#### **December 2023 Newsletter**

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**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!** 

Trusted Servant and DCM Reports

It's been with great pleasure working with all of the elected and appointed in Panel 72. I've grown immensely in the past two years of service to Area 92. The new friends you meet and relationships that are built are truly an experience of love. Love of the fellowship in Alcoholics Anonymous that I have never felt prior to surrendering to my disease. It used to be all about me and now it's all about us, what a transformation! That change comes from learning from you, trusting my HP and working the steps of A.A. Learning the Traditions and Concepts and being a part of the herd and not running alone. I owe it all to this program!

Feature Articles,

**Newsletter Submissions Info** 

Doug M

Newsletter Editor

Signing off

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#### **Area Elected and Appointed Reports**

#### **Area Delegate**

Greetings WSEA 92 Family!

My final road trip this rotation was the privilege to travel to Yakima on the invitation to a Tradition & Concept workshop, and celebration of the 14th anniversary of District 25. Hosted by Grupo Solo Por Hoy and chaired by DCM Toribio, it was a memorable experience I will never forget. The knowledge and dedication I have experienced at these workshops is remarkable; I always leave inspired!. Thank you Toribio, and all of our Spanish speaking Districts for your kind hospitality shared with Tina and me over the years. THANK YOU for your service to the Fellowship of Alcoholics Anonymous!!

Highlights from the last Panel 72, Conference sharing sharing session held on November 15: 1. Suggested questions from the trustee literature committee regarding changes to the A.A. Founder writings, 2.) The results of the

2022 survey available December 18, 2023, 3.) The decrease in literature sales put recovery of the reserve fund approximately one million dollars behind, 4.) Finance is analyzing the value of projects planned or underway for possible cuts should it become necessary, 5.) The "convenience" membership survey available on aa.org.

Last stop...Standing Committee Workshop - Spokane - see you there!

"the best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others."
....Mahatma Gandhi

From Tina and myself, THANK YOU Area 92.....Happy Holidays!

Ben

#### **Area Alternate Delegate**

#### **Area Chairperson**

Greetings Area 92!

It has been such an honor and privilege to serve as your Area 92 Chairperson these last two Years!

I will always carry with me this experience, this time of spiritual growth, of change and challenge. I am grateful for all of the support, communication and love in serving in this position. I am thankful to have met so many of you and wish you all the very best, in your lives, with your families, in your service work in A.A., and in the world as you may carry the message. We have a lot to be proud of this rotation and our collective accomplishments as Area 92.

I hope all of you will lend your support to the next panel of leadership for Area 92.

Good luck and God be with you always!

Benjamin G.

#### **Area Alternate Chairperson**

Hello Area 92,

I can't believe the end of this rotation is almost complete.. it sure has gone by quickly. I have been working on cleaning up the emails and moving documents into flies and finishing up the attendance reports to pass over to the new incoming Alt Chair, Fran. District 5 will be hosting us in Wenatchee in January the 3rd weekend (Fri & Sat) so don't forget to get your registrations in for online or in person. We will be onto Ephrata in March for the Standing Committee Workshop where we will be breaking out into committees to review the 74th General Service Conference Agenda items. In April we will be in Yakima. I believe the registration flier is out for that event or will be soon but I haven't heard from the hosting committee with any further updates, so I will assume they are on track.

It has been an absolute pleasure to serve Area 92 as your Alternate Chair, Thank you all for the privilege to serve. Wishing you all a very Merry Christmas and a most wonderful New Year.

In service and love Lisa G.

#### **Area Treasurer**

Wow, December is already here. This is my final note as your Treasurer. Thank you, Area 92, for an amazing rotation of learning and growing. As I head into the season of a new rotation and new growth I want to pause and be thankful. This morning the daily reflections took me to page 106 in the twelve and twelve. Which brings us to step 12, it also brings a little recap of how the steps work in our lives. If you get a minute take a minute to read this chapter and fall

in love with the work you are doing in your recovery and what a journey it has been. The best part about the 12 steps is the continuation of growth and the teaching that happens when we do so.

When you read this article, I will be one step closer to handing the keys of the Treasurer over to Carole where I am confident that she will do an amazing job. I will say it is difficult to turn it over to her just as I was all settled into this position. I am yep glad and sad. My goal is to stay on the Finance committee because someone must be the person to say no and ask the questions of why.

I was invited to the Tech Committee meeting and let me just say I am excited about the journey this will take on as well.

I am looking forward to working side by side with our chair to get to know all the DCM's and work with the committees that have so graciously volunteered to host upcoming Quarterlies and Assemblies. I have experience with being on committees that have hosted both events as well as Standing Committee workshops yep right here in the beautiful town of Colville. I hope in the future District 15 will again host one of these amazing events with the new hotel being built in Chewelah.

So, remember anything is possible in Alcoholics Anonymous.

Wishing you all an amazing holiday season. Thank you again for allowing me to serve and to be of service to you all. Fran L. Outgoing Treasurer and incoming Alt. Chair.

#### **Area Alternate Treasurer**

Greetings to the body

I hope everyone had a happy Thanksgiving, I enjoyed some nice weather (albeit briefly) in AZ before returning to the icebox, er Pacific Northwest LOL. I guess at least those of us who are longtime residents know what to expect, and I'm not complaining. I love it here.

Welcome to our incoming Alt-treasurer Rainey. We have been meeting virtually to discuss the rotation and handoff. Her skillset is impressive and we are lucky to have her. As the incoming Chair I have been busily filling positions and just completed our Standing committee with our new incoming Treatment chair Eddie G. Congratulations Eddie!!

Since last month in addition to AZ I also traveled to Oklahoma City for the National Corrections Conference (NCC). It was nice to mingle with the AA corrections volunteers and servants from across the country and Canada. Next year it will be in North Carolina where our own Corrections Chair Dale B may attend. Or he might defer to the following year and Nashville Tennessee. His choice. There is one reason that he (and we) may want him to attend the NC event rather than TN.

For those unaware I was involved in the formation of the NCC when I was our Corrections chair and was invited to participate in our as yet unnamed annual event the purpose of which was and still is to inspire volunteerism for those who go "behind the walls" to carry the message of AA. I am still on the board albeit as a member "emeritus". They won't let me vote, but they do listen to me LOL.

It's a concern to me that there have now been 6 NCCs and none west of the Mississippi. AA in prison started in San Quentin April of 1942, and 6 months later in September of that same year at Washington State Penitentiary (WSP) in Walla Walla. No one including myself wants the NCC to get stuck on the East coast and Midwest. The NCC should come west.

Therefore, I have taken it upon myself to invite an assortment of our service minded servants (including from both Area 92 and 72) to explore and plan for making a bid for our own NCC (jointly A92 and A72) event next year in North Carolina.

I realize I'm slipping this into my Alt-treasurer report but it's for transparency. If a bid is successful, it should be with the full blessing and cooperation of our Area, and in this case also Area 72. The reason for including Area 72 even though any event would likely be held in the Tri-Cities with a field-trip AA meeting to WSP or Coyote Ridge is that WSP was in Area 72 for many years (it actually predates A72, GSO, and AAWS) before we split off. Area 72 faithfully held onto that history and archival material for many years. If and when there is an event they should rightly be a part of it.

Because I have discussed this with NCC board members (the NCCAB) and others involved I am confident there is a strong sentiment to support this endeavor. And it's not without competition, Utah is going to make a bid as well, but I like our chances if only for the history we offer. Enough about that for now. More will be revealed.

As we approach our traditional rotation, at least for myself it is a time of reflection mixed with gratitude and a sense of purpose. There will always be business to attend to, information, sentiments, and ideas for consideration. And it's always good to perform our activities with an eye on our history. How did we get here? What was our intent? Has it changed? It's hard to not marvel at the process.

We have heard many times, and I don't dispute the opinion "let God decide". However professionally I, and I suspect many of us have learned to accept and even embrace the reality of uncertainty. Hence the group conscience. Most of us have weather reports on an electronic device in our purses or pockets that we check regularly. Yet for some of us, especially in our pre-AA lives, uncertainty and fear caused paralysis.

I submit that at least in many AA affairs we don't have the luxury of paralysis. When the pandemic hit AA went virtual almost the next day. We must act on our best most current information with a painstaking eye on consensus, in the best interests of AA as a whole, and be ready and willing to accommodate new information and change when indicated. Contention is fine and expected but in my opinion fear should never drive us. That's how you sell something on TV, not how you make important decisions.

We are financially solvent and viable going into this rotation. We have good people coming in (and leaving). All is well.

Thanks to all for your contributions.

Contributions for November 2023 were \$2,844.60

In Love and Service, Bryan B, Alt-Treasurer.

#### **Contributions by Member Summary**

#### **November 2023**

Districts	TOTAL	Districts	TOTAL
District 03 Spokane (N. of River to Wellesley)		District 09	
Thursday Men's Step Study - 000007152	100.00	Early Birds Group - 000102425	7.30
Total District 03 Spokane (N. of River to	100.00	Total District 09	7.30
Wellesley)			
District 04 Tri Cities, Kennewick		District 12	
Richland Fellowship - 000057246	78.16	Riverside Here And Now -	25.00
		711216	
Total District 04 Tri Cities, Kennewick	78.16	Total District 12	25.00
District 05		District 13	
One Day At A Time - 000043327	97.52	Millwood Madames -	10.00
		000023159	
Skookum Group - 000071719	81.66	Total District 13	10.00
Two Rivers Morning Group - 343746 250.	250.00	District 17	450.00
		New Ideas	450.00
Total District 05 429	429.18	Prescription For Living -	150.00
		160878	
District 06	22.00	Total District 17	600.00
A New Light - 000091631	22.00		
Fellowship of the Spirit 000415199	100.00	District 19	60.00
		Late But Not To Late - 257664	60.00
Total District 06	122.00	Total District 19	60.00

District 07		District 20	
Clearwater Canyon Group - 000099360	180.98	Chance 4 Change - 000098688	50.00
Total District 07	180.98	Total District 20	50.00
District 08 Daily Reprieve II - 000100886	112.17	District 22 Misfits AA Group - 644845	44.43
First Things First CDA - 000104533	56.61	Work In Progress Group - 39853	28.64
GMAA - 000107596	253.40	Total District 22	73.07
Northern Idaho Young People in Alcoholics Anonymous Group - 349337	66.73	District 23 Living Sober Group - 000013492	200.00
Rathdrum Prairie Dogs - 000051299	200.00	Total District 23	200.00
The Happy Hour Group - 000091054	100.00	District 24 Grupo 12 - 618027	20.00
Truly Grateful Group - 137749	100.00	Total District 24	20.00
Total District 08	888.91	TOTAL	\$2,844. 60

Submittal deadline has been changed from the 10<sup>th</sup> of the month to the 5<sup>th</sup> of the Month.

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 WSEA 92,

As this rotation comes to an end, I am reflecting on all that has been accomplished by the Area 92 Archivist, Lisa D. and the Archives steering committee. We put forward a motion for additional funding for a new repository which was passed at the October 2022 assembly. The new repository was renovated by members of the steering committee and volunteers. In January of this year, with the help of many people, the archives were moved to the new location in Hayden, ID. We prepared for and held an open house at the repository in September. We had the archives traveling display at the assemblies. We received some Pioneer Group archive items back from Area 72. We held meetings,

workshops and work parties. It has been a privilege to be a part of this committee. Thank you to the steering committee and Lisa D. for all this and more.

Thank you for giving me the opportunity to serve WSEA 92.

Sincerely,

Valerie D.

Panel 72 Archives Chair

#### **Area Archivist**

#### **Area Corrections Chair**

#### **Area CPC Chair**

The CPC chair for Area 92 aa is passing the baton onto our new CPC Chair, Lorri T. Congratulations Lorri. Lorrie and I will meet on Mon, Dec 11th and I will pass on all the materials I have gathered in my 6 months as chair of CPC.

The Eastern Washington State Hospital will be receiving subscriptions of the Grapevine and La Vina from Dave at District 3.

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Grateful to be of Service Tracey M. CPC Chair, (Area 92 aa)

#### **Area Grapevine and Literature Chair**

#### **Area Newsletter Editor**

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

Area 92,

First of all I would like to thank all of you in area 92 for letting me be of service as the panel 72 area chair for the Public Information. And one last thing we did in our district was we got two of our members on the radio for a PSA so thank you to those guys as well. Next I would like to thank everyone who served on panel 72. And last of all I would like to thank panel 74 for giving me another chance to serve as the Grapevine and Literature chair.

Yours in Service Ricky L. WSEA 92 - Panel 72 Public Information Chair pi@area92aa.org

#### **Area Technology Chair**

Domain Expiry Outage and Google Workspace Training

We recently encountered an issue with our domain/URL expiring, causing temporary website and email disruptions for area accounts. To prevent future outages, the technology committee is developing procedures for early detection and timely action.

With upcoming service rotations, we anticipate a busy period for the technology committee. To ensure smooth transitions, we encourage all new area servants to familiarize themselves with Google Workspace.

Simply search for "Google Workspace" online for a wealth of resources. While diving deep into each application may feel overwhelming at first, focusing on their core functions will provide a strong foundation for understanding how we utilize this platform within AA.

Our new Technology Chair, Dave G., has already made significant contributions and is a valuable asset to the committee.

Collaborating with the technology committee, area servants, and all the incredible individuals involved in hosting area events has been an immensely rewarding experience.

Together, we can navigate technological challenges and maintain seamless communication within our AA community.

Yours in Service,

Dan M

Chair of the Technology Committee

#### **Area Treatment Chair**

My Area 92 friends and family,

During this past month most of my efforts have been to prepare for a smooth transition for the Area 92, Panel 74 incoming Chair. I have tried to clear my Area 92 mailbox and Drive to eliminate extraneous material that would not be useful to the incoming Chair. I recently forwarded a subscription form for the Grapevine to our outgoing treasurer for Eastern State Hospital.

It has been my pleasure serving you during Panel 72 and I hope to see you as I trudge the road of happy destiny. May the God of your understanding bless you and keep you until then.

Michael O.,

Treatment and Accessibilities Chair,

Area 92, Panel 72

#### **Area Translation Chair**

#### **Finance Committee**

#### **Website Committee**

#### **Hybrid Ad-Hoc Committee**

#### S.C.Workshops Ad-Hoc Committee

Hello Area 92. My name is Todd and I'm an alcoholic.

I'd like to give you all a general idea of what we discussed this month rather than get into a lot of details, being that our plan is to give a final report for the December Newsletter. The final report will contain more details of all our meetings and the topics we discussed. As well as our suggestions for everyone's perusal. Please keep in mind that this committee was not tasked with creating any motions, but rather to produce ideas for the next rotation of servants to possibly take action on.

The committee met on the 13th of November and we discussed the December Standing Committee Workshop. We covered some of the "pros and cons" of having it entirely virtual versus in person.

We discussed having two Combined S.C.W's and two that would be entirely at the discretion of each individual Area 92 Standing Committee itself.

We talked about Workshops being structured with a set agenda or being more of a free flowing event.

We talked about who is actually attending these workshops and who our target audience is.

We also discussed what "committee work" really is. What are we trying to accomplish?

So that was about it for this month. More details of these discussions will be revealed in next month's report, which is expected to be the last one. We're gonna leave you all hanging so that you'll tune in next month for the dramatic conclusion! :)

Yours in service,
Area 92 Ad-Hoc Committee on Standing Committee Workshops

#### Area Registrar

Incoming GSRS Get Your Group Connected!

Is your Group Information up to date?? Please take five minutes to complete this form: <a href="https://forms.gle/QpmDbGzhxzYzYJSP8">https://forms.gle/QpmDbGzhxzYzYJSP8</a> 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 <u>alt-delegat@area92aa.org</u>

#### **District and DCM Reports**

#### **District 2**

Election/confirmation results! .... I say "confirmation" because nobody actually "runs" for anything. Nobody gets nominated. People volunteer to do things. In AA we say that they "make themselves available" to do a particular job. These jobs begin in January of 2024.

DCM – Oleta B.
Archives – Cyrus C.
Grapevine/Lit – Rainey M.
Treatment – Laura L.
Secretary – Amanda G.
Central Office District 2 Trustee – Doug Mc.

Alt DCM – vacant: This person helps the DCM as asked. They may also chair a District meeting or represent the District at an Area Quarterly or Assembly. It's not a heavy job.

Activities – vacant: Sets up events – arranges for a venue and gets it paid for, arranging for speakers if the DCM doesn't do it already, arranging for snacks, set-up and clean up. Maybe 3-4 times/year. The idea is to have a COMMITTEE to do this!

Corrections – vacant: Although we don't have a corrections facility in District 2, Dale has certain things set up and already in place. Dale will be Area 92 Corrections Chair. He said he could possibly alt-chair District 2 Corrections, so you'd have a great mentor!

CPC/PI\* – vacant: This person gets schedules to local libraries and is available to talk about AA to professional organizations in District 2 that request it. One could seek out places to get the word out. We sometimes have a "Bring a Professional to Lunch" event. I participated in one of those. A former CPC/PI Chair is willing to mentor. (\*Cooperation with Professional Community/Public Information)

Treasurer – vacant: Somebody needs to receive group contributions, write checks when needed and balance the checkbook. Most of us do this at home – maybe you could do it for District 2! The Treasurer's Reports are all set up and ready to go.

At the October Assembly, District 2 had the most registrations of all the Districts and we needed TWO tables to seat us all!! There were 12 of us around those tables! The enthusiasm and interest in this form of service were palpable! ("This form of service" keeps AA alive so AAs can do the primary purpose work.)

Oleta chaired the Assembly Committee. Good job to the committee and it's fearless leader!

Dale B. was appointed Area 92 Corrections Chair. Rainey M. (that's me) was elected Alternate Treasurer for Area 92.

Several groups reported that they provided raffle baskets for the Gratitude Banquet. Others reported that their group had signed up for Alcathon time slots – in fact NINE groups have signed up for time slots. More about that later.

Several groups report social activities within their groups, such as eating out, bowling, meeting at members' homes, etc. Great to hear!

One group had finance questions for Area 92. The GSR followed up on it and was able to bring information back to his group. Right on!

Welcome to the new meeting in <u>Lamont</u> called Acceptance is the Answer! Welcome to Contact Bob F. They've been meeting for a couple of months already and decided to join the District communication. Lamont is south of Sprague. Technically, the meeting place is in District 22, but it's 1.5 hours to Moscow/Pullman and only 45 minutes to Spokane. Acceptance is the Answer meets at Lamont Community Church 501 8<sup>th</sup> St on Thursdays at 7:00. It is in person only.

<u>Extravagant Promises</u> at All Saints Lutheran Church in Browne's Addition meets on Fridays at 6:00 pm and they just decided to register with GSO!

The <u>Thursday Book Study</u> is up and running again at the Alano Club on, well, Thursday, at 5:30pm in the Blue Room. We used to have the Tuesday-Thursday 5:30 Book Study, which was a very old meeting. Mel is resurrecting the Thursday meeting with a 12x12 Study.

The <u>Treatment Committee</u> reports that they need 2 volunteers on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month at Sacred Heart psych ward (Spokane, WA). Contact Oleta in 2023 and Laura in 2024! for more information. Meet in front of the gift shop at Sacred Heart at 6:45pm. Don't be late – everybody goes up together.

Our <u>Grapevine/Literature</u> Chair emailed in her report, and I sent it out to all the groups/meetings in District 2. Karyn's job prevented her from attending District meetings, so she emailed or texted her reports in! Thank you, Karyn!

<u>Corrections</u> reports that they got Spanish 12x12s into the Airway Heights Corrections Center. Dale has instigated monthly meetings with all available local Corrections Chairs. He set up and produced paper sobriety coins for AHCC. And he and the volunteers that go into AHCC have been connecting the three separate AA meetings there. Dale has given GSR reports by proxy from The Landing Place Group! Thank you, Landing Place GSR!!!!

<u>Sunlight of the Spirit in Cheney</u> – On Friday, **December 8**<sup>th</sup>, SOTS is having their holiday potluck/speaker meeting at the Church of the Nazarene 338 W Betz Rd, Cheney, WA. Fellowship at 5pm, dinner at 6 and speaker at 7.

The **SPOKANE DISTRICTS POTLUCK/SPEAKER MEETING** has been a huge success! We usually have anywhere between 75 and 110 people there. So far in 2024, we have hosts for January, March and April. Please call or text me at 509-279-5640 to schedule your group or meeting to host. It's not hard at all, and it's a lot of fun!

Rock on! Rainey

#### **District 3**

Greetings Area 92!

Committee chairs are filled for all positions: Treatment, PI/CPC, Corrections, Archives, Grapevine/Literature, and Activities/Events, as well as Central Office Liaison.

In the last quarter, new officers were elected: DCM, Larry P; Alt DCM, Cari S; Treasurer, Joe C; and Secretary, Kendall D. They will assume their duties January 1, 2023.

As DCM, I'll be helping DCM-elect Larry P and Alt DCM-elect Cari S get acquainted with duties and procedures in the district.

District 3 group, the Thursday Men's Group, hosted the monthly Spokane Districts Potluck on the first Sunday in November.

District 3 will be hosting the December 9th Area 92 Standing Committee Workshop. District 3 group, A Road to Recovery, is handling food and hospitality. The self-described "best AA coffee in Spokane" will be served in the morning and chef Tom S is preparing smoked pork for the main dish for the potluck lunch.

We have an excellent facility at Spokane First Church, with space for up to 100 people, room for 6 breakout sessions and good internet. Please join us in person or online; it will be a hybrid event. Details regarding content are being planned with Dan M, Technology Committee Chair and (as of October 21!) Alt Delegate-elect for Area 92.

Our next meeting is on December 12th at the Corbin Senior Center in Spokane.

Yours in Service,

Larry E

DCM 3

**District 4** 

**District 5** 

**District 6** 

**District 7** 

#### **District 8**

Greetings AA's & District 8 Trusted Servants,

Finally, my last DCM report! What a journey the past 3 ½ years have been. So many events, meetings, reports, travel, fellowshipping and did I mention reports! Jk. It hasn't always been smooth but it has been a blessing to be given the opportunity to experience what we call "service" at the District and Area level. It had not been my idea/choice to become DCM, I guess God had other plans. I put one foot in front of the other one day at a time.

I have found that being involved in conducting the business of AA with other dedicated trusted servants of Area 92 to be rewarding and exciting. I have met many people I now call friends. We work hard to fulfill our primary purpose, carrying the message of AA. The best part has been the people within the fellowship of AA, those who are willing to give a bit more of themselves to A.A. Although there is some work involved it has always been worth it. It has been my pleasure to have served with everyone in our District and Area over the past few years. I sincerely thank everyone here in my district who has been there to help and support me.

These past 3 plus years have enriched my life in more ways than I can list, my spiritual growth and my sobriety. I cannot hope for anything less for those of you returning to service this rotation or those that are new than to be a part of this wonderful experience. I wish you all the best.

To follow up & a reminder from our 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 (Nov. 14, 2023) District Meeting:

Welcome to the newly elected District 8 trusted servants, new GSR and standing committee chairs for the new rotation of Panel 74, Jan 2024 through Dec 2025. Our November meeting had an attendance of 4 officers, 20 GSR's & Alt GSR's, 7 committee chairs and 8 guests for a total of **39 district members attending**. We welcomed new GSR's, John F. GSR and David J. Alt GSR for Daily Reprieve, Lynn F. from the St. Joes Group in St Maries, Kyle M. from GMAA, Chris W. from Prairie Dogs, Michelle P. from The Way-Out Group, Aaron B. from the 5:15 Happy Hour Group, Heather M. for Lady A's, Kerri S. for Primary Purpose, and Johny S. from Young in Years. We elected Nathan B to serve as the new web chair and Kaila F. as our newsletter editor. Welcome to service everyone, grateful to have you with us in the next rotation.

#### Activities - Attended Nov - Dec 2023:

Finance Committee meeting: Nov. 13, 2023 & Dec 11, 2023

DCM Meeting: Nov. 28, 2023, Dec 26, 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 4<sup>th</sup> Sat of the month. Spokane Alano Club, 12-1:30 pm.

**Standing Committee Workshop:** December 9, 2023. 10 am to 3 pm. Hybrid Hosted by District 3, Spokane WA.

Area 92 January Quarterly: Jan.19-20, 2024. HYBRID Hosted by District 5 Wenatchee, WA

Catherine B DCM 8

\*\*Please remember to have your reports, changes or flyers into our newsletter chair by the 5<sup>th</sup> 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 newsletterdistrict8@gmail.com.

#### **District 9**

**District 10** 

**District 11** 

#### **District 12**

Hello from District 12!

We are in celebration mode with feasts and gift exchanges within the fellowship! We're also cleaning up our desks and transferring information for our new servants of the District. Very jolly time to say the least. We've got 2 Treatment Panels set up for December at OBHC and the new Treatment Chair has been introduced to the connecting persons to keep us in the groove of service. We hope to have our bid accepted for the October 2025 Assembly at Sun Mountain. Our new DCM will carry that possibility forward. We've gotten a bit more grounded on our AA Hotline Workbook and it may go through another editing too! Either way it is for the good of anyone, anywhere reaching out...and we are willing. Thanks to all who worked on it! Really enjoying the SCW Ad-Hoc Committee meetings. We're making progress and discoveries.

Mostly, I want to thank those who served this very large District this rotation, sharing and informing what AA has to offer to our communities. You've done an incredible trudge to inform. Personally, I want to Thank, Valerie D., for her guidance and encouragement. Deeply appreciated. (We're not done yet.)

To all the new servants that have come out of the woodwork (I think Dolores and Sharon had something to do with that), we welcome you to the table!

We've the same literary reviews and discussions as you all do and our GSR's will follow through, so I'm not elaborating. Instead, reminisce.

At our Gratitude Banquet last month, I knew something had changed in me. I hugged and chatted with many more folks than the following year due to visiting 98% of the meetings in our district. Good relationships. I saw groups sitting together that healed rifts. I saw the extension of service and the growth our program gives us. Golly. What a feeling! What a sight. Belonging to something that's available for all. District 12 is amazing. What a beautiful bunch of recovering Alcoholic's!

December Birthdays: Postman John 13 years! Jacqueline C. 10 years!

Signing off!
Passing the torch to our new incoming DCM Lisa S.!

Jacqueline C Area92 DCM District 12 YIS!!

#### **District 13**

#### **District 14**

November was focused on filling our appointed positions and preparing for the transition to the new committee members who take over in January. It was great to have people make themselves available for nearly all the standing committee chair positions. We still need to fill the Schedules, Bridging the Gap, and Activities chair positions. We also

need to fill the alternate secretary slot which is an elected position. The primary focus of our December district meeting will be on transitioning, and review of the most recent draft for updating the district handbook.

As my DCM rotation ends, I am so grateful for the experience I have had at the district and area level. I would not have expanded my knowledge of A.A. as a whole if I have not stepped up. And working with the district and area members has been great. We learn to listen, to seek to understand, and yes argue and debate, but we come to a decision, and all get behind it. Thank you to all who served at the area level for the last rotation, and best wishes for those moving into the upcoming rotation.

Andy C, District 14 DCM

**District 15** 

**District 16** 

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**District 25** 

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

I hope you are all well and enjoying a good hot cup of coffee. The following are District 25 November Activities: Our District celebrated its 14th. anniversary on November 19th. with a Traditions and Concepts workshop. It got very interesting with 48 members present. Thank you all for your participation, District 25 groups, our Intergroup office and the Wenatchee Intergroup office, also Districts 16, and 24. Also to our Delegate Ben N. for sharing on Concept 6., and Virginia for her service interpreting. November 29th. We held a Traditions workshop at Grupo Tómalo con Calma in Ellensburg where Juan of the Othello group, the delegate from Wa State to the Directory Committee of The National Hispanic AA Convention participated.

My gratitude to the District 25 GSRs, for serving together in unity in all our service. Grupo Sobriedad Viva: GSR Juan, Nuevo Camino: GSR Javier N., Grupo Unidad, Toppenish: GSRJose Luis, Milagros: GSR Jaime N., Solo por Hoy: GSR Liberato R., 3 de Enero: GSR Miguel, Tómalo con Calma: GSR Pedro, and 30 de Julio:GSR Cirineo. Also gratitude to our coffee maker Manuel M., and the rest of the District trusted servants: Secretary Liberato R., Treasurer José S. Thank you all for your service and for helping me serve. Thank you to Area 92 and to Johnny of the Translation Committee, Virginia for interpreting and helping us communicate through the newsletter with our Area AA community.

I wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year!

Toribio Nava DCM District 25

#### District 26

Hello Area 92. Well District 26 held their elections and I'm happy to report that we filled every position! Including three people that didn't fill a position last rotation. New blood is a wonderful thing! One of the local groups hosted a "Friends Giving" event, and will be hosting a White Elephant Christmas Party. Our rooms will be open either on Christmas Day or Christmas Eve day and New Year's Eve as well.

Thank you all for your service!

Todd D.

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**Christmas Alcathon** 

12/24 Noon—12/25 Midnight







12/31 Noon-1/1 Midnight

**Both events held at Alano Club** 

1700 W 7th Ave

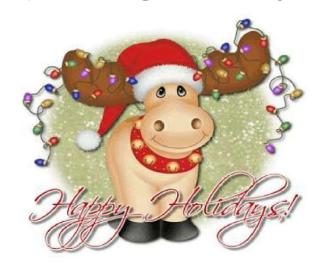
#### Sign your group up for a 2 hour block

- 1 hour chairing the meeting
- 1 hour managing dining hall

(supplying food, bussing tables, overseeing buffet table)

To sign up contact: Jamie K. 425-246-9934 dcm13@area92aa.org

Time slots going fast!



# **Spokane Districts Potluck Speaker Meeting**



## JANUARY 7, 2024

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# GOOGLE WORKSPACE TRAINING

Focused for WSFA 92:

DCM's - Elected
Standing Committee Chairs
Past Delegates





Saturday, January 27th



10:00 am - 12:00pm



Via:

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## 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary March 9, 2024

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March 22nd - 24th 2024
The Barn
Winthrop, WA

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