

# DISTRICT 11 MARCH NEWSLETTER



## Group Reports & Birthdays

### Bellingham Group:

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

**Birthdays for March:** 32years Bill V., 29years Victor, Steve G., 23years Lan T., 17years Jim B., 15 years Joe P., 9 years Scott J., 4 years Jeff D., 2 years Rose

**Blaine International Group:** Speaker meeting 2nd Friday 7:30 potluck 6:30

**Birthdays for March:** 9 years Eric H; 7 years Carol S, Karen S; 5 years Bob W.; 4 years Leslee B; 3 years Aaron L.

**Dry Dock Group:** Dry Dock will be holding an Alcathon for Christmas. Please see flyers for more information.

**Birthdays for March:** 30 years: Richard M and Julie O; 27 years: Martha U; 26 years: Greg C and Dan F; 23 years: Lan T; 22 years: Sharon W; 17 years: Carolyn S; 13 years: Noona S; 11 years: Laurie C; 10 years: Dave F; 9 years: Carla; 7 years: Martina B and Phillip W; 5 years: Shana L; 4 years: Cecily T, Richard V, and Thomas W; 3 years: Desiree W; 2 years: Nick B, Todd E, Lisa K, Mitch K, and Greg P; 1 year: Dash C, Brian D, Devon H, Jennifer S, Joe V, and Don

**Everson Group:** We will be starting a new Everson meeting on Mondays @ noon. Same location and it will begin on the 13th of February. We were going to begin on the 6th but due to illness and weather it had to be postponed.

**Birthdays for March:** 38 years: Steve R, 12 years: Susan L.

**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, we are reading from Experience, Strength and Hope: Stories From the First Three Editions of Alcoholics Anonymous.

**Birthday for March:** Nancy N, 35 years; Robin H, 7 years; Shana H, 5 years; Calvin R, 4 years; Joe V, 1 year

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

**Birthday for March:** Frank M 30yrs, Matt S. 18yrs Lorraine M 20yrs, Betty E. 18yrs, Betty E 16yrs, Carrie C 10yrs, Tim H 9yrs, Rose P 5yrs, Jesse R 5yrs Teresa B 4yrs, Raymond H 3yrs, Laura T 2yrs, Shar L 2yrs, Randall 0 1yr

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

**Birthdays for March:** 35 years: Rosi H; 30 years: Wendy R; 23 years: Jill L; 8 years: Karen B; 5 years: Shana L

**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.

**Birthdays for March:** TIM 5 years, LLOYD 3 years, Joelle 40 years

**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 March 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.

## Committee Reports \* Committee Meetings

### **District Committee Member (DCM) – Adina**

Happy March District 11,  
Not much going on for these last two months. Hopefully everyone made through the winter blast safe and sound!  
I have been able to make it to several business meetings over the last month to make myself available to their group. I could make it to the January Quarterly and DCM school, and I am looking forward to the April quarterly.  
If there is anything I can do to be of service to you, your groups or the District please let me know.

Yours in Love & Service,  
Adina  
dcm@whatcomaa.org

### **Alt District Committee Member – Don L.**

Greetings to all the fine sober alkie of District 11. as we emerge from our winter slumber with rumors of spring tickling our imagination the Gratitude banquet planning committee is gearing up for our 2017 event. This year's event will once again be held at the Lynden Fairgrounds. The date will be November 11th and we are encouraging anyone interested in being of service to become part of the committee. It takes a tremendous effort to put on an event of this size and scope and anyone that has served on the committee in the past will tell you how wonderful this labor of love is. Our first planning committee will be held on the 2nd Tuesday of April which is the 11th.

The planning committee will continue to meet on the second Tuesday of the month for the foreseeable future thank you to District 11 for allowing me to be of service and I look forward to this year's planning committee.  
Yours in service,  
Don L

### **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- Dagan M.**

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- Jesse B**

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.**

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- Justin S, phone service alt**

The phone service committee needs a chairperson! If you are interested in the position, please attend the GSR District Meeting on March 15th at Dry Dock at 6:30pm.

Join us for the HOTLINE WORKSHOP at Dry Dock on March 27th! Workshop starts at 7pm, food and fellowship at 6:30pm. The district is in serious need of volunteers to answer our phone lines. This is a vital service we offer the still suffering alcoholic. If you have experience volunteering on the hotline, or currently answer the phones -- THANK YOU! Please join us to share your experience strength and hope.

The Phone Service Committee meets the 2nd Thursday of the month at 6:15pm at Dry Dock. There were only four groups represented at the last meeting. Please let us know if we can help communicate phone service reports to your group or if you need help finding a representative. Thanks Dry Dock, OPP, WITS, and SOS for attending.

### **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](mailto:schedule@whatcomaa.org) AND [webservant@whatcomaa.org](mailto:webservant@whatcomaa.org)

### **Public Information/Cooperation with the Professional Community (PI/CPC) – Nicole D.**

Your PICPC committee is doing well. We are staying busy getting schedules and pamphlets out to the public. We are also having a workshop!

"What the heck is Picpc??" Will be held Thursday March 23rd at OPP. Food and fellowship at 6:30pm and a panel style workshop to start at 7pm. If you have no idea what Picpc is or what we do, or just want a better understanding, join us for this fun workshop! Thank you district 11 for allowing me to be of service.  
Nicole D.

## Group Business Meetings

**Bellingham Group**-1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of the month at 6:30pm  
**Blaine International**-1<sup>st</sup> Friday of the month at 6:30pm  
**Dry Dock**-3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the month 6:15pm  
**Everson Group**-1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of the month at 7:30pm  
**Fairhaven Group**-1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month at 6:15pm  
**Ferndale Group**- 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the Month at 6:30pm  
**Gentle Spirits Group**-1<sup>st</sup> Tues. of the month at 1:00pm  
**Grateful Hearts**-1<sup>st</sup> Monday of the month at 6:30pm  
**Into Action**-1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of the month at 6:30pm  
**Kendal**-Last Monday of the month  
**Lawrence Group:** 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of the month at 6:45pm  
**Lynden Group**-3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month at 7:00pm  
**Nooksack Group**-1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of the month at 8pm  
**Northwest Group**-2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month at 6:30pm  
**Our Primary Purpose**-1<sup>st</sup> Sat. of the month at 10:30am  
**S.O.S.**-1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of the month at 8:45pm  
**Southside Group**-2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the month at 8:15am  
**Sudden Valley**- 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of the month at 6:30pm  
**Sumas**-3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month (odd months) at 8:00pm  
**Third Legacy**-1<sup>st</sup> Monday of the month at 5:30pm  
**WITS**- 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of the month at 7:15pm  
**York Meeting**- 1<sup>st</sup> 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**-4<sup>th</sup> Friday of the month at 7:30pm  
**Fairhaven Group**-3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month at 7:30pm  
**Ferndale Group**-Last Saturday of the month at 8:00pm  
**Gentle Spirits Group**-4<sup>th</sup> Tue. of the month at 12:00pm  
**Grateful Hearts**-4<sup>th</sup> Monday of the month at 5:30pm  
**Into Action**-4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month at 7:30pm  
**Lawrence Group**-2<sup>nd</sup> 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**-3<sup>rd</sup> 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](mailto: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)

## **\*\* NEW MEETING! \*\* Fellowship of the Spirit**

Monthly potluck/speaker meeting on the last Saturday of every month beginning Nov 26

Location: Journey to Wellness Center

**Birthdays for March:** Steve B.; 17 years: Laurie M.; 13 years: Laurie C.; 11 years: Dusty E., Denine B.; 10 years: Candie D., James G.; 9 years: Steve Y.; 7 years: Ben VI.; 6 Years: Rose Ann J.; 5 years: Erik L., Kevin R., Darnell A., Teresa S.; 4 years: Amber S., Siera, Zac D., Todd P.; 3 years: Tony, Kevin C.; 2 Years: Charmaine, Melissa C., Jacy A. Darren H. ; 1 year

**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 March:** Clare 3yrs, Sam McG 3yrs, Solon G 31yrs, Kristopher Kevin G , Paige W 7yrs, Cheryl K 22yrs, Richard V 22 years, Bear E 17 yrs, Craig B 4yrs, Dave B 4yrs, John E 1 year, Chris C 4 yrs

**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. 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 March:** Pete D. 9 yrs, Steve Y. 7 yrs, Zach B 2 yrs.

**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!

**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:**

WITS meets at 6:00pm every Tuesday. We are a weekly women's meeting that meets every Tuesday at St. John's Lutheran Church on Cornwall. We have paid childcare and snack potluck! We have service opportunities available and all are welcome to participate in our group conscience. Our format each month: 1st Tuesday first step, 2nd Tuesday daily reflections, 3rd Tuesday step study, 4th Tuesday speaker meeting, and 5th Tuesday Chairperson's choice.

**Birthdays for March:** 20 years: Angela S.; 7 years: Lisa S.; 6 years: Rachael W., Cheri M.; 5 years: Elizabeth A.

**Third Legacy- Rachael**

Your District Third Legacy Committee is alive and well! Thank you to everyone who came to our tradition workshop on March 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

**4th Dimension Committee Meeting:**

We are having a chair election meeting for the 2017 dance committee on Sunday March 5th at 4pm. I know it's at Mallina's house but I haven't gotten a hold of her yet to ask how public she's comfortable with that information being. So, this email is mostly preliminary since I keep putting it off but I wanted you to know. I'll check in with more when I have it. Thanks!

-Ben J

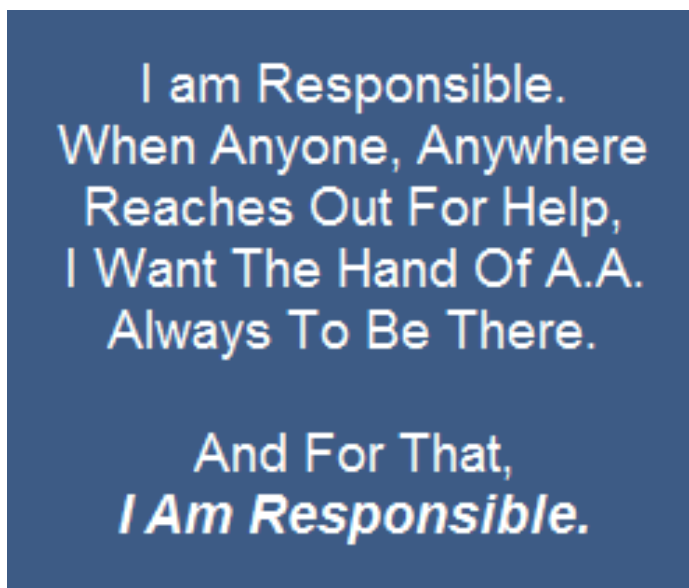
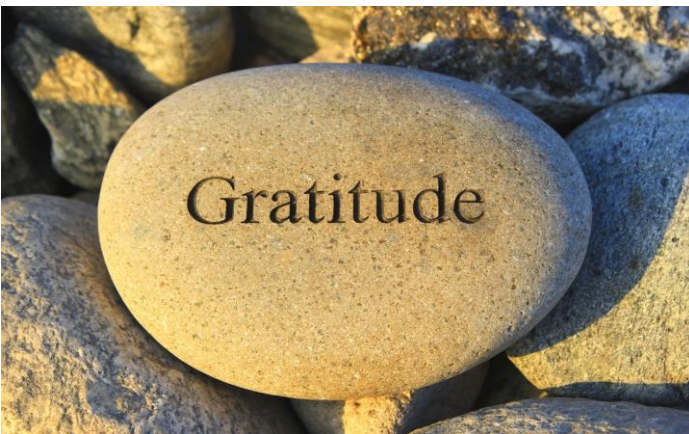
**GRATITUDE BANQUET PLANNING COMMITTEE**

**When: 7:00 PM. 2nd Tuesday**

**Where: DryDock**

**Next Meeting on April 11th**

**ALL ARE WELCOME!**



**TREASURER'S REPORT**

**DECEMBER 2016 Report**

Previous Balance: \$ 2584.44

Income Groups: \$ 1483.58

Income Other: \$0

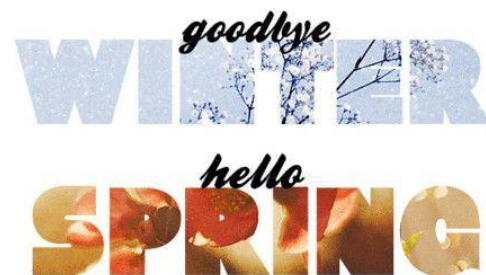
Total Donations: \$1483.58

Expenses Committee: \$1012.87

Area, GSO:

Total Expenses: \$1012.87

Ending Balance: \$3055.15



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

Feb 18	Mar 18	April 15
Virginia J. 08.04.92 24 yrs. Maple Valley	Christine C. 03.29.02 Almost 15yrs. Ferndale	Ken L. 04.15.86 31 yrs. <small>with step</small> Mt. Vernon
~ Scott J. 01.20.92 25 yrs. Maple Valley	~ Bob P. 06.01.85 31 yrs. Bellingham	~ Kathy S. 03.15.86 31 yrs. Port Angeles

Contact Trish D. @ 360.774.0055 or email: trishd@bham.com

**MARCH 2016**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Visions, 7pm	2 Detox, 7pm  The Accessibility Committee NW, 5:30pm	3 St. Joes 7pm	4 Detox, 7pm
5	6 St. Joes, 4pm	7 Detox, 7pm	8 Visions, 7pm  Newsletter Report Deadline	9 Detox, 7pm  Phone Service Mtg, Dry Dock, 6:15pm	10 St. Joes 7pm	11 Detox, 7pm  Literature Mtg, FUG @ 10:30am
12	13 St. Joes, 4pm	14 Detox, 7pm	15 Visions, 7pm  GSR District Mtg, Dry Dock, 6:30pm	16 Detox, 7pm	17 St. Joes 7pm	18 Detox, 7pm
19	20 St. Joes, 4pm	21 Detox, 7pm	22 Visions, 7pm	23 Detox, 7pm  PI/CPC Mtg, Dry Dock, 6:30pm  C&T Mtg, NW, 5:30pm	24 St. Joes 7pm	25 Detox, 7pm

26	27 St. Joes, 4pm	28 Detox, 7pm	29 Visions, 7pm	30 Detox, 7pm	31 St. Joes 7pm	
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\*For information about quarterly committee meetings and area events go to [www.area72aa.org](http://www.area72aa.org)