



DISTRICT 11 MAY NEWSLETTER



Group Reports & Birthdays

Bellingham Group:

We hope to see you all at 1113 1/2 Railroad.

Blaine International Group:

Birthdays for May: 34 yrs: Dale A.; 6 yrs: Val S.; 1 year Shelby MB, Brad W.

Custer by the Books Group:

Our business meetings are on the first Saturday of each month at 7:45 PM right after our regular Big Book meeting and our birthday meetings are on the last Saturday of the month at 6 PM.

Birthdays for April: 33 years: Christa S., 28 years: Humble Ray, 6 years: Ron McS., 5 years: Kyle H., 3 years: Michelle W.

Birthdays for May: 8 years: Adina F.

Dry Dock Group:

Join us for meetings every day and night.

Birthdays for May: 35 years: Russ K.; 4 years: Jerry G., Moore L.; 3 years: Megan H.; 1 year: Caitlin H., Bella N., Eprian S.

Everson Group:

We are getting new meeting tables, will be a lot more comfortable. Also, Ron W who is acting as GSR, will be moving before the end of May. Attendance has increased substantially at both meetings . . . lot's of Good AA here!

Fairhaven Group:

At our Sunday meeting we are reading One on One: AA Sponsorship in Action - come check it out!

Birthdays for May: 26 yrs: Andy J.; 24 yrs: Bryon S.

Ferndale Unity Group:

Our business mtg is the first Saturday of each month at 6:30 pm
Our Bday mtg is the last Saturday of each month at 8 pm
Our Spanish mtgs are both at 7pm Tuesday and Friday.

Birthdays for May: 20 yrs: Jeanne M.; 5 yrs: JoAnne H. and Kathy A.; 2 yrs: Will D., Tony A. and Jeremy B.; 1 year: Jessica B. and Mary S.

Grateful Hearts:

We will be having a speaker meeting August 29, and October 31, come join us.

Gentle Spirits:

We moved to the Louisa House at 2240 Main Street in Ferndale. Our meetings will continue to be held on Tuesdays at Noon and all meetings are open.

Into Action Group:

Into Action discontinued the Saturday night speaker meeting. The Tuesday night meeting will continue as scheduled.

Kendall Group:

Break out of town and see them on Monday nights. Birthday celebration last Monday of the month.

Lawrence Group:

Lawrence Group holds "warm and friendly" fireside meetings Tuesdays at 7:30pm. Birthdays celebrated the 2nd Tuesday of the month with "Rosie's Cake". Potluck dinners start at 6:30pm the 3rd Tuesday every other month. Join us with an open mind and heart, sincerely willing to give. Surely you will receive!

Lynden Group:

Our Big Book study happens on the 2nd Thursday of each month.

Maple Falls Group:

Maple Falls still has meetings Wednesdays and Saturdays 7-8pm. Due to lack of home group membership for several years, the "group" no longer exists (although is still registered with GSO), but does have meetings there supported by various AA members from other home groups who attend and keep the meetings going. Attendance is usually small, 5-10 people lately (a mix of newcomers and old-timers), and a topic is taken from Daily Reflections. Also, there is no regular business meeting anymore; only as the need arises.

Northwest Group:

Northwest group celebrates milestones in sobriety every day at our hall but have potluck and annual celebrations on the third Saturday of every month starting at 5:30pm bring a dish or just come eat with us!! We do the dirty work on the second Thursday of every month at 6:30pm come be part of our recovery.

Our Primary Purpose Group:

We have 3 meetings per day, 7 days a week as well as an in-depth Big Book study Sunday mornings @ 10:30am. We also have a speakers meeting every Friday evening at 5:30pm...

Committee Reports * Committee Meetings

District Committee Member (DCM) – Dale S.

Happy spring District 11, At our March business meeting the Alt.DCM position was filled and I would like to thank Adina F. for stepping up and also to Rachael W. for stepping up to the Third legacy committee chair. I attended the April area quarterly in Olympia and I put in a bid for the July 2017 are quarterly and it was accepted by the area committee so we will be putting together a committee here in the near future to facilitate that. That's all I have for this newsletter I hope to see you all while trudging this road we call recovery.

As always if you have any questions or comments for me feel free to shoot me an email at dcm@whatcommaa.org

Dale S. - DCM

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Alt District Committee Member – Adina F.

Happy Spring!! Thank you for giving me the honor and privilege in serving as your Alt DCM. The Gratitude Banquet Committee is well on its way! We meet on the second Tuesday of the month at 7pm. The next meeting is on May 10th and we will be discussing the still available chair positions as well as deciding the theme! Come be a part of the fun. Bring your ideas and enthusiasm. We hope to see you then.

Yours in Love & Service

Archives- Brett H.

Hi district 11! Bret H. your archives rep. Please email district 11 archives with your experiences with past Archivists. Do you have direct experience being archivist? When did you serve in this position? What was your favorite part of being archivist?

Thanks for the opportunity to serve.

Accessibility- Bryan B.

Accessibility had a quarterly last month where the ASL fund committee chair made it known that they are looking for representation on the committee from North of area 72 i.e. Whatcom county. This would help give geographical diversity to the committee. If interested please come visit us at the next accessibility committee meeting the first Thursday of the month at Northwest Hall at 5:30.

Corrections & Treatment- Calvin R.

Our Jail and Juvy meetings are in need of support! Especially from women as we have some volunteers rotating out soon. If you are at least year sober and a year off of active probation and willing to help us keep our commitment to alcoholics in jail, please come to our business meeting on the 4th Thursday of the month at 5:30 pm at Northwest hall to sign up.

Grapevine & Literature– Bruce B./Rob H.

All is well in the land of Grapevine and Literature. We hope to see as many groups as possible represented at the monthly meeting. Keep in mind that we have a few new additions to the literature available, including Daily Quotes, Sober and Out, and the pamphlet Many Paths to Spirituality. Ask your group rep to pick these up for you at the next GV&L meeting if interested.

Phone Service Committee- Adam G.

The phone service committee needs your help! We currently have 3 openings available for hotline shifts. This is an excellent way to help carry the message to the still suffering alcoholic. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact us at: phoneservice@whatcommaa.org.

Our monthly committee meeting happens on the 2nd Thursday of each month at 6:15, Dry Dock Hall. We look forward to seeing you or hearing from you!

Schedules – Kenny P.

Group schedule changes are due by the 2nd Friday of each month. Any changes made must be emailed to **BOTH:** schedule@whatcommaa.org AND webservant@whatcommaa.org

The email address for the schedules chair was incorrect in past newsletters, please make note that the correct email is schedule@whatcommaa.org

Public Information/Cooperation with the Professional Community (PI/CPC) – Krista O. / Alt. Jeannie H.

Keep your eyes open for a workshop! If you're interested in helping out come to our next meeting. They're always the 4th Thursday of the month, 6:30 at Dry Dock. Service is a big part of the program in keeping what we have been given.

Third Legacy- Rachael

We are very excited for our next Workshop. We will be discussing the first four of the 12 Traditions. Food and Fellowship will be at 6:30. Workshop is at 7. We will be gathering at Dry Dock on March 29th. Please join us for a fun night of celebrating why AA works. As always, Rachael and I are available to facilitate group inventories and group level workshops on anything service related: chairing meetings, sponsorship, Traditions, Concepts, etc. If you are interested please contact us at 3legacycom@whatcommaa.org.

Yours in Love & Service.

Group Business Meetings

Bellingham Group-1st Tuesday of the month at 6:30pm

Blaine International-1st Friday of the month at 6:30pm

Custer Group-1st Saturday of the month at 7:45pm

Dry Dock-3rd Monday of the month 6:15pm

Everson Group-3rd Friday of the month at 7:30pm

Fairhaven Group-1st Sunday of the month at 6:15pm

Ferndale Group- 1st Saturday of the Month at 6:30pm

Gentle Spirits Group-1st Tues. of the month at 1:00pm

Grateful Hearts-1st Monday of the month at 6:30pm

Into Action-1st Tuesday of the month at 6:30pm

Kendal-Last Monday of the month

Lawrence Group: 1st Tuesday of the month at 6:45pm

Lynden Group-3rd Thursday of the month at 7:00pm

Nooksack Group-1st Thursday of the month at 8pm

Northwest Group-2nd Thursday of the month at 6:30pm

Our Primary Purpose-1st Wed. of the month at 7pm

S.O.S.-1st Wednesday of the month at 8:45pm

Southside Group-2nd Saturday of the month at 8:15am

Sudden Valley- 1st Thursday of the month at 6:30pm

Sumas-3rd Tuesday of the month at 8:00pm

Third Legacy-1st Monday of the month at 5:30pm

WITS- 1st Tuesday of the month at 7:15pm

York Meeting- 1st Friday of the month at 5:30pm

Group Birthday Celebration

Bellingham Group-Last Thurs. of the month at 7:00pm

Blaine International-Last Friday of the month at 7:30pm

Custer Group-Last Saturday of the month at 6:00pm

Dry Dock-Last Sunday of the month 3:30pm

Everson Group-3rd Friday of the month at 7:30pm

Fairhaven Group-3rd Thursday of the month at 7:30pm

Ferndale Group-Last Saturday of the month at 8:00pm

Gentle Spirits Group-4th Tue. of the month at 12:00pm

Grateful Hearts-4th Monday of the month at 5:30pm

Into Action-4th Tuesday of the month at 7:30pm

Lawrence Group-2nd Tuesday of the month 7:30pm

Lynden Group-Last Thursday of the month at 7:30pm

Kendal-Last Monday of the month at 7:00pm

Nooksack Group-Last Wednesday of the month at 8pm

Northwest-3rd Sat. of the month 6:30pm; potluck 5:30pm

Our Primary Purpose- Every day of the month

S.O.S.-Every Wednesday of the month at 7:00pm

Southside Group-Everyday at 7:00am

Sudden Valley- Last Thursday at 7pm

Sumas-Last Tuesday at 7:00pm

Third Legacy-Every Monday of the month at 7:00pm

WITS- Every Tues. of the month at 6:30pm

York Meeting- Every Friday of the month at 6:30pm

Ongoing Volunteers Needed for:

The AA HOTLINE - 734-1688

phoneservice@whatcommaa.org

Ongoing volunteers are needed to take meetings to corrections and treatment facilities, AA Hotline and to speak at non-AA informational meetings. Please attend the monthly Corrections and Treatment meeting to find out the requirements for volunteering (always the 4th Thursday each month at 5:30 pm at Northwest Group)

SOS Men's Group:

SOS (Steel On Steel) is an open men's group that meets each Monday and Wednesday at the St. James church in Fairhaven. Meetings begin at 7pm. Monday is a Big Book Study. Wednesday begins with a 20 min topic speaker followed by a break. Cookies and coffee provided. The monthly business meeting is held on the 1st Wednesday of each month after the regular mtg. Time is celebrated each week. SOS has a commitment to take a meeting to PCN in Skagit County on the 3rd Tuesday of each month.

Birthdays for May: 10 yrs: Josh C., 3 yrs: Noah N-G

Southside Group:

The 7pm meetings are on Monday and Friday only.

Birthdays for May: 31yrs: David M.; 29 yrs: Michele W.; 5yrs: Sheldon P.; 4yrs: Greg L.; 3yrs: Amy M.; 2yrs: Brian H.

Sudden Valley Group:

Every Thursday at 7 pm (Grapevine and BB) and Saturday at 9am (12&12). We meet in the Lower Level of the Dance Barn at Gate 2 in Sudden Valley. We are in the Sunshine Classroom next to the Health Club.

Sumas Group:

The Sumas Group of Alcoholics Anonymous would like to invite you to join us as we meet every Tuesday night at 7 p.m. to share our experience, strength and hope with each other. We are currently meeting at 7 pm at The Christian Reformed Church in Sumas, WA. See you there!

Third Legacy Group:

The Third Legacy Meeting has found a new home: Faith Lutheran Church ELCA
2750 McLeod Rd
Bellingham, WA 98225

We will still be meeting Mondays @ 7pm and provide paid childcare. Business meetings held at 5:30 pm the first Monday of the month.

York Meeting:

1-hour Speaker meeting last Friday of the month. Childcare provided. We celebrate birthdays and have cookies each week!

Women in the Solution:

WITS has a new meeting time at 6:00pm, rather than 6:30pm. We meet every Tuesday at St. Johns Church on Cornwall. We have paid childcare and snacks! Our business meeting will be held on May 1st at 7:15pm (after the regular meeting). We have service opportunities available and all are welcome to participate in our group conscience. Our monthly format includes the following: 1st Tuesday problem-solution night; 2nd Tuesday daily reflections; 3rd Tuesday step study; 4th Tuesday speaker meeting, and 5th Tuesday Chairperson's choice. Our anniversary celebration is the last Tuesday of May at 5:30, meeting starts at 6:15ish

Birthdays for May: 5yrs: Rebecca Mc.; 4yrs: DiannaLynn K.

**28th ANNUAL MT. BAKER ROUNDUP
October 29-31, 2016**

Guest Speakers Include:
Beth H. from Cary, NC
Chuck H. from Cary, NC
Lynn A. from Valencia, CA (Alanon)
Scott L. from Nashville, TN
Bob R. from Bellingham, WA

Register Online Only at
www.MtBakerRoundup.org

The Oldtown Oldtimers speaker meeting is now of the 3rd Saturday of each month!

B'ham OldTown OldTimers
Open SPEAKERS MEETING
POTLUCK 5 PM...Please NO DESSERTS
3rd Saturday Each Month 6-8 PM
St. Paul's Episcopal Church Parish Hall
2117 Walnut Street ~Bellingham

MAY 21 Stan R. 04.21.98 18 yrs. Bellingham ~ Ruta P. 03.13.87 29 yrs. Laurel Hill, FL (Brother & Sister)	JUNE 18 Debbie A. 02.12.89 27 yrs. Puyallup ~ Steve C. 05.28.79 37 yrs. Renton	JULY 16 Carolyn W. 03.22.01 15 yrs. Cloverdale, BC ~ Rod R. 09.12.89 26 yrs. Bellingham
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TREASURER REPORT:

February

Previous Balance: \$903.80
Income Groups: \$642.65
Total Income: \$642.65
Expenses – Comm.: \$927.45
Area, GSO: \$0.00
Total Expend.: \$927.45
Ending Balance: \$619.00

March

Previous Balance: \$619.00
Income Groups: \$1307.78
Income Other: \$428.44
Total Income: \$1736.22
Expenses – Comm.: \$734.89
Area, GSO: \$0.00
Total Expend.: \$734.89
Ending Balance: \$1620.33

District 11 Alcoholics Anonymous Updates

- The Alger Group has no Friday meeting. The Printed Schedule is correct, but we made mistake on web and had a Friday meeting listed. No Friday meeting.
- Maple Valley Group was not closed down! ~ It is still alive and open
- "One Gay At A Time" ~ New LGBTQ Friendly Meeting ~ Friday nights at 6:00pm ~ Northwest Hall ~ Flyer
- NEW GROUP ~ "Rule" 62 ~ Meets every Thursday 7:00 PM Open meeting ~ Drop In Center ~1013 W. Holly
- Barkley Village has moved and has now changed their name to the Cordata Saturday Morning ~ They are now at the Cordata Food Co-Op ~ 315 Westerly Road, 2nd floor ~ Accessible Parking, Entry, Bathroom and Elevator
- Custer by The Books Has canceled the Mens meeting on Thursday
- Ferndale Unity ~ Nueva reunión el Viennese por la noche en Español 7:00pm.
- The Sunday Spiritual is now the Spiritual Breakfast ~ It has moved to Cedars Restaurant in Ferndale ~ It is now 8:00AM Breakfast and the meeting is at 8:30 ~ Must be 21 years old to attend.

MAY 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 St. Joes, 4pm	3 Detox, 7pm Chair:	4 Visions, 7pm, Chair: Mount Baker Roundup Mtg. St. James Church @ 5:30pm	5 Detox, 7pm, Chair: Accessibility Mtg, Northwest @ 5:30pm	6 St. Joes 7pm, Chair:	7 Detox, 7pm Chair:
8	9 St. Joes, 4pm	10 Detox, 7pm Gratitude Banquet Mtg. Dry Dock @ 7pm	11 Visions, 7pm Newsletter Report Deadline	12 Detox, 7pm Chair: Phone Service Mtg, Dry Dock, 6:15pm	13 St. Joes 7pm	14 Detox, 7pm Literature Mtg, FUG @ 10:30am
15	16 St. Joes, 4pm	17 Detox, 7pm	18 Visions, 7pm GSR District Mtg, Dry Dock, 6:30pm	19 Detox, 7pm	20 St. Joes 7pm	21 Detox, 7pm
22	23 St. Joes, 4pm	24 Detox, 7pm	25 Visions, 7pm	26 Detox, 7pm PI/CPC Mtg, Dry Dock, 6:30pm C&T Mtg, NW, 5:30pm	27 St. Joes 7pm	28 Detox, 7pm
29	30 St. Joes, 4pm	31 Detox, 7pm	1 Visions, 7pm	2 Detox, 7pm	3 St. Joes 7pm	4 Detox, 7pm

*For information please visit whatcomaa.org.

*For information about quarterly committee meetings and area events go to www.area72aa.org