

WASHINGTON STATE EAST AREA 92

YOUR SEVENTH TRADITION CONTRIBUTIONS AT WORK

ACHIEVING OUR "PRIMARY PURPOSE" BEHIND THE SCENES

Every year WSEA 92 trusted servants respond to over 25,000 emails and phone calls from AA members, fellow trusted servants, Districts, suffering alcoholics, professionals, and others interested in Alcoholics Anonymous' program of recovery. The chairperson of each Special Service Committee works with their District counterparts to support, educate, and assist when called upon. Each Quarter the Area Committee, consisting of sixteen elected and appointed Area officers and twenty-five DCMS, meet at either an Assembly or Quarterly to report to the body. These (2) Assemblies and (2) Quarterly meetings are vital to keeping the body informed and updated on the finances, activities, and events of Area 92 and the General Service Office (GSO) in New York City.



1 The **WSEA 92 Delegate** is a voting member of the General Service Conference (GSC) representing WSEA 92, while always mindful of the good of A.A. as a whole. The Delegate shares the Conference Agenda items with the Area Committee. Many DCMs host Delegate meetings where the delegate shares the Agenda Items with GSRs so they are informed and prepared to share with their home groups. At the Pre-Conference assembly DCMs and GSRs return their District's and group's group consciences. This way the Delegate will attend the GSC with a good sense of how the Area feels about the Agenda Items. Afterwards the Delegate travels to Area Districts sharing their experience while at the Conference and any actions taken on the Agenda Items. The Area **Alternate (Alt.) Delegate** assists the Delegate and assumes the duties of the Delegate if the Delegate is unable to serve their full rotation. The Alt. Delegate is the Area Registrar, overseeing that groups, DCM's and GSR's are registered with GSO, and that the Area Roster of groups is current and accurate. They assist Districts with registering committee Chairs with GSO, and often attend Zoom meetings with fellow Alt. Delegates throughout the country.

2 The **WSEA 92 Chair** is the chairperson of the Area Committee and sets the agenda for and chairs all Area Assemblies and Quarterlies. Newly elected officers meet with the Chair to assist in the selection of appointed officers. Currently monthly meetings with Area Officers and Area DCMs are held and lead by the Area Chair, a tradition started by the Panel 70 chair. The Chair oversees the smooth operation of all of our Area special services with a strong focus on unity. The Area **Alternate Chair** assumes the Chairperson's duties if the Chair is unable to complete the Rotation. The Alternate Chair coordinates with each District hosting an Area Assembly or Quarterly. The Chair oversees and assists where needed throughout the process, which often involves travel to preview venues and attend planning committee meetings. He/she maintains a record of each District's final report breaking down income, expenses and Attendees.



3 The **WSEA 92 Secretary** assists the Area Chairperson in preparing agendas, meeting notices, and distributing information to the WSEA 92 Committee. With Each new Rotation the secretary updates and distributes new Area Directories. With the help of recordings and notes taken, the secretary provides minutes of the Quarterly and Assembly conferences. The Secretary is Chair of the WSEA 92 Handbook Committee and responsible for updating the Area Handbook as motions are approved and maintaining a list of approved and not approved motions as part the WSEA 92. Floor motions are sent to the secretary and distributed to the Area Committee in time to be considered at the Quarterly or Assembly.

4 Our **WSEA 92 Archives** facility houses the historical A.A. documents and memorabilia collected since the beginning of WSEA 92 in 1995 and before. Visitors enjoy viewing the old Assembly and Quarterly minutes, motions, letters, numerous photos, some with Bill, and much more. **7th tradition** funds pay the rent on the facility and funds the supplies used by the Archivist to properly preserve the integrity of these precious items. At the quarterly Standing Committee Workshops, the Archives Chair update attendees on current A.A. Archives activities and points of interest throughout the structure and is available to help District Archive Chairpersons. The Archives Chair coordinates the display of Area Archive items with the Area Archivist and arranges for volunteers to supervise the display at Area Assemblies. The Archives Chair also serves as Chairperson of the Archive Steering Committee. The **Area Archivist** is a separate position whose primary responsibility is the care, repair and preservation of the Area's and filing of archived items. In addition the Archivist attends the Annual Regional A.A. Archives Workshop and plans the event in the years Area 92 hosts it. The Archivist attends the National A.A. Archives Workshop once every four years.



5 **WSEA 92 Corrections Chair** meets with District Corrections Chairs to share experiences and assist where needed. Carrying the message into local jails/prisons and providing literature for incarcerated alcoholics is usually the only help these suffering alcoholics get, and the Area Corrections Chair works diligently to see that the need is met in corrections facilities throughout WSEA 92. The Corrections Chair also attends the National A.A. Corrections Conference once every two years.



6 The **WSEA 92 Treatment and Accessibility Chair** not only focuses on alcoholics in treatment, but also helps Districts find solutions for those alcoholics with accessibility issues due to disability, remote location, illness, or any reason that prevents them being able to attend in-person or online meetings. Taking meetings into local treatment facilities and providing facilities with A.A. literature is a priority and among the topics discussed when the Area Treatment and District Treatment Chairs meet and share their experiences, struggles, and solutions.

The Area Treatment and Corrections **Bridge the Gap Chairs** work with Districts to help coordinate with Correction, and Treatment Facilities to connect recovering alcoholics being released with a member of Alcoholics Anonymous from the district in which they reside who will take them to meetings and introduce them to others, so they feel welcomed and comfortable as they continue their path of recovery.



7 **Public Information (P.I.) Chair** coordinates the broadcasting of our audio and video Public Service Announcements (PSAs) with local radio and television stations. The Area P.I. Chair works with Districts to help facilitate this most important work to reach the suffering alcoholic who may not know about A.A. or may not know how to find us.

8 Professionals are frequently the first contact for an Alcoholic. Our Area **Cooperation With the Professional Community (CPC) Chair** meets with District CPC chairs to network with one another, share new information from GSD, brainstorm solutions to problems, and encourages and inspires confidence as they reach out to Medical, Legal, Hospital, Court and other professionals who may have interactions with the suffering alcoholic.



9 A large variety of A.A. literature and pamphlets are available for sale at every WSEA 92 Assembly and Quarterly thanks to the dedication of our WSEA 92 **Literature/GV (Grapevine/LaViña) Chair**. The Literature Chair is also available to assist Districts with their literature needs and often travels to other A.A. events in our Area to make Area 92 Literature available. This Chairperson literally does the heavy lifting and moving as the books and pamphlets displays are set up and taken down and loaded twice for every event.

10 The WSEA 92 **Newsletter Editor** has the joy of collecting monthly reports from all 16 Area elected and appointed officers and 25 DCMs. Once collected the reports are edited if necessary, and the layout/design is prepared with any flyers of upcoming events or other important information added, and the editor produces the final product. The Editor then sends it electronically to the Area Committee, Alternate DCMs, Past Delegates and other members requesting a copy. For trusted servants and Past Delegates without electronic means, hard copies are printed and mailed. The Area Newsletter Editor is always looking for news stories inside and outside of our own Area.



11 The **Translation Chair** insures there is an interpreter at all Area Assemblies, Quarterlies, Standing Committee Workshops and all other events the Area hosts. Translation equipment is provided to all Spanish speaking members and the Translation Chair is responsible for the maintenance and repair of the equipment to insure it is always in good working order. In addition the Translation chair assists Area Officers with document translation. The Area Translation Chairs assists districts if they need help finding a translator for an event, they are hosting.



12 Your WSEA 92 **Treasurer & Alternate (Alt.) Treasurer** are responsible for the prudent stewardship and accounting of **YOUR 7th Tradition Contributions**. The Area **Alt. Treasurer** deposits contributions to the bank, and credits each individual, group, and district contributing. The Alt Treasurer transfers PayPal contributions to the bank, crediting back each contributor the PayPal fee and charging the fee to WSEA 92. The Alt. Treasurer is the chair of the Area Finance Committee which meets monthly. The Area **Treasurer** creates the annual budget based on historical and known data, pays all Area Expenses, reimburses trusted servants' business-related expenses and mileage, reconciles bank statements with QuickBooks, and registers the Area Committee for events and procures all hotel accommodations. Monthly reports to the Finance Committee are made by both positions and each Quarter the Treasurer and Alternate Treasurer report on the state of the Area's finances to the body at WSEA 92 Assemblies and Quarterlies.

WSEA 92 Elected Officers and Special Service Chairpersons are worthy trusted servants, devoted to service in Alcoholics Anonymous to realize our **"Primary Purpose"** of reaching the still suffering alcoholic. Without your **7th Tradition** contributions the vital work of these trusted servants would not be possible. For that we humbly thank you and urge your continued generous support so others in our Area might be blessed with the gift of sobriety as we have been.

May the God of your understanding Bless you.

"I am responsible. When anyone, anywhere, reaches out for help, I want the hand of A.A. always to be there. And for that I am responsible."