

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 July 14th 2026

Meeting was called to order at 7:00pm By Phil T
 The GSR Statement was read by Morgan K
 Minutes from June 9th were read by Kyle M
 Ann V motioned to accept, Kevyn J seconded
 Treasurers Report was read by Brenda L
 Motioned to accept by Jason P, seconded by Gary B
 New Business:
 Motion to spend 500 dollars of the Pink Can Fund for Pamphlet holders for Public Information.
 House keeping Vote: 18 Yes 2 No 6 Abstain
 \$500 from Pink can fund for Pamphlet holders approved.
 Literature Chair will be buying the Pamphlet Holders for Public Information to distribute where needed.
 Motion to Adjourn at 8:02pm
 Motion accepted by Jason P, Ann V seconded.

Agenda for August 11th, 2026 *tentative*

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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. • 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 • Adjourn • Responsibility Statement |
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Upcoming Events

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

Area 92 Standing Committee Workshop

Sept 19 12pm – 4pm
 Moses Lake Christian & Missionary Alliance Church
 Moses Lake, WA 98837
 Contact: Charles dcm19@area92aa.org

Area 92 Inventory Assembly Oct. 16-18 th

Ramada at Spokane Airport, Spokane, WA
 Registration Fee for in-person and online: \$35
 Contact: 2026area92oct@gmail.com
 District 3 host committee chair: Cari S. (360) 901-1166

August 2026

Online & upcoming (see calendar for access info):

- Aug 13 Thurs 5:30 pm Finance Committee Monthly Meeting
- Aug 13 Thurs 7:00 pm Corrections Committee Monthly Me...
- Aug 17 Mon 5:00 pm PI Committee Meeting
- Aug 18 Tue 6:30 pm CPC Committee Meeting
- Aug 27 Thu 5:30 pm Treatment Committee Monthly Meeting

DCM Report

No submission.

Current District Officers and Committee Chairs

Name	Position	Email
Garrett B.	DCM	dcm8@area92aa.org
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GSR Reports

*If anything below is outdated or incorrect, please use the GSR report form on the second-to-last page and give to Emily or e-mail *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 Max.* 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 – Ryan P. 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- Tyson M. Alt GSR: Mureleen B.* 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. The Wednesday 7pm 12x12 book study is on hold due to low attendance. Potluck is last Saturday of each month at 7AM (potluck breakfast). We are having a great turnout at 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 Tuesdays at 11 AM, and Thursday & Friday evenings at 7 PM. They are literature-based topic/discussion meetings, and the last Friday of the month is a step meeting using the Twelve and Twelve. A business meeting was held last Friday evening 7/3 where it was decided that we would change our bank due to ongoing issues with the current bank. 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: Morgan K. Alt GSR: Open.* WIES meets 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 *as of July 31st*

Greetings District 8,

Nothing out of the ordinary for July 2026. As of July 31st, financial activity for the month was as follows:

- Beginning balance: \$2,248.74
- Income: +\$261.72
- Expenses: -\$454.15
- Ending checking balance: \$2,056.31

August 2026

May 2026 Revenues

Date	Group	Amount	Deposit Date
7/1/2026	First Things First – <i>Thank you</i>	64.00	7/31/2026
7/6/2026	GMAA - <i>Thank you</i>	130.00	7/31/2026
7/14/2026	District 8 Meeting 7 th Tradition	35.00	7/31/2026
7/21/2026	Daily Reprieve – <i>Thank you</i>	32.72	7/31/2026
	TOTAL DEPOSIT	\$261.72	

May 2026 Expenses

Date	Payee	Purpose	Amount
7/14/2026	Chuck F.	Activities – reimburse expense	\$ 40.67
7/14/2026	Marlene R.	Public Information – reimburse expense	149.11
7/14/26	Emily W.	Newsletter – reimburse May & July	104.42
7/16/2026	UHaul	Archives Storage	159.95
		TOTAL EXPENSE	\$454.15

After earning 11 cents in July, our Prudent Reserve Balance is \$3,003.07. I think I should make another disbursement. I believe I should send out \$1,600. For your information, the splits agreed to in March were: Area 50%; GSO 30%; and Central Office 20%. I look forward to the agreed direction this month.

Yours in service,

Brenda Leo

Standing Committee Reports

Third Legacy Report

We now have a date for the Motions Workshop: **August 29th at the Nazarene church**. There will be flyers next week at the District meeting. This will help us all in doing the business of AA. See you there.

Thanks,

Tim

970-471-0381

Corrections Report

No submission.

Archives Committee Report

No submission.

Public Information Report

July was an exciting month for the Public Information Committee.

- We participated in the **Day of Hope** at the Kootenai County Fairgrounds, where more than **1,500 people** attended during the four-hour event. It was the largest community outreach event I've experienced, and we're already looking forward to returning next year.
- Our new literature racks and pamphlets have arrived, and distribution throughout the community is underway. We've also created a working distribution log that tracks locations, contacts, and literature placed to help ensure consistency as our outreach continues to grow.

- August will be a quieter month, with no outreach events scheduled beyond our committee meeting. September, however, will be busy as we participate in three community events:

- **Recovery Celebration at McEuen Park** – September 12
- **NIC Student Wellness Fair held on NIC campus** - September 19
- **NAMI Walk in Riverstone** - September 19

If you're looking for a rewarding service opportunity, we'd love to have you join the Public Information Committee. Our next meeting will be **Sunday, August 23** (one week earlier than usual). Feel free to attend or contact me directly for more information.

Gratefully,

Marlene R.

Public Information Committee Chair

Central Office Report

Thank you to the groups who made contributions in July. Somehow, we are getting by. "Let go, let God!"

- I would like to say to all of you in this district, if anyone has a concern or issue with Central Office or the board members, I am asking that you please bring it to us. Let's communicate in an adult fashion and not fall prey to "contempt prior to investigation", just as it says in the Big Book. We hear the gossip that is being spread and none of it is true. So, please, please email me at: Keepcomingback1@hotmail.com or call the hotline at 208-667-4633. We can always have an emergency meeting, if needed.
- The August Newsletter will have all our Financials and news.
- We are still desperately in need of a Monday & Wednesday Volunteer for the 10am-2pm shift and Saturday for the 12noon-4pm shift. Please call the office # if interested or if you have questions.

I hope you all enjoy the rest of summer.

Mary M.

Coordinator, Central Office of North Idaho

118 N. 7th St. Ste. B-5

Coeur d'Alene, ID 83814

208-667-4633

Literature Committee Report

Previous balance	\$1803.13
8/6/26 Public information- Marlene received pamphlet holders	\$484.95
Current balance	\$1318.18

A large order of pamphlet holders (100) were delivered to Marlene for Public Information.

Thank You,

Steve B., Literature Chair

Cooperation with the Professional Community (CPC) Report

- Our committee made contact with the Veterans Outreach in Post Falls and provided pamphlets on AA and some specific to Veterans.
- We also made contact with the Resource Center of Kellogg where our contact Barbara Miller was very enthusiastic to receive information regarding alcoholics, anonymous and meetings and would like to help get together a panel of professionals from Kellogg, including sheriffs and police and other professionals so that we can do a panel, hopefully in October, to get information out into different branches of the community.

- I also visited Saint Rita's Catholic Church and spoke to Father Jerome, who was also very enthusiastic and excited to receive information on Alcoholics Anonymous for his parishioners.
- Lastly, we provided literature to the primary care physicians office in Kellogg. I left contact information with these contacts in addition to introductory literature about AA and how professionals in the community can work with alcoholics.

Yours in service,

Lyn F.

Web Committee Report

No submission.

Treatment and Accessibility Report

No submission.

Newsletter Report

The deadline for the next District Eye is **September 5th**. All Officers, Committee Chairs, and GSRs should send reports to newsletterdistrict8@gmail.com. Please do NOT just send "so-and-so is the new alt GSR for our group" because that is not enough information. Filling out the GSR report form (right below!) and sending a picture, scan, or just including all the information in the body of your e-mail, is the way we get accurate GSR reports and contact information, especially so that they can be added to the newsletter distribution list. I need e-mail addresses for Mureleen B., Tyson M., and Ryan P.

Thank you all!

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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