

Hello Area 92

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Area 92 Newsletter

Mission Statement

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



Greetings Area 92!

“Why We Meet”

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Individual members bring their ideas, or if you will, “their truths” to the group. We quickly learn there are different truths. There’s often contention. We bring those truths to the group business meeting and find resolutions. In that resolution we learn a more informed truth that is often broader and more inclusive. We quickly learn that our unique messages are not for everyone, yet while still important to the people who relate to them. The broader message serves everyone. If we take these truths to the District, the Area, the Region, the Conference, you change us, and we change the world. In this process we became better at expressing ourselves, our leaders become apparent, AA becomes more aware of our needs and more consistent. Without all levels of meetings, we become static or worse digress back to old ways of thinking.

Mark S.
Past Delegate
Area 92

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Area Delegate

Greetings WSEA 92 Family!

What an incredible July Quarterly! The spirit of general service certainly prevailed, and it was exciting to be a part of. The preparation District 24 put forth made for a seamless, productive, spiritual event. "A.A. 's Three Legacies - Our Common Solution" was evident from the beginning with Friday's panel speakers, to circling up and closing with the responsibility statement Saturday afternoon. A wonderful job done by all who made that event possible and to those who participated!

After a brief break I will be finishing up my 73rd General Service Conference report back "road show" this month of August. First stop; Yakima to visit our friends in Districts 6, 10 & 20 on Saturday the 12th, and Sunday with our 4 Hispanic Districts, hosted by District 25. August 26th we'll be wrapping it up in Pullman, WA with Districts 22 & 7, which will be a hybrid event. I look forward to seeing all of you! I am so grateful to have been given the opportunity to travel this amazing journey ... a life-changing experience I will never forget!

While there is much work remaining in this rotation, I am excited for WSEA 92 moving forward. The love of service and unity we have experienced throughout the past 18 months has been inspiring. With the October election assembly just around the corner, I am encouraging all to seriously consider the opportunity of service at the Group, District, or Area levels. We need you! Requirements you ask. **Love, Enthusiasm, and Availability because we don't do this alone....**

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

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

Ben

Area Alternate Delegate

Here's what I've been up to the last month. I'm sorry to say I couldn't attend the July Quarterly due to an illness. I could tell everyone was having a great time. Thanks to District 24 for all their service work.

We would like to plan for at least a few more GSR schools this year, so if you or your district is interested in hosting one, in person or virtual please contact me. You can read the 12 easy steps to bring a GSR School to your district by going to the GSR School Calendar tab on the Area 92 website. District 17 in Spokane is planning to have one before the October Assembly so we will be getting a flyer out on the WSEA 92 calendar soon.

I have continued attending the (NAAD) No America Alternate Delegate monthly meeting. We are discussing how some Areas Alternate Delegates are getting prepared for the next rotation.

Yours in service,

Diana M.
Alternate Delegate
Area 92/Panel 72.

Area Chairperson

Greetings Area 92!

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Our July Quarterly in Pasco was one of the best Events so far this rotation. We had an excellent turnout from members, groups and Districts, even in 107 Degree weather! Thanks to District 24 and the other Hispanic districts and members for their hard work and dedication for making it happen. A special thanks to our Friday Panelist, Arturo, Cireno and Jose for sharing their A.A. Journey with us. Thanks to Jaun Carlos, for host committee coordination!

This month I have been in contact with the various makers of motions to verify final versions and will be sending them out for discussion with the groups and districts this week.

I have also prepared an Ad-Hoc Committee Guideline for Standing Committee workshops and have asked Todd D. (District 26) to Chair the Committee along with Tracey M. (CPC) as co-chair. It is my hope that this committee will discuss the current state of these workshops and offer recommendations for the next rotation.

Lastly, I was asked to translate and create a new Hispanic version of the Delegates report for presentation in Yakima next week with the Hispanic Groups! This involved getting a previously created Google Slides Presentation to Cooperate with a new Microsoft PowerPoint Presentation. Ultimately, you must be smarter than the software you're using to achieve the desired end. I'll let that sit where it may!!!

I am available for Ideas, Motions and Presentations for the Agenda at our October Assembly in Spokane, please feel free to contact me anytime!

Thank you for the opportunity to represent Area 92 and to be of Service!

Thank You All and have a great month.

Best regards!

Benjamin G. Area Chair / Area 92

Area Alternate Chairperson

Hello WSEA 92,

Amazing how time flies by when you're having fun! The month of July was a busy one for me... I attended the July Quarterly in Pasco, hosted by District 24. What an awesome event it was by the way, although a little warm outside, The Vine was quite comfortable. Congrats on a job well done District 24, Mateo, German, Juan Carlos, Virginia, and the rest of the committee. Thank you for your hospitality, you all put a Capital E in Enthusiasm! On Saturday the 29th I traveled to Yakima and had the honor and privilege of speaking at Grupo 30 De Julio about Women in AA for their 33rd Anniversary. These folks know how to celebrate, the panel was followed by dinner and of course a dance. They didn't let me stop but to grab a quick drink and onto the dance floor I went again, it has been a long time since I've been dancing, I had forgotten how much fun it is! Thank you to District 25, Toribio, Jorge, Virginia, and the rest of the committee for inviting me and giving me a really good time. So, after a good night's rest it was off to Pasco again to speak on Concept 1 at Grupo Comunidad on Sunday, and then on the road back to Montana. It was just what I needed to refresh my spirit and my Love for life.

I would really like to express my gratitude to Carol, DCM of and District 5 for stepping up and putting in a bid to host the January 2024 Quarterly in Wenatchee. Thank you thank you thank you! And as time is flying by, it will soon be September, so PLEASE remember the early cutoff dates on the registration flier for the October 2023 Election Assembly in Spokane. I know it's hard to get these in early, but due to the cost of deposit for the facility, early registration was necessary. The registration form can be found on our website, area92aa.org, under the calendar tab. Please feel free to contact me with any questions.

In Love and Service, Lisa G.

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Area Treasurer

I read an article in the July Grapevine magazine that reminded me of why I chose to be of service in AA. When I feel secure and unchallenged, I am resting on my laurels. I must be of maximum service to others. This allows me to grow and change as an individual. That is my purpose in life is to be of service to others to have my hand out to help others.

From the GSO website I found P-91
Experience Has Taught US: An Introduction to our Twelve Traditions.

Here is what it says about Tradition 7

“Every A.A. group out to be fully self-supporting, declining outside contributions.”
The spirit of responsibility defines our attitude toward money-and toward Service.

Supporting A.A. from within allows us to keep the focus where it needs to be- on extending the hand of A.A. to all who need it. The idea of paying our own way opens the door to a new kind of growth many of us had never known. Where once we had been irresponsible, we have become responsible – for the Fellowship and for ourselves.

I loved this find on GSO web site. Let’s continue to remember that we must spend our donations in the right way. Be thoughtful and kind as we discuss these issues that may have more importance to one group than another. We are the stewards of the area funds.

I am so thankful and grateful to been able to attend the July Quarterly. I am busy this month getting the area registrations and hotel rooms booked for the October Voting assembly. Register early to help our hosting committee know how many amazing folks will be joining us for elections. Read your area handbooks and become familiar with the rolls job descriptions of each Elected official so when it comes time at our October Assembly to make yourself available. Remember most of us never could have imagined that we could possibly qualify for any of these positions due to Alcoholics Anonymous anything is possible. Always remember why we serve, to keep what we have been freely given.

Here is our financial status at the end of July 2023. We have no outstanding checks and accounting software is fully reconciled.

Statement beginning balance	\$22,508.40
Checks and payments cleared (22)	\$ -7,462.48
Deposits and other credits cleared (46)	\$ 4,333.54
Statement ending balance	\$19,379.46

Thank you for allowing me to serve as your Area 92 Treasurer.
Fran Lyngstad

Area Alternate Treasurer

Greetings to the body

As many of you already know our expenses have gone up significantly and contributions have stayed about the same. We are falling constantly short of the target amount that will keep us solvent.

This is an appeal to you all to increase your contributions by around 40%. Unless this happens, the Area will shortly be faced with some unhappy choices, most of which would involve cutting back or discontinuing vital services that have been mandated by the Body.

A finance committee request to upgrade our QuickBooks account has been forwarded. I am looking forward to this even though it will likely mean more work and a learning curve at least initially. I am hoping this will alleviate some of the struggles we have had getting our bank account to reconcile with QuickBooks.

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Thanks to all for your contributions.

Contributions for July 2023 were \$3,983.74

In Love and Service, Bryan B, Alt-Treasurer

DISTRICT	TOTAL	DISTRICT	TOTAL
District 02 Spokane (S. of River)		District 10	
South Hill Noon Group - 000076023	48.00	630 AM Group	348.95
Step Sisters Of Spokane - 000080536	80.00	Total District 10	348.95
Sunlight Of The Spirit (Cheney) - 000085343	100.00	District 12	
Tuesday 11th Step Group - 00090188	20.00	New Beginnings Group - 000031098	100.00
Women Off The Hill Book Study - Spokane - 000037187	45.00	Total District 12	100.00
Total District 02 Spokane (S. of River)	293.00	District 14	
District 03 Spokane (N. of River to Wellesley)		Men's Book Study - 000024139	50.00
AA Road-to-Recovery - 343970	14.00	Total District 14	50.00
Northeast Group - 238580	132.11	District 15	
Northern Lights Group - 122804	69.00	Saturday Night Beginners - 714655	50.00
Sisters In Sanity	37.00	Total District 15	50.00
Total District 03 Spokane (N. of River to Wellesley)	252.11	District 16	
District 04 Tri Cities, Kennewick		Oficina Intergrupala Del Medio Este De WA	60.00
Hilltoppers Group - 000110549	15.00	Total District 16	60.00
Kennewick Nooners - 000037716	60.00	District 17	
Pig Boys - 000049248	60.00	Prescription For Living - 160878	100.00
Richland Fellowship - 000057246	96.06	She Recovers	50.00
There is a Solution - 000005916	17.90	Total District 17	150.00
Womens Time Out Group - 000008960	131.36	District 19	
Total District 04 Tri Cities, Kennewick	380.32	4th Dimension Group - 000090999	100.00
District 05		Total District 19	100.00
No Name Yet Group - 000036917	100.00	District 20	
Skookum Group - 000071719	136.34	Chance 4 Change - 000098688	50.00
Total District 05	236.34	Total District 20	50.00
District 06		District 21	
A New Light - 000091631	183.86	Grupo Nuevo Horizonte - 25869	160.00
Goddess Group - 373997	100.00	Total District 21	160.00
Total District 06	283.86	District 22	
District 07		Colfax Group - 113789	210.00
E R Group - 000103392	250.00	Total District 22	210.00
The Noon Group - 000037721	34.13	District 24	
Total District 07	284.13	Grupo 12 - 618027	20.00
		Total District 24	20.00
		District 25	
		Grupo 30 De Julio - 000023118	178.00
		Grupo Milagros - 000025212	60.00
		Grupo Sobriedad Viva - 000027819	60.00
		Grupo Solo Por Hoy - 000027967	40.00

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District 08 5-15 Group - 168327	260.98	Grupo Un Nuevo Camino - 000028717	20.00
Daily Reprieve II - 000100886	143.93	Jose T	40.00
First Things First CDA - 000104533	56.00	Total District 25	398.00
Total District 08	460.91	TOTAL	\$3,983.74
District 09 Touch on Feelings - 000010053	96.12		
Total District 09	96.12		

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,

I attended the July Quarterly and came away disappointed that the Archives Steering committee motion was not passed to go to the October assembly. I decided to withdraw the motion on the advice of a couple people. There were proposed amendments and discussion of the background. I was getting somewhat defensive and could see things were not going well. Since then, I have talked with my sponsor and once again realized that my ego gets in the way, and I tend to take things too personally. Yes, I must admit to an ego problem. Also, "Rule 62" might come into play there too.

On July 11th a friend and I went to the work party at the new repository to help get it ready for the open house on September 9th. There is still much to be done.

Valerie D.

WSEA 92 Panel 72 Archives Chair

Area Archivist

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Hi Everybody!

I hope you are all enjoying your summer!

We have been working hard getting the new repository ready for our Open House in September. There will be another work party this Tuesday August 8th between 10 am and 3 pm. There is still so much to do so if you have the time please come and help. We are going to be organizing displays and putting those and banners up on our very high walls plus some reorganizing of boxes and shelving.

I have decided to plan another work party on Saturday August 26 at the same time. I want to make sure we are ready to show off our new facility.

Please be sure you save the date and make sure you come to The Open House on September 9, 2023. We are so excited for all our Area 92 members to come see our new repository and all the beautiful and priceless archives we have!

See you soon!

Sincerely,

Lisa D.
WSEA 92 Archivist

Area Corrections Chair

Hello, Area 92,

As we uphold our Corrections Focus for Panel 72: "Connect, Inform, Network, Serve," we harness the power of information to spread our message further.

In July, all five major adult institutions in Area 92, including Coyote Ridge and WSP, maintained ongoing meetings thanks to our relentless volunteers. We're facing a specific need for additional volunteers at Coyote Ridge and WSP to provide consistent coverage.

The Walla Walla Juvenile Justice Center has continued its regular meetings with sufficient coverage. The status of other juvenile institutions within our area remains unclear, and updates are encouraged at corrections@area92aa.org. For county and municipal correctional institutions, I kindly request that if there are activities going on, please share your experiences with me at the same email address.

International Corrections continues to provide us with immense support and resource sharing, notably through their weekly online meetings. Connecting with this group is as simple as sending a request to corrections@area92aa.org.

Eileen A, our outgoing GSO staff member, has been instrumental in promoting inclusivity, improving the correspondence program, and expediting literature distribution. With her help, we've made 859 new matches for various services and distributed over 400,000 tablets across all 50 states. Eileen's service spirit is something we'll always remember as she moves on to her new role.

We warmly welcome Regan F., the new Corrections Desk Staff Member, who comes with 11 years of sobriety and an inspiring story of finding fulfilling work in service.

Finally, as my rotation comes to a close, I am immensely grateful to have served Area 92. To anyone interested in taking up the Corrections torch, I offer my experience and guidance. It's been a profound part of my life, and I am ready and willing to help those who wish to continue the work.

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Love and Respect,
Marc Mc.

Area CPC Chair

It was incredible to attend my first Area 92 aa Assembly. It was impressive and fun! The processes needed for motions was a complete learning experience.

Report for CPC committee:

1. Literature request from a non-profit organization helping Afghanistan refugees who are suffering from Alcoholism. They want to start AA meetings in their languages. 8 different languages were requested. I was able to provide 3 different languages but could not find information about the 5 other languages.
2. Attended Standing Committee Workshop in Libby, MT on June 17th, 2023.
3. I was invited and joined the June DCM monthly meeting, to introduce myself and meet the Area 92 DCM's
4. Registered to have a booth at the Senior Resource Fair to bring the message of sobriety to our largest growing population: the elderly. The fair will be held on Monday, August 21st, 2023, from 10-3pm in Spokane Valley at the Senior Center. I have many volunteers on board already to help.
5. Attended the Panhandle Health Symposium on Substance Abuse with Michael O who is the Treatment Committee chair.
6. Sent letters (already provided in the CPC handbook) to various Sheriffs, Training Coordinators for police departments and Assistant District Attorney's to reach out and reach the still suffering alcoholic that they come in contact with in their professions.
7. Decided to combine PI/CPC Virtual monthly meetings. Ricky and I are currently sending invitations to District PI/CPC area chairs. Our next meeting is scheduled for August 11th from 6:30-7:30 pm.

Thank you for allowing me the opportunity to serve in Alcoholics Anonymous.

Tracy M.

Area Grapevine and Literature Chair Area Newsletter Editor

Best regards,

I hope everything is fine with you and that you have been enjoying the summer. The newsletter goes well with no major problems, except when I create them. I have grown a lot in service and sobriety in this position and that is healthy for me. I've really had to let go of control and let people, places, and things go. Sounds familiar, ha-ha, well, I've learned not to let anything take away my serenity or at least not for long! This edition has been very smooth without setbacks. Thank you H.P.

Y.I.S.
Doug

Area Public Information Chair

Hello Everybody

First off, I would like to thank District 24 for hosting the July Quarterly. We had a very good time, and the food was really good.

Next, we would like to thank and welcome District 25 for joining District 6/20 with Treatment and PI/CPC and they have also started taking panels into the treatment centers in Spanish so now our question is if there are any Spanish

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speaking or bilingual people that are willing to help people fresh out of treatment get to their first couple/few meetings please get ahold of me with your information? And that is our big question for this month.

Yours in Service
Ricky L.
WSEA 92 - Panel 72
Public Information Chair
pi@area92aa.org
(509) 949-7248

Area Technology Chair

To highlight our continuous effort to ensure efficient functioning and progress within our AA organization. Here are some positives of technology that are adopted to help with business and service work of the WSEA 92.

Google Workspace for Nonprofits (free)

Google Workspace, formerly known as G Suite, is an integrated platform of cloud-based applications developed by Google, comprising Google Drive, Gmail, Google Docs, Sheets, and Slides, Google Meet, Google Chat, and several other collaborative tools.

Value:

- (i) Collaboration and Productivity: Google Workspace promotes seamless collaboration between team members. Multiple users can work on a single document simultaneously, enhancing productivity. For example, a team can work on a report together on Google Docs, track their progress in Google Sheets, and store and share their files on Google Drive.
- (ii) Streamlined Communication: Google Meet and Google Chat facilitate real-time communication between team members. Teams can conduct meetings, present their work, and have casual conversations, all in one platform.
- (iii) Cost-Effective Solution: Google Workspace offers all these features in a single package, eliminating the need to purchase separate software licenses for each application. The responsibility of maintenance and updates falls on Google, reducing the load on an organization's IT department.

Our area is using these features in many ways that allow the elected, appointed, DCM's and committees to meet and collaborate in more effective ways.

Jim has successfully created shared drives for all Committee chairs in the Google Workspace. The drive provides a collaborative platform where files and documents can be stored, shared, and edited in real-time. To assist with efficient use and management of these shared drives, Jim has also composed a detailed Google Doc. This document outlines the procedures for creating, using, and managing the shared drives.

Jennifer has worked diligently on improving our organization of newsletters. A public-accessible folder has been created in the tech drive for storing all newsletters. In addition, she has standardized the naming of each file for consistency and easier searchability. The new system will be handed over to the newsletter chair for ongoing management.

Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting Guide Application: <https://www.aa.org/meeting-guide-app>

In efforts to provide the public with the most accurate information about AA meeting information, our area has created a system allowing the DCMs to have direct control over their district's meeting information. Our committee facilitates this by providing DCMs with individual logins to our website area92aa.org with only access to their district's meeting information.

A key asset to any organization is the accumulated knowledge of its predecessors. Their insights on successes and errors alike lay a strong groundwork for consistent, positive progress. At Alcoholics Anonymous, we are fortunate due to the insightful and soulful principle of rotation, providing us with an ever-refreshing, ever-evolving group of

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individuals dedicated to serving the AA community. They are eager to share both their victories and setbacks to safeguard what has been bequeathed to us. The question then arises - how might we consistently gain from the wisdom of those who have transitioned out of their roles? One way is to invite possible new members to existing committee meetings. Also, if anyone is interested in becoming a new chair of our important service committees, please contact the existing committee chair to get updated on the work being done by their committee. If you are interested in the Technology Committee either as a future member or standing for chair, please attend our committee meetings. The next two meetings will be held via Google Meet on August 10th at 7pm and August 24th at 7pm. Here is the link to our online meeting:

Technology Committee Meeting

Thursday, August 10, and August 24· 7:00 – 8:30pm

Time zone: America/Los Angeles

Google Meet joining info

Video call link: <https://meet.google.com/ooi-giws-ojt>

Or dial: (US) +1 216-525-9364 PIN: 782 266 203#

More phone numbers: <https://tel.meet/ooi-giws-ojt?pin=3963722595448>

Yours in Service,
Dan M.

Area Treatment Chair Area Translation Chair Finance Committee

The committee focused on updating/revising the Finance Committee Guideline document in July. A joint online meeting of the Ad Hoc and Finance committees will be held August 8 to review the proposed guidelines. The Ad Hoc Committee will review additional items that appear to need revisions and updates and determine what role and action should be considered. The current Treasurer Guideline document needs to be reviewed for both content and formatting to help make it more user friendly and to make it a more valuable tool for rotation orientation. The committee will make its final report at the October Assembly.

Andy C, Ad Hoc Finance Committee Chair

Website Committee Hybrid Ad-hoc Committee 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

District 2 is going strong. We had 16 people at the July District meeting.

Our new CPC/PI Chair got the kit and workbook from the previous chair. She will be meeting with another past chair who is still a strong presence in CPC/PI.

The Treatment Chair is taking meetings into a Veterans' home and into Sun Ray Court. A meeting is also going into Sacred Heart psych ward, too.

The Corrections Chair is actively supporting those who are taking the meetings into Airway Heights Corrections Center. The Paper coins are a big hit. We haven't made solid contact with Geiger yet.

The Grapevine/Literature Chair can't make it to the District meetings but emails her reports to the DCM. We're keeping abreast of the Grapevine App development. And we are looking forward to seeing the new "velvet touch" soft cover Big Books.

Someone offered District 2 the use of a Zoom account for District meetings. After some discussion, we agreed to move back to Zoom. Google Meet is free, but it has some limitations. Our new Tech Support person will create a Zoom meeting for us, and we'll get that information out as soon as it becomes available.

The January Quarterly produced two motions for home groups consideration. One motion involves the appointment of the Area Secretary or an interim Secretary.

The other motion was amended at the Quarterly and the amended version has not been made available yet. The motion is for Area 92 to not require Standing Committee Workshops to be hybrid.

Both motions will be emailed to all District 2 GSRs and group Contacts. The conclusions of the home groups will be communicated to the ***Area at the Assembly in October – which is RIGHT HERE IN SPOKANE! [Please register as soon as possible!]***

Also at the January Quarterly, District 2 committed to hosting the July 2024 Quarterly.

District 17 will be holding a GSR School the first Saturday in October and District 2 anticipates enthusiastic participation in that service opportunity.

Please note that District 2 service positions will rotate at the end of this year with the exception of CPC/PI and Tech Support. Service position job descriptions can be found in the District 2 Handbook. "Elections" will be in November. Contact the DCM at dcm2@area92aa.org for a copy of the District 2 Handbook. This is an opportunity to give service a try. We help each other, always. Just get started and be willing to learn. Check with your sponsor and your Higher Power and come join the fun at District 2!

Rock On!
Rainey M.

District 3

District 4

District 5

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District 6

District 7

District 8

Greetings AA's District 8 trusted servants. We are well into our summer months. I attended the July Quarterly in Pasco, hosted by our Hispanic District, 24. It was an informative meeting with almost all the DCM's in attendance. We went over several motions that will be introduced shortly for the GSR's to take back to their groups for a group conscience. We will be voting at the upcoming October Assembly that will be held/hosted by District 13 in downtown Spokane. Flyers are available. Our district still needs an active Web or Tech committee to assist us with our technical issues. Please spread the word in your meetings that we need help with this. Anyone with some tech experience to assist us with the hybrid meeting set up can do this job.

I am currently in CA for my High School Reunion so I will miss you all at the meeting this month.

To follow up from past month's financial reports, the Area and the District are still in need of funding. Please follow-up with your home groups regarding your 7th tradition contribution distribution chart.

Notes from (July 11, 2023) District Meeting:

We had 10 GSR's, 3 officers, 5 committee chairs and 2 guests for a total of **20 district members attending**. Next Meeting Tuesday Aug 08, 2023. Inventory action meeting prior to District meeting at 6:15 p.m.

Activities – Attended July – Aug 2023:

Finance Committee meeting: July 10, 2023

July Quarterly meeting: July 14 & 15, 2023, Pasco WA

DCM Meeting: July 25, 2023. 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)

AA Traditions Workshop: Ongoing, weekly 4th Sat of the month. Spokane Alano Club, 12-1:30 pm

WSEA 92 Archive Work Party: Tues 8/8. 10 am to 3 pm. Archive Room in Hayden.

Delegates report Back: August 12, 10 am to 2 pm. Hybrid Yakima WA

Area Archive Open House: Sept. 9, 2023. 9979 Lyle Loop Rd. Hayden, ID

Standing Committee Workshop: September 16, 2023, Hosted by District 6, Yakima WA.

October Inventory Assembly: October 20 – 22, 2023. Spokane WA

Please let me know if there's are any upcoming events and/or send me flyers so I can include them in the District Eye Newsletter. If there is anything you need or anything I can help you with let me know. Please keep an eye out for my emails as my primary job is to facilitate communication between AA & District.

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

District 10

We would like to celebrate the following people for birthdays in July!

Randy 27 years

Beatriz 60 days

Diana 6 months

Jeff 20 years

Kimmy 3 years

Andrew 60 days

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Jason 4 months
Brian 90 days

Hilary 4 months
Roger 7 years

Cody L.

District 11

District 12

Greetings from District 12!

Sharon B., our Treatment Chair has another Treatment Panel scheduled for Wednesday August 16th at OBHC in Omak! I was able to attend the Treatment & Accessibility's monthly meeting in late July. We shared on approaches, obstacles and communications when searching for opportunities to serve in our communities. I shared, from notes, on Sharon's through reporting from previous months. Our Treatment Chair has a steady relationship with OBHC that is providing recovery and service in District 12. Thank you for your service, Sharon!

Cathy D., our PI Chair, has been holding monthly meetings for District 12 with the intention of keeping us informed and participating in our communities. She also makes herself available to have booths at various community service agency events. Cathy is also taking on some responsibility related to the Alt DCM service position by finalizing communications of our schedule in print as well as distribution. And this is a big District! Thank you for your service, Cathy! I gotta say something about Valerie D., Area92's Archive Chair. Many have been an example of steadfastness. With the still mounting work of helping our Archives Repository to be ready for its Open House September 9th Valerie, driving to and fro to Haden, ID, from Okanogan County, well, what I get to see is a member living the program through her actions. Willing to go to any lengths. The last Work Party is Tuesday August 8th, 10am-3pm, Lunch will be provided & feel free to bring snacks. Fill up your car and carpool! It's our Repository!

Been traveling to different meetings. What a blessing to wrap up Service. To fellowship with the wonderful souls of Alcoholics Anonymous. I have 4 more meetings to attend in my District.

I've been asked to participate on the Standing Committee Workshop ad-hoc Committee. Look forward to learning, listening and sharing from the heart (which AA has given me the capacity to do!).

We're looking forward to our Annual Women's Spiritual Retreat this month at Alta Lake. (See our Area calendar).

We're preparing for our Third Legacy Election in November.

We have recurring workshops on the Service Manual and Language of the Heart publications given by Diana M, Alt Delegate. Contact her if you have interest or have a member request of interest. We'd love to have you. Happy Birthday!! Mike A. is celebrating 34 years! (We appreciate what you)

We embrace all our Service members for sharing their time and talents in an effort to be with anyone, anywhere, who reaches out...

Peace/YIS - Jacqueline C Area92 DCM 12

District 13

Oh yeah, District 13 is having fun this summer! We hosted our annual summer picnic and speaker meeting on June 24th with a whopping attendance of 153! Our speakers shared their experience, strength and hope touching many alcoholics in recovery, we thank them for their service. The food was abundant and delicious, basket items were raffled off and some filled with AA readings and trinkets, can't go wrong AA readings. A huge thank you to Nicole K. and her team of service volunteers :) for the planning and execution of this incredible event!

We are just a group of drunkards doing what we can to focus on Our Primary Purpose. Due to our group conscience, we are still Zooming only for our monthly meeting.

Yours in service,

Melinda L. Alt DCM

District 14

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July was another busy month. District 24 did a super job hosting the July Quarterly. Things went smoothly and they were gracious hosts. I thought the meeting was well run and it is always great to reconnect with everyone.

We had a disappointing July district meeting. Only two GSRs and one committee member beside me attended. We did not have a quorum, so no district business could be acted upon. Summer is in full swing, so I guess that had a role in the poor attendance. On the upside, it was the shortest meeting I have held as a DCM. Our focus for the August meeting will be discussing what we want to do with our archives. Our storage unit expense is our second largest expense, and over the last nearly four years, we have really not had anyone work with the archives. At this point, the cost/benefit needs to be discussed. Could those dollars be better spent carrying the message in other ways? We will also continue discussion on ways to generate interest in district service. Our district elections will be in October.

Andy C, District 14 DCM

District 15

District 16

District 17

Hi, it's Patsy DCM for district 17.

As DCM I am to keep the groups informed and keep communications open. I have encouraged all the District GSR's to sign up for the central office newsletter and the area newsletter for all the current activities and articles from our trusted servants. I would like to know if there are any new GSRs so I can inform the area and central office. Also any group changes that need to be reported to GSO.

[We are still looking for women volunteers to go into the women's treatment center and to take AA meetings into their facility. We are now providing schedules and coins.](#)

I attended PNC - Pacific Northwest Conference in Portland, Oregon. PNC is the oldest service conference in AA, a conference that Bill Wilson started in 1948. PNC will be in Area 92 next year and they will need many volunteers to make it another big success.

I also attended the GSR school in Colville last weekend. Two past delegates facilitated. It was great. At our district meeting we voted to have a GSR school that we will host. It is scheduled for Oct 7. As soon as I have a location, I will get flyers made. The GSR school will be open to all Districts and members.

The central office picnic is July 23rd at Manito Park. Groups are asked to donate baskets, as a contribution for our Central Office.

The monthly Spokane all district potluck is the first Sunday of the month. Potluck at 4:00 and speaker at 5:00. Need to start getting groups to volunteer to host the potlucks for 2024. Let me know.

The Area 92 quarterly was July 14th and 15th, which I attended in Pasco. A great big thank you to District 24 for hosting the quarterly. All I can say is WOW!! What a great job. Everyone has a voice but only officers ,standing committee chairs ,and DCMs may have may vote at the quarterlies

Thank you for letting me be of service to you.

In love and service.
Patsy Mc DCM district 17

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Hello Area 92!

Greetings to all the fellowship of A.A.! Take good care in this heat.

Here are the District 25 July activities. Our District participated in 3 groups in July. At Grupo Nuevo Horizonte our topic was our Third Legacy. At Grupo 30 de Julio our topic was The A.A. Structure.

On July 14-15th I attended our Area 92 Quarterly in Pasco. Congratulations and thank you to District 24 for hosting this event and for inviting two District 25 trusted servants, Jose our treasurer and Cireneo GSR for Grupo 30 de Julio to participate on the panel.

July 22nd., Myself, our District secretary, treasurer, and GSRs from Grupo 30 de Julio, Grupo 3 de Enero and Grupo Sobriedad Viva we're present at the opening of Grupo Villanueva in Kennewick. I wish you the best of luck and you have our support. Thank you for gifting District 25 with the 12 Concepts window shade.

July 29th my home group 30 de Julio celebrated its 33rd. Anniversary with a Pubic Information Meeting. We welcomed 4 new people and each one was given an A.A. Big Book. Thank you to Lisa G. From Area 92 for your participation and also psychologist Esperanza N. Of Oregon. It was all great information. Thanks to Virginia R. for interpreting. We are also grateful to Michelle O. District 6 DCM and Eddie P. Area 92 Literature Committee Chair for joining us.

Happy 24 Hours!
Toribio N
District 25 DCM

District 26

Upcoming Motions for review

The Area 92 Handbook Committee moves that we add the following to the Area 92 Handbook as the first paragraph under section 8.0.

The Area 92 Secretary is a vital service position and ought to be one of the first positions filled by appointment. In the event that no Secretary is appointed, the Area Chair must make arrangements to have an interim secretary take at least nominal minutes and to arrange for the collection and storage of motions and reports from Area trusted servants including DCMs, from GSRs and from anybody else that gives a report of any kind. The interim secretary should receive all motions in accordance with the Area 92 Handbook and see that all motions are delivered to the Area 92 Tech Committee for digital distribution to online event attendees. The interim secretary should store all motions for the use of the final appointed Secretary.

Background

As the current secretary I have personal experience with how terribly things can go wrong if no one is in charge of taking notes at the event itself. I was appointed after 2 events had already taken place and I was charged with having to listen to hours of event recording online and make minutes with very little knowledge of what was going on. I also had to try and sort through hundreds of emails to try and forward the reports that were sent to the secretary email. The recordings that are taken for historical purposes should be used for fact checking and not for minute making after the fact. This was a huge burden placed on someone that was volunteering for a position late in the service rotation. I want to do my best to set things up so that no one has to experience this burden in the future and also so that our Area can have accurate and useful minutes.

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The PRIMARY PURPOSE GROUP of NORTH IDAHO, District 8, moves that WSEA 92 establish a quorum for voting on motions during Area 92 Assembly meetings; whereby two-thirds of registered, eligible voting members are required to vote on motions.

Background:

This motion was presented at the last Assembly in Richland (October) with very favorable support and discussion. However, there was mention about officially writing by-laws and adding this to them. Therefore, I withdrew it from the floor to be incorporated into the by-laws. We have offered to help in any way to make that happen, but as of yet it has not. Therefore, I would like to re-introduce it because of its importance to AREA 92

Definition of Quorum:

A Quorum is the minimum number of members who must be present in a meeting to pass a motion. This requirement protects the organization by preventing a very small number of members from taking action on behalf of the entire organization.

Definition of Informed Group Conscious ("Principles Before Personalities")

"What is an Informed A.A. Group Conscience?" The group conscience is the collective conscience of the group membership and thus represents substantial unanimity on an issue before a definitive action is taken. This is achieved by the group members through the sharing of full information, individual points of view, and the practice of A.A. Principles. To be fully informed requires a willingness to listen to Minority opinions with an open mind.

On sensitive issues, the group works slowly-discouraging formal motions until a clear sense of its collective view emerges. Placing principles before personalities, the membership is wary of dominant opinions. Its voice is heard when a well-informed group arrives at a decision. The results rest on more than a "yes" or "no" count-precisely because it is the spiritual expression of the group conscience. The term "informed group conscience" implies that pertinent information has been studied and all views have been heard before the group votes."

We need full participation by as many elected and appointed standing committee chairs, GSRs and DCMs as possible to arrive at a **Quorum and an informed group conscience**. We ought never vote on a motion that changes WSEA 92 policy without first ensuring there is a sufficient number of eligible voting members (GSRs DCMs, Elected and Appointed WSEA Committee Chairs) present in the body to help ensure a quorum and an informed group conscience.

Case in point: If a motion is presented late at night, when a lot of people have left, it is not a true reflection of an informed group conscious. Per instance: The recent vote on the new handbook began with 56 eligible voters. It continued late and many left. There was a money issue (reimbursement for gas Mileage), which should be put to the groups first. **It was passed with only 23 eligible voters present.**

Methodology:

The Area 92 Chair/Secretary will take roll call on Saturday morning, of all DCMs (or Alternate DCM If voting in place his/her DCM) , Area 92 Elected and Appointed trusted servants, and by a show of hands, all GSRs (or Alternate GSR if voting in place of GSR). The Area 92 Chair/Secretary will record the number of these eligible registered voters who are in attendance during this roll call. **There will need to be at least 2/3 of this number of eligible registered voters present when a motion is voted on.** In the event there is not a 2/3 quorum, the motion will carry over to Sunday.

Motion:

Districts 14 and 26 move that WSEA 92 not require that Standing Committee Workshops be hybrid.

Background:

Unintended consequences of the approved WSEA 92 Hybrid Meeting Motion includes the following impacts on the Standing Committee Workshop (SCW) hosting districts and Standing Committee Chairs:

- Hosting districts are now required to provide facilities that have adequate WIFI capabilities for the main meeting room and breakout rooms. Sufficient breakout rooms for each standing committee are required. This is resulting in higher costs, without area support for hosting hybrid meetings.
- Hybrid meeting requirements can reduce the number of districts that are willing to host SCWs.
- Hosting districts are required to provide the hybrid meetings yet are not provided any area financial support for them. Area funding is not provided to pay for travel costs for the area technical support member(s) to produce the hybrid meetings. This cost is now the responsibility of the hosting district.
- Standing Committee Chairs are now required to provide their own computer and camera (if not built into the computer.) They are also required to both conduct a workshop session and run the hybrid production.
 - Variability in equipment, WIFI bandwidth and user experience has in many cases resulted in less than satisfactory online participant experience.

Removing the requirement that Standing Committee Workshops be hybrid will eliminate the financial burden and facility constraints now being placed on the hosting districts. It will also reduce the personal burden on current and future Standing Committee Chairs to provide the equipment and run hybrid breakout sessions.

This motion does not preclude hosting districts from doing hybrid SCWs. That choice will be up to the hosting district.

Financial Impact:

No financial outlay is involved with this motion. Elimination of the costs associated with conducting hybrid meetings by hosting districts will be realized if the hosting district chooses not to do a hybrid meeting.

What will happen if this motion is not passed?

Hosting districts will continue to pay for production of hybrid meetings without compensation from the area who through the hybrid motion made them required. Standing Committee Chairs will continue to either have their own equipment to run their hybrid meeting breakouts at SCWs or make arrangements to have equipment available.

Fliers

Hosted By District 6



STANDING COMMITTEE WORKSHOP & POTLUCK

September 16, 2023 10am-3pm

BBQ Style Potluck, Bring your favorite Sides to Share!!!

All members are invited to join us in-person or hybrid. Lunch will be provided for in-person attendees. Please **RSVP** for lunch, and remember **NO Registration Fee!!!**

All committees will be present, please join us for an opportunity to review Robert's Rules of Order and Creating a Service Resume!

Location: Church of Christ 100 North 72nd Avenue
Yakima, WA 98908

Zoom ID#: 889 8342 5988

Passcode: 121222

Contact/RSVP: Michelle W.

509-517-9138

dcm6@area92aa.org

Sponsorship Workshop

• 30 •

September

- 12:30 PM Potluck •
- 1:15 PM Introduction •
- 1:30 PM Panel Speakers •

• Real Life Church •
1234 S Grand Ave,
Pullman, WA 99163

Also on Zoom!

Meeting ID: 964 318 39484 Passcode: 149331

A-M Last Name Bring Side dish

N-Z Last Name Bring a Dessert

Come join us in person or online for an open discussion about the importance of sponsorship and 12 step work! Our guest panelist will answer your questions about recovery and service sponsorship as well as share their experience, strength and hope.

WSEA 92 ARCHIVE OPEN HOUSE

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2023

Between 11 a.m. and 4 p.m.



**Everyone Is Invited to come and see our brand
new Repository!**

**AA Members and Families Welcome!
Refreshments & Fellowship!**

Repository address:
9979 Unit A Lyle Loop Rd.
Haden, ID 83835
Valerie (509) 557-8099
archives@area92aa.org



Round-Up of Recovery

September 29th to October 1st, 2023

Colville Ag Trade Center

317 W. Astor, Colville, WA 99114

“Gratitude in Action”

<u>Friday Night</u> Ice Cream Social AA Speaker Michelle B. from British Columbia	<u>Saturday</u> AA/Al-Anon Meetings Workshops No Host Lunch
<u>Saturday Night</u> Catered Dinner by Fired Up Al-Anon Speaker Doug B. from British Columbia AA Comedian Bob P.	<u>Sunday Morning</u> Catered Breakfast by Fired Up AA Speaker Dave K. from Spokane Valley, WA

A more detailed schedule coming soon.

Hotel Options

Benny’s Inn 509-684-2517
Comfort Inn 509-684-2010
Selkirk Motel 509-684-2565

Contact Erin G. Phone: 509-675-2984 E-mail: dcm15@area92aa.org

*****CUT ALONG LINE & COMPLETE*****

Round-Up of Recovery 2023 Registration

Name(s) _____
Address _____
Phone _____
E-Mail _____

Weekend Registration \$35 x _____ = \$ _____
Saturday Dinner \$35 x _____ = \$ _____
Sunday Breakfast \$15 x _____ = \$ _____
TOTAL AMOUNT ECLOSED \$ _____

Special Diet: (Please Circle) Vegetarian / Gluten Free

Saturday dinner is BBQ Tri-tip or chicken with salad and sides. Sunday breakfast is breakfast burritos.
If you have dietary restrictions, notice must be given by September 15th, 2023.

Please make checks payable to Round Up of Recovery. Registrations with payment can be sent to P.O. Box 1161, Colville, WA 99114.

Hog Heaven Camp Out



• 25-27th •
August

\$20 for tents and \$25 for RVs with limited
hookups - Per night

• PLACE •

3553 Rockcut Rd Kettle falls, Washington

Drive through the town of Orient then take a left after you cross
the bridge. There will be balloons at the turn off to the campsite.

We are going simple. There is a nice beach and some picnic
tables, but bring chairs and tables if you have them. We will
have our regular Saturday meal and speaker prices are the
same as last year \$10 a plate and no more than \$25 for a
family. We will have 50/50 and games.

Dinner at 6:00 pm
Speaker at 7:00 pm

Contact: Neila 509-640-0464

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Washington State East
AREA 92
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October 2023 Election Assembly

DoubleTree by Hilton Spokane City Center

322 N Spokane Falls Court, Spokane, WA 99201

October 20-22, 2023

HOST HOTEL

DoubleTree by Hilton Spokane City Center
<https://www.hilton.com/en/attend-my-event/2023wseaarea92assembly/> or call 877-757-6131
\$124/night -- Ask for the "Area 92 Assembly."
Group Rate

ANOTHER HOTEL OPTION

Best Western Plus City Center
Call 509-623-9727
\$135/night - Ask for group rate
2023 WSEA 92 Assembly

QUESTIONS

Registration Chair:
Renee (509)981-2231

Email:
Dist2assembly@gmail.com

Host Committee Chair:
Oleta B (509) 218-1122

See back for parking options

One Form per Person

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

District : _____ Position: _____

Registration Fee In-Person \$48

Friday Night Ice Cream Social \$8

Saturday Lunch
Sandwich Station \$38

Saturday Dinner
BBQ Table \$60

Sunday Breakfast
Build your own Breakfast
Burrito \$36

Total

Registration Fee Virtual \$48

Unsecured free parking

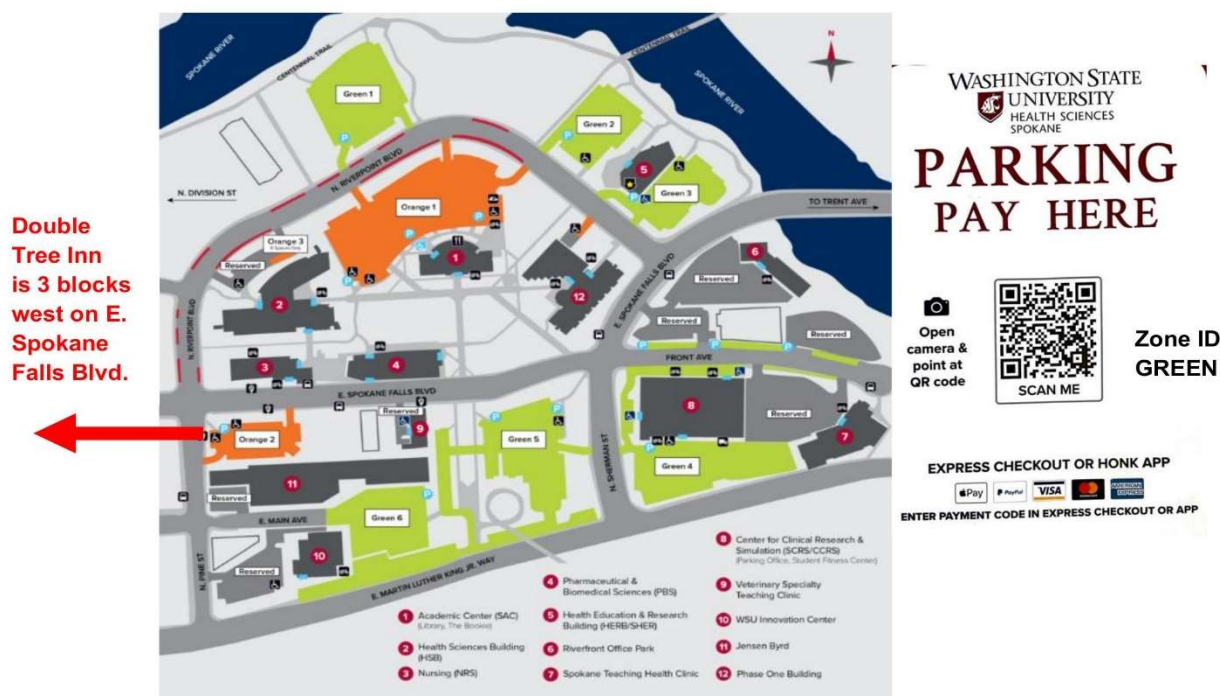
See back Option 3

Make checks out to **District 2 Assembly**. Registrations received after September 4, 2023, cannot guarantee meal availability. Mail your completed registration form & check to: **District 2, PO Box1039 Fairchild AFB, WA 99011**. Instructions for virtual attendance will be sent by email to all registrants.

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Assembly Parking Options

- 1) Double Tree Inn has secured parking located next to the hotel at the convention center. Rates are as follows: Day pass \$8, \$22 per night plus tax for overnight parking.
- 2) Parking at WSU Spokane Campus \$5 a day (24 hours). **Green Lot 6 only on Friday.** Saturday/Sunday all Green lots. HonkMobile App will need to be used to pay for spots. These spots can be purchased in advance. Parking is 4 blocks east of the host hotel. Lot is monitored. For questions, please contact Cyrus C at 512-466-6451.



- 3) Free Parking is in an unsecured lot half a mile from host hotel. Please check box on the front of registration form if you are interested. There are limited spots available. They will be assigned on a first come first serve basis. We will email you with your spot location and parking pass. For questions, please contact Troy J at 707-494-3082.

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Spokane, WA 99205

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- The Mailing Address has been changed.
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- All entries and flyers should be clear and legible.
- Submission does not guarantee publication.

Thank you for your cooperation

Sincerely yours in Service!

Doug M. Newsletter Editor AREA 92 / Panel 72