# News from District 8 – North Idaho DISTRICT EYE

November, 2023



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# District 8- North Idaho AA Meeting Minutes - Oct 10, 2023

Meeting called to order at 7:02 pm by Catherine B. followed by the Serenity Prayer.

**GSR Statement:** Read by Dave B.

**Secretary Report:** Minutes from Sept 12, read by Phil T. September minutes were approved.

**DCM Report:** Catherine B

Alternate DCM Report: David R

Treasurer Report: Given by Rachel R. Phil T moved to accept, Chuck F. second. Accepted unanimously.

**GSR Reports:** GSR reports waived due to officer election

Standing Committee Reports: Standing committee reports were waived due to officer election.

**District Inventory Report:** Phil T committee chair. Committee discussed ideas and solutions to facilitate greater district wide participation.

Unfinished Business: Election of officers.

Election of officers are as follows.

DCM-David R Alt DCM Garrett B Phil T Secretary Jan R Treasurer Alt Treasurer Rachel H **Activity Committee Chair** Tom B **Archive Committee Chair** David R Corrections Leslie P CPC Laurie F Grapevine Paula T Newsletter Carin

Public information ChairChuck F

Third Legacy Rolf M
Treatment Committee Chair John A
Website Committee Chair Vacant

**New Business:** Karen B motioned to reimburse mileage to Alan D. who presided over our election. Curtis B seconded motion passed.

Open Forum: no discussion

Adjourned; 8:35 pm

Humbly submitted, Phil T Secretary

## **DCM Report - OCT 2023 - Nov 2023**

Greetings AA's District 8 trusted servants.

We are fast approaching winter and the end of my rotation as DCM. I have to say I am happy to know this is almost my last report I will have to submit. I can't say I will miss it... However, I have found the rewards of service in District and Area to be a rewarding and spiritual experience. The best part is the people and the fellowship of other AA's 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.

The WSEA October Election Assembly was a huge success. Well attended and the elections gave us a new rotation of WSEA elected officers. Congratulations to our new Delegate Lisa G., New Alt Delegate Dan M., Chair Bryan B., Alt Chair Fran L., Treasurer Carole N. and Alt Treasurer Rainey M. They will be moving forward to review the applications received for filling the Standing Committee Chair positions. If anyone is interested please submit a service resume to 2024 Chair Bryan B. at <a href="mailto:alt-treasurer@area92aa.org">alt-treasurer@area92aa.org</a>. The deadline was October 31, but I would suggest if interested to send anyway.

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 (Oct 10, 2023) District Meeting:

We had an impressive attendance at our elections meeting. There were 18 GSR's & Alt GSR's, 4 officers, 6 committee chairs and 9 guests for a total of 3& district members attending. Alan D. helped facilitate our elections. We filled all positions except for the Web Chair. Congratulations to the 2024 rotation. I am grateful for your willingness to serve. Next Meeting Tuesday November 14, 2023.

#### Activities - Attended Oct - Nov 2023:

**Finance Committee meeting:** Oct. 9, 2023 & Nov 13, 2023 October Election Assembly: Oct 20 – 22, Spokane, WA

**DCM Meeting:** Oct. 31, 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.

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 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 Carin @ newsletterdistrict8@gmail.com.

### TREASURER'S REPORT

Contributions were amazing this month; please thank the following for their generosity: Daily Reprieve II, Fort Sherman, Good Morning AA, Grateful Ladies, Keep it Simple, Prairie Dogs, Primary Purpose, Truly Grateful, and Women in Emotional Sobriety. The District Meeting's 7th Tradition for October was \$48. Total monthly income was \$1,216.15 and expenses were \$409.44. The beginning checking account balance was \$611.04 and the ending balance is \$1,417.75. Prudent Reserve is \$2,426.96.

#### **EXPENSES:**

\$37.44 Mileage paid to Allen D. to assist with elections

\$372.00 Hotel reimbursement for attending Voting Assembly.

All other expenses for the Assembly were paid/donated by the Alt DCM. Thank you!

I plan to complete my rotation and will finalize the last two reports for 2023, thereby allowing Jan to start fresh with her own format(s), etc.

Yours in service, Rachel Hunt

## Ad Hoc Committee on Inventory

September 12, 2023 meeting

Phil T was elected to chair the committee.

Committee agreed to meet at 615 prior to district meeting.

Ways to encourage and increase participation at district lever was discussed. Members were tasked with bringing possible solutions to this issue at next meeting.

Ad Hoc Committee on Inventory

October 10, 2023

Phil T brought the meeting to order.

Committee came up with three ways methods/means to bolster increased participation at the district level.

Sponsorship- sponsors are the way to getting volunteers. Need to spur more sponsor support.

Home Group encouragement- Home groups are identified as being key to garnering support and increased participation.

Attraction/promotion/recruitment- were identified as ways to further participation at the district lever.

Committee Chair directed participants to come back with ways to implement or leverage the above identified means in order to bolster participation.

Adjourned 645pm

Phil T Chair

# **District Officers and Committee Chairs**

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# **GSR Reports**

**Athol Big Book Recovery Group**, Athol Community Center, Saturday 5-6 pm, 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**, Best Avenue Group. Alano Hall located at 425 Borah ave. GSR is Jim M. Meets daily at noon. We are an open meeting all 7 days of the week. Tuesday is a big book study and Wednesday is a reading in Living Sober, all other meetings are topics from literature approved from GSO. The last Friday of the month is a Speaker meeting and lunch is also served. We celebrate sobriety birthdays daily, and also have books available. We take a strong position on sponsorship and service.

**Daily Reprieve**, Alano Hall, 425 Borah, CDA. Daily at 5:30 pm, 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- Rhonda F

**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- Jim. 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, 3555 E 12th, Post Falls. Monday - Friday at 12pm. GSR - Loren M. Alt GSR- Rusty. Open meeting, Wheelchair accessible

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

**Lost and Found**, St Lukes, Fifth and Wallace. GSR- vacant.

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 - John D.

Men's Recovery in AA group. Men only

**Mountain Men's Group.** Gary M. GSR, Chris S. Alt GSR. Meet on Mondays at 7 pm at the VFW Post 1473. 32119 N 5th Ave. Spirit Lake, ID 83869. HWY 41 @ New Hampshire St. Men/Open/WC.

**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. Our business meeting is the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 6pm, followed by our tradition meeting at 7pm. Big Book study Sundays at 3PM

**Primary Purpose**, Alano Hall, 425 Borah, CDA. Sundays @ 4pm. GSR - Jan R. Alt GSR: Kerri S. We are a Big Book study group. We recently added the 12 and 12 to the study, alternating between the Big Book and the 12 and 12 after completion of each book. We offer a foundation meeting for newcomers, which runs simultaneously with our study meeting, which is basically the first three steps and the first three chapters of the Big Book. Our business meeting is every quarter on Sunday at the end of the month @ 3:00 at the club on Borah and is a potluck. Come join us!

**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. GSR - Curtis A.

We meet Tuesdays and Fridays at 5:45 PM. Friday night is a candle light meeting. On the last Friday of the month we have a birthday/ potluck to celebrate monthly milestones, it starts at 5 PM. Our business meeting is the 3rd Tuesday following the meeting at 6:45

**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. There is a speaker meeting on the last Saturday of the month, following our normal meeting.

**Serious About Sobriety,** 501 E Wallace, St Luke's Espiscopal Church,, CDA. Daily at 9:00PM. Serious About Sobriety meets 7 days week. 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 -Tracey B. 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 5:30 pm. GSR Gloria P. Closed Women's Meeting. Reading AA literature. Will be starting the Little Golden Books. Ie; No more excuses and many more books.10-15 Women attend. Business Meeting is the third Monday of the Month

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

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 & Pennsylvania, CDA. Mondays at 7pm. GSR- Ed A. Alt. GSR- Emily W.

Group conscience meetings are the Monday following the district meeting at 6:15 pm. We're actually one of, if not the, oldest meetings in CDA & have a light hearted approach to AA. Annual CAMPOUT at Farragut State Park starts at 2pm on Thursday Aug 10th - Sunday the 13th @ 11 am. Speakers, dessert potluck, BBQing, games, stories, music & families- all welcome! Camping Fees have increased this year but it's a lot of bang for your buck. Ongoing, our homegroup celebrates birthdays with homemade cake on the last Monday of the month, and we have potluck-speaker events every few months. We donate quarterly to the district, area, central office, and GSO.

# Standing Committee Reports

## Newsletter

-Deadline for December District Eye is December 5, 2023.

Officers, Committee Chairs, and GSRs should send reports to <a href="mailto:newsletterdistrict8@gmail.com">newsletterdistrict8@gmail.com</a> GSRs,- for corrections to your meeting report - email to above address.

In Service and with Much Gratitude - Carin, Newsletter Editor

# 8 GSR Report form for DISTRICT EYE NEWSLETTER

You may use this form to write up your group's monthly report for the district newsletter. You are also welcome to email the information to the newsletter editor at **NewsletterDistrict8@gmail.com**.

In addition to your meeting day and time and your GSR's name, your report should include details about your group that might attract people to your meeting. Items of interest include sobriety anniversaries, birthdays, social events in your group and the average number of people who attend, including newcomers and out-of towners. If you have any flyers for events coming up, include them with your report.

You don't have to change your report each month if you don't want to. If you want to make a change or update something and leave the rest as is, just let the newsletter editor know.

As a reminder: Submissions must be received by the THIRD day of the month to be guaranteed inclusion into the monthly newsletter. THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE!

Group name	
Meeting location:	
Meeting days and times	
GSR name:	Phone:
GSR email address:	
Alt GSR name:	Phone:
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