



DISTRICT 11 NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER



Group Reports & Birthdays

Bellingham Group:

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

Blaine International Group: Speaker for Oct. Kenny D. Empire Way, 2nd Friday 7:30 potluck 6:30

Birthdays for November: 27 years: Mike M.

Custer by the Books Group: Custer By The Books is about to do a real Custer's Last Stand. We have decided to hang up our number. At our last business meeting, we voted not to allow our treasury to dwindle down to nothing. Rather, we want it to do some good and District 11 could use the financial support right now, so we are closing our doors as of the last meeting in September and donating our entire treasury to our District.

We would also like everyone to know that on the 24th of September (the last Saturday of the month), we are having a going away party/pot luck event to say goodbye. We are also hoping to get a good size basket at the meeting that night to increase our final donation to District.

Please come on out and help us say goodbye and help to support your District. We're providing the meat. Just bring a dish to pass and a heart full of fellowship.

Dry Dock Group:

Birthdays for November:

Everson Group: Attendance has increased substantially at both meetings . . . lot's of Good AA here!

Fairhaven Group: Come visit us at Fairhaven on Thursday nights at 7:30P PM to read the Steps and Traditions and on Sunday nights at 7:30 to read our new book that has the stories from the back of the Big Book, including stories that have been discontinued from earlier editions!

Ferndale Unity Group: We have two new meetings, Monday and Thursday nights at 5:30, they are open and one hour long.

Birthdays for November: 32 years: Dia M.; 27 years: Flo G.; 20 years: Wood B.; 4 years: Selena C.; 3 years: Janet J., Harley; 2 years: Tony P., Sara, Rachel K., Karen, Brooks, Jen F., Kathryn O., Anna; 1 year: Isidoro L., Amy V., Kylie T., Tim Z.

Grateful Hearts: We will be having a speaker meeting, come join us.

Birthdays for November: 2 years: Diane H; 3 years: Nancy B; 32 years: Patricia P.

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: Please join Into Action on Tuesday nights at 7:30pm for a 12&12 step study 1st, 2nd and 3rd Tuesday and birthday meeting on the 4 Tuesday. We've recently added a special tradition meeting on the 5th Tuesday, where we have 3, 5 min speakers presenting on 3 different traditions with a discussion to follow.

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.

Northwest Group: Please join us Saturday October 15 to celebrate our annual birthdays. Potluck is at 5:30p followed by the birthday meeting at 6:30p with cake and fellowship to end our evening.

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.

Rule 62 Group: We are now an open Big Book Study meeting. Everyone is welcome. Thursday night at 7pm at 1013 Holly St. in Bellingham.

Southside Group: The 7pm meetings are on Monday and Friday only.

Birthdays for November: 1 year: Brian D.; 26 yrs: Jennifer

Committee Reports * Committee Meetings

District Committee Member (DCM) – Dale S.

Hey all, so just short report, I would like to start by saying thanks to all who suited up, showed up and made themselves available for service positions for the next rotation. It was great to see us as a district come together and fill ALL our positions! You guys rock! So, I attended the area assembly in Vancouver, WA and as usual was in awe at how well this process works. All of the motions that were on the agenda passed and there was some good discussion on the other topics and a couple things moved to the quarterly process for the incoming committee to address. Thanks to all who attended.

Dale S. - DCM
District 11
dcm@whatcomaa.org

Alt District Committee Member – Adina F.

"Sunlight of the Spirit" Gratitude Banquet is only a month away! Join us at Lynden Fairgrounds on November 12th!

Thanks to all who have stepped up and volunteered. There are still many opportunities to show your gratitude through service on the day of the event.

We meet on the second Tuesday of the month at 7pm. The next meeting is on October 11 at 7pm @ Dry Dock.

We have decided as a committee to cancel the dance this year that has taken place after banquet due to lack of participation, thanks to those that supported it in the past.

Come be a part of the fun. Bring your ideas and enthusiasm. We hope to see you then. Thanks again to the many Home Groups anonymous donors that have stepped up to donate raffle baskets..... who else wants to get involved??

Feel free to contact me with any questions, comments, or concerns. Gratitude@whatcomaa.org or 360-410-9548

Yours in Love&Service,
Adina

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.

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! 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@whatcomaa.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@whatcomaa.org AND webservant@whatcomaa.org

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

Your committee has been busy getting schedules out to over 75 locations every month!! We held an Anonymity Workshop in October and on November 12 we will be hosting the Area 72 PI/CPC Quarterly in Bellingham. If we survive we'll see you at the Gratitude Banquet that night.

I also want to let everyone know that Alcoholics Anonymous won the Best of Bellingham 2016 in the alcohol treatment program category. All of District 11 was a part of this award, there will be no public acceptance of the award but it will be accepted with humility and anonymity. We ALL are doing a great job, keep up this great work District 11!

In Love and Service,
Krista O.

Group Business Meetings

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

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

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 (odd months) 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

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 – 360-734-1688

phoneservice@whatcomaa.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)

Annual District 11th Gratitude Banquet! ~ Saturday November 12th ~ Lynden Fairgrounds - Expo Hall

Warm Beach Mens Retreat ~ Feb 24th thru 26th ~ *This is retreat you must not miss*

4TH Demension New Years Eve ~ AA Speaker Meeting and Dance ~ All Ages Welcome

Maple Valley Group was not closed down! ~ *It is still alive and open*

The Third Legacy Group HAS A NEW HOME ~ Faith Lutheran Church ELCA ~ 2750 McLeod Rd. Bellingham, WA 98225 ~ Regular meeting time ~ Monday 7PM ~ Paid Child Care Provided

Ferndale Unity ~ Nueva reunión el Viennese por la noche en Español 7:00pm.

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 November: 48 years: John W.; 9 yrs: Tony G.

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: We are all making preparations for the 2016 Gratitude Banquet, and are very excited to be a part of such a great AA event! Our meeting is doing well. Please come and join us as we meet every Tuesday evening at 7:00 pm at The Christian Reformed Church located in beautiful downtown Sumas!

Birthdays for November: 36 yrs: Don K.; 1 year: Mark K.

Third Legacy Group: Speaker meeting is the last 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:

The first Tuesday of the month is now a First Step meeting. This change takes effect November 1st. Please note this change in our meeting format.

Birthdays for November: 41 yrs: Chris S.; 27 yrs: Veronica H.; 4 yrs: Rachel M., Taryn M.; 3 yrs: Susan H.; 1 year: Kylie T.



FEBRUARY 24-26, 2017

For more information and registration, visit:

www.sosmen.us

Gratitude Banquet
DISTRICT 11
"Sun Light Of The Spirit"
SATURDAY NOVEMBER 12th 2016
LYNDEN FAIRGROUNDS - EXPO HALL

Third Legacy- Rachael

Your District Third Legacy Committee is alive and well! Thank you to everyone who came to our tradition workshop on October 20th. Our next workshop will be GSR school in January after the new rotation begins. Stay tuned for more details!

In an effort to increase 7th tradition contributions to the district, area, and GSO, the Third Legacy Committee would like to come to your group's business meeting and speak about the importance of the 7th Tradition. If your group is interested in this brief, informative session, please speak to your GSR. As usual we are available to facilitate group inventories, assist with workshops, and come speak to your group about anything service related.

Your District Third Legacy Committee,
Rachael W. and Vin K.
3legacycom@whatcomaa.org

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
(see back of flyer for Nov GB)

Oct 15 Laurie P. 01.30.94 22 yrs. Sedro Woolley - David K. 01.20.93 23 yrs. Mt. Vernon	Nov 19 Gratitude Dinner AA Shalaby B., Gig Harbor (01.06.98) - Al-Anon Gordy B., Kent Al-Anon *see Detail Flyer on Back	Dec 17 Nick T. 01.01.97 18 yrs. Lynnwood - Michele E. 10.30.82 34 yrs. Blaine
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TREASURER'S REPORT

SEPTEMBER 2016

Previous Balance: \$1623.34
Income Groups: \$950.39
Income Other: \$0
Total Donations: \$950.39
Expenses Committee: \$488.08
Area, GSO: \$85.64
Total Expenses: \$573.72
Ending Balance: \$2000.01

GET ROCKETED INTO THE
4TH DIMENSION NEW YEARS EVE
AA SPEAKER MEETING & DANCE
2016 2017
BROADWAY HALL (CORNER OF BROADWAY & ELDRIDGE)
1300 BROADWAY BELLINGHAM, WA
BLAST OFF AT 5:30PM CRASH LANDING AT 1:00AM
PANEL SPEAKERS: TBA GUEST SPEAKERS: TBA
ALL AGES ARE WELCOME!!!
PLEASE BRING A PLATE OF FOOD TO SHARE THAT STARTS WITH YOUR FIRST INITIAL
50/50 RAFFLE RAFFLE BASKETS
12 & UNDER ARE FREE
CHILD CARE PROVIDED DURING MEETING
TICKETS ON SALE!!! \$10 NOW!!! OR \$15 AT THE DOOR!
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NOVEMBER 2016

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

*For information please visit whatcomaa.org.

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