

News from District 8 – North Idaho District Eye

January 13th, 2026

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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 7



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District 8- North Idaho AA – December 9th 2025

Meeting Minutes

- The meeting was called to order at 704pm by David R.
- GSR Statement was read by Lynn F.
- Minutes from November 11, 2026, meeting were read by Phil T. Marlene R. motioned to accept, John F. Second. Minutes were accepted.
- Jan R read the Treasurer's Report. Marlene R. motioned to second and Curtis A. Seconded.
- Additional nominations and votes were taken to fill open District positions.
- Total GSR in attendance was 14.
- Correctional Facilities Chair: Curtis A. stood for the position and was elected 14-0 for it.
- Third legacy Committee Chair: Tim O. Stood for this position as was elected 14-0.
- Open positions remaining:
- Literature
- Newsletter
- Jennifer H. made a motion to for the committee to purchase packets for all new incoming committee chairs. The kit and workbook. Lynn F. Seconded the motion.
- Motion passed 12-0
- Unfinished Business: None
- Meeting adjourned at 8:45pm

District 8 GSR Meeting – January 13th, 2025

Agenda

- Call to Order – 7:00 p.m.
- Serenity Prayer

- **GSR Statement**
- **Secretary's Report**-Kyle M.
- Approval of minutes
- **Treasurer's Report** Brenda Mc.
- **DCM Report**-Garrett B.
- **Alternate DCM**-Phil T.
- GSR Reports
- Standing Committee Reports
- New Business
- Unfinished Business
- Open Forum
- **Adjourn**
- **Responsibility Statement**

Upcoming Events

(Area/District Event flyers can be found on www.Area92aa.org - Calendar tab)

Live Events:

January Quarterly January 16-17, 2026. Parroquia de Santo Tomas Moro. 515 W St Thomas More Way, Spokane, WA 99208
Registration: \$35

Events (Online):

- **Jan 22** Thu 6:30 pm Treatment Committee Monthly Meeting
- 7:00 pm Technology Committee Meeting
- **Feb 3** Tue 5:00 pm Archives Steering Committee Meeting
- **Feb 5** Thu 7:00 pm Technology Committee Meeting
- **Feb 10** Tue 6:30 pm PI/CPC Committee Meeting
- **Feb 12** Thu 6:00 pm Finance Committee Monthly Meeting
- 7:00 pm Corrections Committee Monthly Meeting
- **Feb 19** Thu 7:00 pm Technology Committee Meeting
- **Feb 26** Thu 6:30 pm Treatment Committee Monthly Meeting

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DCM Report

Hello all,

I want to thank you all for electing me to be your new DCM, and to welcome all the new administrative and chair members. I think district 8 is running along well and I think we are going to have a great rotation. I have said it quite a few times in the past, we are one of the healthiest and most active districts in area 92, and even as a GSR I have always taken pride in that.

Due to the holidays and work I was unable to attend the DCM sharing session last month but look forward to attending the end of this month. I am excited to attend the January quarterly this weekend in Spokane, while its mostly for DCMs, alts and committee chairs, all are welcome to attend and it can be a good first experience for new GSRs.

I hopefully attended the new handbook ad hoc committee this evening to guide them a bit and let them loose. Other than that I look forward to serving district 8 the best I can.

Yours in service

Garrett B

Current District Officers and Committee Chairs

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Garret B.	DCM	dcm8@area92aa.org
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GSR Reports

**If you believe any of the following reports may not be up-to-date, please reach out to the Newsletter Editor at newsletterdistrict8@gmail.com.*

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, Alano Hall located at 425 Borah Ave. GSR is Jim M. Alt GSR: Jason P. 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 the 12&12, 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. We are always looking for people to speak.

Daily Reprieve, *Alano Hall, 425 Borah Ave., CDA. Daily at 5:30 pm, Thursdays at 7pm. GSR- John F. Alt GSR – Naomi J.* 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 for one week and a tradition the next week. On Tuesdays, we have a Grapevine meeting. We have a speaker meeting the last Saturday of the month at 5:30pm / potluck at 5:00pm. Business meeting is the 3rd Tuesday of the month.

First Things First, *Unity Church – 15th Street and Hoffman, CDA, 83815. GSR: Rhonda F.* The meeting has moved from Ft. Sherman to Unity Church. Closed meeting. Tuesdays 7:30 PM.

Happy Hour, *5:15pm daily, First Presbyterian Church, Sixth and Lakeside, CDA. Enter through the basement door on 6th street. GSR - Aaron. Alt GSR – Marlene R.* Happy Hour Group is an open meeting of Alcoholics Anonymous that meets seven days a week. We share a topic and call on people to share. The only exceptions are the second Saturday of the month when we have a speaker meeting and on the last Saturday of the month when we have our birthday speaker meeting. At the birthday speaker meeting we invite those that took coins in that month to share from the podium. There is a fellowship dinner every Saturday following the 5:15 meeting at different locations around town each month. All are welcome to attend. Our business meeting is on third Wednesday of the month at 6:30pm. Come and share your experience, strength and hope with us and let us share our fellowship with you.

Fort Sherman Group, *414 W. Fort Grounds Dr. 7 days a week, 7:45am GSR: Gary P.* This is an open meeting. The last Sunday of the month is a speaker meeting at 7:00 pm. There will be cake served at the beginning of this meeting to celebrate milestones in sobriety. Our business meeting is the second Saturday of each month following the 7:45 meeting.

GMAA Good Morning AA, *Alano Hall, 425 Borah, CDA . Daily 6:30am. GSR- Kyle M. Alt GSR: Jim P.* 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 first Saturday after the regular meeting. To note, GMAA Zoom is now a separate meeting.

Keep it Simple, *Journey of Hope Church, 3555 E 12th, Post Falls. Monday - Friday at 12pm. GSR – Casey B. Alt GSR- Rusty T.* Open meetings are held Tuesday, Thursday and Friday with a Big Book meeting on Monday and a Step meeting on Wednesday. We have started having a monthly birthday cake on the last Thursday of the month.

Lady A's, *Athol Community Center, 30355 Third St, Athol. Thursday at 9am. GSR-. Interim, Kim M.* Open. Women only. Lady A's encourages women to bring their children. Our business meeting is the Thursday following the District Meeting at 10 AM.

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, *32119 N 5th Ave. Spirit Lake, ID 83869. HWY 41 @ New Hampshire St. Meet on Mondays at 7 pm at the VFW Post 1473. Gary M. GSR, Chris S. Alt GSR. 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, 16138 N. Westwood Dr., Rathdrum, ID 83858. GSR -Jason P. Prairie Dogs meet Monday and Friday nights at 7pm. Monday is a closed meeting and Fridays are open meetings. We have had a great turnout, lots of newcomers and multiple years. The last Friday of the month is a potluck birthday celebration that starts at 6pm, before the regular meeting. Our business meeting is the 3rd Monday of the month at 6pm, followed by our Traditions meeting at 7pm.

Primary Purpose, Alano Hall, 425 Borah, CDA. Sundays @ 4pm. GSR - Kerri S. Alt GSR: Sally A. The Primary Purpose Group is a structured Big Book Study group that meets each Sunday at 4pm (1600) at the North Idaho Alano Fellowship Hall. Our business meeting is held quarterly on the 3rd Sunday of the month. We study our Basic Textbook and at the end of the first 164 pages we read and study Dr. Bob's Nightmare, then the long form of the 12 Traditions. We give out monthly milestones in sobriety "Bill and Bob coins" for each month in the calendar year, to recognize members while they "trudge of the road of happy destiny." Milestones in November include Annie who celebrated 1 year, and Brittany who celebrated 5 years. We are a small but mighty group; we love newcomers and old-timers just the same!

SCW-Sobriety Capital of the World, New Beginnings Church, 16138 N Westwood Drive, Rathdrum. It is an OPEN Meeting and held in the basement. GSR: Kelly C. The meeting meets on Tuesdays from 6-7 PM. The first Tuesday of the month is a 12 and 12 Step Study Meeting. The 3rd Tuesday of the month is a business meeting at 5:00 PM, followed by a Traditions meeting at 6:00. We have people with varied years of sobriety at our meetings. If you are new or looking for a sponsor, please come and join us. We would love your support at our great little meeting. Problems/Concerns: improve attendance.

Serenity Sisters, 3079 E 16th Ave, Post Falls, Saturday - 10am. GSR - Vacant. Serenity Sisters meets every Saturday at 10 a.m. at His Place Church in Post Falls. We are an open Women's meeting and children are welcome. There is a speaker meeting last Saturday, every other month. Business Meeting is held the last Saturday of the month following the regular meeting.

Serious About Sobriety, Alano Hall, 425 Borah, CDA. Daily at 9:30PM. Serious About Sobriety meets 7 days a week. Come share your experience, strength and hope in the candlelight with us! SAS is an open meeting, all are welcome. Business meetings are the second Wednesday of the month at 8:30 p.m.

Spiritual Awakening, 32119 N Fifth Ave, Spirit Lake, VFW Post 1147. GSR -Ann. Alt GSR – Craig. Meetings are held Saturday at 8am and Wednesdays at 7pm, which is a 12x12 book study. They are open. Meetings are going well. Potluck is last Saturday of each month at 7AM (potluck breakfast). We are having a great turnout at both meetings and our Breakfast Birthday celebration. Our business meetings are every 3rd Saturday at 9:15am.

Sober Sisters, 4000 N 4th Street, CDA. Monday 5:30 pm. GSR Paula W.. Closed Women's Meeting. Reading AA literature. Reading out of Twelve and Twelve book. 10-15 Women attend. Business Meeting is the third Monday of the Month.

St Joe Valley Group, *1100 College Ave, Community Presbyterian Church. GSR: Lyn F.* Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays at 7PM. Literature-based open-discussion meeting. Currently, no regularly scheduled business meeting.

The Way Out, *Seventh Day Adventist Church, 12940 N Govt Way, Hayden. Monday and Fridays 5:30pm (Corner of Lancaster). GSR – Deborah K.* 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 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! We meet on the upper level. Please enter at the front entrance through the big wood doors.

Truly Grateful, *308 W 12th Ave, Post Falls, ID 83854. GSR: Dot R.* Thursdays at 7:00PM. 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! We at Truly Grateful would like to share how joyful we are that our group meetings have been growing in attendance of 30 to 35 at times. We also are grateful to receive a new Home group Member. It is exciting for us to get to share milestones of recovery: several 1 month, 3 month, 6 month, 9 months, a 3 year, and a 24 year!! Our meeting with so many wonderful shares that cause the beautiful feelings of the spirit, and in knowing if we stay and continue to do the work we will one day get to know how to live joyous, happy, and free with our own God of our own understanding and remain ever grateful. P.S. We also have many newcomers and out of town visitors yah!!

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. GSR: Jennifer H. Alt GSR: Deb A.* 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. Every meeting ends with a joke from the Grapevine, and at the end of most meetings (depending on 7th tradition contributions), a raffle is held and the winner wins a subscription to the Grapevine. 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- Vacant. Alt. GSR- Donna VC.* 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 lighthearted approach to AA. 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.

Treasurer's Report

Standing Committee Reports**Literature Committee Report**

Happy New Year! Quick reminder ... at the December meeting we discussed the fact that Literature is FLUSH with Pink Can Donations. As such and since there is no official Literature Chair now that the new year is upon us, it was discussed and groups were "encouraged" to cease passing Pink Can for now. My notes from last month aren't great. I do not believe this topic went to an actual vote since, of course, each group is autonomous and makes decisions such as this based upon their own Group Conscience. Over the last month, however, I have been to several meetings in which the Pink Can is still going around. If this subject was not brought to your respective business meetings, please do so. I will continue to collect Pink Can funds and distribute literature until a new Literature Chair steps up.

Last month I mentioned the new AA Service Manuals. The ones I am referring to are the ones available through AA World Service. The old one was red. If you have a red one, you need a new green one. The cost is \$5.00. There has been some confusion over this though. The service manual I am referring to is NOT the District 8 Handbook, AND I do not have any of those handbooks. You can access the District 8 Handbook here: www.northidahoaa.org/resources. There is a button on that page for the Handbook. Currently the District 8 Handbook is undergoing review and ultimately a complete re-write. As such, I do not believe there will be a printing until the new handbook has been completed.

PINK CAN DONATIONS		
12/8	WIES	99.50
12/10	Prairie Dogs	265.00
1/2	Prairie Dogs	43.00
	TOTAL	\$407.50

No Book Sales

Yours in Service,

Brenda L

Third Legacy Report

Welcome to the new GSR's

You will be provided with a GSR manual and we'll set aside a time to get a meeting together to go over the GSR's responsibilities so you're not trying to figure this out on your own. You are linking your homegroup with the whole of AA, let your group know you are there to bring back to the District meeting any questions or concerns.

Attending Area assemblies you get a bigger picture of what's going on in our area and AA as a whole.

We use Traditions for solving group problems, no one is expected to have them memorized. So for years I have been going to the 12n12 to find the appropriate tradition as problems arise. It really does work!

When having an alternate GSR it is nice to have someone else to show up at District meetings when you can't. It's good to bring someone along to learn about AA service. It's a pretty good bet that continued service equals long term sobriety! See you at District, Tim O.

Public Information Report

Central Office Report

Cooperation with the Professional Community (CPC) Report

Corrections Report

Treatment and Accessibility Report

Treatment and Accessibility Report Panels are going great; we have two Sunday night panels going into KBH and two panels at Brickhouse. Kootenai detox has one panel per month as well. Thanks!

Yours in service,
Johnny Saviano

Web Report

Newsletter

Deadline for January District Eye is February 5th, 2025.

Officers, Committee Chairs, and GSRs should send reports to newsletterdistrict8@gmail.com.

GSRs – if you would like to update your home group's information, please email or fill out the attached form or email the newsletter editor directly.

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 FIFTH 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: _____

GSR Phone: _____

GSR Email Address: _____

Alt GSR Name: _____

Alt GSR Phone: _____

Report Submitted By: _____

Date: _____

Committee Report Notes

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