



High & Dry Greater Seattle Intergroup of

Alcoholics Anonymous

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Meeting Minutes for the July 21st GSIG Board Meeting

Opening

The meeting was opened at 7:01 PM with the Serenity Prayer led by Dave T. (Chair). The Twelve Traditions were read by Larry and Concept Seven was read by Leonard.

AA birthdays

Ian B. (6 years)

Roll Call

Active zones present: **11**; 112, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 124, 131, 132, 133 and 142 (Quorum)

Active zones absent: **1**; 140

Inactive zones: **8**; 101, 108, 113, 134, 135, 138, 139 and 141

Officers present: **4**; Chair, Vice Chair, Treasurer and Secretary

Officers absent: **1**; Chair Emeritus

Committees/admins present: **10**; Accessibility, Archives, CPC-PI, *High & Dry*, Hospitals & Treatment, Office, Office Manager, Special Events, Third Legacy and Web & Technology

Committees/admins absent: **4**; Assistant Office Manager, Corrections, Finance, and Night Watch

Reports

Chair (Dave T.): **Report attached** – *Written report submitted 07/20/2015*

Dear Friends of GSIG!

First off a quick report on what I've been up to on your behalf lately. Made it by the July Area Quarterly in Tacoma and gave them an update on our Intergroup. And we'll be hosting the Seattle area DCM's here this Saturday for the quarterly DCM/Intergroup roundtable. Also made it to the Office Committee meeting last week.

And a topic came up in our discussions there that I was asked to bring out to this meeting. When we were reviewing the financials the point was raised that we have developed a gap in our reporting to the Board. The question deals with the reporting to the groups on the Committee earmarked funds. And the gap occurs because we only show one side of the ledger on our financials, the income side, there is no regular (monthly) accounting provided to the Board on the expenses side. In keeping with our goals of providing clear, accurate, transparent financial reports we are asking our standing committees that we are keeping funds for to start providing a monthly accounting of funds used as part of their monthly reports to the Board. Currently that is Accessibility, Corrections, and CPC/PI (Seattle Outreach).

I would appreciate it if you could work out with your respective committees over the next couple of months how you want to provide this reporting. The Board Treasurer, GSIG staff, and I, are available to help in any way you need in accomplishing this request from the fellowship.

Also, this afternoon Dan and I discussed the accessibility question raised at our last Board meeting with our legal counsel. The short version is that we are more than probably OK under the section of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) that might pertain to us.

The long version for those inquiring minds in our fellowship is that we are in a grey area of Title III of the ADA, mostly because we are not easily categorized, but it appears we may be subject to the section on public accommodation as perhaps a social services organization. If we are subject to the requirements under this then we have an obligation to provide services / make accommodations, unless it creates an undue hardship (i.e., "significant difficulty or expense"). In order to qualify for having provided these services / accommodations we only need to provide them somewhere, not everywhere i.e. if we have some meetings that are wheelchair accessible we have satisfied that requirement. Additionally some portions of the Act are triggered by request, like ASL. So it appears we are pretty well covered for physical disability access as we have a significant number of meetings in wheelchair accessible locations. It also appears that we are fairly well backstopped on issues like ASL services by the undue hardship clause. Bear in mind that legal actions on these issues are only triggered by complaints, the government will not be randomly stopping by to inspect our meetings.

As always I am available to help you with your discussions about our Intergroup, just ask, and in fact if any of the Board or Staff can be of any help with this, just let us know.

In Service,

Dave T.

chair@seattleaa.org

7/21/15

Vice Chair (Dawna H.): No report. Is interested in visiting districts.

Chair Emeritus (Dan R.): absent; no report

Recording Secretary (Joe P.): Distributed roster, asked for updates and asked alternates to indicate they are alternates rather than cross-out Zone's primary representative. Invited interested members to contact re: potential service during next rotation.

Review of past meeting minutes

Minutes from the May 2015 and June 2015 meetings were distributed. It was **moved** (Zone 131) and **seconded** (Zone 124) to approve the May 2015 meeting minutes, as revised. **Motion adopted unanimously**. It was **moved** (Zone 131) and **seconded** (Zone 124) to approve the June 2015 meeting minutes, as revised. **Motion adopted unanimously**.

Treasurer (Chris W.): "In reviewing the June financial reports, it is apparent we had the month we were hoping for. June had a positive Net Income of \$3,244. Group contributions of \$12,716 were \$5,416 over budget. Literature sales of \$11,376 were \$923 under budget, but still better than we have been trending this year. June's financials brought the YTD group contributions \$1,685 over budget. It will be interesting to follow this over the next few years to see if this spike is a 2nd Quarter trend from the groups. Literature sales are down from budget \$16,265 YTD, following the trend mentioned earlier. COGS was under budget \$15,398 YTD, which helps offset the lack of sales. Payroll expenses continue to stay below budget by \$5,238 YTD. Gross profit YTD is better than budget by \$290. Interesting note: total expenses are down \$11,937 from the same period in 2014. The same trend is still in place, people are not buying as much material items from GSIG. In order to maintain our current assets, we will need to continue to receive group contributions like we see in June's financials. GSIG is currently

healthy, with the understanding, the loss we have seen for the past 12 months, was put off for June." A discussion about the decline in material sales followed the report. *-Written report submitted 07/21/2015* It was **moved** (Zone 112) and **seconded** (Zone 115) to accept the Treasurer report. **Motion adopted unanimously.**

Zone 112 (Thomas F.): Last meeting included action on some facility maintenance issues.

Zone 114 (Lyn B.): Larry reported for Lyn. District is planning its picnic, which will be held at Lincoln Park.

Zone 115 (Ian B.): "Eleven (11) attended last meeting. Our corrections chair position has finally been filled. However, we still need an archivist, and both our homestay coordinator and accessibility chairperson have stepped down. I've been coordinating with Travis from the Third Legacy Committee about visiting meetings in our District. We have three meetings lined up so far, and I'm hoping to schedule roughly 3 a month. Alan F., our Area 72 Chair, spoke about the Area Assembly and pre-Assembly. Our GSRs should be prepared to carry all pertinent information to their groups. I've begun to prepare our GSRs for the impending budget discussion by talking about earmarks and the general financial situation at Intergroup." *-Written report submitted 07/21/2015*

Zone 116 (Allison B.): "Seven (7) attended last meeting. Sand Point Big Book has had a lot of homegroup members leave in the past months, for various personal reasons. It is a period of change and transition, and the GSR reports that she is curious for what the future will hold! Bottomfeeders has had a huge homegroup. They are working on getting bylaws in place and discovering how to fun a business meeting so that everything will run smoothly with so many people. Spiritual Line posed a question to the district: they want to have a literature rack, but are looking for a good location and want to know who to talk to. We suggested John D.D. and the Seattle Outreach Project. Lake City Young People will have their annual picnic on Saturday, August 15 at 3 PM at Matthew's Beach. Everyone is welcome! The Spiritual Line installed a raffle at their meeting, for which the prize is a year subscription to The Grapevine. District 16 will be hosting the Accessibility quarterly in October. The district donated money for the room. Archives Chair started going through the district's archives. So far there were a lot of old Grapevines (in a very nice binder) and a bunch of plastic grapes (from the Pacific Regional Forum, 2006)." *-Written report submitted 07/21/2015*

Zone 117 (Greg T.): No report

Zone 118 (Tom F.): No report

Zone 124 (Normand F.): Held Picnic, which was a success. Have 3 open positions.

Zone 131 (Jodi B.): "Seven (7) groups attended last meeting. On-going search for new meeting location. After extensive discussion, a motion was made and passed that District funds (\$100/month) plus PIO contribution (\$100/month) will pay for ASL at District meetings. PI position still open." *-Written report submitted 07/22/2015*

Zone 132 (Cheryl M.): "Four (4) attended last meeting. Cheryl gave an update about the picnic. The Auburn and Women's groups will be putting baskets together to raffle off at the Picnic (baskets are due by August 7). The Auburn Group will be meeting at the Federal Way Target at 9 AM to carpool to the Picnic on August 16. Kathy reports the Wednesday Night Women. They are looking into doing a group inventory. The 7th Tradition is down, probably due to the low summer attendance. The June speaker potluck was a success and well attended. They still need an Intergroup Rep. Ron reports the Auburn Group inventory is coming up on October 24. The 7th Tradition is down, probably due to the low summer attendance. One suggestion was to have a "7th Tradition" topic during a meeting. Nicole reports the Auburn Alkies camp out at Game Farm Park is August 7-9. Meetings

and camping all weekend. You may attend meetings without camping. The September Zone meeting will be CHANGED to **Tuesday, September 8** at the Auburn Alano Club." -Written report submitted 07/21/2015

Zone 133 (Rick L.): "Covington Days information booth last weekend. Looking into changing PO Box. Gearing up for Assembly." -Written report submitted 07/21/2015

Zone 140 (Clay H.): absent; no report

Zone 142 (Anne Marie M.): "Eighteen (18) attended last meeting. District 42 picnic is September 19, 2015 at Richmond Beach. No flyers yet. Motions: (1) Form email ad-hoc committee to evaluate and discuss inventory to bring to District 42 meeting and, (2) Create a Service Manual North meeting (no details). Both motions were seconded and passed." -Written report submitted 07/21/2015 One group is utilizing ASL interpretation fund.

District 18 (R.J. C.): absent

Accessibility Committee (Janny B., Chair): Continuing to build the committee. Presented a calendar of ASL-interpreted meetings (available online on Area website). Working on acquiring literature for deaf alcoholics.

Archives Committee (Teresa S., Chair): Completed some "housekeeping" tasks.

Corrections Committee (Lori R., Chair): absent

PI & CPC Committee (Marc E.): "Eleven (11) attended last meeting. We had a good month on the committee. Involvement and enthusiasm remain high, and there is a tangible spirit of cooperation. The racks all seem to be going well and we are working on new opportunities. We did the Rainbow Health fair and that went well. We were also able to get some information into the Neighborcare at Columbia City. This was a great opportunity. They have 13 doctors and 30 rooms. I am working with the contact to try and get a panel and some racks there as well. For not it is a random event, but they were open. We also developed some other new leads one of our members is following up on. We have picked a date for our Fall, "speaking at non- AA meetings," workshop of September 19 from 10 AM to 2 PM here at Intergroup. We have sent electronic fliers out, as well as starting to distribute paper fliers. This should be a fun, informational, and interactive workshop. We are also starting to work on a formal 12th Step call workshop that we are hoping to use as a template for other groups or areas to use as a reoccurring workshop. More on this next month. As always, we are looking for more members to assist us in our work, and are looking for ways to help AA. Please do not hesitate to contact us at cpc@seattleaa.org if you have ideas for us or need some help to implement things you are working on." -Written report submitted 07/20/2015

Hospitals & Treatment Committee (Jacob W., Chair): No committee meeting due to holiday. Attended quarterly. Will hold a bridge workshop on September 26 at 9 AM - 1 PM at GSIG Office. Conducting 18th 12th Step call at Virginia Mason (as of July 21). Committee has a coordinator for responses. Interested members may contact Committee.

High & Dry (Ben O., Editor): No report; reminder of the content submission deadline

Office Committee (Bryson A., Chair): Garage door repair should be concluded shortly. South End bookstore staffing was handled by Norm S. (Office Manager). Invited, but declined, to send Web & Tech Committee representation to national meeting.

Office Manager (Norm S.): **Report attached** -*Written report submitted 07/21/2015*

I am pleased and grateful to submit this Office Manager Report for June 2015.

Inventory—Inventory levels are considered adequate. July 2015 Schedule Books were received on time June 30. Due to a quality error at the printer, about 20% of the run is slightly, but noticeably, lighter in color. We have agreed to accept the run as is, in exchange for a 25% credit. This rolls our schedule costs back to June 2014 levels. A physical inventory was conducted at the end of June, resulting in a \$1,000 downward adjustment, which included the write-off of surplus schedules beyond those donated to our committees at cost.

Process/Organization—

Office/phone weekday coverage: Our daytime volunteer roster has openings on the afternoon shift on Thursdays.

Weekday evening shifts: Group phone answering for the weekday 6-10 p.m. shift is completed filled. There is an opening for a group on the 1st Sunday, 6-10 p.m. shift. Anita has begun a waiting list for groups interested in serving the still suffering alcoholic weekday evenings and weekends.

Nightwatch shifts: When the July nightwatch calendar was published, it was completely filled. Way to go, David and Daily Coordinators!

Physical Plant: Nothing adverse to report. Next project—clean and repair all lighting fixtures, slowly convert to warm white fluorescents throughout.

Financial Statements—Financial statements for June and June YTD are available for your review. June was an excellent month, with group contributions exceeding budget by an amount sufficient bring back 6 month results to slightly above the budgeted level. This, in turn, brought gross profit back to the budgeted level. Expenses remain under control, so the 6 month loss is now only \$3,000 versus the budgeted loss of \$8,800.

Personnel—I attended the July Area Quarterly in Tacoma on July 11, where I made our new schedules and picnic buttons available for sale. Anita and I will both attend the Area Assembly in October.

Respectfully submitted,

Norm S.
norm@seattleaa.org

Assistant Office Manager (Anita S.): absent; no report

Night Watch Coordinator (David d.): absent; no report

Special Events Committee (Amy G.): "Eight (8) attended last meeting. Picnic planning is in full swing with buttons and flyers being distributed throughout the Greater Seattle area. Many calls and interest in the gift basket raffle and I hope your group will be putting one together for the August 16 event. The committee met at the park last Sunday and have areas designated for our DJ Mykey, and for food and games. GSIG will purchase banners for this

year's event and we are looking forward to a Super Day Full of Fun, Friends and Fellowship!!!" -Written report submitted 07/18/2015 Next special event will be the Fall Assembly on November 14 at 10 AM at GSIG Office.

Finance Committee (Mike M., Chair): absent; "All 4 members attended the monthly meeting held via video conference call on July 15. The Committee reviewed and discussed the GSIG June financial reports. We noted that it appears as of May 2015 cash collections/group donations/net loss was under expected likely just do to timing because when we received June 2015 results May negative trends had almost completely reversed. It is believed that reviewing year to date (YTD) actual compared to budget is a much more appropriate financial metric than the monthly results. If the June 2015 YTD results continue the 2015 net loss compared to budget will be a lot lower about \$6K loss as compared to a budget of about \$20K. This is good news. However, the one thing to be aware of is the primary driver for the lower net loss is YTD \$5K less than budget for paid staff costs. This trend may not continue and to some degree was a matter of unique facts for the first 6 months rather than an ongoing trend we would expect to continue. Besides reviewing the monthly GSIG financials we were asked by Dave T., GSIG Chair, to consider the following; (1) do we want to change how GSIG accounts for "earmarked" donations? and, (2) should GSIG continue to accept and handle the cash and accounting for earmarked funds? Currently, funds that are "earmarked" for use by a specific GSIG committee like Corrections or Accessibility are accounted for as follows; when cash is donated debit Cash and credit Liabilities and, when cash is spent by committees credit Cash and debit Liabilities. As a result these expenses never show up on GSIG profit and loss statements in actual or budget. We discussed this topic and some ideas and Chris S., Treasurer, was going to discuss with Norm, GSIG Office Manager, and report back to the Finance Committee at our August meeting. We discussed [question 2] and believe this question is outside the objectives of the Finance Committee. We believe that this will be discussed at the Board level by all GSIG voting members and there are others putting together a Pro and Con-type analysis, which will be presented to the voting members for discussion. Currently, there are only 3 voting members on the committee with the Treasurer being non- voting. The committee's current member rotation schedule does not stagger rotation to avoid 100% turnover annually in December. Bruce E. and Michael E. will rotate off the committee at the end of December 2015. The committee will continue to seek and recruit new members. If anyone is interested or knows of a possible candidate, please let us know." -Written report submitted 07/21/2015

Web & Technology Committee (Leonard T., Chair): Have added an interested, skilled, new member. Waiting on the resolution of technical issues before pushing live a number of awaited new features, including mobile and commerce elements, for website.

Third Legacy Committee (Travis A., Chair): "We held our monthly committee meeting on the 14th of July. Mike B. stepped in to chair the meeting because Dan R. and I were out of town. We are continuing to reach out to groups in the area. Groups seem to be very receptive to us helping open the communication lines, and present opportunities to be of service at GSIG. If any of you know of meetings that would like to have Third Legacy do a short presentation at their next business meeting, please email me at thirdlegacy@seattleaa.org, and we will make sure someone is there. Ian B. from District 15 has set up several meetings for us to attend, and they are going well. We have managed to do presentations at about 40 meetings so far, with a lot of work still to do. Third Legacy is also on board to help spread the word for a possible Fall/Winter 12th Step workshop in conjunction with CPC/PI and H&T, which was brought to our attention recently. Our next committee meeting will be August 11 at 7 PM at GSIG. Everyone is welcome to attend." -Written report submitted 07/21/2015

Old Business

Dedicated/earmarked funds (Dave T., Chair): discussion tabled to August

New Business

Nominating Committee (Dave T., Chair): Per GSIG Manual, Zone Reps must select, from among themselves, 3 members to form a Nominating Committee.¹ Ian B. (Zone 115), Allison B. (Zone 116) and Jodi B. (Zone 131) volunteered to serve on Nominating Committee.

The GSIG Accessibility Committee ASL Fund Guidelines document was read by Dave T. (Chair) and will be distributed to members with the draft of the meeting minutes.

Upcoming Events

GSIG Picnic Planning: August 9, 2015 at 12 PM at GSIG Office

GSIG Picnic: August 16, 2015 at Lower Woodland Park (Shelters 1, 2 and 3)

GSIG Fall Assembly: November 14, 2015 at 10 AM at GSIG Office

Closing

It was **moved** and **seconded** to adjourn the meeting. **Motion adopted unanimously.** The meeting was closed at 8:44 PM with the Responsibility Statement led by Marc E.

Next GSIG Board meeting: August 18, 2015 at 7 PM at GSIG Office

¹ "The Zone Representatives shall elect, from among themselves, three (3) members to be on the Nominating Committee. This Committee shall be formed at the July Intergroup Board Meeting in odd-numbered years." Section I,V,E,(1): *Greater Seattle Intergroup Policy and Procedure Manual*: p. 19

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Accrual Basis

Greater Seattle Intergroup
Condensed Financial Statements
June 2015

CONDENSED PROFIT & LOSS for *High & Dry*

	Jan - Jun 15	Budget	Jan - Jun 14
Ordinary Income/Expense			
Income			
Total Contributions	63,765.04	62,300.00	61,755.46
Total Retail Sales	71,141.42	88,800.00	87,327.81
4201 · Special Events Income	1,685.75	600.00	761.00
4301 · Other Income	0.00	0.00	1.50
Total Income	136,592.21	151,700.00	149,845.77
Total COGS	48,591.74	63,990.00	61,667.40
Gross Profit	88,000.47	87,710.00	88,178.37
Expense			
Total Other Expenses	1,780.78	1,680.00	1,609.39
Total Paid Staff	45,961.24	51,200.00	56,163.29
Total Rent and Office	38,660.73	37,234.00	41,416.40
Reconciliation Discrepancies	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total 6801 · Standing Committees	4,824.09	6,260.00	3,791.07
Total 6830 · Travel and Meetings	0.00	250.00	183.26
Total Expense	91,226.84	96,624.00	103,163.41
Net Ordinary Income	(3,226.37)	(8,914.00)	(14,985.04)
Net Other Income	178.11	110.00	76.02
Net Income	(3,048.26)	(8,804.00)	(14,909.02)

CONDENSED BALANCE SHEET for *High & Dry*

	Jun 30, 15	May 31, 15	Jun 30, 14
ASSETS			
Current Assets			
Total Checking/Savings	93,251.89	88,826.97	94,137.89
Total Accounts Receivable	7,760.40	4,673.93	7,806.17
Total Other Current Assets	35,228.38	38,658.89	39,492.50
Total Current Assets	136,240.67	132,159.79	141,436.56
Total Fixed Assets	1,598.74	1,663.22	1,160.48
TOTAL ASSETS	137,839.41	133,823.01	142,597.04
LIABILITIES & EQUITY			
Liabilities			
Current Liabilities			
Total Accounts Payable	220.44	489.84	722.12
Total Credit Cards	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Other Current Liabilities	12,939.44	11,897.92	16,241.60
Total Current Liabilities	13,159.88	12,387.76	16,963.72
Total Liabilities	13,159.88	12,387.76	16,963.72
Equity			
3001 · Opening Bal Equity	694.10	694.10	694.10
3101 · Retained Earnings	127,033.69	127,033.69	139,848.24
Net Income	(3,048.26)	(6,292.54)	14,909.02

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June 2015

CONDENSED PROFIT & LOSS for *High & Dry*

TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY

Jan - Jun 15	Budget	Jan - Jun 14
137,839.41	133,823.01	142,597.04

Seattle Intergroup Accessibility Committee

ASL Fund Guidelines

Seattle Intergroup Accessibility Committee Donated ASL funds:

These are monies donated to the Seattle Intergroup Accessibility Committee ASL Fund by AA members, groups, districts, and other AA entities for the purpose of assisting groups carrying the message to Deaf alcoholics. Money from this ASL Fund is used exclusively for ASL interpretation at AA meetings and home group business meetings within the geographical boundaries served by Seattle Intergroup.

An AA group within the GSIG service area that has decided to provide a *regularly scheduled* ASL interpreted AA meeting may request the committee contribute up to 50% of ASL interpretation costs, subject to funds availability. The committee will work with groups to book interpreters one month in advance and will pay interpreters directly; the groups will reimburse their portion of the cost to the GSIG ASL fund.

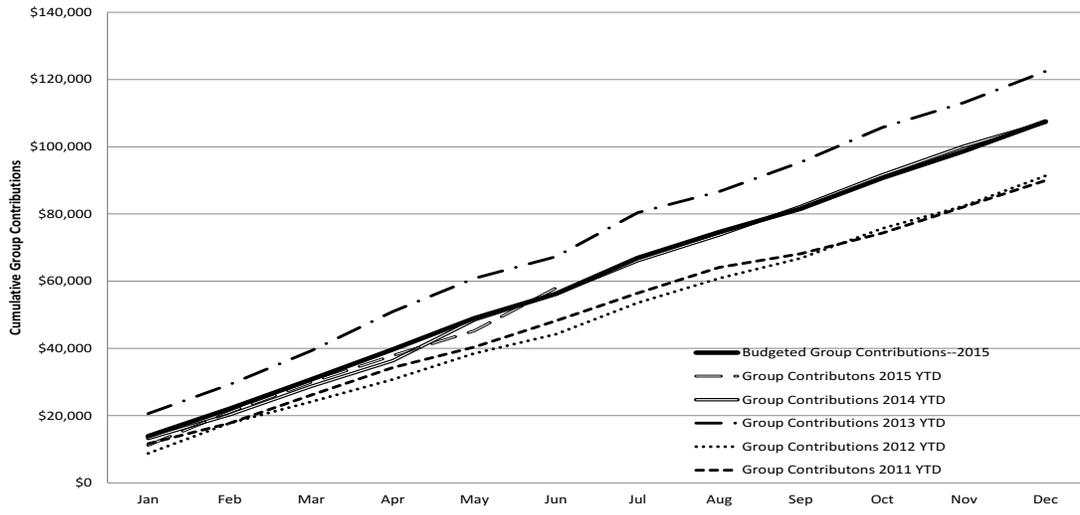
Deaf alcoholics may request interpretive service at other AA meetings within the GSIG area on a case by case basis, the intention of a *by request* meeting is to allow the Deaf alcoholic the ability to occasionally explore different AA meetings.

Funding priority is given to *regularly scheduled* ASL interpreted AA meetings, which are subject to the 50% guideline above. Funding for interpretation at *by request* AA meetings will be honored when funds are available; by request meetings are not subject to the 50% guideline.

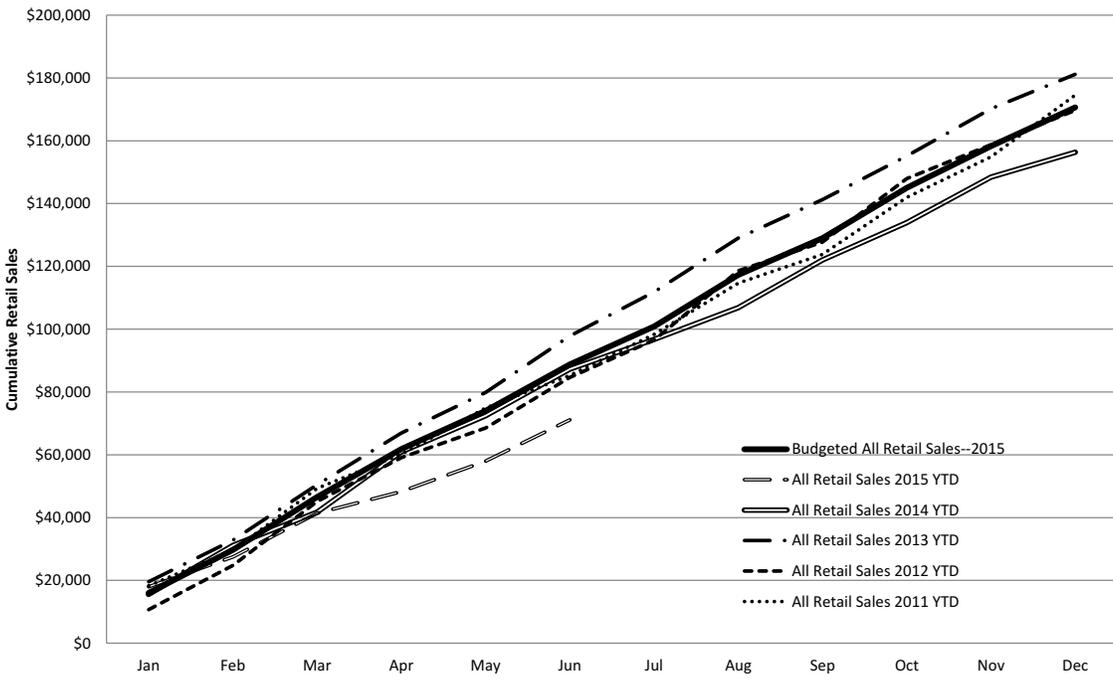
The committee would like AA groups requesting financial assistance for *regularly scheduled* ASL interpreted AA meetings, to make an effort towards becoming self-supporting within six months. The committee will work in cooperation with, and assist the group to progress toward self-support, in that effort the committee suggests the home group select a liaison to act as a point of contact. (this person is often the group rep or GSR)

The decisions on approving services for *by request* AA meetings will be made by the ASL Fund Treasurer and Interpreter Coordinator and reported to the Accessibility Committee regularly.

Greater Seattle Intergroup Cumulative Group Contributions



Greater Seattle Intergroup Cumulative Retail Sales



Meeting News

NEW MEETINGS:

TUE 7pm O BOTHELL MEN'S STAG, United Methodist Church, 18515 92nd Ave NE Room 205, 98011.

Men only meeting

FRI 10am O VALLEY GIRLS STEP STUDY MEETING, Snoqualmie Valley Alliance Church-green room, 36017 SE Fish Hatchery Rd, Fall City 98024 women only, 1-hr. mtg.

FRI 7pm O BRING YOUR OWN BOOK (BYOB), The Salt House 11920 NE 80th St 98033.

SAT 8am C BENSON HILL, King of Kings Lutheran Church, 18207 108th Ave SE, 98055. 1-hr mtg

CHANGES:

SUN 7:30pm O SOBRIETY LIFELINE, Community Hall (west of Fire Hall), 180 E Sunset Way, Issaquah 98027 (new location)

THU 7:15pm O SANITY IN SOBRIETY, Fairfax Hospital, 10200 NE 132nd, Kirkland 98034.

THU 7:30pm C CAME TO BELIEVE, Tolt Church, 4851 Tolt Avenue, Carnation 98014. (new start time).

DEFUNCT:

MON 7pm C DRINKLESS IN SEATTLE

MON 7pm O INGLEWOOD HILLS WOMEN, 22522 NE Inglewood Rd, 98074

WED 7pm C DRINKLESS IN SEATTLE

TUE 8pm O YOUNG DRUNKS IN ISSAQUAH

NEEDS SUPPORT:

THU 8pm C THE RENTON GROUP, Lakeridge Lutheran Church, 7465 S 112th, Renton 98178.

SUN 8pm O THE RENTON GROUP, Lakeridge Lutheran Church, 7465 S 112th, Renton 98178.

Future Tripping

AUGUST 2015

1st WWA72 ARCHIVES QTRLY, Bethany Pentecostal Church, 508 S Francis St, Port Angeles 98362.

Business starts @ 10am. Lunch will be provided. 7th Tradition will be observed.

1st MIDSUMMER'S NIGHT RAVE, 7pm – midnight. St Mark's Cathedral, 1245 10th Ave S., 98102. Co-hosted by Empire Way, Essentials, Sicker Than Most and Lifeline.

2nd EASTSIDE DISTRICT'S PREASSEMBLY, 1-4pm. Pine Lake Covenant Church, 1715 228th Ave SE, 98075. Potluck snacks, 7th Tradition will be observed.

7-9th AUBURN ALKEES CAMPOUT, Auburn Wilderness Game Farm Park, 4 campfire meetings, don't forget your chair/blanket to sit on.

7-8th WOMEN'S RETREAT 2015 Recipe for Living, Rainbow Lodge (www.rainbowlodge.org), \$180 includes meals, room, speakers, workshops and late night AA meetings!

7-9th STEP ASHORE, \$79 full package. Ocean Shores Convention Center, easy online registration at www.nwoodstockofaa.org

8th WWA72 PI/CPC QTRLY, St Andrews Episcopal Church, 400 E 1st St, 98520. Potluck lunch. 7th Tradition will be observed.

9th FINE PRINT GROUP, 1st Annual Open Speaker Meeting, Spkr is Frank H., Mt Baker Presbyterian Church, 3201 Hunter Blvd S., 98144. Potluck dinner begins at 5:30.

9th CENTRAL DISTRICT'S PREASSEMBLY, 1:30 – 4pm Capitol Hill Presbyterian Church, 1729 Harvard Ave., 98122.

13-16th WAGON WHEEL CAMPOUT, Fort Flagler State Park, 10541 Flagler Rd., 98358. Tents, trailers and motorhomes-NO HOOKUPS.

14-16th HANG IN THERE ANNUAL CAMPOUT & PICNIC, River Bend Campground 1040 Clubhouse Lane SE, Olympia. Friday night-Italian potluck, Saturday-Events ALL day, Sunday-Trough style breakfast!

15th EASTSIDE INTERGROUP PICNIC, 11am-3pm BEAVER LAKE PARK, 25101 SE 24th St, 98075. Please bring a side dish, swimsuits and chairs. Don't forget your ticket. 12 and under free.

16th SEATTLE INTERGROUP PICNIC, 10-4pm LOWER WOODLAND PARK SHELTERS 1, 2, & 3. Hotdogs, pop, ice cream and popcorn will be for sale. Volleyball, bingo, gift basket raffle, 50/50 raffle.

16th WWA72 PRE-ASSEMBLY, 11-3pm, Districts 2, 3, 11 & 46. Skagit County PUD Building, 1415 Freeway Dr, Mt Vernon. Potluck finger foods.

20-23rd NORTHWEST FELLOWSHIP OF THE SPIRIT, Fort Worden in Port Townsend.

www.nwfots.org

29th SOBER ON THE BEACH, 3-8pm, OO Denny Park, 12032 Holmes Pt Dr NE, Kirkland 98034

30th PIERCE COUNTY CSO AA UNITY PICNIC, Spanaway Park Shelter B, \$5 family donation. Potluck sides and desserts, chili cookoff. Questions 253 474 8897.

SEPTEMBER

11-13th SEEKING SERENITY, at "The Lodge" on the foot of Mt Rainier. Questions to seekingserenitymt.rainier@yahoo.com.

18th – 20th – NORTH OLYMPIC CELEBRATION, no children or animals.

19th AA PI/CPC WORKSHOP Speaking at Non AA Meetings - an Intro to PI/CPC work, 10am-1:45 GSIG, 5507 6th Ave S., 98108. Potluck sides and desserts, 7th Tradition will be observed.

24-27th NATIONAL AA ARCHIVES WORKSHOP, Independence OH.

26th SEATTLE FALL CONFERENCE, Noon – 9pm. Ballard Church, 1460 NW 73rd 98117. Speaker Matt J from Santa Barbara at 7pm (childcare available). Preregister and reserve a dinner ticket at seattlefallconference@gmail.com

26th EVERETT CONFERENCE SALMON BAKE & SPEAKER MTG. www.everettconference.org

Thanks to Our Awesome Daytime Office Volunteers

MONDAY	Morning Afternoon	Sharon B and Diane L Bill S and Freda T
TUESDAY	Morning Afternoon	Tom P and Gary H Mike M and Marci
WEDNESDAY	Morning Afternoon	Gerry L and Joe M Chryse L and Shelly
THURSDAY	Morning Afternoon	Cyndy G and Vito M Steve B
FRIDAY	Morning Afternoon	Linda P and Jon C Tom O and Clay H
SATURDAY	Morning	Fred P

SEATTLE SUBSTITUTES:

Diane L

SOUTHEND BOOKSTORE VOLUNTEER MANAGER: Jim H.

VOLUNTEERS: Sunita S, Mike, Ruth, Tony, Lynn and friends.

SOUTHEND BOOKSTORE PHONE NUMBER: 253 288 2237

Intergroup Thanks

From Michelle P \$5, Gary & Sharon H \$100, Michelle P \$5, Jack G \$34, Auburn Alkees \$11, Lyle C \$31 and Roy H \$30

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO JULY CELEBRANTS IN THE HOW DRY I AM CLUB!!!

Lyle C	Lake Forest Park	June 20, 1984	31 years
David H	Unbar		150 months
Jack G	Bambi – Upon Awakening – Acceptance at Noon		34 years

If you would like to join the How Dry I am Club and support GSIG Please fill out this form and send along with the suggested donation of \$1 per year of sobriety!

Name	
Address	
City, Zip	
AA Anniversary and/or #of years	
Home Group	
Contribution enclosed	\$

Return this form to:

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 5507 6th Ave. S.
 Seattle, WA 98108

2015 GSIG Picnic

Planning

Committee needs

YOU!

Noon-1pm:

June 14th GSIG

July 12th at the park

Aug 9th GSIG

5507 6th Ave. South (Lucile St.)

Questions: Amy G.

SpecialEvents@seattleaa.org



2015 Assembly Home Stay Program

Greetings AA's in Greater Seattle. For the first time in 27 years, Seattle has been selected to host the Area 72 Assembly. It will be held on October 16, 17 and 18 at the Bell Harbor Conference Center on Seattle's waterfront.

The Home Stay Program is a new concept to us, but it is practiced successfully in other areas like Alaska, BC/Yukon and Hawaii. The idea is simple: AA's in the Seattle area are opening their homes (and hearts) to trusted servants who will be visiting from distant cities and towns. Your support of the Home Stay Program will help AA in two ways.

1. Participation. By keeping Home Group costs as low as possible, you will be ensuring the presence of all GSR's who wish to participate.
2. Unity. By opening your home to a fellow AA, you will strengthen unity, trust and fellowship throughout western Washington.

For more information, please see the "Sign Me Up" form and the Frequency Asked Questions, attached.

If you can offer and spare bedroom to a visiting trusted servant, **we want to hear from you!** Contact Mark T at assembly15housing@area72aa.org. You can also register as a Home Stay host via the area website: <https://area72aa.org/quarterlies.html> and clicking on the link "Host Homestay Online Registration".

Corrections Corner:

We are looking to get an evening Men's meeting going at SCORE. It is located right off 200th in Des Moines/SeaTac. If you know of any men interested in service work please have them fill out an application and get it to Elaine H our SCORE coordinator. It is great work for a Sponsor and Sponsee to do together!!

In addition, there is a great opportunity for Men to sign up to be a visitor with an inmate at the Federal Detention Center. This is similar to doing a 12 step call. First an inmate makes the request to have a local AA member come in to discuss the Big Book and 12 Steps. Then a local AA member fills out the visitor paperwork. If you are already doing service work at the FDC you cannot be a visitor.

Finally a huge shout out to District 14, Last Chance and Serenity Now for their Pink Can donations this month! The inmates and all of us appreciate your generosity.

Lori

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