

News from District 8: the North Idaho District Eye

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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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Meeting Minutes from March 10th 2026

- Meeting was called ot order at 7pm by Garrett B.
- GSR Statement read by Lyn F.
- Minutes from Feb 10th were read by Kyle M. Gary B. motioned to accept, Ann V. seconded.
- Brenda L. read the treasurer’s report. Tyson V. motioned to accept, R Derek C. seconded.
- New business: motion to donate \$2000 (50% to area, 30% to GSO, and 20% to Central Office) was made by R Derek C; Jean Marie S. seconded.
- Anthony C. stood for the position of treatment chair, elected 13-0. All positions now filled.
- GSRs in attendance = 13
- Unfinished business: Pink Can fund.
- A suggestion was made to meet one week earlier than normal (April 7th instead of the 14th) to be able to discuss topics on the agenda for the April assembly being held April 10-12; a majority of those present were in favor and are able to attend.
- Motion to adjourn made by R Derek C. seconded by Ann V.
- Adjourned at 8:21 pm followed by the responsibility statement.

Agenda for March 10th, 2026

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Call to Order – 7:00 p.m. • Serenity Prayer • GSR Statement • Secretary’s Report-Kyle M. • Approval of minutes • Treasurer’s Report Brenda L. • DCM Report-Garrett B. • Alternate DCM-Phil T. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GSR Reports • Standing Committee Reports • New Business • Unfinished Business • Open Forum • April Assembly Motions + Agenda • Adjourn • Responsibility Statement |
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Upcoming Events

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

In Person:

Service Workshop

05/16/2026 @ 10:00 am – 2:00 pm

Church of Christ

100 N 72nd Ave, Yakima, WA 98908

2026 Pre-Conference Assembly

When: 04/10/2026 @ 12:00 pm – 04/12/2026 @ 1:00 pm

Where: Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church

1107 W Fremont Ave, Selah, WA 98942

Online (see calendar for access info):

- April 9 Thurs 6:00 pm Finance Committee Monthly Meeting
- April 9 Thurs 7:00 pm Corrections Committee Monthly Me...
- Apr 16 Thurs 7:00 pm Technology Committee Meeting
- Apr 20 Mon 5:00 pm PI Committee Meeting
- Apr 21 Tue 6:30 pm CPC Committee Meeting
- Apr 23 Thu 5:30 pm Treatment Committee Monthly Meeting
- Apr 30 Thurs 7:00 pm Technology Committee Meeting
- May 4 Mon 5:00 pm Standing Committee Chair Meeting
- May 5 Tue 5:00 pm Archives Steering Committee Meeting
- Mar 26 Thurs 5:30 pm Treatment Committee Monthly Mtg

DCM Report

Hello all,

Everything seems to be running smoothly. I attended the DCM/AltDCM roundtable last month. It was very focused on the assembly. I think Fran is a little nervous about it being her first one but I think she'll do just fine. So, not a lot of info to transmit to you all. I hope everyone is excited for this weekend- it looks to be one of the easiest assemblies I've ever been to. There are just fewer agenda items, and not very many that stand out to me as controversial. I guess that will make for a quick weekend in Selah- we will see. We will go over a few of the items tonight, and touch base on the two area motions for me to get a feel for how the district leans. Hopefully we will get out of here not too late this evening, and I look forward to seeing you in Selah.

Yours in service,

Garrett B

Current District Officers and Committee Chairs

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GSR Reports

If anything below is outdated or incorrect, please e-mail the Newsletter Chair 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- Naomi J. Alt GSR – Gary B. 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: 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 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- Ann V. Alt. GSR- Kim M. Open to 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, *New Beginnings Church, 16138 N. Westwood Dr., Rathdrum, ID 83858.* GSR -Jason P. Alt GSR- Jon S. Prairie Dogs meets Monday and Friday nights at 7pm. Both 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." 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. GSR – Kevin J. Alt. GSR- Curtis A. 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 third Sunday of the month at 8:10 p.m.

Spiritual Awakening, 32119 N Fifth Ave, Spirit Lake, VFW Post 1147. GSR -Jean Marie S. Alt. GSR – Craig. We meet Saturdays at 8am and Wednesdays at 7pm, which is a 12x12 book study. They are both open and 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. We meet at 1100 College Ave at the Presbyterian Community Church on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday evenings at 7 PM. In January we voted to have the last Friday of the month designated a step meeting using the 12 and 12. Attendance is increasing and our meeting has over 100+ years of sobriety on a regular basis. Group conscience meetings do not follow a regular schedule.

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. 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: Open. 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- R. Derek C.. 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

Treasurer's Report - March 31, 2026

Greetings District 8,

Smooth sailing describes treasury activity for the month of March. Although monthly reports are officially due by the 4th of the month, reports in the prior rotation often included up-to-the-minute activity submitted shortly before the district meeting. While this does not impact committee reports, it does affect accuracy and consistency of financial reporting. Going forward, Treasurer reports will reflect only the prior month's completed activity, with balances reported as of the last day of that month. This aligns reporting with standard financial practice and provides more accurate month-to-month comparisons. I have also adjusted the format slightly to provide greater financial detail and transparency:

- Beginning balance: \$4,223.94
- Income: +\$1,050.98
- Expenses: -\$2,298.18
- **Ending checking balance: \$2,976.74**

| March 2026 Revenues | | | |
|---------------------|--|-------------------|--------------|
| Date | Group | Amount | Deposit Date |
| 3/10/2026 | District 8 - 7 th Tradition | \$43.00 | 3/31/2026 |
| 3/10/2026 | Fort Sherman Chapel - <i>Thank you</i> | 90.00 | 3/31/2026 |
| 3/10/2026 | Serenity Sisters - <i>Thank you</i> | 36.16 | 3/31/2026 |
| 3/18/2026 | GMAA - <i>Thank you</i> | 582.00 | 3/31/2026 |
| 3/19/2026 | Young in Years - <i>Thank you</i> | 180.00 | 3/31/2026 |
| 3/24/2026 | Happy Hour Group - <i>Thank you</i> | 89.82 | 3/31/2026 |
| 3/25/2026 | Turn the Page - <i>Thank you</i> | 30.00 | 3/31/2026 |
| | TOTAL DEPOSIT | \$1,050.98 | |

| March 2026 Expenses | | | |
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| Date | Payee | Purpose | Amount |
| 3/10/2026 | Emily W. | Newsletter – February Printing Expense | \$50.35 |
| 3/16/2026 | UHaul | Archives Storage | 159.95 |
| 3/16/2026 | Checks in Mail | Deposit Books – Both District & Literature Accounts | 80.08 |
| 3/31/2026 | USPS | Postage | 7.80 |
| 3/31/2026 | WSEA | 50% Split to Area | 1,000.00 |
| 3/31/2026 | GSO | 30% Split to GSO | 600.00 |
| 3/31/2026 | Central Office | 20% Split to Central Office | 400.00 |
| | | TOTAL EXPENSE | \$2,298.18 |

After earning 11 cents in March, our **Prudent Reserve Balance is \$3,002.60.**

Finally, after all is said and done for the month, there is still quite an excess in our general checking. My notes reflect the required contribution split but did not clearly indicate the total amount. Based on current balances, I am reviewing whether the intended disbursement was \$3,000 rather than \$2,000. After April pre-conference expenses are paid, I will issue an additional contribution as appropriate.

Yours in service,
Brenda L.

Standing Committee Reports

Literature Committee Report

We need to have a group conscience on what to do with the large balance we have in the account at US Bank. Should we donate some books to hospitals, recovery houses and institutions? Is there an amount we should keep on hand for a prudent reserve? *Input from the group would be appreciated.*

PINK CAN DONATIONS

3/10 5:15 meeting - Heather 123.89

3/10 Corrections - Curtis 97.00

Current account balance: \$3131.93. There were no book sales for March. We did distribute one case of hardback Big Books and one case of hardback 12x12 to Marlene for Public Information.

Thank You,
Steve B.

Third Legacy Report

Thanks to everyone who attended the GSR orientation workshop. It's a great start to familiarizing ourselves with the world of AA service structure. Hopefully, those of you who can attend the Pre-Conference Assembly this weekend will get to experience and be a part of what we learned. Then bring that back to our groups to keep them informed. Hope to see you there!

Tim O.

Public Information Report

The Committee of 10 met on March 29th to continue expanding outreach efforts across the community.

- Libraries missing copies of the Twelve and Twelve or the Big Book have been identified, and replacements are currently being distributed.
- Several steps have been taken to identify local hotels and motels where meeting schedules and digital information placards will be delivered.
- Schools are being contacted to ensure counseling centers have age-appropriate AA pamphlets available for students who may be seeking information.
- Collaboration continues with urgent care centers, senior centers, and first responders to ensure Alcoholics Anonymous information is readily accessible to anyone who may need it.

Upcoming In-Person Events Confirmed:

- Pride in the Park (June)
- Day of Hope (July)
- NAMI Walks (September)
- Potential:
- Post Falls Festival
- Hayden Days
- Rathdrum Days
- Art on the Green

The next committee meeting will be held on April 26th at 4 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church. All are welcome.

Gratefully,
Marlene R. sobrietyisserenity@email.com

Central Office Report

No report

Cooperation with the Professional Community (CPC) Report

March was a little slower month for activity. I reconnected with Heritage Health in Coeur d' Alene by email and again offered information and a presentation. They replied that they would assess their needs and get back to me. As of this writing they have not. I also reached out again to the department heads of Nursing and Social work at North Idaho College and proposed to firm up an invitation to make a presentation to those two groups probably in the fall semester.

I believe that they are on break now and I am hoping to hear back soon. Due to the increased cost of gas, I have decided to do more work contacting entities by email and phone, and then follow up with delivering the literature appropriate for their needs and scheduling presentations.

Yours in Service,
Lyn F.

Corrections Report

Hi from Curtis A. I have nothing new to report this month.

Treatment and Accessibility Report

Hi Everyone,

This month I reached out to KBH, Brick House, to introduce myself to them. I talked with everyone that is currently bringing AA into the treatment centers so that we can all be on the same page, and let them know that I am here to assist in any way possible. Committees are being built, and I'll have more next month. Thank you!

Anthony C.

Web Committee Report

The new web committee chair needs our DCM to help with access to the area database.

Newsletter Report

Nothing exciting to report, but if any committee chairs do not yet have access to the district addresses designated for their various positions, please contact Mark (cheshirc@gmail.com for now) who will have the webmaster / host correct the e-mail forwarding.

The deadline for January District Eye is *May 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.

Thank you for your participation,
Emily W.

GSR Report Form for District Eye Newsletter

Use this form to write up your group’s monthly report for the district newsletter OR 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 the information with your report. *We currently are not including flyers in printed copies of the district eye due to costs*, so groups will have to be self-supporting and print their own flyers to have at district meetings.

You don’t have to change your report each month if you don’t want to. If you do want to make a change or update something, please *let the newsletter editor know if it is a replacement or simply an addition*.

Submissions must be received by the fifth (5th) day of the month for guaranteed placement in 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: _____

Tell us something about your meeting:

Report Submitted By: _____

Date: _____

Committee Reports – take this back to your homegroups

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