

SAVE THE DATE!

December 25

Potluck Lunch

107 E Prairie St,
corner of Sequim and Prairie

Go to district55aa.com for details.

Traditions Workshop

December 10, 9am-2pm
Bethlehem Lutheran Church
101 E 38th St, Tacoma
More info at area72aa.org

Corrections Quarterly

December 17, 9am-1pm
Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church
12513 SE Mill Plain Blvd
Vancouver
More info at area72aa.org

AA Fellowship & Alkathon

The home of Early Birds and Nooners AA Groups will be the venue for extra special meetings during the coming holiday season. **107 E Prairie St**, the corner of Sequim and Prairie. They are seeking volunteers to chair meetings all through the night, New Year's Eve, and New Year's morning.

Go to district55aa.com for details.

District 55 Business Meeting
December 20, Third Tuesday of the Month!! 7:00 PM at St. Luke's UPSTAIRS (5th Avenue, Sequim)
Use the West Parking Lot and Entry
Doors Open at 6:45

District 55 Activities Meeting
December 20, Third Tuesday of the Month!! 6:00 PM at St. Luke's UPSTAIRS (5th Avenue, Sequim)
Use the West Parking Lot and Entry

New Meeting
on Tuesdays at 1:30pm At Sherwood Assisted Living
550 W Hendrickson Rd.

Remember: AA Meetings don't cancel because of the holidays. We add fellowship opportunities to serve our primary purpose! If you are a little off your regular schedule, check for more meetings, service opportunities and fellowship activities online at - **district55aa.com**

DISTRICT 55 NEWSLETTER

Read online at district55aa.com December 2016

Panel 67 District 55 officers

District Committee Member - Larry G., current Alternate DCM
Alternate District Committee Member – Dana C., current GSR for Nooners
Treasurer - Open Alternate Treasurer - Open
Secretary - Open Alternate-Secretary - Open
Activities Committee Chair - Rod R., current GSR for Duck-in
Archives Chair – Christine S., continuing, served during part of the current rotation
Literature/Grapevine - Beth V., previously served as DCM
Newsletter editor – Julie P., current GSR for Common Solution
Treatment Committee - Patrick J., current GSR for Groovin' Sunday
Web Servant - Paul P., member of Early Birds
Public Information/ Cooperation with the Professional Community – Georgette H., continuing, served during part of the current rotation
Accessibilities Chair - Open Corrections Chair - Open
Schedules Editor/Answering Service Coordinator - Open

D.C.M Report:

Hello to all out there in District 55 hope that all is well as we head into the holiday season. We have a few events this month we have the Christmas Luncheon and then we can bring in the New Year. As for me I will be stepping down from the position that you all have trusted me with. I have enjoyed this opportunity to be of service to District 55 and the experience has brought me closer to this district and to the Area of WWA72. This experience has brought me closer to you and the still suffering alcoholic.

We have a new D.C.M his name is Larry G. and we share the same when it comes to service. I'm sure that he will serve the District well. The committee is almost full. There are some positions still open: Secretary, Treasurer, Corrections, Accessibilities, Schedules/Phone Service. So if any alcoholic would like to serve, there are opportunities to do so.

I thank you all for letting me of service to District 55 it has been rewarding in so many ways.

In Service, Jerry G., DCM

Thank you for the opportunity to serve District 55 – Barbara T., Newsletter editor

Step 12 — “Having had a spiritual awakening as the result of these steps, we tried to carry this message to alcoholics, and to practice these principles in all our affairs.”
“Can we love ...? Can we bring ... spirit of love and tolerance...? Can we have... faith ...? Can we actually carry the A.A. spirit into our daily work? Can we meet ... responsibilities ...? ... Can we find a new joy of living ...? ... Can we accept poverty, sickness, loneliness, and bereavement with courage and serenity? ...

“Yes, all of these things are possible.”
- Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions®, p111-112.

Tradition Twelve - And finally, we of Alcoholics Anonymous believe that the principle of anonymity has an immense spiritual significance. It reminds us that we are to place principles before personalities; that we are actually to practice a genuine humility. This to the end that our great blessings may never spoil us; that we shall forever live in thankful contemplation of Him who presides over us all.

- Service Material from the General Service Office, SM F-187

“We of Alcoholics Anonymous believe that the principle of Anonymity has an immense spiritual significance. ... ONE may say that anonymity is the spiritual base, the sure key to all the rest of our Traditions. ...Our A.A. Traditions are, we trust, securely anchored in those wise precepts: charity, gratitude and humility. Nor have we forgotten prudence. May these virtues ever stand clear before us in our meditations; may Alcoholics Anonymous serve God in happy unison for so long as He may need us.” - Bill W. The Grapevine®, November 1948

Concept XII — “General Warranties of the Conference: in all its proceedings, the General Service Conference shall observe the spirit of the A.A. Tradition, taking great care that the Conference never becomes the seat of perilous wealth or power; that sufficient operating funds, plus an ample reserve, be its prudent financial principle; that none of the Conference Members shall ever be placed in a position of unqualified authority over any of the others; that all important decisions be reached by discussion, vote, and, whenever possible, by substantial unanimity; that no Conference action ever be personally punitive or an incitement to public controversy; that, though the Conference may act for the service of Alcoholics Anonymous, it shall never perform any acts of government; and that, like the Society of Alcoholics Anonymous which it serves, the Conference itself will always remain democratic in thought and action.

- Service Material from the General Service
SM F-195

Are you available?
To serve AA?
In District 55?

District 55 Committee Vacancies – Service Opportunities!

Our Treasurer assures financial contributions are secured and expenses are paid by maintaining a Prudent Reserve, executes district financial decisions and makes monthly reports in writing on contributions and bills at the District 55 business meeting

Our Secretary creates, shares, and maintains records of our District 55 business meetings, provides agendas, keeps a notebook of all minutes for future reference and emails minutes to Area 72 officers and Area Archives

Alternates serve by assisting, being prepared and assuming the primary position if needed.

Chairs of ten Standing Committees are part of our District 55 Committee. District 55 Business Meetings held the third Tuesday of each month at 7PM. Each Chair shares information about activities of their Standing Committee.

Accessibilities Chair follows guidelines of WWA 72 Area Handbook including varied responsibilities. Attend Area Accessibility Quarterly meetings Maintain a list of members willing to carry the message to other members

Corrections Chair coordinates volunteers of a combined committee of District 55 and 22 to provide regular AA meetings to Correctional Facilities. While this committee functions independently, it is accountable to both districts. Attend Area Corrections Quarterly meetings Attend joint District 22/55 monthly business meeting Provide literature to the correctional facilities served Cooperate with Bridging the Gap Coordinator in bridging inmates into AA Attend District 55 monthly business meeting

Schedules Editor/Answering Service Coordinator provides current meeting schedules to groups, and maintains contact with the professional answering service for the District. Obtain information on changes to current meetings and new meetings to be added to schedule Provide schedule updates in electronic format to District 55 Webmaster Provide updated meeting schedules to be picked up at District meetings Be computer literate Keep current list of members willing to accept calls via answering service Provide current meeting schedules to answering service Update District 55 meeting schedule on Area 72 Website

For more information about these general service positions

contact your GSR, Jerry G., Larry G. or Dana C.

Complete job descriptions are available in the

District 55 Handbook.