023, 10am-2pm

AA traditions Workshop



When: 4th Saturday of the Month from Noon – 1:30

1/28/2023, 2/25/2023, 3/25/2023, 4/22/2023, 5/27/2023...etc.

Where: Spokane Alano Club

1700 W. 7th Ave., Spokane WA

(large conference room)

- Traditions – Discussion of Spiritual Principle
- Traditions – How they work in our personal relationships
- Traditions – How they work in service



Tradition material packets will be available at the workshop

Snacks and Coffee will be provided

"Exactly the same principle applies to each A.A. group and to Alcoholics Anonymous as a whole. So long as the ties which bind us together prove far stronger than those forces which would divide us if they could, all will be well. We shall be secure as a movement; our essential unity will remain a certainty." Excerpt From Grapevine Article by Bill W in 1955

Presented by Holly H and her traditions committee, sponsored by District 17

Happy Hour Group invites you to



and



Potluck

Fun

Friday March 10th

6:30pm—9pm

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church

2511 S Pines Rd

Spokane Valley, WA

Food

Doors open 6pm

Bngo Starts 7pm

Prizes

Questions?

Call or text:

Steffy 208-290-5645

Justin 509-290-4185

Nicole 253-797-7592



NEW MEETING IN LIBERTY LAKE

Starts 2/20/2023

LIBERTY LAKE HAPPY HOUR

AA GROUP

Mondays 5:00pm – 6:00pm

Legacy Church, 23129 E Mission Ave, Liberty Lake, WA 99019

(Legacy Church Conference Room)

New Meeting/Meeting Change Form
(For Schedules Only)

Meeting Name: Take the Steps
(the elevator is broken)
12+12 book meeting
Meeting Location: Sw City Church
10920 E Sprague Ave. Spokane Valley
Meeting Time: 6:30-7:30 A.M. or P.M.
Meeting Day: Mondays
(begins 10/24/22)
Please circle one: OPEN or CLOSED Meeting
Wheelchair Accessible: YES or NO
Contact Person: Shelley Van Winkle
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SPRING DISTRICT 13

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