

News from District 8 – North Idaho DISTRICT EYE

January, 2023



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The general service representative has the job of linking his or her group with A.A. as a whole. The G.S.R. represents the voice of the group conscience, reporting the group's thoughts to the district committee member and to the delegate, who passes them on to the Conference. This communication is a two-way street, making the G.S.R. responsible for bringing back to the group Conference Actions that affect A.A. unity, health, and growth. Only when a G.S.R. keeps the group informed, and communicates the group conscience, can the Conference truly act for A.A. as a whole. —AA Service Manual, pg S26

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District 8- North Idaho AA
Meeting Minutes – December 13, 2022

Meeting called to order at 7:03 pm by DCM Catherine B., followed by the Serenity Prayer.

-GSR Statement: Read by Dave B.

-Secretary Report: Minutes from November meeting read by Catherine. Nathan moved to approve minutes; Dave B seconded. passed unanimously.

-DCM Report: Given by Catherine B.

-Alternate DCM Report: Absent

-Treasurer Report: Given by Rachel R. Gloria P. moved to approve report, Dave B. seconded, passed unanimously.

-GSR Reports: Each GSR provided information and updates for their home group. See District Eye.

-Standing Committee Reports:

-Treatment – Tom B. Reported they are looking into meeting again at UGM, a meeting that was suspended during Covid. Schedules are being delivered to the new detox unit at Kootenai Health. John K. is bringing a panel into KMC intensive outpatient.

-Corrections – Kyle T. Reported John McSwain is the new jail coordinator. McSwain is not allowing any non flushable big books into the jail after an incident where one plugged the pods toilet. Alternatives are being worked on.

-Public Information – Chuck F. reports that ads were run in the Nicklelsworth over the holidays. Committee provided several entities AA schedules. County jail was provided with AA schedules.

-CPC - Sam K. Absent no report

-Literature - Paula T. reported that pink can ending balance of \$1,921.65. They are budgeting more to procure more grapevines.

-Central Office – Mary reported they were interviewing for a volunteer position and that they would be closed on Saturdays throughout the holidays.

-Unfinished Business:

District Secretary position is still open. Dave B. nominated Phil T. to fill the position. Motion for Phil T. to be secretary passed. Web chair still needs to be filled.

-New Business:

Catherine B. suggests we procure a podium and mic set up for the district meeting to keep the meeting more in order.

-Open Forum: Announcements of Prairie Dogs second annual New Years Brunch and meeting. Committee decided that Adhoc Hybrid committee option number 2 was the best for the group. Rachel H. moved to adjourn meeting at 8:42 p.m. Followed by the Responsibility Statement.

Respectfully Submitted

Phil T. Party Secretary

DCM report for Dec 2022 – Jan 2023

Happy New Year! To my fellow District AA's. We are starting the new year with lots of work ahead of us with exciting plans and business ahead. District 8 still has our inventory to be accomplished. I am hoping to get this scheduled in February if possible. Our January Quarterly is coming up the weekend of January 20 – 21, 2023 in Wenatchee, WA District 5 hosting. I encourage everyone to attend as this is also a hybrid meeting which makes it easy if you don't want to travel. The registration flyer was emailed to everyone on 1/5/2023 and is included in the January DE.

Notes from (**December 12, 2022**) District Meeting:

Due to our wonderful North Idaho weather, we had a smaller than usual meeting. We had 9 GSR's, 3 officers, 4 committee chairs and 3 guests attend. Total of 19 district members attending. We had Phil T. volunteer to serve as District 8 Secretary. Phil T. was nominated and voted in. Congratulations and welcome to District 8 service Phil.

Activities – Attended Dec 2022-Jan 2023:

Standing Committee Workshop: December 10, 2022, attended by Zoom.

January Quarterly: Registered & scheduled to attend.

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.

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

January 20-22, 2023-WSEA January Quarterly. Hosted by District 5, Wenatchee WA

District 8 Inventory: TBD

Google Workshop: February 4, 2023. Online Area workshop.

PRAASA: March 3-5, 2023, Southern CA hosting. Information at : <http://www.praasa.org/>

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

As your DCM, I am willing to help you in any way I can please let me know if there's anything you need or anything I can help you with. Please keep an eye out for my emails as my primary job is to facilitate communication from district, Area 92, GSO in all matters A.A.

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Catherine B

DCM 8

Treasurer's Report

Thank you to the Daily Reprieve II, Fort Sherman, Serenity Sisters, Sober Sisters and Upriver Groups for their contributions. The beginning checking account balance was \$383.61. Total contributions received were \$478.99, expenses paid were \$196.11, and the ending account balance was \$666.63. The prudent reserve's balance is \$3,000.02.

I'm looking forward to serving my second year as the District 8 Treasurer and thank you for putting your trust in me!

Happy New Year! Yours in Service, Rachel Hunt

District Officers and Committee Chairs

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GSR Reports

Athol Big Book Recovery Group, Athol Community Center , Saturday 5-6 pm, GSR - Kim M. Athol Big Book Recovery Group is a Big Book study, open meeting where everyone is welcome. We read a paragraph or two and take turns sharing our experience, strength and hope with each other. We celebrate milestones in sobriety each week as they occur.

Best Avenue Group, Alano Hall, 425 Borah, CDA. Daily 12 PM. GSR: Brian B, The Best Avenue Group is an open meeting that meets seven days a week, 365 days a year at the Alano Fellowship Hall. Tuesdays are a big book study. Thursday meetings are chaired by a member with at least 20 years of sobriety. Our meeting topics are selected from GSO approved literature. On the last Friday of the month there is a speaker/ discussion meeting where a speaker shares for 20 minutes then opens up for discussion for the group. The business meetings are held on the first Sunday of the month following the noon meeting. We acknowledge and celebrate birthdays by handing out sobriety coins daily. We average about 30 people in attendance per meeting. Big Books available for sale. All are encouraged to join.

Daily Reprieve, Alano Hall, 425 Borah, CDA. Daily at 5:30pm, Thursdays at 7pm. GSR- Garrett B. Alt GSR - Rolf M. This home group meets every day at the Alano Hall at 5:30pm. On Thursdays we have a 12 and 12 reading for an hour starting at 7pm. We alternate, a step on one week and a tradition on the next week. We have a speaker meeting the last Saturday of the month at 6:30pm/ potluck at 5:30pm. Business meeting 3rd Tuesday of the month.

First Things First, 322 Hubbard Ave, CDA. Fort Sherman Chapel. Tuesdays 7:30pm. GSR- open

Happy Hour, 5:15pm, First Presbyterian Church, Sixth and Lakeside, CDA. Daily at 5:15pm. GST - Nathan B.

Hello from the 5:15 Happy Hour Group! We meet seven days a week at 5:15pm. We are an open meeting and everyone is welcome. Join us for variety on Friday with a 15-minute speaker/ discussion meeting followed by a book study starting at 6:30pm and our renowned one hour speaker meeting every Saturday. The last Saturday of the month is a birthday meeting where we invite those that took coins in that month to share from the podium. That day there is cake!

Fort Sherman Group, 332 Hubbard Ave, CDA. 7 days a week, 7:45am.

This is an open meeting that also meets in a separate meeting via zoom at 7:45am, 7 days a week. There is a 12 & 12 study on Fridays. The last Sunday of the month is a speaker meeting at 7pm. This meeting is in person and also shown on zoom. The business meeting is the 2nd Saturday of the month in person at the Fort after the 7:45am meeting.

GMAA Good Morning AA, Alano Hall, 425 Borah, CDA . Daily 6:30am. GSR- open GMAA is at the Alano Club at 6:30 every day of the week. The last Saturday of the GMAA hosts a breakfast for coin takers. Also, the business meeting is held on the last Saturday after the regular meeting.

Keep it Simple, Journey of Hope Church, 355 E 12th, Post Falls. Monday - Friday at 12pm.
GSR - Open. Open meeting, Wheelchair accessible

Lady A's, Athol Community Center, 30355 Third St, Athol. Thursday at 9am. GSR- Heather. Alt Paula T. Open. Women only.

Lost and Found, St Lukes, Fifth and Wallace. GSR - Danny G.
Noon - Monday to Saturday and 1PM on Sunday

Men's Recovery in AA, 405 N Second St, downtown CDA, Second Chance Ministry. Thursday 7pm. GSR - Jon D.
Men's Recovery in AA group. Men only

North Idaho Young People in AA "The Misfits Group", First Presbyterian Church of CDA, Sixth and Lakeside. Monday 7pm.
The misfits are the Monday meeting of North Idaho Young People in AA (NIDYPAA), registered with national YPAA. We're a new meeting founded with the goal of carrying the message of recovery to the young and young at heart in AA. No age requirements to attend! We are informal and do our best to obey Rule 62. We are starting strong with a core group but have plenty of room for more members and open service positions. We appreciate your support!

Off 53, Hauser Lake Firehouse, Hauser and on Zoom, Monday 7pm. GSR - Stan B We are an open discussion meeting. We are a small , intimate meeting with a lot of great sobriety. Please come and join us. WE HAVE CANDY! Business meeting is the third Monday of the month at 6pm before the regular meeting.

Prairie Dogs, Belltower Funeral Home, 8015 Main St, Rathdrum. Wed and Fri 7pm.
GSR -Dave B, Alt GSR -Chuck F.
Prairie Dogs meet Wednesday and Friday nights at 7pm. Wednesday is a closed meeting and Fridays are open meetings. We have had a great turnout, lots of newcomers and multiple years. The last Friday is a potluck birthday celebration. Come join the best meeting in Rathdrum! Our business meeting is the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 6pm, followed by our regular meeting at 7pm. Big Book study Sundays at 3PM

Primary Purpose, Alano Hall, 425 Borah, CDA. Sundays 4pm. Newcomers meeting simultaneously if needed. GSR - Jan R. Alt GSR: Kerri S.
We are a Big Book study group. We have recently added the 12 and 12 to study after completion of Big Book. We offer a foundation meeting which is basically the first three steps and the first three chapters of the Big Book.

Rough Riders, Community Presbyterian Church, 1100 College Ave, St. Maries. 10th & College Ave. GSR – Hank A. Meet Tuesdays and Thursdays at 7:00 PM. Meetings usually last more than 1 hour so everyone gets a chance to share. Our location along the lake makes the drive down a spiritual experience. An hour and half drive is always worthwhile. Please make the drive

SCW-Sobriety Capital of the World, New Beginnings Church, 16138 N Westwood, Rathdrum. Tuesdays and Fridays 7PM. GSR - Curtis A.

Friday night is a candlelight meeting. On the last Friday of the month we have a birthday / potluck to celebrate the monthly birthdays. We are caddy corner to the Super 1 in Rathdrum Business Meeting third Tuesday of the month, following the meeting.

Serenity Sisters, 3079 E 16th Ave, Post Falls, Saturday - 10am. GSR - Karen. Serenity Sisters meets every Saturday at 10 a.m. at His Place Church in Post Falls. We are an open Women's meeting. We offer a 12X12 study on the third Saturday of the month. There is a Speaker Meeting at the end of each quarter. Our business meeting is the first Saturday of the month, following our normal meeting. The church requires that we lock the door at 10:15

Serious About Sobriety, Alano Hall, 425 E. Borah Ave, CDA. Daily at 9:30PM.

Serious About Sobriety meets 7 day a week at 9:30 p.m. in the Alano Hall. Come share your experience, strength and hope in the candlelight with us! Our attendance has been growing since reopening the meeting and we've been adding some new home group members. Business meetings are the first Tuesday of the month at 8:30 p.m.

Spiritual Awakening, 32119 N Fifth Ave, Spirit Lake, VFW Post 1147. GSR -Toby. Hello! Spiritual Awakening Meetings are going well. We started up our potluck for the Wednesday night step and tradition meeting. Dinner at 5:30, Meeting starts at 6pm to 7pm. Saturday 8am - Open meeting business meeting every second Saturday of the month at 7:15am. Birthday celebration last Wednesday of each month at the 6pm Literature table is well received and supported.

Sober Sisters, 4000 N 4th Street, CDA. Monday 5:30pm. GSR Gloria P. Closed Women's Meeting. Average attendance is 10-15. We read various AA books. Currently reading "Voices of Women in AA".

The Way Out, Seventh Day Adventist Church, 12940 N Govt Way, Hayden. Monday and Fridays 5:30pm. GSR - Karen S.

The Way Out group meets Mondays and Fridays in person and on zoom at 5:30pm. Our business meeting occurs every-other- month on the Friday following the District 8 meeting. We have a regular attendance of some old timers along with some newcomers and we average about 10 - 18 people, split pretty evenly between those at the church and those via Zoom. Our enhanced camera and audio bring the zoom folks right into the physical meeting so it's a great experience for all. We mix up daily reflections, grapevine and other AA literature in our format. If you are new or are looking for a sponsor, this meeting is a great place for you to be! The meeting is held at the 7th Day Adventist Church, lower level on the north side of the building, 12940 N Gov't Way (Corner of Lancaster.)

Truly Grateful, 308 W 12th Ave, Post Falls, ID 83854. Thursdays at 7:00PM.

GSR: Dot R. Meetings are attended by 20 to 30 plus each week. Topics are picked from the 12 and 12 and the Daily Reflections. We have newcomers and old timers each week. We are not a glum lot!

Upriver, Fernwood Bible Church-in the basement. Mile Marker 64, Hwy 3.

GSR- John B. Sunday at 3PM

Women in Emotional Sobriety, Alano Hall, 425 Borah. CDA. Saturday 10 am. GSR: Mindy WIES meet Saturday mornings at 10 am at the Alano Hall. The first 3 Saturdays we read out of the 12 and 12; one Step / Tradition at a time. The last Saturday of the month is an open discussion on a topic chosen from the book Emotional Sobriety I, II, or Language of the Heart. Mothers and children are welcome. Our Business meeting is the 3rd Saturday, following the meeting, at 11:15. We always have a great meeting. Please come join us.

Young in Years, Christ the King Lutheran Church, 17th and Pennsylvania, CDA. Monday at 7pm. GSR - Ed A. Alt GSR- Emily W.

Some of us are not so young, so as of June 1, Young in Years meets every Monday at 7pm at Christ the King Lutheran Church at 18th and Pennsylvania Ave, in Coeur d'Alene. Group conscience meeting is the Monday after the second Tuesday @ 7:15 PM until June when we are bumping things one hour earlier,(so following the district meeting). Our business meeting is the third Monday of each month at 6:15 pm. We celebrate birthdays on the last Monday of the month after our regular meeting.

Standing Committee Reports

Corrections Report

Hello everyone, a lot has happened since last month. First of all John McSwain the volunteer director at the Kootenai county has agreed to accept four subscriptions to the great vine. I am pleased to say that he has also agreed to receive new big books in spite of the covers when he runs out of the older ones so that's great news. I have received three paper applications that I have passed out to get more individuals cleared to carry the message into the jail. He wants to switch from paper applications to online applications in the not too distant future. John has been a huge blessing and is eager to get more involvement from AA and chaplins. John has done a great job at making sure that big books are stocked on every book cart that goes into the pods so that it is regularly available to the inmates. zoom meetings are available again for those who have cleared a background check and went through pria. There is no set date on the next pria class but he has told me that it will be taking place in late february to early march. Things are definitely looking up and I believe we have a solid new program director willing to support us in carrying the message. I hope all is well and I am grateful to be of service.

Newsletter

-Deadline for December District Eye is February 5, 2023. Officers, Committee Chairs, and GSRs should send reports to newsletterdistrict8@gmail.com

GSRs,- for corrections to your meeting report - email to above address. Thank you so much for your timely submission of reports this month! In Service and with Much Gratitude - Carin, Newsletter Editor

Central Office Report

The Central Office of North Idaho is open Monday-Saturday 10am- 2pm. We are located at 118 N. 7th St. Ste. B-5 Coeur d'Alene. Our 24-hour hotline is 208-667-4633. Thank you to all who support the office with your contributions. Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays.

Third Legacy Report January 2023

Given the less than stellar attendance at our last Third Legacy event I am making an open request for ideas for the next one. Please submit the ideas you have directly to me at ToxophiliteIV@gmail.com or you may pass written ideas to me at the monthly district meeting.

I am looking forward to working with your ideas for maintaining our traditions while improving our work toward carrying the message.

YIS

Clint H

Third Legacy Chair.