



# DISTRICT 11 NOVEMBER 2018 NEWSLETTER



## Group Reports & Birthdays

**Bellingham Group:** We hope to see you all at 1113 1/2 Railroad.

**Blaine International Group:** Potluck/speaker meeting 2nd Fri. potluck at 6:30 speaker at 7:30, nominations for trusted servants will be on Nov. business meeting, elections in Dec. Monday night meeting needs support. Come join us.  
**Birthdays for November:** 1 year: Chris S.; 2 years: JR C.; 29 years: Mike M

**Bring Your Own Belief (BYOB):** This new meeting started in in March! Here are the details: One hour long meeting on Sundays at 5:30 pm at 1113 11th Ave, Bellingham, WA (within Southside's Hall, but we are not a part of their group) Meeting contact info: [byobeliefs@gmail.com](mailto:byobeliefs@gmail.com)

**Dry Dock Group:** Thanksgiving Alcathon - Thurs. 11/22 8am - Fri. 11/23 8am, potluck 3pm Thurs. 11/22  
**Birthdays for November:** 33 years.: Jennifer W.; 23 years.: Carol S.; 10 years.: Katie C.; 8 years.: Scotty L.; 4 years.: Cathryn C.; 2 years.: Heather C.; 1 year.: Dean, Jenn C., Jessica Y., Krista S., Linda M., Logan H., Ryan C., Vladimir S.

**Everson Group:**  
**Birthdays for November:**

**Fairhaven Group:**

**Ferndale Unity Group:** Ferndale Unity Group will be having a Thanksgiving Potluck. We will be open until 9pm.  
**Birthdays for November:** Natalie A. 1year, Matt T 1year; ; Alfred W. 2, Amanda D. 2; Ron M 3, Tim Z. 3; Rosemarie T. 9; Patricia P. 34, Dia M. 34

**Grateful Hearts:** Our new woman's meeting on Thursdays at 5:30 is great. Please join us at Garden Street Methodist Church.

**Birthdays for November:** Diane H: 4 years; Mo W: 31 years; Deb S: 1 year; Kristen L: 2 years; Nancy B: 5 years

**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 on the 1st, 2nd and 3rd Tuesdays, with our birthday meeting on the 4th Tuesday.  
**Birthdays for November:**

**Kendall Group:** We read a topic from AA literature for discussion with solid recovery and laughter. We are not a glum lot. Stop by and join us sometime!  
**Birthdays for November:** Paul K. 27 years.

**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:** Meetings are Thursdays at 7:00 pm at the Senior Center, corner of 4th and Grover in Lynden. Birthday meetings are the last Thursday of every month.

**Maple Falls Group:** Maple Falls still has meetings Wednesdays and Saturdays 7-8pm.

**Nooksack Group:** We are an open meeting and we meet on Wednesday evening 7:00- 8:00 pm at the River-Nooksack Outreach Mission: 6605 Mission Road Everson, WA 98247

**Northwest Group: Join Northwest Saturday November 17th for our Birthday celebration Potluck 5:30 Celebration at 6:30**

**Birthdays for November:** Bob H.; 46 years: Greg C.; 44 years: Bill F.; 25 years: Teresa B.; 24 years: Sandy J.; 17 years: Frank M.; 17 years: Ashleigh W.; 15 years.: John C.; 14years: Ken M.; 13 years: Missy A.; 12 years: Rob H.; 10 years: Lisa M.; 10 years: Will Y.; 7 years: Brian H.; 6 years: Michael M.; 5years: Julian M.; 5 years: Liz S.; 5years: Tarcy A.; 4 years: Robbine W.; 3 years: Darin C.; 3 years: Amber S.; 3 years: Anna A.; 2 years: Jacob L.; 2 years: Sammy M.; 2 years: Quentin S.; 2 years: Sandy K.; 1 year: Gary N.; 1year: Mike B.; 1 year: Stephen B.; 1 year: Natali A.; 1 year: Michelle D.; 1 year:

## Committee Reports \* Committee Meetings

**District Committee Member (DCM) – Adina F.**  
Adina F. - DCM  
District 11  
[dcm@whatcomaa.org](mailto:dcm@whatcomaa.org)

**Alt District Committee Member (DCM) – Don L.**  
Our District 11 Gratitude Banquet is right around the corner. Your committee has worked hard to make this year's event fun for all. Please consider donating a group sponsored raffle basket and remember this is a pot luck, 7th Tradition event. I look forward to seeing everyone on November 10th at the Lynden Fairgrounds.  
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- Ian W.**  
ASL interpretation is getting off the ground! As of the beginning of October we've had two ASL meetings. It's still a little haphazard and we really appreciate everyone's flexibility. No permanent ASL meetings are currently scheduled but more to come!  
Closest Accessibility quarterly is/was Saturday October 20th at Greater Seattle Intergroup. The Accessibility Committee will receive a full report in November.

The English-interpreted meeting in Edmonds was a lot of fun. These will continue periodically and we are working with Area 72 to get these recorded to share with others!  
Finally Alderwood Park Health and Rehab reached out to the committee for more information about hosting an AA meeting in their facility. We are currently working with PI/CPC to explore this further. Upcoming committee meetings: 11/1 and 12/6 at 5:45pm at Northwest Group  
Love & Service,  
Ian W. | 360-224-1420 | [accessibility@whatcomaa.org](mailto:accessibility@whatcomaa.org)

**Corrections & Treatment- Jesse B.**  
Our Jail and Juvi 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– Craig C.**  
Hotline volunteers help the still suffering alcoholic, AA members, and visitors to District 11 find meetings, facilitate 12 Step Calls, and provide general information answering questions about AA. 12 Step Call volunteers are available to talk to a suffering alcoholic on the phone, in person, or take them to an AA meeting. Volunteers are always needed.  
We'll be hosting a combined Hotline and 12 Step Call workshop on Dec. 10th at Dry Dock, 7-8 pm, pizza at 6:30. Its fun and a great way to help someone who wants to stop drinking. Come find out what it's all about and consider spending a few hrs. a week being of service on the hotline. Phone Service meetings are the third Thursday at Dry Dock, 6:15 pm or contact us at [phoneservice@whatcomaa.org](mailto:phoneservice@whatcomaa.org). All are welcome.  
In love and service, Craig C.

**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.**  
Hello district 11!! Your PICPC committee has been busy keeping our community stocked with schedules and information about AA. If your committee can be of service informing the public about AA or cooperating with any professionals who may come into contact with the still suffering alcoholic please let us know! Happy holidays to all!!! Thanks for letting me be of service!  
[picpc@whatcomaa.org](mailto:picpc@whatcomaa.org)  
Nicole Dwyer  
Phone: (360)746-1273

## 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 1:00pm  
**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 6:15pm  
**Kendall-1<sup>st</sup> Monday** of the month at 8:15pm  
**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- Last Wednesday** of the month at 7:30pm.  
**Northwest Group-2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday** of the month at 6:00pm  
**Our Primary Purpose-1<sup>st</sup> Saturday** of the month at 10:15am  
**Rule 62- 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday** of the month at 8:45  
**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- Second Saturday** of January, April, July and December at 10:00 am  
**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  
**Kendall-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- 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday** of the month 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)*





**Our Primary Purpose Group:** YP meeting @ 5:30 on Saturdays. We will be having ThanksGiving Alcathon On Nov. 22nd Hall will be open 8:30-Midnight with Potluck @2pm!

**Birthdays for November:** Jeremy B. 4; Mike L.6; Teresa B. 24; Erin F. 12; Erik S 1; Nick S 13; Melanie P. 3; Craig C. 37; Daniel 5; Lenny C. 9; Stephanie R. 1 Aaron O. 9; Ken U. 11;Gail M. 24

**Rule 62 Group:** Daylight savings time is ending soon which means it will FEEL like we're starting at 8pm even though we're not... is Spring here yet? But in the meantime come to our Thanksgiving Day Potluck at 2pm (we staggered it with the others so you can do both). And come see us for Plead the 5<sup>th</sup> Speaker Meeting on the 5<sup>th</sup> Saturday (next one is December 29<sup>th</sup>) or the AA police will arrest you.

**SOS Men's Group:** SOS is roaring along, helping the still suffering alcoholic by participating in Detox, PCN, Juvie/Jail, service committees, and hosting workshops. Our 5th Annual SOS Men's Retreat will be at Camp Lutherwood, Feb. 22-24, 2019. Facilitated by Jimmy D from Dallas, TX. We encourage you to come to our Book Study on Monday or Speaker meeting on Wednesday, both meetings start at 7pm at St. James Presbyterian Church in Fairhaven. Register for the retreat or read more about us at [sosmen.us](http://sosmen.us).

**Birthdays for November:** 50 years: John W.; 1 year: Carl D.

**Southside:**

**Birthdays for November:**

**Sudden Valley Group:** We have moved our meetings to the Library which is adjacent to the parking lot at the Barns. Meeting times remain the same: Thursday evening at 7:00 P.M. for a Big Book Study and Saturday mornings at 9:00 A.M. for a 12 x 12 Study.

**Sumas Group:**

**Third Legacy Group:** Third Legacy had been in the process of looking for a new location however we are happy to say that we will be staying at our current location. Please come show your support Monday's at 7:00pm at Faith Lutheran Church 2750 McLeod, Bellingham, WA 98225

**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 free 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.

**Birthdays for November:** Janai S.2 years., Marsha B. 2 years., Rachel M. 6 years., Shawna J., 1 year., Susan H. 5 years., Veronica H., 29 years., Erin F. 12 years

**Third Legacy Committee- Rachael A.**

Home-groups are encouraged to send a representative to our monthly Third Legacy Committee Meeting on the 4th Monday of every month at Dry Dock at 6:30 pm. Currently we are developing a Third Legacy Committee Handbook. Our monthly meetings are a great place to dive deeper into the General Service Structure, Twelve Traditions, Concepts, Guidelines, and Pamphlets.

As always, the Third Legacy Committee is available to facilitate group inventories, assist with workshops, and speak at your group about anything service related.

Your District Third Legacy Chair,  
Rachael W. and Deborah W.  
[3legacycom@whatcomaa.org](mailto:3legacycom@whatcomaa.org)

**Gratitude Banquet** DISTRICT 11  
**"Yes We've Got A Corker"**  
**SATURDAY NOVEMBER 10th 2018**  
**LYNDEN FAIRGROUNDS - EXPO HALL**

**DOORS OPEN 4:00 pm**  
**POTLUCK 5:00 - 6:00 pm**  
SOBRIETY MONTH BRING:  
 Jan/Feb/March - SALADS  
 Apr/Feb/June - HOT DISHES  
 July/August/Sept - COND & SIDE DISHES  
 Oct/Nov/Dec - VEGGIES/FRUIT  
 Al-Anon, Guests and Anybody - DESSERTS

**SOBRIETY COUNTDOWN**  
**6:15 pm - 6:30 pm**  
**RAFFLE**  
**6:45 - 7:15**  
**SPEAKER**  
**7:30 pm - 8:30 pm**  
**Tony R.**  
 Vancouver, BC

*This is your Gratitude Banquet 7th Tradition Event*  
*Remember to bring cash 7th Tradition*  
*Great Raffle Prizes & Cash*  
*This is a CASH only event*  
**All Home groups bring main food entree`**

I-5 Northbound  
 Take exit 256a Guide Meridian. Turn right onto the Guide Meridian (Hwy 539). Go North 10.2 Miles, turn Right on Front St. in Lynden. Go East 0.5 miles.  
 On right you will see signs and arrows

I-5 Southbound  
 Take exit 270 Birch Bay-Lynden Rd. Turn left onto the Birch Bay-Lynden Rd. and travel East 8.2 miles. Turn Left on to the Guide Meridian. Travel North approx 0.2 miles, turn Right on Front St. in Lynden. Go East 0.5 miles.  
 On right you will see signs and arrows



DISTRICT 11  
 PHONE SERVICE COMMITTEE  
 INVITES YOU TO ATTEND

**HOTLINE & 12 STEP CALL WORKSHOP**

HELP CARRY THE MESSAGE TO STILL SUFFERING ALCOHOLICS

**DECEMBER 10 AT DRY DOCK**  
**FOOD & FELLOWSHIP @ 6:30 PM**  
**WORKSHOP @ 7 PM**



**Dry Dock**  
 2018 Thanksgiving Alacathon and Potluck At Dry Dock

Alcathon: Thursday the 22nd 8:00 AM  
 Through Friday the 23rd 8:00 AM  
 Potluck 3:00 PM on Thursday the 22th

Join Dry Dock in Celebrating Thanksgiving Regular Meeting times starting at 8:10 AM on Thanksgiving Day and going till 8:10 am the 23rd Have a meeting when you need it. Sign Up and CHAIR

Potluck, so bring a dish and let all our fellow AA's know and come have a great Thanksgiving!!!



**NOVEMBER 2018**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 Detox, 7pm Accessibility Mtg. @ NW, 5:45	2 St. Joes 7pm	3 Detox, 7pm
4 PCN, 7pm	5 St. Joes, 4pm	6 Detox, 7pm	7 Visions, 7pm	8 Detox, 7pm	9 St. Joes 7pm	10 Detox, 7pm
11	12 St. Joes, 4pm	13 Detox, 7pm Gratitude Banquet Mtg. @ Dry Dock, 7pm	14 Visions, 7pm *Deadline for Newsletter*	15 Detox, 7pm Phone Service Mtg. @ Dry Dock, 6:15pm	16 St. Joes 7pm	17 Detox, 7pm Literature Mtg. @ FUG 10:30am
18	19 St. Joes, 4pm	20 Detox, 7pm	21 Visions, 7pm GSR District Mtg. @ Dry Dock, 6:30pm	22 Detox, 7pm PI/CPC Mtg. @ Dry Dock, 6:30pm C&T Mtg. @ NW, 5:30pm	23 St. Joes 7pm	24 Detox, 7pm
25	26 St. Joes, 4pm 3 <sup>rd</sup> Legacy Committee Mtg. @ Dry Dock, 6:30pm	27 Detox, 7pm	28 Visions, 7pm	29	30	

\*For information please visit [whatcomaa.org](http://whatcomaa.org).

\*For information about quarterly committee meetings and area events go to [www.area72aa.org](http://www.area72aa.org)