



# DISTRICT 11 DECEMBER 2018 NEWSLETTER



## Group Reports & Birthdays

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

**Blaine International Group:** Nominations for trusted servants were last month (Nov.) Elections will be held at the business meeting on Dec. 7th at 6:30. Monthly potluck/speaker meeting is on the 2nd Fri. starting at 6:30

**Birthdays for December:** 2 years: Chrystal F.; 5 years: Aaron L.; 6 years: Leslee B.; 7 years: Bob W.; 9 years: Carol S., Karen S.; 11 years: Eric H.; 36 years: Walter Y.

**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 Alcahthon - Thurs. 11/22 8am - Fri. 11/23 8am, potluck 3pm Thurs. 11/22

**Birthdays for December:**

**Everson Group:**

**Birthdays for December:**

**Fairhaven Group:**

**Ferndale Unity Group:** Ferndale Unity Group will be open Thanksgiving beginning at 5 pm. Our usual 5:30 & 7pm meetings will be combined into a 6:00 meeting. Food, fun and fellowship. Please bring snack food to share! FUG is adding a 12pm meeting on Saturdays, beginning in December.

**Birthdays for December:** Anna C., Sara G., Stacy Z., Glen C. All with 1 year; Matt O. 2years; Rob M., Noelyn C. Galen S. All with 4 years; Carol S. & Patty B. have 9 years; Shelley H. 16 years; Louis G. 29 years., Stephen I. 30; Yvonne C. & Lynn L. have 31 years.; Walter Y. 36 years.

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

**Birthdays for December:** 12 years: Barb Q; 1 Year: J.M.; 7 years: Kay S

**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 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday.

**Birthdays for December:** Brett H. 9 years, Sarah D. 1 year, Brandon L. 5 years

**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 December:**

**Lawrence Group:** Lawrence Group holds "warm and friendly" fireside meetings Tuesdays at 7:30pm. Birthdays celebrated the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month with "Rosie's Cake". Potluck dinners start at 6:30pm the 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 December 15th for our Birthday celebration Potluck 5:30 Celebration at 6:30 Northwest Christmas Alcahthon

**Birthdays for December:** John A.; 37 years: Walter Y.; 36 years: Lynn A.; 35 years: John L.; 33 years: Willie L.;

## 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 20<sup>th</sup> 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 4<sup>th</sup> 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.**

Phone Service will be hosting a combined Hotline and 12 Step Call workshop on Dec. 10th at the Dry Dock, 7-8 pm, pizza at 6:30. It's 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 the Dry Dock, 6:15 pm or contact us at [phoneservice@whatcomaa.org](mailto:phoneservice@whatcomaa.org). All are welcome. 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.  
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.**

Thank you District 11 for letting me serve as your PI/CPC Chair the past two years. It has been a pleasure!  
There is going to be a workshop held on January 19th, coffee at 9:30 am and workshop to start at 10am. This is an introductory workshop for new PI/CPC reps and anyone else interested in being of service to the PI/CPC committee.  
The 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

## 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)*

**Rule 62 Group Presents:**

**“5<sup>th</sup>**

**on the**

**5<sup>th</sup>”**

**Potluck/Speaker Meeting**

When: **Every 5<sup>th</sup> Saturday**

Where: R62 – Cornerstone Church

5732 Olson Rd – Ferndale

Potluck @ 5:30pm

\*\*Special Guest\*\*

Speaker/s begin @7:00pm

\*Sobriety Month\* Jan, Feb, Mar – Main Dish

Apr, May, Jun – Side Dish

July, Aug, Sep – Salad

Oct, Nov, Dec – Dessert (B-day Cake Provided)

32 years: Amy J.; 3years: Terrible Terry; 15 years: Dale; 13years: Todd M.; 12 years: Fred C.; 8 years: Jeff A.; 8years: Kathy H.; 7years: Raymond S.; 6 years: Carrie M.; 4 years: Craig J.; 4 years: Jeffrey K.; 4 years: Jenni C.; 4 years: Brodie A.; 3 years: Brice K.; 3years: Storey A.; 3 years: Rob Q.; 4 years: Durante R.; 1 year: David L.; 2 years: Jody E.; 2years: Sarah O.; 2 years: Rachel B.; 1 year: Steve H.; 1 year

**Our Primary Purpose Group:** Saturday Dec.1, @10:15 B'Day Fellowship Dec.29 @7pm Weekly Sunday Workshop @ Noon (The A/A Service Structure) Alcahons: X-Mas Eve (1:00pm-Midnight) X-Mas Day (8:30am-Midnight) W/ Potluck Dinner @ 2:00pm  
**Birthdays for December:** Doug R.-4, Alan J.-29, Rodger A.-36, Elizabeth A-7, Nicholas M.-27, Stevi D.-1, Nancy H.-8, Rickie C.-2, Lindsey F.-8, Mary H.-3, David I.-25

**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 December:**

**Southside:**  
**Birthdays for December:** 33 years: Rebecca T; 32 years: Willie L; 17 years: Bea A; 12 years: Pat J; 11 years: Kerry B; 10 years: Bill W, 8 years: Autumn C; 4 years: Joe B; 3 years: Kendra M; 2 years: Bruce; 1 year: Maria B

**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:** 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.

professionals who may come into contact with the still suffering alcoholic please let us know!!  
pi-cpc@whatcomaa.org  
Nicole Dwyer Phone: (360)746-1273

**Third Legacy Committee- Deborah W.**  
The 3rd Legacy Committee is offering a district workshop.  
Date: Dec 1<sup>st</sup>, Place: OPP, Time: 2-4  
The topic: The Service Structure of Alcoholics Anonymous, as it applies to the area, district, and group. All are welcome. Trusted Servants are especially encouraged to attend!  
3rd Legacy Committee is available to facilitate group inventories and offer service talks to groups in district 11.  
Our monthly meeting is held on the 4th Tuesday of the month, 6:30 pm, Dry Dock.  
Yours in Service,  
Deborah W.  
3rd Legacy Chair  
[3legacycom@whatcomaa.org](mailto:3legacycom@whatcomaa.org)



**ROCKETED INTO THE 4TH DIMENSION**

**POTLUCK, SPEAKER MEETING AND DANCE**  
New Year's Eve-December 31st 2018  
5 p.m. - 1 a.m.  
Speakers  
Rod R. - 29 years  
Kateland B. - 7 years  
Tim C. - 8 years  
Bryan B. - 6 years  
Bellingham Masonic Center  
2727 W. Maplewood Ave.  
Bellingham, WA 98225  
Earlybird Tickets- \$10, \$15 at the door.  
Email song requests to [djkruser@gmail.com](mailto:djkruser@gmail.com) with subject "4D New Year's"

**What is with that Alphabet Committee???**

**"PI / CPC" HUH???**

PI/CPC Introduction & Volunteer Training ©  
Saturday, January 19<sup>th</sup>  
Coffee Served at 9:30 AM  
Workshop 10:00 AM



**\*\*You do NOT have to be an elected rep to participate and help the PI/CPC Committee\*\* WE NEED YOU!!!**

Are you *newly elected* PI/CPC Rep? Are you *experienced in working with our professional* community – corrections, law enforcement, medical, clergy, schools, or otherwise? **WE REALLY NEED YOU!!!**  
**WHERE: CORNERSTONE CHURCH (WHERE RULE 62 MEETS IN FERDALE) 5732 OLSON RD (CORNER OF OLSON & MOUNTAIN VIEW RD)**



**Dry Dock**  
2018 Christmas  
Alcahons and Potluck  
At Dry Dock

Alcahons: Monday the 24th 6:00PM Through  
Wednesday the 26th 8:00 AM  
Potluck 3:00 PM on Monday the 25<sup>th</sup>  
Sign Up To Host for 2 hours

**Join Dry Dock in Celebrating Christmas**

Starting at 6:00 PM on Christmas Eve and going till 8:00 am on the 26th  
Let all our fellow AA's know and come have a great Christmas!!!




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**

**DECEMBER 2018**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 Detox, 7pm
2 PCN, 7pm	3 St. Joes, 4pm	4 Detox, 7pm	5 Visions, 7pm	6 Detox, 7pm Accessibility Mtg. @ NW, 5:45	7 St. Joes 7pm	8 Detox, 7pm
9	10 St. Joes, 4pm	11 Detox, 7pm	12 Visions, 7pm <b>*Deadline for Newsletter*</b>	13 Detox, 7pm	14 St. Joes 7pm	15 Detox, 7pm Literature Mtg. @ FUG 10:30am
16	17 St. Joes, 4pm	18 Detox, 7pm	19 Visions, 7pm GSR District Mtg. @ Dry Dock, 6:30p	20 Detox, 7pm Phone Service Mtg. @ Dry Dock, 6:15pm	21 St. Joes 7pm	22 Detox, 7pm
23	24 St. Joes, 4pm 3 <sup>rd</sup> Legacy Committee Mtg. @ Dry Dock, 6:30pm	25 Detox, 7pm	26 Visions, 7pm	27 PI/CPC Mtg. @ Dry Dock, 6:30pm C&T Mtg. @ NW, 5:30pm	28	29
30	31					

\*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)