

DISTRICT 24 NEWSLETTER

April 2017



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DECLARATION of UNITY

This we owe to A. A.'s future;
to place our common welfare first;
to keep our Fellowship united.
For on A.A. unity depends our lives,
and the lives of those to come.

RESPONSIBILITY PLEDGE

I Am Responsible. When Anyone,
Anywhere Reaches Out for Help,
I Want The Hand Of A. A.
Always To be There.
And For That
I am Responsible.

CHECK OUT DISTRICT 24 ON THE WEB AT: www.district24.org

SERVING LYNNWOOD, EDMONDS and MOUNTLAKE TERRACE.

Agenda

District 24 Business Meeting
April 05, 2017 at 7:00 PM
Mountlake Terrace Senior Center
23000 Lakeview Drive, Mountlake Terrace, WA 98043
Next Meeting: May 3, 2017
Same Location

Open with the Serenity Prayer:

Responsibility Declaration:

I am responsible. When anyone, anywhere reaches out for help, I want the hand of A.A. always to be there. And for that: I am responsible.

Reading of short form of Concept 4:

Introduction of position, name of group & announcements; group changes or any problems or solutions with your group that you'd like to share.

Birthdays:

Area 72 PI Chair Lupita

Reports: (Each District officer, please bring 40 paper copies of your report and any fliers, etc., to each district meeting- or submit to newsletter)

- *Secretary* – Chrissy A. – *motion to approve meeting minutes Secretary
- *Listing Chair* – Peg –
- *Treasurer* – Virgil O. – *motion to approve Treasurer's report.

Finance Committee

- *Newsletter* – Robert R. –
- *Corrections* – Lachlan L.–
- *Schedules* – Mike B. –
- *Sno-King Intergroup* – Doug V.–
- *Greater Seattle Zone Rep* – Kelly M. –
- *3rd Legacy chair* – Carol V. –
- *Alternate DCM* – Jerry F.–
- *DCM* – Tari B. –

Old Business: (1) Picnic Chair (2) Web Committee (3) Gratitude Banquet

New Business:

Next month's reports: Area Quarterly, Accessibility, Treatment and Web Quarterly's

New Business...Contact dcm24@area72aa.org if you want to add new agenda items to this list

Unity Declaration:

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District 24 Business Meeting Minutes For 3/1/2017

Meeting brought to order at 7:00 p.m. by DCM, Tari B., with the Serenity Prayer and the Responsibility Declaration.

In Attendance: **Tari B.**, DCM; **Jerry F.**, TUG and ALT DCM; **Greg**, Alt GSR at TUG; **Carol V.**, Sisters in Recovery and 3rd Legacy; **Lori**, Sisters in Recovery; **Jules**, Great Facts; **Fin**, GSR at On Awakening; **John**, Alt GSR at Lynnwood Open Group; **Robert R.**, GSR at Graceland Group and the D24 Newsletter; **Mark**, GSR at Mount Lake Terrace Wednesday Group; **John**, Lynnwood Study Group; **Pam**, GSR Celebrate Life Group; **John K**, We are Not Saints and the PI Chair; **Ron A.**, TUG and Edmonds Groups and Web Chair; **Doug V.**, TUG and SKIG Rep; **Mick N.**, TUG; **Debbie**, Alt Alderwood Group; **Kelly M.**, GSR at Coffee Cup and the GSIG Rep; **Joyce B.**, Freedom, Coffee Cup Groups and the Grapevine Rep; **Rita N.**, Coffee Cup Group and the Alt Archives; **Cara**, Edmonds Group; **Tammy**, GSR Freedom Group; **Betsy**, Alt GSR at AMAA; **Christy**, GSR WOTS; **Rob G.**, GSR Ed-Lynn Fellowship and the Treatment and Bridging the Gap Chair; **Vergil O.**, Treasure; **Chrissy A.**, D24 Recording Secretary; **Jacob W.**, Accessibility Chair; **Marty**, South County Men's Group; **Adrian**, AMAA; **Dan**, Lynnwood Open, Pyramid Groups; **Steve**, GSR Lynnwood Open Group; **Tim**, Only Requirement Group.

Concept 3 read by Tari B.

Birthdays: none

District Reports:

Secretary: Chrissy A. – nothing to report – Two corrections from last month's minutes. John with PI saw the GSIG not SKIG, Lori's name was misspelled and Tari confirmed her name was not spelled incorrectly. With those corrections there was a motion to approve the minutes from last month - approved.

Registrar: Peg – Not present, Tari spoke on her behalf. Asked if there were anyone that needed a new GSR packet.

Treasurer: Vergil O. – The reserve is in the negative, but this time of the year that is not uncommon. We are also picking up the tab for quarterlies. Some of the quarterlies pay for themselves some do not. After the gratitude banquet we should be closer to zero. He suggests pairing up with other districts to host quarterly events. He mentioned hosting alone may be too expensive. Carol asked, why we are taking money from the reserve? She suggested the finance committee meet before the next meeting to revise the numbers for approval. The group agreed to table the approval of the report until next meeting. The full report is in the newsletter. Robert made a motion that an ad hoc committee come up with one report summarizing the last 3 months. Jerry made a counter motion that each month has a report. Robert amended the motion to be a report be due by April 5th, then report on the last 3 months. John suggested the numbers are presented with comparisons to last years numbers and the year before.

PI: John K. – Full report in newsletter. (printed version) CPC and PI Quarterlies were successful. It was his first time hosting in this area. It was financially self supporting. He found a coffee maker and donated it to the district. He also visited Lynnwood, Edmonds and Mountlake Terrace libraries. Two of them did not have the

literature on display. He is working on getting them replenished and managed. The website has also been revamped. He is also reaching out to high schools. He found that working with student advocates at the schools was the best route.

CPC: – open

Treatment and Bridging the Gap: no report

Newsletter: Robert R. – The newsletter cost was \$55 for 20 copies because there were so many pages. He noticed some of the flyers listed are not for our district and suggested we keep the flyer to local flyers and let the website show the flyers from other districts. Jerry mentioned that he liked having the pre-conference questions in the newsletter even though they were a lot of pages. John asked if the questions were really needed in the newsletter considering the file size. Robert thinks it was the flyers that made the file so large. There was discussion of finding a less expensive print shop than Costco.

Web Chair: Ron G. – Has a report in the newsletter.

Alt archives; Archives: Annie N. – There is a quarterly this weekend, Rita N. will attend, she is excited for the Area 72 Archives Chair; she is in charge of the north area memory book. If anyone has a obituary picture or article of someone in the program that has passed away she is interested in putting it in the book.

Rita N. – Went to quarterly. It was very well attended. It looked like some of the chair people looked like they had been doing the archives for a long time. She found out each district archives are organized a little differently. The items archived are decided on by each district.

Grapevine: Joyce B. – Went to the Grapevine quarterly. She feels the grapevine can be overlooked and is a great resource. The quarterly in Feb was well attended and she felt she was able to figure out what her position entailed.

Schedules : Mike B. – not present Tari gave report. Forms for meeting changes are available. Mike asked if the list of meeting can be passed around again so anyone can cross off dark meetings that they knew of. John mentioned that the website can be updated by the districts directly. The next stapling party is on 4/22 1-5pm at the Sanctuary 4502 Rucker Avenue Everett. Please bring finger food to share at the potluck.

SKIG: – Doug's doing well. Bills are paid, John who is the literature chair is retiring from the position and Doug is interested in taking the position. He mentioned the location is open for groups to meet as well as sponsor/sponsee meetings. To use the space Doug suggested calling Tammy R. who's phone number is on the door.

GSIG: Kelly M. – Spring assembly is on Tues 5/16 at 5:30. Meeting on service, Thur 3 -9 at Century Link Field there is a community service for the homeless GSIG will have a table. There is auditions being held this weekend at GSIG for a film written by someone in the program.

Corrections: – Lachlan L. not present.

Accessibility: – Jacob W. not present.

3rd Legacy Chair: Carol V. – Going through the service manual and learning a great deal. She also mentioned there will be a potluck every month at 6pm. Next month there will be a rep from GSIG speaking at the first part of the meeting. She suggested SKIG do the same.

Alt DCM: Jerry F. – Attended the PI CPC quarterly. This was the first quarterly he attended other than the business quarterly.

DCM: Tari B. – Has a report in the newsletter. Attended the DCM orientation. She would like to get more involved with SKIG. The PNW conference; we will be involved. Similar to PRAASA. The pre-conference is on March 18th at the PUD building in Mount Vernon. She suggests all the GSRs attend. The pre-conference questions to take back to your home groups is in the newsletter. Please collect your groups conscious and bring it to the event.

Old Business: – Picnic chair is still open. There is notebook and the time reserved. The picnic is July 1st. Please take this opening back to your home groups. Web committee Ron A. reported that they had the web committee kick off meeting. There is a new website www.district24.org please check it out.

Kelly, Gratitude Banquet Chair: She is making up flyers and will post at the fellowship halls. She needs volunteers and needs help with 50/50 raffles and two coffee machines in addition to the ones she has. She needs trash collectors and help with the sound system. She needs a MC to introduce the speakers.

There will be a coin recycle can there. John asked where the coins would go. Kelly said her home group was going to use them, but if the district had a problem, they could figure out something that worked. The home groups need to bring a turkey or ham (cooked and cut) and each member should bring a side dish. Set up starts at 3 pm doors are opened at 5 pm and dinner's at 6 pm.

New Business: – CPC chair is open. Ron nominated Mick N. Mick told the dist a little about himself. He was a firefighter and cares about connecting professionals with AA. He recently moved to the area. Tari confirmed if there was anyone else interested in the position. There were not. Motion to nominate Mick . **Approved**

Tari asked if anyone would be interested in hosting an Area 72 Quarterly. Carol explained what that would entail. Pre-registration sends money in advance although people can pay at the door. Our district would coordinate the meals. Seed money can be provided by the area. Anything above and beyond what the quarterly costs goes back to the area. Tari mentioned there would about 250 attendees. John made a motion to have Dist 24 host a quarterly. Carol asked for it not to be in January. Jerry said January would be well attended. Tari seconded the motion. **Approved.**

Meeting adjourned with the Serenity Prayer at 8:30pm.

Respectfully submitted by Chrissy A.

District 24

Checking Account

Statement Feb 17 to March 16, 2017

| Transaction Type/Number | Pay To / Received From | Explanation | Expenses Amt (-) | Deposit Amt. (+) | Check book bal. |
|-------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Account | | Beginning Balance | | | \$4,871.67 |
| Deposit | Group Donation | | | | |
| 23-Jan | Transfer | Transfer from Saving | | \$25.00 | |
| 20-Feb | | CPC Quarterly | | \$400.56 | |
| 20-Feb | 5154 | Tug 177017 | | \$110.84 | |
| 20-Feb | Money Order | Theresa S Mill Creek | | \$26.10 | |
| 16-Mar | 5243 | N/A | | \$130.00 | |
| | Debits | | | | |
| 21-Feb | Transfer | Transfer to savings | \$25.00 | | |
| 03-Mar | 2995 | Robert G | \$100.00 | | |
| 03-Mar | 2998 | Robert R | \$54.57 | | |
| 09-Mar | ATM | AIG Insurance | \$134.00 | | |
| 13-Mar | 3005 | John K | \$217.73 | | |
| | | | <u>\$531.30</u> | <u>\$692.50</u> | |
| | Bank Statement | Ending Balance | | | \$5,032.87 |
| | After the Statement Date | | | | |
| | Outstanding Checks | | | | |
| 01-Feb | 3001 | Ed C. | \$12.05 | | |
| 01-Mar | 2996 | Jerry F | \$31.89 | | |
| 01-Mar | 2997 | Jerry F | \$24.11 | | |
| 21-Mar | Transfer | Last recurring transfer | \$25.00 | | |
| | 3006 | Tom L | \$285.48 | | |
| 27-Mar | Cash | Gratitude Dinner | \$431.00 | | |
| 27-Mar | Cash | Gratitude Dinner | \$11.17 | | |
| 27-Mar | ATM | Gratitude Dinner | \$200.00 | | |
| 03-April | Transfer | Transfer to savings | \$975.00 | | |
| 03-April | Transfer | Transfer to savings | \$1,548.00 | | |
| | Deposits | | | | |
| 30-Mar | Cash | Gratitude Dinner | | \$1,656.48 | |
| 30-Mar | Cash | Gratitude Dinner | | \$862.00 | |
| 30-Mar | Cash | Gratitude Dinner | | \$963.00 | |
| | | Total | <u>\$3,543.70</u> | <u>\$3,481.48</u> | |
| | Checking Account | | | | \$4,970.65 |
| | Savings Account | | | | \$2,523.01 |
| Total on hand | | | | | \$7,493.66 |

This month you will notice some changes to the Treasurer's report. The finance committee would like to make use of the saving's account for the reserve funds. We transferred \$1548.00 to the savings account. That is our prudent reserve. With the approval of District 24 we would like to change our monthly transfer from \$25.00 to 243.75 every month beginning May 1st. There would be no automatic transfer back into the checking account. Monies spent for reserve items would be transferred back into the checking account as the reserve money is taken from the checking account via checks. We have already transferred \$975.00 to the savings account for the first four months of the year. We will be discussing it at the monthly meeting. Also included in this month's news letter is the budgeted spending for 2016. The Gratitude Dinner was very successful this year as you can see from the Treasurer's report. These changes will make it easier to understand the treasurer's report.

Hello District 24,

I cannot believe it has been almost a month since our last meeting! So much has happened in such a short time. First, I want to thank you with all my being for sending me to PRAASA, as always it was amazing! Words cannot describe the experience, I left that weekend floating, literally!! The passion and love for the program is so strong and so beautifully communicated that I fall more in love with this program with every PRAASA I attend, and I already love this deal, A LOT! So, thank you! Next year's PRAASA is in Sparks, Nevada and I hope to see all there, you really must experience this for yourself. I did personally purchase the CD set of the weekend so if anyone is interested I would be more than happy to lend them out.

I'm sure you are aware of the issue that we have recently had in District 24 regarding the serious accusations and arrest of one of our members, as well as the press showing up at one of our meetings here in District 24, I want you all to know that I have set aside time at the district meeting to address this topic. Our Area 72 PI chair, Lupita, has graciously offered to attend or business meeting and answer any questions that we may have. As well as share a little bit about the Area PI Chair position. I am incredibly grateful for our area trusted servants!

Thank you, Kelly and crew for a wonderful Gratitude banquet, you did an amazing job!! I want to give a huge shout out to the kitchen crew, Peg, Roger and Brian as they have manned the kitchens for the last few banquets and I had no idea the amount of work that they do. Robert G and I had the opportunity to pitch in, in the kitchen this year....and oh my!! It was a lot of work, my hat is off to you three for doing this year after year. Thank you for the wonderful experience and all the laughs!

Jerry and I will be off to our second quarterly of our rotation in Bothell the first weekend of April. So, he and I will have lots of great information for you next month.

Yours in love and service,

Tari B

Alt. DCM Report

March 29, 2017 Hi,

First, I want to report that I was not able to attend either the preconference or the gratitude banquet. Instead, I helped my daughter put on a surprise birthday party for her husband and attended a wedding. The promises coming true.

Safety in AA. At my home group we have been announcing for the past month that we would be discussing Safety in AA at our March 25, 2016 business meeting. At the business meeting a motion was made to create a "safety committee". So this month, we are creating a group conscious and next month we will vote on the issue.

Whether or not we vote to create the safety committee is irrelevant. The benefit is that we are discussing the issue. As a result of the discussion, I have been asked by three separate women to talk to three separate guys.

Now what? I don't know what to do. So I call my sponsor who has thirty plus years; he tells me about several examples from his time in AA. One time, the woman had sought a protection order so the male was excluded from coming to the meeting. In all the other examples, the male was told you are welcome but your behavior is not welcome. So I did my best to follow instructions.

Again, the big deal is not what I did or didn't do. The big deal is that by having the topic announced each day, women were emboldened to approach me and ask for help.

That's my experience. Events:

April 7th and 8th is the Business Quarterly. We will be talking about multiple assemblies. If you are interested in this topic ask me for information.

June 23rd thru the 25th is the Pacific NW Conference in Oak Harbor. Jerry F.

Public Information Committee Report - District 24 | Western Washington Area 72

Hello District 24!

At the conclusion of last month's district meeting, Mick was elected as the district 24 CPC chair. I am looking forward to meeting with him as our committees' duties overlap so much.

I reached out and left voicemails for the managing librarians at the Lynnwood and Edmonds as there were no

A.A. pamphlets or schedules on display that I could see. I heard back from them and while Mountlake Terrace Library said they had some such literature, the Lynnwood library had none as they had not been stocked for some time. I stocked them with some literature and will follow up with the Lynnwood Open group and find out if they will be stocking the Lynnwood Library.

I attended the ESIG Seattle Outreach Project meeting led by John DD. This time I brought our hospitals and treatment chair, Rob G. who had never been to ESIG. To Rob, his first visit to ESIG was like a kid in a candy store.

During my visit to ESIG I found out I had access to free pamphlets and schedules as part of ESIG's PI/CPC committee. I grabbed 105 free schedules and distributed them in person to 10 hotels in district 24 and included the district's contact info in case they needed additional schedules.

I worked closely with Ron A. to roll out the new district web site which was successful. I have investigated a contacts database (Customer Relationship Management) called UpiCRM that integrates with WordPress (what our web site uses), but do not have enough confidence in it to store all of our outreach contacts.

I am still contacting the middle schools and high schools about speaking on a panel in their schools, but have not heard anything back. I will keep trying.

The We Are Not Saints group has a service position dedicated to stocking the Lynnwood Police Department with literature, and they are delivering a new rack to them for this purpose.

Yours in Service!

John K, District 24 Public Information Chair

CPC REPORT:

Not in attendance due vacation

No accomplished items to report.

May 2017 plan....

- Gain access to district CPC email account.
- Seek committee members and possible presenters.
- Define district geographical boundaries for planning

Question for group. From a CPC standpoint only, how should I address the recent rape allegations (and for that matter any criminal type press created by members) with non-AA professionals? Group opinion or individual comments on this would be greatly appreciated.

Mick N.

CORRECTIONS REPORT:

March 2017

I attended the Corrections Quarterly March 18th, 2017. I have since learned the application requirements listed on the applications for local detention centers are incorrect. As I have found out I am not eligible to volunteer. To be eligible you need to have a 5 year term from your last release. This includes misdemeanors as well as probation. I still feel I can be an asset as the District 24 corrections chair.

I have contacted two members of the correction committee and will help facilitate them into the King County Detention Center. We have chosen King County as at the Quarterly it was brought to

attention the need for volunteers there. Aside from the corrections committee, I have also helped facilitate applications for other members of Alcoholics Anonymous. Just a side note... King County is also in desperate need of Hispanic volunteers.

There is *new* news from corrections.....

There will be the first ever *National Corrections Conference in North America* in St. Louis, MO., from November 10th thru the 12th, 2017. Corrections is also trying to start a Skype meeting for individuals who are high risk offenders who require a higher level of security.

The most promising news is from the Issaquah Jail. They have started a 1st in the nation pilot program known as *The Corrections SHORT Bridge Program*. It is a program focusing on taking meetings to inmates whom are incarcerated for *SHORT* terms only. This allows them to get set up with a bridge volunteer and get dialed in directly upon release. If this program is a success it may allow AA to take meetings for the first time into the Lynnwood Jail. That is the only facility currently in District 24 and we have never been allowed access, so fingers crossed.

I continue to facilitate other members into detention centers. Also continue to collect correspondence volunteers as well as bridge volunteers. I will also continue to attend the Area 72 monthly corrections meeting at Intergroup and will report to District 24 of any new updates.

Lachlan L.

WWA72 May Archives Quarterly

Saturday, May 6th 9:00AM – 3:00PM

Hosted by District 28

First United Methodist Church

506 S. Washington Ave., Centralia, WA

9 AM – Fellowship

10 AM – 3PM Meeting

Light potluck lunch; please bring a dish to share.

Bring any extra materials you wish to make available to fellow archivists for displays or ???????

Bring your ideas, problem areas, questions & suggestions

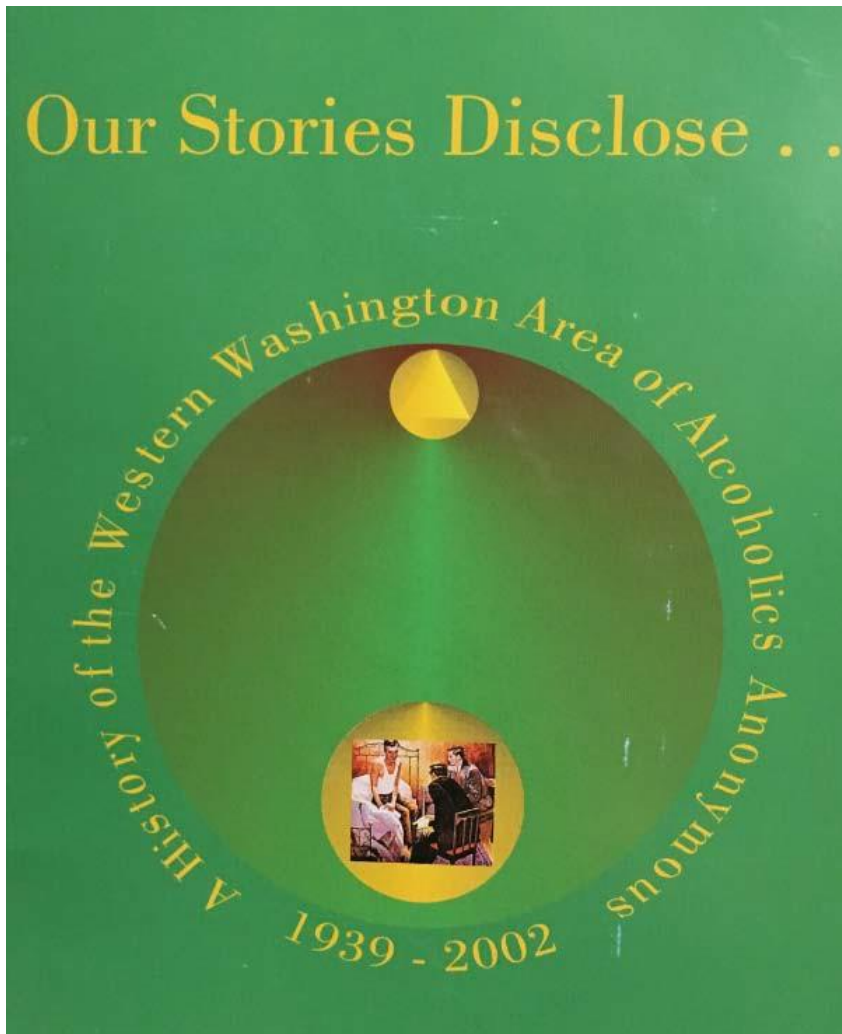
Don't forget --GRAPEVINES--EXTRA COPIES & LISTS OF NEEDED COPIES-
We can help each other complete our sets.

There will be lots of room to spread out. Don't be afraid to bring your items for feedback.

PROTECTING OUR PAST TO ENSURE OUR FUTURE.... for that, I am responsible.

See you there!

For more information or questions, contact netmender1@gmail.com or call 360-388-8292.



OUR STORIES DISCLOSE... BOOK SALE

WWA 72 History Book Sale

Here is your opportunity to purchase the third book published covering the history of AA in Western Washington, 1939-2002. We encourage members and homegroups to each have a copy. It's your chance to better understand our rich AA meeting history.



**Purchase Your
Book NOW!**



**Get One Before
They are Gone!**



**Learn the History
of the Meetings
You Attend**



**\$7.50
each/\$90 per
Box (12)**

To Purchase a book Contact:

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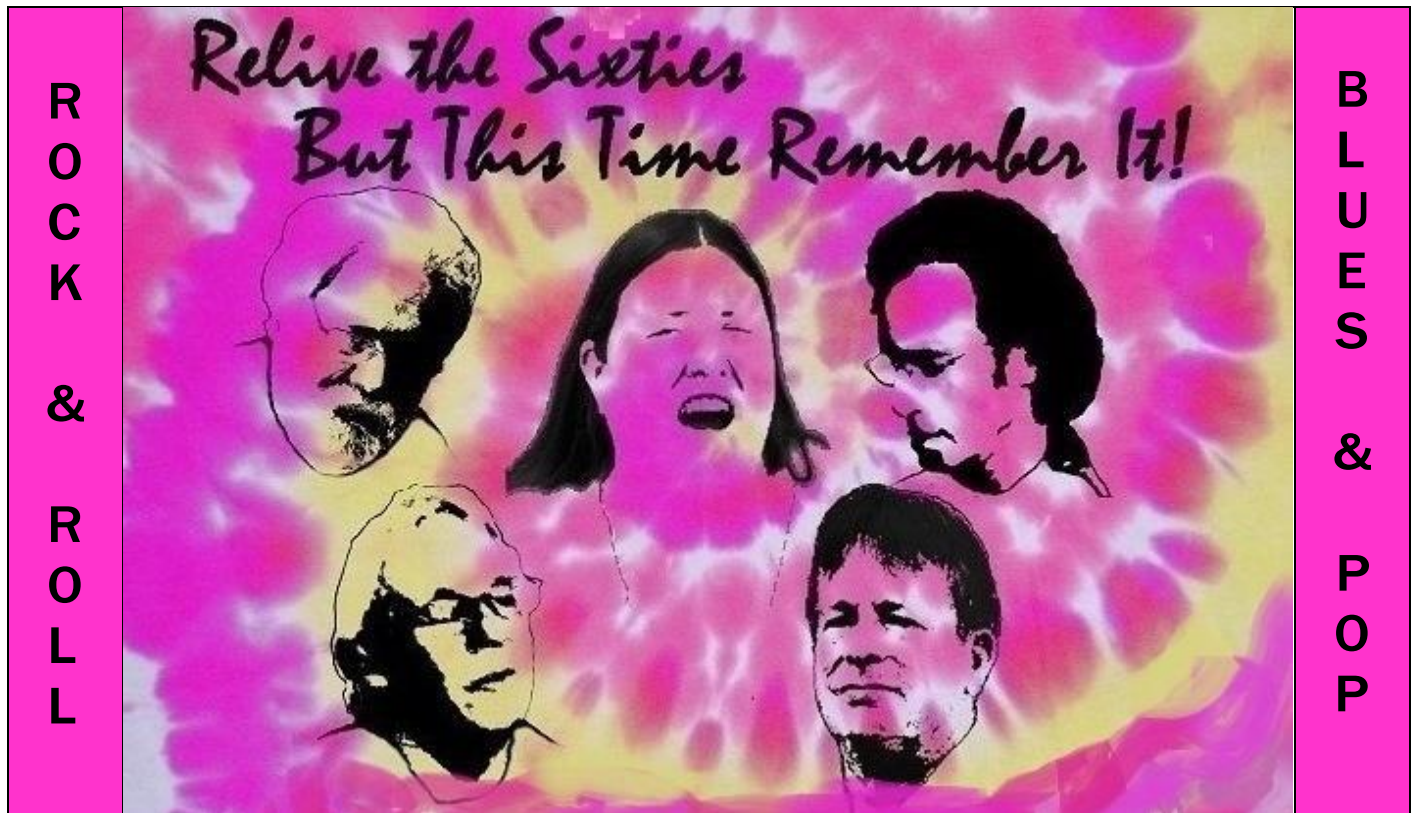
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archiveschair@area72aa.org

MIDNIGHT HOUR

April 22th, 2017

Saturday 7:00 to 10:00 PM



Mark Rainey (Drums)

Dave Albert (Guitar)

Shirel Smith (Vocals)

Jimmy Boal (Bass)

Dave Townsend (Keys)

HOPE HALL

Clean + Sober... good times!

No Alcohol – No Drugs – Admission Free (Donations Appreciated)

Everyone Welcome!

Near the River Bridge.... by the Harley Shop (Northwest Custom Cycles)
8305 Meadowbrook Way SE, Snoqualmie, WA 98065

