

News from District 8 – North Idaho DISTRICT EYE

March, 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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DCM Report – Jan 2023 – Feb 2023

Greetings AA's trusted servants. Coming up we have our District 8 inventory which we have picked the date of May 6, 2023 and we have the April Area 92 pre-conference Assembly to prepare for. All of the conference agenda items have been posted on the Area 92 website under the "resources" tab in addition to the summary sheets. There will be a March 11 agenda item review in Spokane from noon to 3 pm if interested. The agenda items and summary sheets to be addressed will be sent out shortly.

Thank you all for attending our district meetings, there has been some discussion about attendance concerns expressed to me that we do not have enough participation. As of this year's rotation we have 20 groups that are noted as "home groups" with business meetings. Of those 20 we have 3 groups that currently do not have GSR's. Those are: KISS, Ft. Sherman and Good Morning AA. We have 17 Groups with GSR's. In our District, we have 5 officer/elected positions- currently 4 are filled we do not have an alt-treasurer. We have 9 committee positions, 8 are filled as we need a new Web Chair person. Helen has been filling in for now. This totals 34 positions not including the Central Office in District-plus we have people holding 2 positions or fill ins at the meeting if a person is not available. We also have guests from the district that are counted as attending. Considering we have 5 unfilled positions, 1-3 double served our average attendance is 24 members. Some months we have more and some months we have less. In 2022 our lowest attendance was in December where we had 20 members and our highest month was March 2022 with 31 (5 guests). I have a chart with the numbers that I have put together if anyone is interested.

Updated: General timeline for the conference agenda items:

- February 28 – Completion of summary sheets and forwarded to Groups for review. (IN PROCESS)
- **March 18 - Standing Committee Workshop - Team leaders will host their respective breakout rooms.**
- **April 14-16 Pre-Conference Assembly. Lewiston ID, Hosted by District 7.**
- **April 22 - 28 General Service Conference, Brooklyn NY.**

Notes from (**February 14, 2023**) District Meeting:

We had 13 GSR's, 3 officers, 7 committee chairs and 2 guests attend. **Total of 25 district members attending.**

Activities – Attended Feb-Mar 2023:

Finance Committee meeting: February 6 & March 6, 2023

Ad Hoc Inventory Meeting: February 18, 2023

DCM January Meeting: 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)

GSC Agenda Item discussion: March 11, 2023-noon to 3 pm. (flyer in DE)

District 8 Inventory: Ad Hoc committee met on Feb 18, 2023. Next meeting April EOM.

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

Pre-Conference Assembly: April 14-16, 2023. Registration now open, flyers in DE.

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.

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.**

Alternate DCM Report

I do not have much to report this month. I will be attending the SCW in Ephrata on 03/18/2023.

I was able to get the Archives storage unit rental account back in our name. Stan T and I spent several hours last Saturday working in the Archives, which is in really good shape. We are still searching for an archives inventory list and will start a new Archives Inventory list if we do not locate the original. If we do find the original we will just update it.

Hope to see you in Ephrata!

Yours in service, David R Alt. DCM

Treasurer's Report

Thank you to the Daily Reprieve II, Fort Sherman, Get the Spirit, Serenity Sisters and Young in Years groups for their February 65.25 contributions. The beginning checking account balance was \$947.97. Total contributions received were \$465.25. Expenses paid were \$18.90 (treasurer postage); and the ending account balance was \$1,394.32. Note that this final balance does not reflect the \$570.15 in outstanding checks that were written in February and have not been cashed as of March 6, 2023. The prudent reserve's balance is \$3,000.04.

Yours in service, Rachel Hunt

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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 5:30pm/ potluck at 5:00pm. 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. Reading AA literature. Will be starting the Little Golden Books. le; No more excuses and many more books. 10-15 Women attend.

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

Treatment Committee Report for Month of January 2023

We met on Monday, February 6, 2023 at the Alano Hall at 7PM. There were 13 people in attendance at the hall with another two via Zoom, including Corrections, Public Information, CPC and Literature Committee Chairs. John K. brought another panel into the MC intensive outpatient program and will be doing so again as soon as they call. We will be looking for volunteers to rotate through with John every six weeks or so.

Dirk S. our Bridging the Gap coordinator reports that we had three requests in January. We've got 20 volunteers so far but could always use more.

We discussed the possibility of approaching the Veterans home on Pleasant View and the Garden Plaza retirement home in Post Falls during the month of February.

Again , I would like to remind our GSR's that we'd love to see a representative from each of their respective home groups. It's one evening per month, the first MOnday at 7PM.

It's a privilege and a pleasure to be of service. Thank you for the opportunity.

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Third Legacy Report

Still willing to serve. Email me with ideas for events to promote the AA traditions and in person fellowship. YIS. Clint H

Newsletter

-Deadline for December District Eye is April 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