#### **April 2023 Newsletter**

#### Panel 72 Issue 16

**Mssion Statement** 

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



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#### **Greetings Area 92!**

I'd like to take this moment and talk about our 7th Tradition, "Every AA group ought to be fully self-supporting, declining outside contributions." Which I interpret to mean that me, as an individual, need to support my group and meetings I attend. I got sober in Reno, Nevada in 1983. Back then, a glass of draft beer was fifty cents and well drinks were a buck. Of course name brand bottles of beer were a buck and liquor was a couple of bucks or more depending how high up the shelf you went. Now, why am I telling you all this? Well when I got sober I would contribute a dollar to the basket that was passed around in meetings. That's because I felt I would contribute the cost of a bottle of beer to the basket. As I became involved in a home group, I learned that our group contributed excess monies to the Reno Central Office/ Intergroup, to our District, to Area 42, and GSO. As I remember, we did 25% to each entity just mentioned. When I became a GSR, I learned the District also donated excess monies on up the latter. I know that Area's do the same. Of course, this was all done through group consciousness and not by individual members.

So now I want to talk about Inflation. I know that evil word we hear about in the news affecting our livelihood today by increasing the cost in housing, food and energy. We all experience it and there is no escaping it. It is, what it is! Acceptance helps me deal with it and gratitude lets me love the things that I have. I've learned It could always be worse. So according to The U.S. Inflation Calculator, (usinflationcalculator.com), my one dollar beer back then would cost me 3 dollars and change today. I'm retired today and generally go to 3-4 meetings a week. For a while now, I've been giving \$2 - \$3 to the basket but now after taking this little inventory and looking at my finances, I can afford to give more.

Take a look at your own situation and if you can afford to give more, please do if you can, so the doors are always open for the next newcomer.

Doug M.

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

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!

Thanks to all those who put together, and those participating in our workshop in Ephrata. Area 92 has always stepped up in preparing for the General Service Conference Agenda and this year was no exception. 92's Fellowship makes the delegate's job easy. **THANK YOU!** 

Well folks, the table is set. The April Pre-Conference Assembly is our last stop on the road to the 73rd General Service Conference. It has been so much fun getting ready this year. The many people creating and distributing the agenda summaries, the Ephrata workshop, and review meetings has been a remarkable effort. I am inspired by the number of phone calls, texts, and emails with questions and comments regarding this years' agenda. It is difficult to express the depth of my gratitude for the opportunity to be of service, and to service with such amazing people!

At the assembly I will be listening to *everyone* share their experience, viewpoints, and Group conscience on the agenda items. I am honored and excited to share your thoughts during the deliberations of the Conference. Thank you again Washington State East Area 92 for supporting me on this journey. With you in our hearts, my wife Tina and I will be on a plane to Brooklyn, New York two days following the Assembly. What an incredible ride this has been....

73rd GSC Theme:

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

Ben

#### **Area Alternate Delegate**

Sorry to report that I have nothing to report since I have had an old fashioned cold since returning from PRAASA in Los Angeles last month. This is the first week I've been out and to meetings. We were to have a GSO membership meeting today but it was canceled and we will be held on April 20th for the Area Registrars.

I did receive an inquiry about a GSR school but the District hasn't gotten back to me for a date so as soon as you meet please let me know your decision.

I'm looking forward to seeing you next weekend in Lewiston.

Yours in service, Diana Alt Delegate Area 92 Panel 72

#### **Area Chairperson**

Greetings Area 92!

March and early April have been very busy! Working with all of the Pre-conference events and getting ready for the Assembly this month, I have had a lot of service work to do. It is always an honor and privilege.

First working with all of the summaries for the pre-conference agenda items. Translating and converting them to working .pdf files and working with Ben N. and the Tech committee for final placement on the area website.

Next on March 11<sup>th</sup> I attended the Pre-conference review with the Spokane Districts. What a great discussion. Thank you to Rainey M. and Susan N. and District 2 for hosting the event. These discussions are great for the groups and members. A great opportunity to ask questions and get clarification on the agenda items.

On March 18<sup>th</sup> I attended the Standing committee workshop in Ephrata with District 19 and the various Standing committee Chairs. Thank you to Nate M, DCM of District 19 and Doug M our Area 92 newsletter Editor for hosting the event. Great Job District 19 for the lunch and support for the event. Val. D our Area Archives Chair and myself hosted 3 committee discussions for the Conference Committees AGENDA / ARCHIVES / International Conventions and Regional Forums. We had a great discussion and report for those committees. Thanks to all for your participation in these discussions!

On April 1<sup>st</sup> we had our online Area Town Hall meeting with the many members of the area and once again the various comments and questions were really good to hear. It helps in planning the assembly discussion and get a perspective for what items might be discussed at the assembly.

In addition I have had a couple of sponsees to work with, regular AA meetings to attend, 3 area video conferences to host along with phone calls and emails and document writing. It's a full schedule most of the time.

I look forward to seeing everyone in Lewiston at our Assembly April 14<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup>.!

Until then, have a great month!

Best regards!

Benjamin Panel 72/ AG. Area 92 Chair/ PA

#### **Area Alternate Chairperson**

Happy, Joyous and Free is how I feel now that the sunshine is melting the snow away, the frogs are waking up, the birds are chirping, and new life is beginning as spring has arrived in Montana.

I was able to attend the Standing Committee Workshop in Ephrata, hosted by District 19, Nate and the crew did an amazing job again, all the Appointed Chairs were well prepared to review the agenda items, the tech team rocked it as always, I am so blessed and proud to be a small part of the great big whole of Area 92, thank you all for being of service.

I look forward to seeing you all in the LC Valley in a couple weeks for the Pre-Con Assembly, remember we are still looking for hosting districts for the October 2024 Inventory Assembly, January 2024 Quarterly and we will be taking bids for the April Pre-Con Assembly 2025, so talk to your districts and groups about hosting an Area event, it's a great way to introduce newcomers and sponsee's to the service structure and besides we would love to take a road trip to your neck of the woods.

In July we will be headed to Pasco for the Quarterly, hosted by District 24 and then onto Spokane in October for the Election Assembly, hosted by District 2, all committees are right on track for their event, flyers will be forth coming, so watch the newsletter and the website for upcoming events.

It's a pleasure to be of service,

In Love and Gratitude, Lisa G.

#### Area Treasurer

Treasurer Highlights March 2023

Well, not much more to report for the month of March. I did get to swing into the Standing committee workshop and chat with some amazing women about General Service Agenda Items. I was able to share about the self support packets. Which is a great topic I love when we get to discuss literature. Do you know what is in the self support packet? If you are interested in learning or if you would like one for your home group or one of the meetings you attend please see me at the upcoming Assembly and I would be glad to share one with you. This was a review item for the finance committee. Did you know that? This packet can also be helpful when discussing money motions in your District and home groups. You as a member are responsible to tell us in the Area and GSO how to spend your donated dollars. I, as you do, like having a say in how we spend money.

We also discussed the equal distribution agenda item on whether or not we want the advisory action regarding changing our 12x12 to be rescinded and make no changes to the 12x12. So if you were one of the people that would like them to leave Bill W writing alone, or if you are a person that is offended by words used in a different time please pass your information on to Ben in writing or verbally.

We also talked about the agenda item to update our literature to reflect where to send your donations to the General Service Office(GSO). However the checks should be made payable to the General Service Board (GSB). Though this sounds simple however, getting your dollars to work for those who suffer with Alcoholism is important. So until they can complete this process please carry the message to your groups and to our members.

We also had three additional money agenda one was to increase the recommended 1800 dollar contribution for our delegate expenses. We currently meet this suggestion and will be reviewing a motion to provide additional funds to send GSB for the general service conference. We may want to consider suggesting that we have the Conference increase this request as they are projecting the cost to pay for the attendance of each delegate is 9K. Then we need to consider that some Areas may not be able to meet this can't the suggested amount. So we want them to feel less than that they are not equal to any other area. These are just thoughts to consider as we get close to the Assembly.

The other two items have to do with how much a person can leave to AA in their will and the other is an annual donation by a member of AA annually these are significant amounts of money. Please search your hearts and consider the spiritual considerations.

I look forward to hearing your voice and am anxiously awaiting you as a member and home group's voice.

I have updated the DCM Drive with Financial reports for the month of March. The folder is hundred (March 2023). You will find a report that shows total expenses, for 2022 March expenses, and the first quarter profit and loss report.

Cindy, Bryan and I continue to meet to work on QuickBooks learning and training. It is truly the 12<sup>th</sup> step in action.

We as a finance committee will be meeting one more time to discuss the projected budget for Area92. I will be presenting this to the body at the Assembly barring no problems.

Thank you for your continued support and encouragement to become a better human. The joys of life is having a voice getting to hear yours.

With love and service. Fran

#### **Area Alternate Treasurer**

Alt-Treasurer Report April 2023

Greetings to the body

PRAASA was fun and Area 92 was well represented. I am looking forward to the Lewiston assembly and discussion on Agenda items.

I will be bringing a motion to Lewiston for an additional \$800 funding for our delegate costs to GSO along with supporting background information.

Please know that I (and all of your elected representatives) welcome any feedback from the body (you). While I am personally charged with proper handling of contributions from individuals and groups (as well as event returns etc.) any input specific to how the Area spends (or doesn't spend) your money is welcome. So if there is something we should or should not be doing (or considering), or if you just have a question, I encourage you to reach out. I can either answer your question, get an answer for you, or we can make it Area business.

Thanks to all for your contributions.

Contributions for February were \$3,139.37

	TOTAL		TOTAL
April B	21.85	District 09 Wednesday First Step Group - 000027292	30.00
District 02 Spokane (S. of River) 1st Things First - 113726	10.00	Total District 09	30.00
Step Sisters Of Spokane - 000080536	300.00	District 10 Cle Elum Group - 000099275	150.00
Total District 02 Spokane (S. of River)	310.00	Total District 10	150.00
District 03 Spokane (N. of River to Wellesley) Grateful Ladies - 000108038	81.65	District 12 New Beginnings Group - 000031098	30.00
Sisters In Sanity	26.45	Total District 12	30.00
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District 04 Tri Cities, Kennewick Hilltoppers Group - 000110549	19.00	Total District 14	70.50
Richland Fellowship - 000057246	56.12	District 15 Positivley Sober Group - 000050955	40.00
Total District 04 Tri Cities, Kennewick	75.12	Total District 15	40.00
District 05 Apple Capital Group - 117721	400.00	District 17 AA Welcome Home Online Group -	144.20
Total District 05	400.00	Total District 17	144.20
District 06 WagonAArs - 000020335	54.50	District 19 Early Morning Group - 000102479	150.00
Total District 06	54.50	Friday Night KISS - 664813	67.00
District 07 Jokers Wild - 000112410	32.83	Total District 19	217.00
Stoddard Group	75.00	District 20 Chance 4 Change - 000098688	25.00
Total District 07	107.83	Total District 20	25.00
District 08 Daily Reprieve II - 000100886	71.07 District 22 New Freedom Group - 000032308		50.00
Get The Spirit - 76595	100.00	Total District 22	50.00
GMAA - 000107596	514.20	District 23 End Of The Road Group - 113783	
Keep It Simple Group - 000005050	50.00	Total District 23	250.00
Spiritual Awakening Group - 000283537	37 50.00 District 24		60.00
Total District 08	785.27	Grupo 12 - 618027	10.00
		Total District 24	70.00
		Early Birds Group - 102424	200.00
		TOTAL	\$3,139.37

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,

Happy spring! The snow is gone, but for a couple of stubborn spots. Evidence of the first flowers of the season are beginning to sprout. Hooray, I finally made it over to the new repository at Hayden last month. It is so nice. Lisa D and I made a start on putting together the traveling display for this month's pre-conference assembly.

I attended the Standing Committee workshop in Ephrata last month. I was assigned to International Conferences/Regional Forums as well as Archives agenda items. We didn't have much to discuss on the Archives item but we had a very good discussion on the 4 items under International Conventions/Regional Forums.

I am looking forward to seeing some of you in Lewiston this month. While you are at the assembly I hope you will visit the WSEA 92 Archives display.

Respectfully,

Valerie D. Panel 72 Archives Chair

#### **Area Archivist**

Hi Everybody,

Everything is going great at our new repository. Our archives are nice and cozy with our perfectly controlled environment. Our temperature and humidity are right at the recommended levels and we can be sure that the life of our collection is going to be much longer now. Thank you all for pulling together and making it happen!

I have been working hard sprucing up and adding new items to our Traveling Archive Display. Since we moved into our new location I have been receiving many new donations and it is so exciting! We have received some really old and inspirational items from Maryland, Archivist at WA Area 72. Area 72 decided The PIoneer Group donations out of Walla Walla State Penitentiary were better suited in our collection and when Valerie (Archive Chair) and I went to the Regional Archives Workshop we picked them up. After going through and reading everything I have decided that there is an amazing story to tell so Valerie and I will be putting together a presentation for the October Assembly. There will be a display with some of the items at the April 14th Assembly. I hope everyone enjoys it. Valerie will be overseeing it since I won't be there. The Archivist is not funded to go to Assemblies but I am hoping that will change in the future. I love interacting with everyone and talking about the collection and archiving. .

During our Steering Committee meeting we talked about having our open house in September. We decided that we are going to need the time to get things looking really nice for everyone. This way we have the summer to get organized and get things just right. We still have so much work to do!

Sincerely in Service,

Lisa D. WSEA 92 Archivist

#### **Area Corrections Chair**

Hello All,

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

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

Again, March was a little slow for Corrections activity this month. Well...we have had the typical prison drama inside the facilities but luckily this did not interrupt any Alcoholics Anonymous meetings inside. We presently have all of our major adult institutions covered for meetings. However, WSP (Washington State Penitentiary) has approved opening Closed Custody and another Medium Custody that houses "special housing areas for the mentally ill" as Volunteer Coordinator Debra Gilbreth termed this area. Hence, with the addition of two more meetings on Saturdays, we need more volunteers for WSP. REACHING OUT THE AA HAND ESPECIALLY TO LEWISTON IDAHO for volunteers to take meetings into the penitentiary on Saturdays. How it works is that Tri-Cities (used to include Spokane until Spokane volunteers moved to Tri-Cities), Walla Walla, and Yakima currently rotate Saturdays so one Saturday a month is covered by one of these groups. We really need to add Lewiston volunteers since this is not too far to drive once a month. If you would like to volunteer, please write to me at <a href="majority-corrections@area92aa.org">corrections@area92aa.org</a> with your contact information and we will go through the requirements and clearance together.

Confirmed, all of 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).

Last, looking forward to seeing all of you at the Pre-Conference Assembly in Lewiston. If you haven't thought about it, please, come and join us.

#### 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**

And a good day to my fellow members of Area92.

Looking forward to seeing everyone in Lewiston, Idaho.

I have restocked up on books and pamphlets. Please help support your area 92 grapevine Literature and purchase these books. It's a great way to carry the message.

With the inflation going on these days, it's going to be the last time you'll be able to purchase Literature at these prices. Starting next month there will be a 20% increase in pricing for all literature coming out of GSO and Grapevine.

If any district or group would like to purchase from Area92, please let me know and I will reach out to them and do what I can to help them with their inventory. See you soon.

Eddie P

#### **Area Newsletter Editor**

Greetings all,

I don't have much to say this month but to express my appreciation to all of you for being involved in A.A. service. I'll be turning 40 years on April 20th and being in service has been a main focus in my sobriety. My sponsor taught early on that service keeps us humble. The majority of my service has always been at the group level and that's where we get in and become a part of the herd. Changing our playmates, playgrounds, and playthings. Learning to become good husbands and wives, fathers and mothers, friends and citizens of our community. I am grateful and will always want the doors of A.A. to be there, so I've got to be there too!

#### **Area Public Information Chair**

Hello Area 92. How is everybody doing? I am pretty good. We had a good time at the workshop up in Ephrata. In the PI committee we had 9 on zoom and 5 in person. And I have a PI Google Meet Meeting every month on the second Friday of the month at 6:30 pm. For anyone that wants to join or wants to see what its about just let me know pi@area92aa.org

Thanks for letting me serve Ricky L.

Yours in Service Ricky L. WSEA 92 - Panel 72 Public Information Chair (509) 949-7248

#### **Area Technology Chair**

Technology Committee ChairThe 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 contact me at <a href="technology@area92aa.org">technology@area92aa.org</a>.

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

Our website had some issues with slow response times, which can display an error message. Our vendor for our website has built a new server which has solved this issue.

Our committee is responsible for providing Google Workspace functionality for our area. We are considered a non-profit organization by Google, so we get these services at no cost. We have over 70 user accounts. Comparing this to other products like Microsoft, which would charge 5 to 10 dollars per user per month, is one of the main reasons we use Google products. So we encourage everyone involved in service work for your home group, district, or area to learn more about these services. Here is a link to one of the many youtube videos available about Google Workspace - Google Workspace Introduction

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

Looking forward to meeting some of you at the Pre-Conference Assembly in Lewiston.

Dan M. Technology Chair technology@area92aa.org

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#### **Area Treatment Chair**

Dear Area 92 Family and Friends,

During March, my committee and I worked on completing the Area Accessibilities Survey for dissemination to the groups. These will be disseminated at the Pre-conference Assembly in Lewiston this month and we are requesting that they be returned No Later Than (NLT) 31 May 2023. This timeline will allow us to tabulate the data, complete an assessment of the results, procure and send out resources and prepare a suggested plan of action for the Area. We hope to present a final report at the July Assembly. **Full size printable copies are at the end of the newsletter.** 

Yours in Service (YIS),
Michael O.,
Treatment and Accessibilities Chair,

#### **Area Translation Chair**

#### **Finance Committee**

The committee met online March 14 for our second meeting. The focus was on gaining understanding of the current area financial functions and responsibilities listed in the WSEA 92 Handbook and the Finance Committee Guideline document. Financial responsibilities are listed in several areas of the handbook. When viewed as a consolidated whole, the role of the Treasurer and Alternate Treasurer is substantial. Both finance background and technology/accounting program expertise are key to the ability to carry out the current position responsibilities. The next phase of committee work will be to determine the current financial reporting requirements. What reports are required per the handbook or motions? We will also reach out to the Area 92 groups with a survey to help better understand how well the area is communicating the financial information currently being provided.

#### **Website Committee**

#### **Hybrid Ad-hoc Committee**

We met on March 21<sup>st</sup> from 5:30-6:30 pm on Zoom. Eight members of the committee were present to listen to Lisa G., current Alt Chair for Area 92. We asked Lisa to come tell us her thoughts because she so adamantly opposed the motion we presented at the July Quarterly. We wanted to hear another point of view. This report includes Lisa's reflections and input from committee members.

Lisa's main concern was that more people needed to be involved in making emergency decisions on behalf of Area 92. She felt that we were not communicating adequately as an Area. She presented the possibility of polling. The wording of the poll would be critical so that the decision-making process didn't get bogged down. Assuming, of course, that there is time to poll.

At the time of the Covid-19 crisis, Zoom was not well-known. Now that Area 92 has adopted hybrid for its meeting format, we could potentially call a virtual emergency meeting that way.

It was suggested that we might put something in the Introduction to the Area 92 Handbook, rather than make a "rule." Rules tend to make for less communication rather than more.

Lisa emphasized that she did not fault the Area trusted servants at the time of the Covid-19 crisis. She knew they did the best they could. The concern is for what we plan to do if another emergency presents itself. Lisa said the procedure should be spiritual and not just functional.

Lisa is reviewing the meeting minutes for accuracy. When we're sure we understood her correctly, the minutes will be available to anyone who wants them.

In April Allen D. will speak to the Hybrid Ad-hoc Committee. We are listening right now, not drawing conclusions.

As always, anyone is welcome to join us. We meet on Zoom the third Tuesday of the month from 5:30 to 6:30 pm. Contact me a <a href="mailto:dcm2@area92aa.org">dcm2@area92aa.org</a> to get the invitation. I can also be reached at 509-279-5640 for questions or comments.

Thank you for the opportunity to be of service.

Rock on! Rainey M.

#### **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**

Trusted Servant Reports:

We might have a Concepts Workshop sometime in May. Treatment is now taking a meeting into a veterans' home once/month. Three district servants couldn't be there but sent in reports one way or another. The Corrections "Happenings" report went out separately. Dale is out of town. The Grapevine/Literature Chair emailed her report in. Dedication! The Election Assembly Committee Chair couldn't be there but provided a report which was read into the minutes.

The Alt-DCM and DCM were both busy visiting meetings. Only 14 left to go!

Since we just had the **Agenda Items Discussion**, we did not go over the Agenda Items at the March District meeting. They can be accessed at <a href="www.area92aa.org">www.area92aa.org</a> under "Resources." Remember that when the item says, "Review draft pamphlet" that only the committee members see the pamphlet until it is conference approved.

The **Spokane Districts Potluck** is scheduled out to December – EXCEPT FOR JULY. A job description for "Spokane Districts Potluck Coordinator" will be forthcoming. It's a one-year commitment supervised by the four local DCMs. The current person (me) will be rotating out in August. Then we're opening it up to anyone from the four local districts to take on. Stay tuned for the job description.

In April District 2 will be discussing what we want to do with hybrid – District meetings almost certainly, but what about other District 2 events? And equipment? We have some, but not a laptop the District owns. And we'll talk about creating a Tech Chair position. Susan has been doing it by default and will be rotating out at the end of the year.

Rock on! Rainey

#### **District 3**

Greetings,

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 Highway 2 to Wilbur and southwest to Lind on Highway 395.

Most activity this month relates to the Agenda Item Summaries and discussions regarding them. All GSC Agenda Items have been sent to GSRs. They are urged to attend the April Pre-Conference Assembly online or in person.

Our Treatment Chair, Trevor S, is having trouble getting enough participation at the Sacred Heart Medical Center psychiatric ward on Tuesdays at 6:50 PM. If you'd like to help out contact me and I'll connect you with Trevor.

Corrections chairs from Spokane's 4 Districts (2, 3, 13 & 17) are meeting regularly to coordinate their efforts, according to District 3 Corrections Chair, David A. Those chairs have started using a new device to make paper coins to issue to incarcerated folks at Airway Heights Correction Center. They meet AHCC guidelines, which metal coins do not. District 3 thinks this is a pretty cool idea.

As of March 14, our last District meeting, Geiger Corrections Center and the Spokane City/County Jail have not yet opened for meetings.

We discussed the use of the Pink Can, a separate basket that's passed at some meetings to support the purchase of literature and books for use in corrections and treatment facilities. Within AA there are strong feelings both ways about earmarking funds for a particular purpose. The practice is popular in some parts of AA but never happens in others.

District 3 is seeing an increase in attendance by our GSRs and GSCs at our monthly GSR business meetings. At our last meeting we heard reports from Minnehaha Fund Group, Thursday Men's Step Study, Sisters in Sanity, Road to Recovery, Spokane Young People in AA (SPOKYPAA), Washington State Conference of Young People in AA (WSCYPAA) and a fairly new group, Stand Down Meeting, who meet at the Veterans Hospital at 5 PM on Sundays.

Larry P, Alt DCM for District 3, will be attending the Lewiston Assembly to represent the district and his expenses will be paid by the District. Larry E has become increasingly involved with the audio visual operations at Area 92 events and can't give his full attention to his DCM duties.

And, finally, we are pleased to announce we have a new Archives chair, Rachel H. She was appointed at our March meeting. Welcome aboard, Rachel. Thanks for your service!

Yours in Service,

Larry E, DCM 3

**District 5** 

**District 6** 

**District 7** 

**District 8** 

**District 9** 

Greetings to all!

A relatively quiet time in the Greater Walla Walla district. We were greeted with 4 inches of unexpected snow yesterday. Our Alternate DCM and Treasurer attended the SC Workshop. The breakout and reports back from the committees were excellent. We carried the info back to our groups for their consideration and input. Thank you District 19 for your hospitality. We continue to receive newcomers via the Bridging the Gap program. Kudo's to the program in Astoria, OR and the enthusiasm of our local AA's. The monthly Speaker meeting continues to be well received. Looking forward to seeing many of you in Lewiston.

RichardB

Alt DCM 9

#### **District 10**

We'd like to celebrate the following birthdays for district 10 in March!

Damon 9 months Ward 34 years
Mitchell 90 days Terry 40 years
Eric 90 days Diana 60 days
Jack 7 years Bart 1 year
Julie 2 years Stacey b 6 years

Catherine M 44 years

Cody L.

#### **District 11**

#### **District 12**

Hello Area 92 Family!

District 12 has been trudging through the Winter months into the gifts of life that Spring affords. We've come out of attending our Area January Quarterly in Wenatchee, Area Standing Committee Workshop hosted by District 19, a District 12 hosted Winter Round Up in Winthrop, an Area Hybrid GSR School hosted by Districts 6, 10 and 20. Also a Area 92 Hybrid Town Hall, reviewing and fielding questions regarding our Pre-Conference Assembly in Lewiston is upcoming, hosted by District 7. We are Thankful for all those who hosted!

At our last District meeting we welcomed Cathy D., who will be assuming the responsibilities of our paper schedules, printing and distributing. We Thanked Mike A., GSR for hosting our District meeting at the Okanogan Community Homeless Shelter. Mike A. also pointed out that his home group No Resentments (Hybrid) has about 8 attendees, all of which have from 17 -40 years of sobriety each! Although our Pateros meeting is shutting their doors due to lack of attendance Cathy D., our PI Chair is donating books and coins to our Corrections Chair and keeping the rest for the outreach work she does. Speaking about PI outreach, D-12 held/ supported a PI workshop in Coulee/Electric City. Ten people attended this panel style workshop and the message was shared and heard. Leroy stepped into setting up the workshop to inform the community and surrounding area. Nice!

Our Archives Chair played an excerpt of Bill W talking about "Rule 62", an enjoyable way to share Archives at the meeting. Our Hotline Volunteers are aligned for the coming months and our Treasurer's report had us sitting well. We also enjoyed a report back from Diana M. on North American Alt Delegates meeting and PRAASA 2023.

Oh! And we're looking for some speakers to serve at our 41st Annual Lost Lake Campout. See Area calendar under District events!

Estimated 350 attendees?! Yes, I've been told. Recovery In the Valley (GSR Kelly C.) assisted with 5th Friday Potluck, it's an Al-anon event with an A.A. guest speaker. We are a rural community, with a tendency to fellowship a few times a year together. This event was held at the Okanogan Grange. Wow!

District 12 is Unified in Love and Service.

April Birthdays!

Priscilla H. 45 yrs. Diana M. 40 yrs.

Angie 9 yrs. Peter 8 yrs. Christi 6 yrs. Wally 5 yrs.

See you in Lewiston!

In Service!

Jacqueline C DCM D12

#### **District 13**

District 13 has Spring Fever!

We didn't wait for the daffodils or the tulips to peek out to have our Spring Break. When you read this newsletter, we will have had a capacity crowd at our last potluck and speaker meeting. The meeting was filled with fellowship, beautiful items to raffle, donated by the groups of district 13, and a 50/50 raffle. We also had a game night hosted by the Happy Hour group and a new group blooming in Liberty Lake. Two new GSR'S are blossoming and sharing their groups successes.

Thanks to all for your service, District 13

#### **District 14**

March was occupied with working on and sharing the summary sheets and background information on the General Service Conference agenda items. We did and overview of the agenda items during our March 12 district meeting, and where to find the information on the Area 92 website. The district held two online agenda sharing sessions on March 19 and March 25 to provide interested groups and members the chance to become familiar with the topics. We wrapped up our district agenda item review process during the April 2 district meeting. The tighter timeline for the review process this year was/is a challenge and I hope next year the agenda items are sent out earlier so we can have more time to develop an informed conscious.

I did participate in the April 1 Area 92 Agenda Item online review session. I think the online opportunities to help build understanding on the items is great, especially with the compressed timeline we had. I appreciate the thoughtful comments shared by all who attended the session. It really helped me become better prepared for the district review session.

During our April 2 district meeting, the motion to form a district Technology Committee and Chairperson position was unanimously approved. Page, a member of the Attitude Adjustment Group made herself available for the new position and was appointed as the chairperson. Our current webmaster, Melody M will continue in that role. We look forward to addressing the great opportunities available to use technology to carry the message to the alcoholic who still suffers.

Andy C, District 14 DCM

## District 15 District 16 District 17

Greetings from your District 17 DCM, Patsy Mc

It's been a month of learning for me and our district.

Our district meeting meets on the 2n Tuesday of each month at the Corbin Senior Center at 6pm

Our treasurer, Ashley S is stepping down as treasurer. She is moving out of state. Bruce B. is stepping up to finish Ashley's term. Thank you, Bruce ,so much for stepping into this position.

On short notice, we are having an Agenda workshop for our district or anyone interested in the agenda items, Ben N, our area 92 delegate, wishes for our combined group conscious so he can take our ideas to New York for the General Service Conference.

I attended the Agenda Workshop put on by district 2 this month

I attended the Standing Committee Agenda Workshop in Ephrata.

These events are helping me to understand the issues at hand.

I also attended the monthly district potluck and speaker meeting which meets on the first Sunday of each month and a very successful Pockets of Enthusiasm roundup.

I am sure I am forgetting things, but progress, not perfection.

Yours in Service,

Patsy Mc

Dcm17@area92aa.org

**District 18** 

**District 19** 

**District 20** 

**District 21** 

**District 22** 

**District 23** 

**District 24** 

I would like to thank the GSRs for giving the opportunity of this service and to continue serving in my district. We were able to visit 2 groups and attend 2 anniversary celebrations of 1 and 5 years. On March 19th District 24 held a 12 Concepts Workshop celebrating one more year of our District's existence. All the participants are GSRs.

The District 24 July 2023 Quarterly Committee iis excited about welcoming all Area 92 trusted servants, DCMS, GSRs and invites all Area A.A. s to attend the July Quarterly. We are trying to make everything economically accessible to everyone. Juan Carlos and Virginia have been in good communication with Lisa. The Flyer is ready and all the information is there.

I as an A.A. active before I came to A.A. wanted to die at age 40. Today thanks to a Higher Power, that dead person can serve a loving God and all of you. Grateful for sobriety today there is no darkness, there is clarity. Thank you and Happy 24 Hours.

Mateo,

DCM District 24

#### **District 25**

Hello Area 92, greeting!

I hope you are all well. I have good news! We have welcomed a new group that is located in Ellensburg, Wa. Also in the Grupo Sobriedad Viva a member, Juan will celebrate 19 years of sobriety on April 29th. There will be food and a delicious cake.

Grupo Solo por Hoy will celebrate their 5 year anniversary with a public information meeting. The new members are very motivated for this event which will be at Aguilillas Salon in Yakima at 2p.m. Thank you.

Happy 24 Hours,

Toribio N. DCM District 25

#### District 26

## Welcome to the WSEA 92 Assembly Hosted by District 7 We are glad you are here!

#### Friday April 14\*, 2023

#### 3:00 PM Registration Opens

4:00 to 5:00 PM Main Room / Introduction / Host Committee District 7 Housekeeping Announcements

Panelist: Michele L. – Our common Perils and Our Common solution Panelist: Adrienne B. – Using AA's Literature and Carrying the Message Panelist: Brett J. – Fostering a Thriving Three Legacy Culture

5:00 PM to 6:45 PM No Host Dinner

7:00 - 8:00 PM In Person / Online Breakout Rooms

Finance Committee – Bryan B. / BR1 Handbook – Naomi J. / BR2 Standing Committee Chairs – Benjamin G. / Main Room

#### 8:10 to 9:00 PM

DCM Roundtable -- / Benjamin G/BR1 GSR Orientation - Roundtable / Diana M. / Main Room

#### 9:10 PM to 10:00 PM

Ice Cream Social / Main Room
Ask it Basket with Past Delegates - District 7 Host / Lisa G. Online
(Send Online Questions in chat)

#### 10:00 PM Clean up and room reset

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#### Saturday, April 15th, 2023 8:00 AM

- 1. Call to Order
  - Moment of silence, Serenity Prayer
  - 2. 12 Traditions English
  - 3. 12 Traditions Spanish
  - 4. 12 Concepts- English
  - 12 Concepts Spanish

#### [Motion to Record Proceedings Call for Motion and Second ]

- Welcome! Review of business procedure - Benjamin G.
- Housekeeping Announcements / District 7
- 4. Introductions of Past Delegates
- 5. Introductions of Elected Officers
- 6. Introductions of Standing Committee Chairs
- Review October 2022 Minutes Naomi I.

[Motion to approve minutes- Call for Motion and Second ]

- Roll Call Naomi J.
   Elected and Appointed and Districts
   2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10,11,12,13,14,15,16,17,
   18, 19,20,21,22,23,24,25,26
- Trusted Servant Reports (5 mins.)
  - Delegate (unlimited) Ben N.
  - · Alt-Delegate Diana M.
  - Chair Benjamin G.
  - Alt Chair Lisa G.
  - Treasurer (unlimited) Fran L.

[Motion to approve Treasurer's Report Call for motion and second]

· Alt Treasurer-Bryan B.

#### 10. Break 10:00 Am to 10:15 AM

#### 11. Standing Committee Reports (5 Min)

- Secretary-Naomi J.
- Archives Val D.
- Cooperation with Professional Community - Open
- · Corrections Marc Mc.
- Grapevine/Lit Eddie P.
- Newsletter Doug M.
- Public Information Ricky L.
- Technology Dan M.
- · Translation Johnny A.
- Treatment/Accessibility Mike 0.

#### GSR Sharing Session - Lisa G. by Motion begins at 11 AM. (3 Minutes)

#### 13. Lunch Break 12:00 to 1:00 PM

#### 14 New Business

- New Business Motions
- Floor Motions as needed
- Bid for October 2024 Assembly
- · Bid for January 2024 Quarterly
- Bid for April 2025 Assembly

#### General Service Conference Agenda Review - Discussion as needed

#### 16. Break 3:00 PM to 3:15 PM

#### 17. Dinner Break 6 PM to & PM

#### Area Sub-Committee (5 mins.)

- · Registrar Diana M.
- Finance Committee Bryan B.
- Handbook Committee Naomi J.

#### 19. Special Committees

- Central Office who wishes to report
- GSR Roundtable report (TBD)

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- DCM Roundtable report (TBD)
- Ad Hoc Committee On Hybrid Meetings – Rainey M. (5 mins)
- Ad Hoc Committee on Area Finances Andy C. (5 mins)
- Area Inventory Committee- Gary P. (5-Mins)
- Area Pinance Audit Committee-Dolores E. (S-Mins)
- DCM Reports (3 mins.) Lisa G
   2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10,11,12,13,14,15,16,1
   7,18,19,20,21,22,23,24,25,26
- Host Committee Reports (3 mins.) Lisa G.
  - April Pre-Conf. Assembly 2023 District 7
  - July Quarterly 2023 District 24
  - October Election Assembly 2023-District 2
  - April 2024 Pre-Conference Assembly District 6
- Motion to Adjourn, Second. Close with the responsibility statement

Sunday, April 16th, 2023 Sunday Morning Spiritual Breakfast

Housekeeping Announcements

District 7

8.00 AM to 9.00 AM Breakfast

9:00 AM Speaker Gene D. Past Delegate

Resume Business if needed. TBD

Close with the Responsibility Statement

#### **Voting Members**

Only the GSR's8, DCM's, Appointed Trusted Servents, and the Elected Trusted Servents may

Substituting Alternate GSR's & DCM's may vote in the absence of their GSR & DCM.

"Zoom etiquette" is vital to hearing the speaker. Please keep background noise minimal. Please mute by using the microphone ican on the Zoom app or by using mute button on your phone or by pressing \*6. To Unmute do the same.

Proceedings and speakers will be recorded for Archival purposes

In person, members please silence your cell phones while in the meeting room. Please do not use Wi-Fi while in-person to log into the online "Zoom Meeting".

We look forward to seeing you at the June 2023 Standing Committee workshop in Libby Montana and at the July 2023 Area Quarterly in Pasco Washington. For further information please see our Area 92 Website at:

### area92aa.org

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## 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.

#### Motion.\*

The Technology Committee moves that WSEA 82 establishes an initial operating budget for the Technology Committee of up to \$3000 for 2022 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, WISEA 92 has seen the benefit of the new and expanding technologies. The technology committee believes that as WISEA 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 WISEA 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 WISEA 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, Guarteriles 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, Quarteriles and Standing Committee workshops.

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

- Report all W8EA 82 Accembly and Quarterly meetings
- Provide audio/visual capabilities for all Assembly, Quarteriles and Standing Committee Workshops
  - o in person facility AV capabilities
  - o. Online AV capabilities.
- Maintain an online meeting platform to support virtual and hybrid meeting requirements.
  - o Includes platform licence
  - a includes additional online functionality required by the Area.
- Support the W&EA 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 W8EA 82 Elected, appointed and DCM's
- Support and maintain the WSEA 92 owned equipment necessary to fulfill the requirements.
- 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, Auxillary Equipment , Headsets, Translation Equipment, Printers, Scanners, Monitors

#### Website:

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

#### W 8EA 92 Google Workspace:

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

#### 8oftware / 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 audic-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 audic-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.



## April 14, 15, 16 2023

## Pre-Conference Assembly Hells Canyon Grand Hotel

621 21st St. Lewiston, ID 83501

Hosted by: District 7

Host Hotel Hells Canyon Grand Hotel – (208) 799-1000 621 21 <sup>st</sup> St, Lewiston, ID 83501 \$129.00 (taxes not included) – Rate until 3/15/23 Group Name: WSEA92	Other Nearby Hotels 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		
ONE FORM PER PERSON	Registration Fee – in person (\$30.00)		
Name: District Position: Phone: Email: Address:	Friday Ice Cream Social (\$12.00°)\$  Saturday Lunch (traditional buffet-\$23.00°)\$  Saturday Dinner (bite size steak buffet-\$35.00°)\$  Sunday Speaker Breakfast (\$24.00°)\$  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:

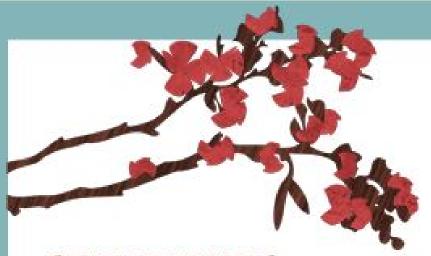
District 7, P.O. Box 1834, Lewiston, ID 83501

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:

Reservations:	Special Accommodation Needs		
Reservation Chair: Brenda Mc (208) 605-9110	Host Chair: Heather G. (208) 305-3544		
<ul> <li>dist7preconf@gmail.com</li> </ul>	Co-Chair: Jason B. (208) 596-3125		
Co-Chair: Greg F. (208) 503-9376			
Alternate Housing Options: Kyley S. (208) 305-1573			



SPEAKER MEETING

# SPOKANE DISTRICTS POTLUCK

HOSTED BY STEP SISTERS

SUNDAY MAY 7<sup>TH</sup>
POTLUCK 4PM
SPEAKER MEETING 5PM

ALANO CLUB 1700 WEST 7TH AVE, SPOKANE, WA

Join us, after Bloomsday, for dinner with your favorite dish to share, followed by guest speakers... to be announced!



## 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

**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

## STANDING COMMITTEE WORKSHOP

"Carrying the message through Committee's"

When June 17th 10am – 3pm (Montana Time)

Where Nazarene Church 186 Horseshoe Drive Libby, Montana 59923



POTLUCK:
MAIN DISH AND
COFFEE WILL BE
PROVIDED

PLEASE BRING A SIDE DISH OR DESSERT

CONTACT

JOHNNY A.

406-291-9135

Todd D.

406-210-8958

## 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
Mewsletter
Public Information
Technology
Translation
Treatment &
Accessibilities

JOIN IN AND CARRY THE MESSAGE OF A.A.

## 2023 Hybrid Quarterly for Washington State Area 92

July 14-15 starting at 4:00 PM

Location: The Vine Church 9915 West Argent Road, Pasco WA 99301



Hotel Accommodations: Sleep Inn Pasco WA

Address: 9930 Bedford Street, Pasco, WA 99301

Phone: 509-545-9554 (ask for Quarterly Business Meeting rates)

Rates: 1 King: \$145/night 2 Queen: \$155/night

Make sure to reserve your spot before June 10, 2023 to

get the group rate.

Block reservations website: https://www.choicehotels.com/ reservations/groups/QN29Q8

#### Cost

Registration: \$20 \_\_\_\_\_\_lce Cream Social: \$5

Lunch (Saturday): \$17

Total:

Make checks payable to: District 24 July Quarterly
Mail to: 92AA P.O. Box 4232 Pasco, WA 99302

\*ONE REGISTRATION FORM PER PERSON FOR HYBRID AND IN-PERSON ATTENDANCE\*

Code and instructions for hybrid attendees will be delivered to your email.

Name:	<del>100 - 100 -</del>	
Position:	District:	
Address:		
Phone:	Email:	

Mail registration cut-off is July 6, 2023 to ensure registration information is received before the event. If registering after July 6, 2023, please register for the event in person when you arrive.

## AA traditions Workshop



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.

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." Except From Grapevine Article by BNT W in 1955

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

The next page has an Accessibilities Survey that the Accessibilities Committee is requesting that each group fill out and return to the chairs address. We would like to receive these No Later Than (NLT) 31 May 2023 so that we may tabulate the results, assess Area 92 needs, inform groups of resources available from both Area, GSO and other sources, and prepare a report that we may present to the body at the July Assembly.

#### **ACCESSIBILITIES COMMITTEES**

Accessibilities committees explore, develop, and offer resources to alcoholics with significant barriers to receiving the Alcoholics Anonymous message and to participating in our program of recovery. We want A.A. to be available to all alcoholics who reach out for it.

#### Committees focus on:

- Projects that support members with a variety of accessibility challenges
- Communications that keep the public and appropriate agencies informed about A.A. accessibility.
- Providing resources and guidance to groups so that they can accommodate all A.A. members. *from aa.org*

In keeping with the purpose of Accessibilities Committees and Tradition Five which states "Each group has but one primary purpose – to carry its message to the alcoholic who still suffers" the WSEA 92 Treatment/Accessibilities Committee is seeking information from home groups & meetings in area 92. We invite groups/meetings to complete the survey below. A report based on responses will be provided to the area 92 body.

#### ACCESSIBILITY SURVEY FOR HOME AA MEETINGS

(OPTIONAL)							
GROUP	/MEETING NAME:			DISTRICT #			
MEETIN	IG LOCATION						
CONTA	CT:	TELE:	EMAIL:				
-			ted Accessibilities Repres	sentative?			
YE	S NO	<del></del>					
,	our home group/meet ACCESS TO A.A.	•	pamphlet available? n overcoming barriers.				
YE	S NO						
What a	What are the Barriers for Mobility (wheelchairs, etc.) in your home group?						
<ul> <li>Accessible street or driveway parking with wide spaces?</li> <li>Accessible entry into the building, ramps, no stairs?</li> <li>Wide doors into the building (minimum clearance of 32")?</li> <li>Access into the bathroom, 32" clearance on door, turning space in hallway?</li> <li>Room for a wheelchair to fit into the bathroom.</li> <li>Room for a wheelchair to turn around in the bathroom (50")?</li> <li>Paper towels on the wall within reach?</li> </ul> What could be Solutions for Wheelchair access into your home group?							
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#### What are the Barriers for Visually Impaired access in your home group?

- o Is there poor lighting or small print, making it hard to read something?
- o Is there an electronic version (screen readable) for any flyers or handouts?
- O Will you be playing a video without video description?

What could be Solutions for Visually Impaired access at your home group?

#### What are the Barriers for Hard of Hearing or Deaf access in your home group?

- o Is there loud background noise making it hard to hear conversation?
- o Will you be playing videos without closed captioning?
- o Do you have a plan for someone who needs American Sign Language interpreting?

What could be Solutions for Hard of Hearing or Deaf access at your home group?

#### What are the Barriers for Different Languages spoken by people?

- o Can you offer interpretation for Spanish or Russian speaking people?
- o Are handouts offered in a different language?

What could be a Solutions for Language Barriers at your home group?

#### What are Barriers for Rural or Remote locations?

- o Is there public transportation offered to the destination?
- O Do you offer a zoom or other virtual option?

What could be Solutions for Rural or Remote locations of your home group?

Please provide additional information on measures your home group or meeting have implemented (not covered previously in this survey) to remove barriers to receiving the Alcoholics Anonymous message.

Thank you in advance for your participation in this survey. WSEA 92 Treatment & Accessibilities Committee

### **Area Newsletter Submission Guidelines**

The Area 92 Newsletter- Published Monthly

The Newsletter is our primary mode of communication in Area 92 and relies on the submissions of each

of us: Our DCM's, GSR's, Elected officers, Appointed Chairs and Delegates, Past and Present, as well as any member within Area 92. Geographically Area 92 includes Eastern Washington, Northern Idaho, Western Montana and Hermiston Oregon.

Submissions: Any Member of A.A. may submit information, questions, reports, ideas or discussion points to the Editor. All Submissions are subject to editing for Grammar, sentence structure and spelling. Any opinions expressed herein are not endorsed nor approved by A.A. as a whole nor is any article or activity published by A.A. as a whole except when Conference approved literature is quoted or otherwise copyrighted by A.A.W.S.

## The Submission deadline is the 5<sup>th</sup> of each month at 5pm. Pacific Standard Time. Each submission should be approximately 250 words.

<u>Submission Methods</u>: Email to <u>newsletter@area92aa.org</u> or US Mail to Address below

Area 92 Newsletter 3834 N. Normandie St. Spokane, WA 99205

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#### Changes include:

- Submittal deadline has been changed from the 10<sup>th</sup> of the month to the 5<sup>th</sup> of the Month.
- No Phone Text entries will be accepted.
- The Mailing Address has been changed.
- All forms of Mail Accepted, US Postal, FEDEX, UPS, DHL Etc.
- All entries and flyers should be clear and legible.
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