

DISTRICT 24 NEWSLETTER September 2024!!

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CONCEPT IX

Good service leadership at all levels is indispensable for our future functioning and safety. Primary world service leadership, once exercised by the founders, must necessarily be assumed by the trustees.

RESPONSIBILITY DECLARATION

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

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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 depend our lives, and the lives of those to come.

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Join us for our **Third Legacy presentation potluck**, the
1st Wednesday of every month at 6PM.

We will be discussing the Concepts as well as reading and discussing the
AA Service Manual. Bring your favorite dish to share, ***and then...***

Join us for our District 24 business meeting, the **1st Wednesday of every month.**

LOCATION!

**St. Hilda's Episcopal Church
15224 52nd Ave W
Edmonds, WA 98026**

...and on Zoom

Meeting ID: 827 3971 4442 / Password: 441729

This month's Area 72 quarterlies and events go to

<https://area72aa.org/events>

Also: See pages 5-6

AA Meetings – Hybrid, Zoom and In-Person

<https://area72aa.org/meetings>

Don't Forget to Check Out our New "District 24 Website"

<https://district24.org>

District 24 Business Meeting Agenda for September 4, 2024

September 4, 2024, at 7:00 PM

ZOOM MEETING

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82739714442pwd=aDk0eENIMlpSVERwUWdHelRPNjVJUT09>

Meeting ID: 827 3971 4442 / Password: 441729

Open with the Serenity Prayer:

God, grant me the serenity, to accept the things I cannot change, the courage to change the things I can and the wisdom to know the difference.

Responsibility Declaration:

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Reading of short form Concept IX: **Good service leadership at all levels is indispensable for our future functioning and safety. Primary world service leadership, once exercised by the founders, must necessarily be assumed by the trustees.**

Birthdays: September?

Open Service Positions: Alt. Archives – Alt. CPC – Young Peoples/Alt. – Alt Zoom – Alt. Secretary – Alt Correction Alt. Registrar – Alt. Schedules – Alt. Third Legacy? – Alt. Treatment – Alt. Web Chair – Alt. Newsletter

Presentation: Jerry F. (Area 72 Secretary), Courtney S. (Alt Delegate), Alan F. (Past Delegate)

New Business: Terry S. (January Quarterly) Speed Dating Extravaganza!!!! Find your new service position!

Old Business:

GSR Check In/Reports:

District Chair Reports:

Secretary – Katie S – *motion to approve Meeting Minutes

Treasurer – Glen C. - *motion to approve Treasurer's report.

Alt Treasurer – Open

Accessibility – Rachel T

Archives – Joyce B - Quarterly

Corrections – Justin D

CPC – Debbie B. - Quarterly

Detox – Bobby T.

Event Coordinator – Claire W

Grapevine/Lit – Debbie W.

Greater Seattle Intergroup Rep – Greg S

Newsletter – Eric H

PI - Jeff K - Quarterly

Registrar – Dean K

Schedules – John M

Third Legacy – Jerry F

Treatment – Tammy K

Web Chair – Desi H

Young People's – Open

Zoom Coordinator – Doug

Alt DCM – Jan H

DCM – Lisa J

Close with the Unity Declaration

District 24 Business Meeting Agenda for September 4, 2024, Continued

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

Upcoming Dates:

<p>Area 72 Service Manual Study (Hybrid) When: Sept. 1 Time: 11:00am-1:00pm Where: GSIG: 5507 6TH Ave S, Seattle, WA 98108 Meeting ID: 863 6483 7688, Passcode: 022841</p>	<p>Area 72 Public Info Workbook & Study Group When: 1st Monday of every month (Sep 2nd) Time: 6:00pm to 7:00pm PST Where: On Zoom Meeting ID: 890 5921 1484, Passcode: Workbook Phone Number: 253-215-8782</p>
<p>2024 Delegate’s Concept Study When: First Wednesday of Every Month at 5:30 PM (Pacific Time) (Zoom Opens at 5:15 PM) Where: Zoom Meeting ID: 944 512 3341, Passcode: service Questions: Aimee B at dcm3@area72aa.org or Derek S. at treasurer@area72aa.org</p>	<p>Corrections into Actions Meeting Every Saturday, 9:00 am to 10:00 am on Zoom Meeting ID: 893 2268 0013, Passcode: 246170 Room Opens at 8:30 AM Contact: Andrew M corrections@area72aa.org</p>
<p>CPC Literature Study (Going over CPC Workbook) When: First Monday of Each Month (Aug 5th) Time: 6:00pm – 7:00pm Meeting ID: 374 583 0198 PW: 466714 Direct Dial: 1-253-215-8782</p>	<p>2024 Delegate’s Concept Study When: First Wednesday of Every Month at 5:30 PM (Pacific Time) (Zoom Opens at 5:15 PM) Where: Zoom Meeting ID: 944 512 3341, Passcode: service Questions: Aimee B at dcm3@area72aa.org or Derek S. at treasurer@area72aa.org</p>
<p>Lunch & Learn W/ General Service Trusted Servants When: Sat: September 7th, 2024; 11:00AM – 2:00PM Where: Hybrid In-Person: Pine Lake Covenant Church Address: 1715 228th Ave SE, Sammamish, WA 98075 Online: Zoom Meeting ID: 642 157 545, Passcode: 066594</p>	<p>2024 GSR Overview (Sept. Session) When: Sunday, Sep. 8th, 2024; 10:00AM-12:00PM Where: Zoom Meeting ID: 869 0922 4901, Passcode: GSR2024 Questions?: Email Courtney, Area 72 Alt Delegate (altdelegate@area72aa.org)</p>
<p>September 2024 Grapevine & Literature Quarterly When: Saturday, September 14th, 2024; 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM, Where: Hybrid In-Person: Puget Sound Central Service Office Address: 3640 S Cedar St Suite S, Tacoma, WA 98409 Online: Zoom Meeting ID: 873 2199 0075, Passcode: 620280</p>	<p>Young People’s Video Project (Summer Recording Festival #3 (Port Angeles)) When: Saturday, September 14th, 2024; 12:00 PM – 3:00 PM Where: Veterans Center Address: 216 S Francis St, Port Angeles, WA 98362</p>
<p>September 2024 Corrections Quarterly When: Saturday, September 21st, 2024; 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM (Doors Open @ 9:30 AM) Hosted By: District 14 Additional Details: TBD</p>	<p>Tradition Study by GSIG Third Legacy Committee (Hybrid) Where: GSIG: 5507 6TH Ave S, Seattle, WA 98108 Meeting ID: 858 5142 0330, Passcode: 051501</p>

Unity Declaration:

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Opened at 7pm with the Serenity Prayer, Responsibility Declaration and reading of short form Concept VIII.

Attendees: *Katie S, Secretary; Cheryl M, GSR A New Experience; Debbie, GV/Lit Chair; Liz C, GSR for ???; Patti M, GSR for Sisters In Recovery; Rachel T, Accessibilities Chair; Rita N, Ryan P, GSR for Coffee Cup; Dave N, GSR for Action is the Key; Dave O, GSR for Brothers In Recovery; James H, Alt GSR for The Ed Lynn Fellowship; Frank W, GSR for The Ed Lynn Fellowship; Debbie B, CPC Chair; Devon H, Alt GSR for Edmonds Group; Eric H, Newsletter Chair/GSR for Edmonds Group; Glen C, Treasurer; Nelson G.S., Alt GSR for Gunny Sack Hill; Samuel P, GSR for Gunny Sack Hill; Rose S, Alt GSR for Happy Hour; John M, Schedules Chair/GSR for Lynnwood Study Group; Bobby T, Alt Detox Chair; Justin D, Corrections Chair/Alt GSR for MLT Wed; Tamara B, GSR for Morning Crunch; Finn S, GSR for On Awakening; Bob M, Alt GSR for OPPN; Doug W, Zoom Coordinator/GSR for OPPN; Richard L, GSR for The Only Requirement; Bob O, Alt GSR for TUG; Desi H, Web Chair; Terry R, GSR for TUG; Phil B, GSR for We Are Not Saints; Wes T, GSR for Wicked Sobah; Claire W, Events Coordinator; Rachel O, Alt GSR for WOTS*

Birthdays: James 18 months

New Business:

- District 24 will be hosting the Business Quarterly for Area 72 in Jan 2025. Terry will be the Committee Chair for this function.
- Desi advocated for District 24 to host the Young People's Quarterly in October.
 - Would cost \$162.50 to reserve the location.
 - Lisa shared that YP has a \$40 budget
 - Motion made, seconded and passed to host Young People's Quarterly in October.

Old Business:

- District 24 inventory "safety workshop" continued.
 - GSR's were asked to bring back responses from their homegroups to the next Business Meeting.
- Gratitude Banquet location.
 - Claire shared that the family of one of the District's GSR's owns Thomas Family Farms. There is a potential the event could be held there.
 - Contacted St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church about hosting event there. They said no, but Claire believes there may have been some confusion as to what type of reservation the church thought we were trying to make. She will clarify what their concerns/reason for declining were and report back next month.
- CPC Quarterly
 - Quarterly will be February 1, 2025.
 - Needs \$142 to secure the room.
 - Planning to have chili cook off as part of the Quarterly.

GSR Check In/Reports:

A New Experience – Cheryl: Women's open meeting that meets at 6pm on Tuesdays at Maplewood Presbyterian. They will be discussing the Delegate report back at next business meeting.

Action is the Key – Dave: Open meeting that meets at 7pm on Tuesdays at Mill Creek Community Church. Averaging about 14 attendees per meeting, could use some support.

Brothers In Recovery – Dave O: Men's open meeting that meets 7pm on Tuesdays at Good Shepherd Baptist.

Coffee Cup – Ryan P: Open hybrid meeting that meets Sundays at 10am at the Masonic Lodge in Edmonds. They recently started having a greeter. Usually see attendance of at least 25 people a meeting. Some questions came up during their last Business Meeting related to the Assembly Discussion Topics. Could the leftover funds from Assembly be used to help cover costs for GSR's to attend the following year? They also had questions about moving the Assembly to September instead of October.

The Ed Lynn Fellowship – Frank and James: The Fellowship Hall is in Lynnwood and has meetings 7 days a week. They shared there is a new meeting at 9:30 on Mondays at Meadowdale Beach.

Edmonds Group – Eric: Open hybrid meeting that meets Tuesdays at 6pm at Cedar Valley Grange. They have been hosting summer BBQ/Speaker Meetings on the last Tuesdays of the month. Also shared that Devon, their Alt GSR, will be able to attend Assembly.

Gunny Sack Hill – Sam and Nelson: Open meeting that meets 7 days a week at 12pm at the Lynnwood Alano Club. They have settled into their permanent room at the new Alano club location. Their homegroup raised the suggestion of creating a

scholarship fund with the excess Assembly funds. They also reminded attendees that the new Alano Club location is above the old Chuck E. Cheese location.

Happy Hour – James and Rose: Meets at 5:30pm Sunday-Friday at the Lynwood Alano Club. Shared that the new Club location is falling into place. Rose asked if any other Alt GSR's are rooming together for Assembly.

Lynnwood Study Group – John: Closed meeting that meets at 7:30 on Mondays at Rock of Hope Church. Shared that contacting Greater Seattle Intergroup to help with finding an insurance agent for meeting insurance drastically lowered costs. The homegroup paid \$500 for insurance last year, now they are only paying \$24 annually.

MLT Wed – Justin: Closed meeting that meets at 7:30 on Wednesdays at Mt. Zion Lutheran.

Morning Crunch – Tamara: Open meeting that meets at 10am on Sundays at the Lynwood Alano Club. They could use some support. Low attendance numbers means they may not have the funds available to send their GSR to Assembly.

On Awakening – Finn: Closed meeting that meets simultaneously in-person and online at 6am on Saturdays and Sundays at the Lynwood Alano Club. Group will be having its 17th annual summer picnic on the 18th at Lynndale Park.

Our Primary Purpose North – Bob: Open meeting that meets at 7pm on Thursdays at Good Shepherd Baptist.

Sisters In Recovery – Patti: Open women's hybrid meeting that meets at 10am on Saturdays at Good Shepherd Baptist. Would like to bring discussion topics back to next homegroup business meeting to get better feedback. Shared that she thought the Delegate report back was great!

The Only Requirement – Richard: Closed meeting that meets at 7pm on Sundays at Shoreline Center of Human Services. Shared that meeting has been going for eight years now.

The Unity Group – Terry and Bob: Open meeting that meets "every stinkin' day" at 7am both online and in person at Mt. Zion Lutheran. Took poll at last their last business meeting and found only 8% of the members were reading the Area 72 Newsletter.

We Are Not Saints – Phil: Open meeting that meets at 7pm on Sundays at Good Shepherd Baptist. Meeting just turned 17 years old, plan to have a BBQ Sunday, August 11th to celebrate. The speaker will be Karen with 53 years.

Wicked Sobah – Wes: Hybrid meeting that meets at 7pm on Tuesdays at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church. Is planning to give more feedback on discussion topics after their next business meeting.

Women On Thursday Step-Study – Liz and Rachel: Closed women's meeting that meets at 7pm on Thursdays at St. Timothy Lutheran.

District Chair Reports:

Secretary – Katie S: Shared that moving forward, she will be emailing out Meeting Minutes in both Word and PDF form for members to view and edit. Motion made, seconded and approved to accept July's Meeting Minutes.

Treasurer – Glen C: Report found on pages 11 and 12 of Newsletter. Of note, the large amount for St. Hilda's is due to confusion about how rent was being paid. He assumed it was being deducted automatically when it was not. St. Hilda's was paid \$850.06 which brings us current, will continue forward with regular payments. Reminded GSR's there is money in the scholarship fund for those in need of assistance attending Assembly. A member asked about the Pink Can fund. Corrections Chair Justin shared that the Pink Can fund is handled through GSIG. Corrections Chairs put in orders on behalf of facilities in their Districts through the fund and GSIG supplies the literature. Motion was made, seconded and approved to accept the July Treasurer's report.

Event Coordinator – Claire W: Thanked everyone, especially the Lynwood Alano Club, who helped make the District 24 picnic possible. Explained there was an issue with the shelter reservation. Suggested that in the future renting only 1 picnic shelter. Also suggested that we consider a different location with more available parking. Reported that the White Elephant Raffle brought in \$894.58. Reported expenses for the picnic came to \$1894.68. Claire offered to reimburse District 24 the \$400 rental fees for the shelters because of the mix up with the reservation. Motion made, seconded and passed that Claire not reimburse the District the \$400. Several suggestions made for where to donate the leftover food from the picnic. One member made motion that it be donated to the Edmonds Food Bank. Another member suggested it be donated to GSIG for their upcoming picnic. Motion amended, seconded and approved to donate the excess food to GSIG.

Greater Seattle Intergroup Rep – Greg S: Brought picnic buttons for \$10 each. Purchasing a button provides free entrance to the GSIG Picnic, food and a raffle ticket. GSIG was below budget \$4990 in June, \$15,989 below budget so far this year. Encouraged members to consider enrolling in the Sustainer's Program (<https://www.seattleaa.org/sustainers/>). Also encouraged homegroups to send monthly GSIG contributions instead of infrequent, larger sums. Regular donations, even smaller ones, are more helpful. GSIG is still looking for an Accessibilities Chair. The call log for the previous month is 2 12 step calls, 83 chats, and 130 calls totaling 215 points of contact. Examples from those contacts include: A woman called in with DT's, they were able to call 911 and get her help. Parents called looking for support. An inmate from Monroe who was soon to be released and wanted to get to a meeting. A wife of an alcoholic was referred to Al-Anon, another was given

detox info, another asked how they could withdraw from alcohol. Several doctors, lawyers and psychiatrists called looking for information, and a “crazy” drunk from Paris reached out across the pond. Phone shifts are available for those who are interested in helping out. A member who volunteers for the phones shared that it was difficult to reach people to go on 12 step calls because people either wouldn’t pick up or no longer lived in the area and weren’t available. Asked if the lists needed to be updated or if GSIG could look into a different way to connect for 12 step calls.

Web Chair – Desi H: Shared about upcoming AA tech event. More information to come!

Young People’s – Desi H: Attended the 64th ICYPAA convention in Austin Texas, shared about her experiences. Tapes will be available for those interested in hearing the convention speakers. Also attended the YP Quarterly. Shared that Area 72 YP will be reaching out to GSO about the status of the YP Recording Project. Stated that the project, “suddenly went away.”

Alt DCM – Jan H: Shared about voting process at upcoming Assembly. We will be “electing the electeds.” Suggested if you like someone who stands for a position, write a descriptor for yourself that will help you remember them. Member suggested referring to the Service Manual for those who may need to see an overview of the process again.

Accessibility Chair – Rachel T: Gave update that Vancouver (VDAC) is no longer covering Portland (PDAC) for ASL interpretation. Shared about importance of making sure meetings with childcare are labeled correctly. Not only for members with children, but also for members who aren’t allowed to be near children. Also shared that Al-Anon and AA meetings are using one childcare provider while meetings are held simultaneously.

DCM – Lisa J: Shared that District 19 is holding their Service Speed Dating on August 28th. Reminded members of District 24’s upcoming event in September. Also reminded members about the online Pre-Assembly on August 21st for those who weren’t able to attend the in person Pre-Assembly.

Schedules – John: Brought 460 schedules for any in person members who needed more. Shared that Lisa had brought additional schedules contributed to District 24 from other DCMs. Was concerned we are going to run out before the next printing. Would like to have a discussion at the next Business Meeting about potentially printing a greater amount for our next order. Encouraged groups to turn in any changes to their meetings soon as the cut off date before the next printing will be mid-September.

Closed at 8:43pm with the Unity Declaration

1) Discussion Topic #3: Assembly Excess Funds Background by Derek Area 72 Treasurer

The 2023 Area Assembly resulted in Assembly Excess Funds of \$10,581.17. The Area Treasurer then reported to the Finance Committee and the Area Chair year end results. It was suggested by the Finance Committee and the Chair that perhaps a discussion should ensue at this Quarterly about the use of these funds in the future. There has been discussion at past Area Events about excess funds and Assembly registration fees.

The instruction in the Area Handbook pertaining to Assembly Excess Funds is in Motion 18.1 that reads: "...On December 31st of each year, the Area Treasurer will calculate the excess funds from cash balances, including any excess funds from the current year's assembly and contribute the excess funds to the General Service Office."

Does the Area body wish to change or divert the use of the Assembly Excess Funds, or a portion thereof, to apply towards future assemblies to lower the cost of those assemblies if possible or some other Assembly related use (or continue with historical practice)? (Average excess funds in last 14 years = 5,272 dollars) (7% of Assembly cost).

2) Ad Hoc Committee: Area 72 business schedule by Area 72 Alt. Chair – Eddy M.M.

General Service Conference Submissions Solution (GSCSS) Ad Hoc Committee has met for 7 months, and we were considering solutions to allow Area 72 Group Service Representatives to fully participate in the Conference process, contributing to the unity of Alcoholics Anonymous as a whole.

We started by gathering all the ideas and solutions proposed by different sources, including past ad hoc committees, research findings, and input from delegates. In our research we reviewed past ad hoc committees' data going back to 1992 including having a 2nd Assembly. Due to that research this committee did not feel it's a direction Area 72 wanted to go. We explored what other areas in the Pacific Region are doing in relation to the issues or challenges being addressed. This provided valuable benchmarking information and helped identify innovative approaches. We summarized information from the 73rd Annual Conference Final Report and data gathered from other regional Delegate Areas about their Assembly schedule. We engaged with past and current Delegates to gather their perspectives, insights, and experiences. Their input provided us with valuable context and helped ensure that our recommendation was informed by a diverse range of experience and viewpoints.

The committee reached a consensus about the following recommendation:

Shift Dates of Area Committee Meetings and Assembly as follows:

January Quarterly: No change.

April Quarterly: Shifted to March (consideration to avoid conflict with PRAASA)

July Quarterly: Shifted to June (consideration to avoid conflict with PNC)

October Area Assembly: Shifted to September (consideration to avoid Labor Day Weekend)

3) Area Newsletter

The Area newsletter is a valuable communication tool: its value is limited only by the participation from submissions and readership. Is the current delivery method (snail mailed hard copy) of the newsletter worth the financial impact it has on our Area?

The Ad Hoc Committee reported the following as it relates to content, format and frequency issues:

- Prior surveys indicate the desire and need to continue both print version and web
 - Remote communities/no internet accessibility
 - Elderly/non-tech/no accessibility
 - Newsletter belongs to AA groups
- Opting out creates problems due to GSR rotation
 - Incoming might not know prior opted out for example
- Bulk mailing
 - Distribution minimum, currently 1000 copies

Discussion Topics for Home Groups Continued

Ad Hoc committee recommends continuing printed and web versions. Ad Hoc committee explored and researched various format and editing software to improve esthetics.

Is the current format and distribution of the Area Newsletter an effective method for communicating with home groups? Does your Home Group have any concerns about the amount of funds currently spent on printing and mailing? (2024: Printing \$9,192, Distribution 1355 newsletters). (\$0.87 per copy)

2024 AREA 72 ARCHIVES QUARTERLY REPORT

The area 72 Archivists and our chair, Michaela, were treated to a great presentation by the Area 72 archivist, Maryland, on the early history of AA at our August quarterly in Bremerton. Thank you to District 10 and Archivist Gary for hosting. Maryland's presentation started in 1774 when philanthropist and social reformer Anthony Benezet challenged the prevailing view of alcohol as a "gift from God" and called it "a bewitching poison". She traces the development of the Temperance movement through the end of Prohibition up to Dr. Bob's last drink in June 1935.

Archives needs volunteers to staff the Archives room at our 2024 Area 72 assembly at The Hotel Murano in Tacoma.

The dates and times are:

Friday, 10/4 from 9am-9pm.

Saturday, 10/5, from 8am-9pm.

Sunday, 10/6, from 8am-11am.

Please email Mary at archivist@area72aa.org.

Obviously, we need more than one volunteer per day to split up the shifts.

By the time you read this, we will have had our Regional Archives Workshop in Kennewick, WA. On August 24. I had the pleasure of working with the regional archivist, Theron, and learning how to make a clamshell box to house a collectible Big Book, which is one of the workshops. I love my job!

Yours, in service,

Joyce B.

Treasurer's Report

Bank Stmt / Prudent Reserve Report 7/26/24 thru 8/25/24

Checking		Savings	
Beginning Balance	4,852.99	Beginning Balance	-
Deposits/Credits	1,744.72	Deposits/Credits	-
Withdrawals/Debits	(2,841.04)	Withdrawals/Debits	-
Ending Balance	3,756.67	Ending Balance	-
Total Assets			3,756.67

CHECKING DEPOSITS / CREDITS

Received From	Group ID	Deposit Date	Amount	Check/MO #	Comments
Gunny Sack Hill	178910	8/18/2024	538.34	1841	
Way of Life	658788	8/18/2024	30.00	9806	Scholarship Fund
Tug	177017	8/18/2024	51.52	51.57	
Ed-Lynn Fellowship	130844	8/18/2024	25.00	1028	
District Picnic		8/18/2024	1,039.50	1004	
District Picnic/Venmo		8/18/2024	60.00	102	
Checking/Savings Interest		8/9/2024	0.36		
Total Deposits/Credits			1,744.72		

CHECKING WITHDRAWALS / DEBITS

Paid To	Check/MO #	Deposit Date	Amount	Comments
Alderwood Safe Storage	Debit #6004	8/21/2024	(72.00)	Storage Unit
Tamara B	1018	8/15/2024	(75.00)	scholarship for WWA72 2024 Assembly
USPS	Debit #7051	8/14/2024	(232.00)	D24 mailbox annual renewal fee
Jan H	Debit #7051	8/12/2024	(242.00)	WWA72 2024 Assembly Registration
Embassy Suites	Debit #6004	8/10/2024	(1,500.00)	Jan 2025 Qtrly Down Payment
Debbie B	1019	8/10/2024	(20.00)	CPC Qtrly Down Payment - St Hilda's
Chef Store	Debit #6004	8/4/2024	(500.04)	D24 Picnic food purchase
ATM Withdrawal	Debit #6004	8/4/2024	(200.00)	D24 Picnic seed money for raffles
Total Withdrawals/Debits			(2,841.04)	

SAVINGS DEPOSITS / CREDITS

Received From	Check/MO #	Deposit Date	Amount	Comments
-				
No Activity for this period				
Total Deposits/Credits			-	

SAVINGS WITHDRAWALS / DEBITS

Paid To	Check/MO #	Deposit Date	Amount	Comments
-				
No Activity for this period				
Total Withdrawals/Debits			-	

PRUDENT RESERVE REPORT

Category	Sub Category	Sub Total	Total	Comments
Total Assets	Checking	3,756.67		
	Savings	-	3,756.67	
Restricted Funds	Scholarship	(194.20)	(194.20)	2023 Funds = \$239.20
Prudent Reserve Goal	100% Expense	(4,490.00)		Anticipated Expenses Funded @ 100%
	25% Expense	(1,895.66)	(6,385.66)	Anticipated Expenses Funded @ 25%
Prudent Reserve +/-			(2,823.19)	

Budget vs Actuals

	2024 Budget	May	June	July	August	2024 Actuals	Remaining Budget
INCOME							
Homegroups & Private Donations			1,898.96	404.68	614.86	8,008.01	
Assembly Scholarship					(45.00)	(45.00)	
Pink Can						514.28	
Checking / Savings		0.43	0.47	0.38	0.36	1,347.87	
TOTAL INCOME	-	0.43	1,899.43	405.06	570.22	9,825.16	
EXPENSES							
EXPENSES FUNDED @ 25%							
Accessibilities	40.00		30.00			30.00	10.00
Archives	200.00					29.64	170.36
Coffee Maker	50.00					-	50.00
CPC	150.00	20.98				20.98	129.02
Corrections	110.00					-	110.00
Detox Chair	40.00					-	40.00
D.C.M. / Alt D.C.M.	3,000.00	237.00	205.26		242.00	975.90	2,024.10
Grapevine & Literature	40.00					-	40.00
Public Information	40.00					-	40.00
Registrar	20.00					-	20.00
Schedules Chair	40.00					-	40.00
Secretary	-					-	-
Third Legacy	40.00					-	40.00
Treasurer / Alt Treasurer	30.00					-	30.00
Treatment / Bridging the Gap	150.00					-	150.00
Web Master	40.00					-	40.00
Young People's Representative	40.00					-	40.00
Zoom Coordinator	40.00					-	40.00
District Meeting Rental Fee	900.00			850.06		850.06	49.94
Newsletter Printing Costs	720.00	65.07				65.07	654.93
P.O. Box Yearly Rental Fee	220.00				232.00	232.00	(12.00)
Storage Unit Rental Fee	867.00	72.00	72.00	72.00	72.00	648.00	219.00
Website Hosting Fee	240.00					300.00	(60.00)
Zoom Annual Subscription Fee	165.64					165.79	(0.15)
Miscellaneous Fund	400.00	53.15		31.89		698.20	(298.20)
7th Tradition Donations (Splits)	-					-	-
SUB-TOTAL EXPENSES	7,582.64	448.20	307.26	953.95	546.00	4,015.64	
PRUDENT RESERVE @ 25%	1,895.66						
EXPENSES FUNDED @ 100%							
Cost of Printing Schedules	1,300.00					549.74	750.26
D24 Annual Picnic	1,000.00		90.00		(399.46)	90.54	909.46
D24 Gratitude Dinner	1,240.00		1,200.00			2,133.64	(893.64)
Evergreen State Fair Contribution	250.00		120.00			120.00	130.00
Host a Quarterly Funding	700.00				1,520.00	1,520.00	(820.00)
SUB-TOTAL EXPENSES	4,490.00	-	1,410.00	-	1,120.54	4,413.92	
PRUDENT RESERVE @ 100%	4,490.00						
TOTAL EXPENSES	12,072.64	448.20	1,717.26	953.95	1,666.54	8,429.56	
PRUDENT RESERVE TOTAL	6,385.66						
NET INCOME		(447.77)	182.17	(548.89)	(1,096.32)	1,395.60	



SERVICE MANUAL STUDY

SPONSORED BY THE
GSIG THIRD LEGACY COMMITTEE

BEGINNING IN 2023 WE WILL START STUDY-
ING THE NEW SERVICE MANUAL.
THIS DISCUSSION AND STUDY WILL BE
FACILITATED BY AREA 72 TRUSTED
SERVANTS.

JOIN US IN PERSON AT GSIG OFFICE OR ON
ZOOM on the *1st Sunday of each month at 11am*

SEATTLE INTERGROUP

5507 6TH AVE S.,

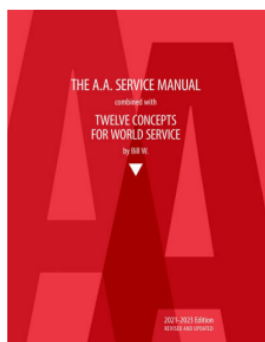
SEATTLE 98108

ZOOM INFO:

MEETING ID 863 6483

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PASSCODE 022841



Area 72 Cooperation with Professional Community (CPC) Literature Study Group



Who: CPC Chairs, PI/CPC Chairs, DCMs without
chairs & any AA member

Date: 1st Monday of Each Month

MAY 1 2023

Time: 6:00pm – 7:00pm

Where: Zoom that's where

ZOOM MEETING ID: ZOOM: 374 583 0198

PASSCODE: 466714

CONTACTS FOR QUESTIONS & INTERPRETATION:

CARLOS E. AT CPC@AREA72AA.ORG

[206 351 2744](tel:2063512744)

EDMONDS GROUP

SUMMER BARBECUE SERIES!!



TUESDAYS

MAY 28TH

JUNE 25TH

JULY 30TH

AUG 27TH

SEPT 24TH



OCT. 29TH CHILI FEED

Nov 26TH SPAGHETTI FEED

WHERE: CEDAR VALLEY GRANGE
20526 52ND AVE W. Lynnwood, WA 98036

WHEN: 5:30 PM, SPEAKER STARTS AT 6:00PM

**DON'T FORGET TO ATTEND OUR
REGULAR MEETINGS, EVERY
TUESDAY AT 6:00PM!!!!**

Announcing Our Delegate Crystal's 2024 Concept Study

"We, the members of the Twentieth Anniversary Convention of Alcoholics Anonymous, here assembled at St. Louis in July of the year 1955, declare our belief that our Fellowship has now come of age and is entirely ready to assume full and permanent possession of the Three Legacies of our A.A. inheritance — the Legacies of Recovery, Unity and Service."

Join our host Crystal and her friends from the
Conference from around the country as they guide us
through each of the Twelve Concepts...



The "Twelve Concepts for World Service" describes the "why" of our service structure in such a fashion that the highly valuable experience of the past, and the lessons we have drawn from that experience, can never be forgotten or lost.

**First Wednesday of every month
5:30 p.m. (Pacific Time)**

8:30 p.m. ET / 7:30 p.m. CT / 6:30 p.m. MT

Meeting ID: 944 512 3341

Passcode: **service**

Room Opens 15 minutes before

Questions please contact: Aimee B at dcm3@area72aa.org or
Derek S. at treasurer@area72aa.org

Learn how to make the hand of A.A. available to those in custody seeking sobriety by joining our spirited discussions.

Western Washington Area 72 AA Corrections Committee
Presents: The 3rd Annual
A.A. Corrections Workbook Study 2023



Hosted By:
Area 72 Corrections Committee
Join us on a journey through the Corrections Workbook.

Every Saturday, 9:00 am to 10:00 am on Zoom

Meeting ID: 893 2268 0013
Passcode: 246170
Room Opens at 8:45 AM

Questions please contact:
Andrew M. @ corrections@area72aa.org

Hope to see you there!



Grapevine and Literature Quarterly Area 72

SEPTEMBER-14-2024

Hosted by District 58

Celebrating Grapevine and La Viña

This Meeting will be held in a HYBRID platform

The location for FACE TO FACE is:
Puget Sound Central Service Office
3640 S.Cedar st Suite S Tacoma wa 98409

See below for Zoom meeting information:

<https://area72aa-org.zoom.us/j/87321990075?pwd=SUxzVG42QWRDQytjU0lyR0dmbm96dz09>

Join us via Zoom
Meeting ID: 873 2199 0075
Passcode: 620280

Come join us for refreshments and fellowship starting at 9:30 am

The business meeting will start as close to 10:00 am as possible and end at approximately 2:00 p.m.

We are excited to have two wonderful Guest Speakers sharing on the following topics:

- 1 TOPIC
- 2 TOPIC

Interpretation will be in Spanish and English
Grapevine and La Viña

We are waiting for you - solo faltas tu

SEPT
7

LUNCH & LEARN

With Your General Service Trusted Servants

WHEN
Sat, Sep. 7th
11am — 2pm

WHERE
Pine Lake Covenant Church
1715 228th Ave SE
Sammamish, WA 98075

ZOOM INFO
Meeting ID: 642-157-545
Passcode: 066594

Please join us for lunch and a panel discussion with your past and present Trusted Servants as our guests. Learn how General Service helps us carry the AA message to existing members as well as future generations.

- ➔ **PANEL ON GENERAL SERVICE**
 - CRYSTAL S. (AREA 72 DELEGATE)
 - DEREK S. (AREA 72 TREASURER)
 - GAIL H. (PAST DELEGATE)
 - EDDIE H. (PAST DELEGATE)
- ➔ **Q&A**
- ➔ **LUNCH PROVIDED BY DISTRICT 35**
- ➔ **7TH TRADITION WILL BE OBSERVED**

Hosted by District 35

YOUNG PEOPLE
VIDEO PROJECT

Summer

RECORDING FESTIVAL

CREATE VIDEO CONTENT REFLECTING THE DIVERSITY OF A FELLOWSHIP, THAT EXPRESSES THE EXPERIENCE, STRENGTH, AND HOPE OF GETTING SOBER YOUNG!

AREA 72 AA

JULY 27
12-3 PM

AREA 72 & WSCYPAA

HOTEL MURANO

1320 BROADWAY, TACOMA WA

AUG. 3
12-2 PM

DISTRICT 37

ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

11005 NE HWY 99, VANCOUVER WA

SEPT. 14
12-3 PM

DISTRICT 22

VETERAN CENTER

216 S FRANCIS ST, PORT ANGELES

QUESTIONS? CONTACT

YPCHAIR@AREA72AA.ORG

YOUNG PEOPLE'S VIDEO PROJECT

We want video submissions from A.A. members. WHY? To carry A.A.'s message to young people in high school and college settings.

SHARE YOUR EXPERIENCE!

Submissions should be 2-3 minutes in length and reflect and adhere to the Twelve Traditions of Alcoholics Anonymous, especially A.A.'s anonymity traditions. When filming A.A. members make sure no one is identifiable.

Focus on the experience of getting sober young and reflect the diversity of the Fellowship. Use members stories to help alcoholics identify.

Share experiences that would relate to the "young" alcoholic who has yet to come to A.A.

BE CREATIVE AND HAVE FUN!

Individuals submitting videos must be at least 18 years of age and must reside within the boundaries of the U.S. and Canada A.A. General Service Structure. Submissions should be in English, Spanish or French.

For more information, contact the Public Information Coordinator at publicinfo@aa.org.



Scan me!

www.aa.org



TRADITION STUDY WITH THE GSIG THIRD LEGACY COMMITTEE

STUDY THE TRADITION OF THE MONTH WITH THE THIRD LEGACY COMMITTEE.

WHEN: **FOURTH TUESDAY AT 7PM**
Starting January 24, 2023

THIS MEETING IS HYBRID. COME DOWN TO THE OFFICE OR JOIN IN ON ZOOM.

IN PERSON AT SEATTLE INTERGROUP
5507 6TH AVE S., SEATTLE 98108
ON ZOOM
MEETING ID 858 5142 0330
PASSCODE 051501



Can't stop drinking? We get it.

In A.A. we don't tell anyone to do anything. We talk about our own drinking, the trouble we got into, and how we stopped. Whether in person or online, we're here to help.

Alcoholics Anonymous®
For more information visit AA.org or download the Meeting Guide app.












Archives Steering Committee Vacancies 2024

The Archives Steering Committee (ASC) consists of **six** members who serve a four-year term. In each odd numbered year, three of the six members will rotate.

The ASC meets the third Sunday of each month at the Area 72 Repository, 3905 Steilacoom Blvd, Lakewood, WA.

We are soliciting resumes for three positions.

Request candidates send their resumes to
Archiveschair@area72aa.org
by December 12th, 2024.

The ASC will review the candidates' resumes at the December 2024 ASC meeting and select the 3 members who will be presented for ratification at the January 2025 Area Committee. The skills and abilities include having related experience in **technology, accessioning** and **digital archiving** projects. ASC members participate in Archives Work Parties, Archives training efforts and assisting the Archivist with the collection also.

DISTRICT 24 & AREA 72 PRESENT

AREA YOUNG PEOPLE'S QUARTERLY

Fellowship at 11:30am, Starts at 12

★ SUNDAY OCTOBER 27TH, 2024 ★

All are welcome to attend the final AYP Quarterly of this rotation, we welcome new members, hear district YP chair reports, break for snack and conduct business.
Hot Topic: GSO YP video project updates!

Hybrid Option:
Lynnwood Alano Club ★ New location: upstairs

3717 196th St SW Lynnwood, WA 98036	ID: 857 1239 2593 Passcode: 771851
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Dress to Impress



What's The Point !?!?

"12 Steps to Emotional Sobriety"

October 11, 12 & 13, 2023

Presenter: Wayne B.
(Los Angeles, CA)

"When Just Being Sober Isn't Enough"

Highlighting the 3 phases of 12 Step Development: **Desperation | Restoration | Transformation**

Phase 1 of 12 Step Development: **Desperation** | Steps 1 – 3: *We Uncover the Problem*

Phase 2 of 12 Step Development: **Restoration** | Steps 4 – 9: *We Discover and Discard The Results of The Problem*

Phase 3 of 12 Step Development: **Transformation** | Steps 10 – 12: *We Recover from The Problem*

Friday Night Speaker: St. Thomas Episcopal Church, 8398 N.E. 12th St, Medina, WA 98039

Venue Sat & Sun: Eastside Alano Club, 12302 N.E. 8th St, Bellevue, WA 98036

Friday:	6:00 pm—7:00 pm	Meet the Presenter	7:00 pm — 8:30 pm	Open AA Meeting Wayne's Story
Saturday:	8:00 am—9:00 am	Registration	9:00 am — 4:00 pm	Session I — IV
Sunday:	8:00 am—9:00 am	Registration	9:00 am — 4:00 pm	Session V — VIII

For more information, please call:
Rona Y.R. (253)202-9965, Dana C. (425)971-1383 & Tom L. (206)391-0843, or email Dana at: [dcamey50@gmail](mailto:dcamey50@gmail.com)

Pre-registration: \$35.00 – Saturday at the door: \$40.00

To Pre-Register via Venmo: @Tom-Laris
Registration Tickets will also be sold by local members

*Lunch will be available on site from 12:00 - 1:00 pm on Saturday & Sunday for \$10.

Announcing: a new book from AAWS on sale November 1, 2024

PLAIN LANGUAGE BIG BOOK

A Tool for Reading *Alcoholics Anonymous*

This is A.A. General Service Conference-approved literature.

The *Plain Language Big Book* is a tool to help readers understand the book *Alcoholics Anonymous*, which was first published in 1939. This new book is designed so that the A.A. Twelve Step program of recovery from alcoholism may be easily understood and accessible by all people who have a desire to stop drinking.

Members of A.A. fondly call the original book *Alcoholics Anonymous* "the Big Book." It is the basic text of the A.A. program. The *Plain Language Big Book* has been written to present the original ideas and same spiritual message of the Big Book, *Alcoholics Anonymous*.

This new text is not intended to replace the much beloved Big Book. Rather, the *Plain Language Big Book* is a book crafted over several years by A.A. members and publishing professionals to support alcoholics on the path to recovery. The book is intended to help people who have a problem with alcohol gain access to A.A.'s lifesaving message.

For years, A.A. members have expressed a need for a *Plain Language Big Book*. Based on the shared experience of A.A. members, some people may not have regular contact with other A.A. members to help them understand the A.A. program of recovery and the specific vocabulary as it is used throughout the original book *Alcoholics Anonymous*. Other people have a hard time reading, especially books that were written long ago. This *Plain Language Big Book* is written in simpler language to support readers in their recovery.

This book is published in accordance with Advisory Actions passed by substantial unanimity of the General Service Conference (GSC) of Alcoholics Anonymous. In 2021, the 71st GSC advised that this book be developed. Progress reports, then sample chapters were reviewed at the 72nd and 73rd GSCs. The final draft of the *Plain Language Big Book* was reviewed and approved by substantial unanimity at the 74th GSC, in April 2024. This process and outcome adopts this text as Conference Approved Literature.

The *Plain Language Big Book* covers the core content of what is the "abridged version" (the edition without personal stories) of the original Big Book.

Readers are also encouraged to seek out the current edition of the book *Alcoholics Anonymous* and meet with A.A. members to support their own individual paths of recovery from alcoholism.

The *Plain Language Big Book* is A.A. General Service Conference-approved literature.

PLAIN LANGUAGE BIG BOOK: A Tool for Reading *Alcoholics Anonymous*

- Publication (on-sale) date: **November 1, 2024**
- List Price \$11.
- Item B-90
- 192 pages; 8 1/2" x 11"
- Softcover format with flaps

Announcing: NEW items from AAWS!

Black in A.A.
"Black in AA – Experience Strength and Hope" (P-51) List price \$75

New completely revised pamphlet

Now available in a completely updated and rewritten pamphlet – "Black in A.A. – Experience, Strength and Hope" replaces the pamphlet titled "A.A. for the Black and African American Alcoholic." With an illuminating new Introduction and contemporary sharing by 12 A.A. members from the United States and Canada, the new pamphlet will be published in English, with French and Spanish translations to follow.

ON SALE: MID SEPTEMBER

Literature Workbook
(M-52) List price \$6.00

New Literature service tool

Several years in the making, this brand-new Workbook was compiled from practical shared experience of A.A. members in the Literature service area. Literature committees at the District and Area levels help educate the Fellowship about General Service Conference-approved literature and related service material. All of their efforts work to insure we protect and maintain the integrity of the A.A. message. Helpful sections of the workbook include: "Samples of Planned Service Activities," and "Growing Literature Committees in Districts."

ON SALE: MID SEPTEMBER

Reflexiones Diarias
(SB-19) List Price \$12.50

in a new Large Print edition

A.A.'s popular book of daily meditations that features quotations from A.A. literature paired with members' responses to them for every day of the year is now being made available in Spanish in a Large Print edition, for the first time. This edition will help make this inspirational text more accessible to our Spanish-speaking members, and it is published as a direct result of responding to the expressed need of the Fellowship.

ON SALE: END OF SEPTEMBER