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Donations appreciated

FROM THE EDITOR

Wow, am I excited! Great participation this month from the Districts and Committees! There is a lot of information in this edition, folks. Don't skip anything! I still would like your personal stories or experiences to publish so please send it to me.

May is my birthday month and a time of reflection for me. This has been a great year of growth for me. I have made new friends and reached outside of my comfort zone for opportunities to be of service. I am the first person to tell you I still have much to learn on my spiritual quest, but I am so grateful for the life I have today. It is not the "stuff" that is so special to me, but the personal relationships I have in my life today. Thank you to all my friends already made and to the new ones yet to be! Enjoy the sunshine! Crystal S. —Editor

Need Meeting information?

Call Central Services office 474-8897

Go on line piercecountyaa.org

Or pick up a When & Where for only 25 cents

CSO SCHEDULE—July '09

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Accessibility	2 Public Information	3	4
5 Central Service Office	6 Twelve Step Service Commt.	7 Treatment	8 Cooperation with Professional Community	9 Corrections	10 Pierce's Progress Deadline	11
12	13	14	15 District 44	16 District 45	17	18 Pierce's Progress Mailing
19	20	21 District 9	22	23	24	25

Committees meet at Tacoma's CSO @ 6:30p: **CSO**: Central Service Office Comm., 1st Sun; **TREAT**: Treatment Comm, 1st Tues; **ACCESS**: Accessibility Comm, 1st Wed; **PI**: Public Information, 1st Thu; **TSSC**: 12th Step Service Comm, 2nd Mon; **CPC**: Cooperation with the Professional Community, 2nd Wed; **CORR**: Corrections, 2nd Thu; **PP**: Pierce's Progress: Deadline, Fri after the 2nd Thu; Distribution, 1st GSR mtg/mo <6:30p; **D#**: District # GSR Mtg: D9, 3rd Tue; D44, 3rd Wed; D45, 3rd Thu.

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"True ambition is the deep desire to live usefully and walk humbly under the grace of God." 12x12

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DEADLINE
Friday following the
2nd Thursday
5:00 pm.



News from Central Services Office

The Central Services Office gratefully acknowledges the following Groups, Meetings, and Committees for their financial support in the month of April.

Another Lakewood Spiritual Breakfast

As Bill Sees It, Back 2 Basics, FAIR, Farwest, Fox Island Hang In There, Madigan Group, Miracle Tues, Mon Night Women, Morning Meeting, Narrows, Northend Newcomers, Primary Purpose, Saturday Speakers, Serenity Hall, Spanaway, Step Ashore, Sunday Bowlers, Trusted Serv, Tue BB Thumpers, Wed, Step Study, PI Committee, Treatment, Districts 9, 29, 44, 45

April CSO \$\$\$ Report

Beg Balance:

\$20,031.47

Contributions (Income):

\$8,638.31

Expenses:

\$12,187.10

Ending Operating Balance:

\$20,031.47

Prudent Reserve :

\$32,540.77

Help Wanted

CSO Office is looking for a part-time office personnel

Qualifications: Quickbooks, Word, Excel, Access Bookkeeping, Sales, phones, inventory, general office skills

Please email resumes to: www.csopiercecountyaa.org attention position


CSO NEEDS YOUR HELP TO CLEAN

Want to do some service work?

The Central Services Office needs someone to do some weekly cleaning. INTERESTED?

Call Sally 253-474-8897 Mon—Thur 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
(This is not a paid position)



 ★  April 2009
 ★ Call Log
 ★
 ★ A- Information 329
 ★ B- For Help 22
 ★ C- Help for Others 8
 ★ D- Other Area Visitors 3
 ★ E- Non AA Members 3
 ★ F- Help for Non-Alcoholics 2
 ★ G Volunteer & Office
 ★ Communications 36
 ★
 ★ Total Calls 526
 ★ Minutes Charged 381
 ★ At a Cost of \$259.60.
 ★
 ★*****

**Come visit your C.S.O. Committee Meeting
6:30 pm the first Sunday of the month at the C.S.O.**

12 Step Committee Report

CSO/TSCC NEEDS YOU

Six months sobriety and a little training is all it takes to get one of the BEST service positions available.

The following time slots are available and you or your group can fill 2 or 4 hour openings.

Monday 8-10 am, Wednesday 2-4 pm, Friday 2-4 pm,
Sunday 8-10 am and 2-6 pm are all open



**Next Deadline to get
Information into
Pierce's Progress**

Always the Friday
Following the 2nd Thurs.
5:00pm Firm Deadline!

June 12, 2009



Central Services Office

WHAT IS THE PURPOSE? The Pierce County Central Services Office serves the Pierce County area's AA members and groups by: maintaining a 24-hour phone service, publishing a meeting schedule of all AA meetings, stocking a complete line of AA Conference-approved literature, publishing a monthly newsletter, and acting as a contact between the local AA groups and the general public.

WHO USES THE OFFICE? Committees and districts use the Central Services Office to hold their monthly business meetings. Dates and times are located in the When & Where and also a calendar is provided every month in the Pierce's Progress.

WHO MAKES UP THE CSO COMMITTEE? The Central Services Office Committee is made up of two representatives from each district, an office administrator, CSO chairperson, Alternate chairperson, treasurer, newsletter editor, and webmaster. Voting members consist only of the district representatives and office administrator. For detailed information about job descriptions of each job function, stop by CSO and take a look at our Policies and Procedures.

WHO PAYS FOR THE OFFICE AND SERVICES? Groups, standing committees, individual AA members, and literature sales are the financial support for maintaining CSO services.

WHAT CAN I DO? Answering phone calls to help people get the information they need about Alcoholics Anonymous is a vital function of CSO. The more volunteers there are, the better the chance there is to reach out the hand. Get involved in a standing committee or district. Visitors are welcome at any meeting held at CSO. CSO is looking for volunteers to help clean once a week.

Book Prices to Increase

As of July 1, 2009 the price for the Big Book will increase \$2.00, other books will increase \$1.00, and booklets will increase \$.50. The same increases apply to French, Spanish and foreign literature. A new catalog, which will contain the specific new prices, will be released in June. At G.S.O. we have seen increases in costs for operations, warehousing and shipping. Therefore, the A.A. World Services Board asked management to come up with solutions to help keep our Prudent Reserve at an acceptable level. After much discussion, the board approved increasing book prices, while keeping our shipping and handling charge practices the same. The current discount structure will also remain unchanged. In keeping with prudent financial planning, and recognizing that A.A. is not immune to current economic conditions, G.S.O. is

Titled: A Reason to Go to a Meeting

Today I read page 110 in the 12 x 12 and was amazed to learn that twelfth step work includes sitting in a meeting and listening.

This is because we "give the reassurance and support which our presence can bring." I suddenly realized that I can help a newcomer or 'the alcoholic who still suffers' with a simple act, such as-sitting in a chair-in a room-at a meeting.

All this I can do unspectacularly.
You know- this can help me too!

-A Grateful Alcoholic



12th Step Service Committee

12 Step Committee Report – Hello, here are our business notes for May. Linda L., our daytime coordinator, has all but 4 positions filled and they are Sunday 8 -10 am, Wednesday 2-4pm, Thursday 4-6pm and Friday 12-2pm. Alas our evening coordinator and night time coordinator were unable to make the meeting. There is a time slot open at the CSO for a group or individual from 6 – 10pm the 1st Thursday of the month. If you or your group would be interested please contact Joe T. our evening coordinator. We have elected a new Nightwatch Coordinator Chris F. from the Sunrise Group. He can be reached through the TSSC for now. Thanks to Chris for taking this on. A wonderful Thanks to Chuck S. for all the work he has put into this position over the last 2 years. Our 12 step list coordinator Jim A has the 12 step books up to date. If you want to know more about the TSSC come and join us at the workshop or at our next meeting Monday June 8, 2009 at 6:30pm at the CSO. Have a great month.

Public Information Committee

This is what's going on in PI—

We had our first Road Show Training Day on April 18th at the CSO and it went great! We had a lot of support from all the committees! Remember, let your PI person know if you would like a Road Show for your home group, or if you don't have a PI person in your home group but would like a Road Show to come to your home group, email Jimmie C at unkajim@yahoo.com

Upcoming Road Shows are:

Step in Time June 6, 2009

Out of District in Belfair June 20, 2009

We had our PI/CPC Quarterly May 9, 2009 in Normandy Park and it went great! PI will be hosting the next Quarterly on August 8, 2009 with the location to be announced.

Jane, our media person, got all six of our PSAs out to TV Tacoma! We are ordering new ones to get out to Comcast. We are just waiting to hear back from them. The Bus Sign Project is still in the works. We are waiting to hear back from them as well.

Sarah W., our speakers and special events coordinator, will be working on a Health Fair at the Evergreen Monroe Fair coming up soon.

We are also asking groups to let us know who is sponsoring a PI rack and where, and how it's going or if you would like one. Please email Shannon G. at shayshay@comcast.net That's it for now, Keith

DISTRICT 54

May 2009

Yeah for May!!! We have actually gotten to see some sunshine -

It has been a busy month this month. I attended the Western Washington Area Quarterly up in Mt. Vernon in April. A lot of wonderful things were discussed and we now have 3 motions that will be moving forward to the Area Assembly in October. Copies will be available after this month's District meeting. Unfortunately, our Alternate DCM Lisa M was not able to attend with me as there was not enough money in the district account to pay for the both of us. I need to let you know that your District is in need of your group contributions. We do not have enough funds to operate on and our prudent reserve is \$700 lower than it is supposed to be. We have hardly seen any group contributions so far this year. I want to say thank you to the groups that have contributed and I would like to encourage the groups that have not yet to please look to see if you could please send some money our way so that we can continue to do the business of the District to help the Alcoholic who still suffers.

We also had the GSR Workshop held in Tacoma this month. I was very disappointed to only see 2 groups represented there. A lot of good information was offered to help the new GSR learn how to effectively do their job. A handbook was passed out with all of this information. If you are one of the GSR's who was not able to attend, but would like a copy of this handbook, please let me know and I will be happy to email one to you.

We are still looking for enthusiastic members to be of service at the District level. Service work is a wonderful way to jump right into the middle of AA, be a part of and give back to the Alcoholic Who Still Suffers, which is our primary purpose. Please get in touch with me to discuss ways that you can help out your District.

I thank all of you for the opportunity to be of service to District 54.

Sober Through Service, Barbie Kaeder DCM District 54 barbiekaeder@gmail.com



District 9

Greetings from District 9, in the heart of Tacoma!

We had our last meeting on April 21st at the Central Service Office. All the trusted servants, 11 GSRs, and a few guests were present. The Area Accessibilities Chairperson, Stephen C. attended and gave a presentation on the Accessibilities Committee. We had several visitors to hear and meet him. It was very informative. Later in the meeting we discussed a motion brought by one of the groups regarding our local Pierce County Accessibilities Committee. Eastend Newcomers was happy to report that they had their first group inventory. The Narrows Group celebrates 44 years on April 28th with a potluck and Bernie D. as the guest speaker. Our Treatment Liaison, Latif, has had to step-down. We will definitely miss him and wish him the very best! At this time we may already have a replacement for him. The Central Service Office Representatives reported that the CSO committee has passed a motion to disburse any funds over \$15,000; half to the GSO and half to the WWA 72. The CPC Committee of West Pierce County is announcing that they need funds once again. The June Take-a-Professional-to-Lunch has been cancelled because they do not have enough money to host it. It will resume in the fall. Trusted Servants from the district have been invited to present the Road-Show at Tiospaye, McKinley Hall, and Eastend Newcomers. This is a lot of fun and a great way to inform and invite all members to join in on the service opportunities available. Which reminds me: If you are interested in serving as the District 9 Grapevine/Literature Rep, please join us the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 6:30 at the CSO or contact anyone on the committee.

District 45

District 45: April 16, 2009

Treasure Report: Jana C. gave treasure report to secretary, the 2nd quarterly rent was due and Alt. DCM found a hall for the banquet. Jana did receive checks and she thanked them. A motion was made to accept the report and it passed.

Liaisons Reports:

Archivist: was not there and the position is now open to anyone that is interested.

CPC: Mark M. Dropped the price of meals at the road show training to \$15. CPC is accepting any donations. TAPL is coming in September; they dropped the one in June so that they only have one TAPL a year.

CSO: Mary reported that the new CSO newsletters are in and are 25 cents a copy. No inventory was done, the volunteer was a no show but Mary said it will be done next month. Contributions are down right now and if you want to go over the budget with Mary she would be happy to do that with you. Pierce Progress website is in PDF format and there are things that you can and can't be put in there, as well as on the bulletin in the CSO office, so if you would like to pin something up give it to Sally and she will do that for you. They are looking for a volunteer to help clean up the CSO office, if you would like to do some service work on that contact Mary or Sally. CSO is looking to hire a part time position to help Sally and there is an application in the Pierce Progress, please email your resume don't just come in. CSO passed a motion that all excess funds be distributed 50/50 to Washington Area 72 and GSO, once treasurer does formula it gets distributed.

Grapevine: Robert S. They are building a District 45 Grapevine/ Lit. Display and produced a working copy of local Spanish meetings, events that are coming up for the Grapevine is the quarterly in June and attending the roadshow workshop.

Treatment: The position is open and needs to be filled as soon as possible.

TSSC: Ken times that are available are Mon 8- 10, Wed 2 -4, Thurs. 4-6, and Sun 8am-10 am or 2-6. Access, would like people to take back info to the groups for special needs, so that they may help them. If someone calls about subscription to the Pierce Progress give them the website. They are still looking for night watch coordinator, it needs to be done soon the man that has done it for a few years has health issues.

Alt. DCM: Kevin read out of the Grapevine the theme was Agnostics in recovery and the article was "Meditation Made Easy", it was a great article. Picnic is June 27th at Wapato Park. The planning committee needs some support. Kevin passed around the event book for everyone to look at.

DCM: Roxanna, GSO has the ability to send contributions and statements via email. Passed around Box 459 fliers for everyone, Roxanna talked about the importance of archivist and how it helps AA to keep going in the right direction, all groups need to take old business meeting minutes to the archivist they want them. May 2nd is the Archivist quarterly in Kirkland at the Kirkland church.

There are many different ways to help support the area financially and they are in need of the support right now. Roxanna went over the motions at the quarterly, every group should have EIN #, and Kevin passed out the flier for that.

Group Reports:

Fernhill: having there 67th annual potluck June 19th at 6 pm.

Friday Night Group: Mary celebrated 21st anniversary

Ladies Nite Out: Angel J. 16th anniversary is April 25th at 5:30 pm

North Pacific Group: Dinner night 2nd Wed. of every month

Parkland: Needs support for Sat. and Sun. meetings at 9am

Spanaway: Sunday ptluck spiritual breakfast begins and May and it is every other month. Their meetings start at 6pm not at 7pm.

Summit View; Monday nights at 7:30 needs support

Recovery Rocks, Trisha M.



District 29

Hola from District 29 and happy Cinco De Mayo. I have always remembered this holiday because it was my friend, John's birthday. John died recently as a direct result of untreated alcoholism. He is but one of many that is lost to this deadly disease. I will still remember John fondly every time this holiday comes.

District 29 is hard at work carrying the message. Our last GSR meeting went at a rapid pace. We had 20 GSRs and 12 Trusted servants in attendance. Teresa, our DCM, had so much information to communicate that I felt a little overwhelmed trying to take notes. Here are a few of the key items we discussed. We have a lot of events coming up, from the Delegates report to our District 29 Picnic. Keep an eye on your local Newsletter calendars for dates to all quarterlies and upcoming events. Our new registrar has completed the 2009 contact list and submitted to the Area so they can then inform GSO. That starts the ball rolling for all the new GSRs to receive their GSR packets and all the new trusted servants to receive theirs.

We discussed the fact that our landlord for the District Service Center would like to get new carpet. They asked for our help in putting up the chairs and tables as well help finding an inexpensive contractor to do the work. If you know anyone, contact me and I will contact our building and maintenance person. We also talked about how our district supports committees like Pierce County Accessibilities and Pierce County corrections. We do it a little differently than districts 9, 44, 45 & 54. If you would like to know more, come to the next GSR meeting on May 12, 2009, 6:30 PM at the District Service Center.

I would like to close with a quote from the Big Book that makes clear the importance of our mission. "Near you, alcoholics are dying helplessly like people in a sinking ship." [A Vision For You, page 152](#). It is hard for me to find the words to express the gratitude and deep responsibility I feel right now. I will just close with one more quote from our wonderful book, "May God bless you and keep you-until then." [A Vision For You, page 164](#).

Respectfully submitted by:

Carol N., District 29 Secretary

SANELY SOBER

The air of the Treatment & Recovery Center (TRC) classroom was abuzz as we waited to start the business meeting on the last Tuesday of the month. The TRC is part of Western State Hospital where teaching and group therapy take place. We had a very good turn out from the community, and thanks to Jack E, we had an excellent speaker who was also from the community. Kelly J spoke for forty-five minutes about his experiences with alcoholism and drug addiction. Kelly, using his life as an example, made what is sometimes hard to grasp understandable. He began sharing with the idea that he didn't have coping skills for life's problems, so he resorted to alcohol and other drugs to self-medicate his way out. Self-medicating didn't work, and eventually, the substances took their course and he wound up in prison for fourteen months. Fortunately, this gave him time to reflect on his life and to find God. One thing he regretted while in prison was that he didn't go to AA. After many attempts to get sober and clean, he finally found help through a man who was in AA. This man became his sponsor and helped Kelly begin working a program. Kelly shared that the fourth step is the heart of his story. He stated that it is good to have a higher power when working this step and to begin by just taking the things right now that are bothering you. For him, something came to the surface from doing a searching and fearless moral inventory. He felt inadequate because he hadn't finished school. He realized that was why he kept going back to the bottle. To witness the work of a higher power in another person's life was very powerful. Kelly gave back to the spirit of AA in telling his story. He helped us patients here at Western State Hospital's Sanely Sober, some who have been here fifteen years, realize that there is indeed hope. Thanks a lot, Kelly, for doing a wonderful job in speaking to us. Kelly finished sharing by stating that the fourth step can be a living document that changes as we change. He encouraged the group with the ideas that, "These rooms are filled with wisdom. You guys can help each other!"

Birthdays we celebrated in April:	Tim R.	2 months
	Moe	18 months
	Tim S	2 years
	Janyl S	6 months

If you would like to attend a Sanely Sober meeting, you are most welcome. We meet on every Tuesday from 6:15 to 7:15pm. The last Tuesday of the month we hold our business meeting from 5:45-6:15pm. There is a short screening process that needs to be done the first time you attend.

From all the Folks at Sanely Sober, wishing you the best!



Corrections Schedule - Updated October 2008

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
PCDCC Main Women 7pm	WCCW Purdy 6:10p arrive	Puyallup Jail 6:30p	Mc Neil Forging Ahead 5p Ferry	PCDCC Men 7p	McNeil Retrievers 7a
	CFS Western State 6:15p arrive	PCDCC Main Men 7p	McNeil Retrievers 6p		WCCW Purdy 8:40 arrive
	FLRCF Second Chance 7p	PCDCC Women 7p	WCCW Purdy 6:10p arrive		
		PDCC Jail Trustee Men 7p	Enumclaw 7p Women's 8p		
		Progress House 7:30p	Remann Hall 7p		

CORRECTIONS REPORT

CFS (Western State) Group Name: Sanely Sober	Details: No warrants, no sex based offenses, and no previous contact with patients. Complete Oath of Confidentiality, Security Clearance for approval by CSF. Sponsees with min of 3 months sobriety can be cleared to attend if an approved sponsor accompanies them. Must be cleared by facility prior to attending. Business meeting 2nd Tues at 5:30. Birthday meeting last Tues
Fort Lewis RCF	Details: Clearance paperwork (NCIS) No recent felony. Four days of training, 6-8 hrs. each day Monday thru Thursday.
McNeil Forging Ahead	Details: Must complete paperwork for DOC clearance.
McNeil Retrievers	Details: Must complete paperwork for DOC clearance.
PCDCC (Pierce Cty. Jail) Men	Details: No past felonies and not currently on Department of Corrections. Must complete paperwork for clearance. 5 years since last misdemeanor, 10 years since last felony.
PCDCC (Pierce Cty. Jail) Women	Details: No past felonies and not currently on Department of Corrections. Must complete paperwork for clearance. 5 years since last misdemeanor, 10 years since last felony.
Puyallup Jail	Details: Easy to get clearance. No warrants, NO Department of Corrections.
Remann Hall	Details: Background check, references required. No felony convictions, No history of Meth or Heroin usage, no other drugs for 2 years — Marijuana 1 year.
WCCW Purdy	Details: No past felonies and not currently on Department of Corrections. Complete paperwork for DOC clearance. Must attend to remain badged.

Facility	Contact	Phone	Meeting Days	Mtg Times	Min. Sobriety Req.
CFS (Western State) Group Name: Sanely Sober	Mike A. Kathie P.		Tuesday	6:15 p.m.	1 Year
McNeil Forging Ahead	Ed K.		Thursday	5 p.m. Ferry	1 Year
McNeil Retrievers	Mike F.		Thursday Saturday	6 p.m. Ferry 7 a.m. Ferry	1 Year 1 Year
PCDCC (Pierce Cty. Jail)	Sheila Suzy G.		MENS - Wed MENS - Fri WOMENS - Mon WOMENS - Wed	7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	1 Year 1 Year 1 Year 1 Year
Progress House	Jim		Wednesday	7:30 p.m.	6 Months
Puyallup Jail	Jeff S.		Wednesday	6:30 p.m.	6 Months
Remann Hall	Lin Spellman Ralph S.		Thursday	7:00 p.m.	1 Year
WCCW Purdy	Nancy S.		Tues. & Thursday Saturday	6:10 p.m. 8:40 a.m.	1 Year 1 Year

“A Corrections Committee Member’s Eye View!”

Dear Friends; My home group has lost some members this winter due to the disease of alcoholism. Through these tragedies I have learned that true joy is having joy even though things seem so bad. Nothing will so much insure immunity from drinking as intensive work with other alcoholics. We know that there is no cure for alcoholism. So how is your sobriety today? Did you know that more than 80% of inmates are there due to drug and alcohol related charges? There are thousands!

There are many service opportunities in corrections. You can collect and donate used AA literature to corrections. You can ask your Home Group to pass around a special donation basket for corrections that will be used for literature. You can participate in the correction correspondence program through GSO. You can become an outside volunteer for the corrections bridge program. Come to the Central Service Office on the 2nd Thursday of each month to find out more. All these things and many more are possible in the Realm of the Spirit. Hold your eyes up to the light and may God Bless You and Keep You until Then. Dave Y., Alternate Corrections Chair

Thanks for sharing Dave, and thanks to all who support our committee. Bob H., Committee Chair



TREATMENT CALENDAR

June 2009

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
May 24 Tacoma Detox @7 Prosperity Wellness @ 7 (men only)	May 25 Serenity-WSH@6:30	May 26 Sea-Mar @6 New Life VA@7:30	May 27 Serenity- WSH@6:30 Tacoma Detox@7	May 28 P.C.E.D @7	May 29 Serenity- WSH@6:30	May 30 Sea-Mar@7
May 31 Tacoma Detox @7 Prosperity Wellness @ 7 (men only)	1 Serenity-WSH@6:30 By the Book	2 Sea-Mar @6 Parkland New Life VA@7:30 Sound	3 Serenity- WSH@6:30 Tacoma Detox@7 Puyallup Group	4 PCED @7 Ruston Group	5 Serenity- WSH@6:30 Fircrest	6 Sea-Mar@7 Miracle of 56th Fern Hill
7 Tacoma Detox @7 EEN Prosperity Wellness @ 7 (men only)	8 Serenity-WSH@6:30 SHOP	9 Sea-Mar @6 Fellowship New Life VA@7:30	10 Serenity- WSH@6:30 Fox Island Tacoma Detox@7 Firgrove	11 PCED @7 AMAA	12 Serenity- WSH@6:30 Follow-up Group	13 Sea-Mar@7 New Arrivals PAIR
14 Tacoma Detox @7 Loft & Parkland Prosperity Wellness @ 7 (men only) McKinley Hall	15 Serenity-WSH@6:30 By the Book	16 Sea-Mar @6 North Pacific New Life VA@7:30 Ladies Night Out	17 Serenity- WSH@6:30 Sat Speakers Tacoma Detox@7 Firgrove	18 P.C.E.D @7	19 Serenity- WSH@6:30 W.B.B.S.	20 Sea-Mar@7 Loft Fern Hill Cornerstone
21 Tacoma Detox @7 New Arrivals Prosperity Wellness @ 7 (men only)	22 Serenity- WSH@6:30 Sunrise Group	23 Sea-Mar @6 Fellowship AMAA New Life VA@7:30	24 Serenity- WSH@6:30 Fox Island Tacoma Detox@7 Summit View	25 P.C.E.D. @7 Sunrise Group	26 Serenity- WSH@6:30 Sound	27 Sea-Mar@7 Spanaway NENC
28 Tacoma Detox @7 North Pacific AMAA Prosperity Wellness @ 7	29 Serenity-WSH@6:30 HIT EEIV	30 Sea-Mar @6 Parkland/Northstar New Life VA@7:30	July 1 Serenity- WSH@6:30 Tacoma Detox@7	July 2 P.C.E.D. @7	July 3 Serenity- WSH@6:30	July 4 Sea-Mar@7
HOSPITAL & TREATMENT LISTINGS						

Tacoma Detox: 721 So. Fawcett, # 100, Tacoma Sun & Wed @7p 10 outside members only, incl Chair

Sea-Mar: 1415 Center St., Tacoma Tue @6p, Sat @7p

New Life - VA: 9500 Veterans Dr. SW, Lakewood Tue @7:30p

Serenity - WSH: TBA, contact Justine (see below) Mon, Wed & Fri @6:30p

For Further Information, Contact your Treatment Rep. for details of your group commitments. Or visit the Treatment meeting, first Tuesday every month 6:30pm at CSO.



Upcoming Events

**North Pacific Group
Coming Speakers**

May 20th Donna A.
(24th B-day)
May 27th Bill M.
(32nd B-day)
7:30 p.m. Every Wed.

**Saturday Speakers
May 23rd**
Heid M. North Star &
"Chicago" Bob Federal
Way Big Book Study
May 30th
Birthday Night
Michael G. AMAA

**Nooner to Niner
August 14-16**
Friday Night Chili
Cook-off with prizes
Sat Night Potluck Dinner
For registration
Information Mark R
kornhead44@msn.com

**Sponsorship
Conference
October 16-18**
LaQunita Inn &
Suites
Tacoma WA

**International Seniors in
Sobriety Conference**

June 2-5
Red Lion at the Quarry
Vancouver WA

**Friends of Bill & Lois W.
Spiritual Retreat
June 26-28**
Contact Thomas M.
Space is limited
Located in Elbe WA

FREEDOM IN SOBRIETY

28th Annual
July 24-26
LA Qunita Inn Tacoma WA
Check with CSO or your group for
registration

If you have an important date coming up, or if your group has something special to announce, please put a note in my box at the CSO - out front box is in the 2nd column, 2nd row. Or you can email: newsletter@piercecountyaa.org
I want to fill this page, even expand it to two pages because the information you provide me. So please, give me your updates!

Group Updates, Information, and Speaker Meetings

**SOUND GROUP HAS CHANGED
FORMAT!**
New revolving step study! Going through
first 164 pages of Big Book.
Speaker meeting on the 4th Thursday of
every month following B-Day night.
Thursday @ 8:00 p.m.

**Tacoma Rescue Mission
Alcoholics Anonymous
Meeting**
At: Tyler Square 3202 S. Tyler St.
Wednesdays promptly Noon to
1:00pm

NOTICE !
Common Ground Group Changes Nights!
(Film at Eleven)
Same Meeting Place:
Faith Community Church 1014 152nd
Street East, Tacoma
New Meeting Time:
Mondays @ 7:00 p.m.

**Every Friday Night at CSO!
Come learn about the
Concepts!**

**Spanaway Hall Schedule
Change**
Effective February 1st Spanaway will be
combining the 6:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. daily
meetings into one meeting starting at 7:00 p.m.
and lasting until 8:30 p.m. All other meetings
remain unchanged!

North Pacific Group
East 54th & East B Street in Tacoma
Every Wednesday @ 7:30 p.m.
Coming speakers
A main speaker and a call up meeting

Grupo Fellowship en Espanol de AA
Miercoles & Viernes 7pm a 8pm
1005 S. 11th St., Tacoma, WA

"Back to the 40's"
Introduction to "AA" How it Work's
A series of five one hour classes.
Class starts first Saturday of every
month—bring your Big Book!
When: Saturday mornings 9:00 a.m.
Where: First Congregational Church
918 Division Ave Tacoma
For information call (253) 474-8897

Fresh Start AA Meetings
At: Lakeside Milam in Puyallup
405 West Stewart
Friday Morning 10:30am-12:00pm
Friday Evening 6:30pm - 8:00pm



Service Information, Events, and Other

Grapevine & Literature Quarterly
June 13, 2009

Saint Margaret's Episcopal Church
4228 Factoria Blvd. S.E.
Bellevue, WA 98006
9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Corrections Committee Quarterly
June 20, 2009

American Legion Hall
3201 Boston Harbor Rd. NE
Olympia, WA
9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

**District 45 Gratitude
Banquet Committee
Meetings**

Second Sunday of every month
at 4:00 p.m. at CSO.
(April & May 3rd Sunday
Due to Holidays)

If you want to get involved in
helping to plan our yearly Grati-
tude Banquet, please come and
have some fun in service!

**Western Washington Area
72 Quarterly**

Si View Community Center
400 SE Orchard Dr.
North Bend, WA
July 10 & 11

**Western WA Area 72
Assembly**

Lynwood Convention Center
3711 196th Street SW
Lynwood, WA
October 2 through October 4

The Fabulous ROAD SHOW!

Invite them to your home group.

*The Road Show is a way to tell you about
the service positions available within AA.*

*Call now, don't wait! Jimmie C.
Be Informed. Be a part of AA.*

JUST A REMINDER

Info received before the Fri
following the second Thurs will be put in
the upcoming issue, and will remain until
the event.

Contact Information:

Address: Pierce's Progress C/O CSO, 3640
S. Cedar, Suite S.
Tacoma, WA 98409
email: newsletter@piercecountyaa.org

District 9 Archives
Available for Display

**Once upon a time,
Tacoma was one big district**
There is a rich history of all of Tacoma
in the District 9 Archives

Contact Archivist Sandy G.

**MAILING ADDRESSES FOR
GROUP CONTRIBUTIONS - UPDATED!**

To Area 72: WWA 72 Treasurer, 702 Kentucky
St. #535, Bellingham, WA 98225

To New York: GSO PO Box 459; Grand Central
Station; New

York, NY 10163

ATTENTION—Updated!

**Do Not Send Group or
District Changes to GSO!**

Mail to: Western WA Area 72 Registrar
7701 Hardeson Rd. #19, Everett WA 98203
registrar@area72aa.org

From Box 459

- ◆ AA World Services, Inc. has started its search to fill a vacancy for one nontrustee director, which will open following the 2010 General Service Conference.
- ◆ Two new Class B (alcoholic) trustees, from the Eastern Canada and Pacific Regions, will be nominated at the General Service Conference in April 2010.
- ◆ The trustees' Committee on Nominating asks that trustees, delegates and directors submit any names the deem appropriate as candidates for Class A (nonalcoholic) Trustees of the General Service Board.



CSO's 'Dollar of the Month Club'

Would you like to help CSO keep its doors open? If so, donate financially by contributing a one-time, monthly, or annual donation, personal pledge in your AA b-day month for each year of your sobriety, or by honoring someone's memory. Donations are welcome at anytime and can be anonymous. Just fill out the form below and drop it off at: CSO, 3640 S. Cedar St., Suite S, Tacoma, WA, 98409. NOTE: CSO depends solely upon donations from individuals, groups and committees to keep its doors open. Thanks!

Today's Date: ___ / ___ / ___ AMOUNT:\$ _____

One Time: ___ Monthly: ___ Annual: ___ Birthday: ___

Name: _____

Memorial: ___ Anonymous Donation: ___

Address: _____

12th Step Service Committee's Sign-Up Card

Besides the Big Book, The 12th Step Service Committee (TSSC) is AA's best kept secret!! The 12 Step Service Committee is continually accepting volunteers for the 12th-step list, home answering service and for CSO phone volunteers, group or individual - as well as Alternates. To volunteer, call: CSO: 474-8897, then complete this form and deliver to CSO: 3640 S Cedar, Ste S, Tacoma, WA 98409.

Date: _____ Gender: F M (Sobriety Date: / /)

Name: _____

12th Step Calls:

Anytime - Day - Evening - Late night

Address: _____

Home Answering Service (10p-8a): M T W Th F S Su

Clip and Carry Events List!

May 23	Spaghetti Feed	Christ Church 310 N. K Street. Bring the whole family	Tickets \$7.00 or whole family \$10.00
June 20	Fellowship Dance the Night Away	Fellowship	9:00 p.m. to 12:00 a.m. \$5.00 in advance or \$6.00 at door
June 20	18th Annual Capitol Jamboree	116 Legion Way Urban Onion-Olympian Hotel Ballroom	8:30 a.m. to midnight (lunch on your own) capitoljamboree.org
June 27	The Fircrest Study Group 26th Anniversary	Redeemer Lutheran Church 1001 Princeton Street in Fircrest	5:00 p.m. Dinner bring dessert, salad or favorite dish 6:00 p.m. Road Show & Speakers
July 24- 26	28th Annual Freedom in Sobriety	LA Qunita Inn Tacoma WA	Look for registrations in your group's box at CSO or at piercecounaa.org
August 8	District 29 Picnic	Soldier's Home	
August 21-23	Hang In There Group 6th Annual Camp-out and Pot Luck Picnic	River Bend Campground	Reservations due August 1



May-June CSO Daytime Phone-Volunteers

	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
8 am 10 am	FULL	FULL	FULL	FULL	FULL	FULL	OPEN
10 am Noon	FULL	FULL	FULL	FULL	FULL	FULL	FULL
Noon 2 pm	FULL	FULL	FULL	FULL	OPEN	FULL	FULL
2 pm 4 pm	FULL	FULL	FULL	FULL	FULL	FULL	FULL
4 pm 6 pm	FULL	FULL	OPEN	OPEN	FULL	FULL	FULL

Night-Time Phone-Volunteers, 6p-10p - June, 2009

The following schedule outlines the evening phone volunteers at CSO. Everyone from your home group is welcome - come watch TV, order food, bring food, play games, fellowship, and answer the phones and sell literature of course!

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
May 31 <i>As Bill Sees It</i>	1 <i>Narrows</i>	2 <i>Fellowship</i>	3 <i>The Morning Meeting</i>	4 <i>OPEN</i>	5 <i>AMAA</i>	6 <i>Tues Nt Mens Stag</i>
7 <i>Jolly</i>	8 <i>Fircrest Study</i>	9 <i>Miracle of 56th</i>	10 <i>E. End Newcomers</i>	11 <i>Back to Basics</i>	12 <i>Women's BB Study</i>	13 <i>New Arrivals</i>
14 <i>Spanaway</i>	15 <i>Tiopsaye</i>	16 <i>District 9 Groups</i>	17 <i>12X12</i>	18 <i>Firgrove</i>	19 <i>Saturday Speakers</i>	20 <i>Puyallup AIR</i>
21 <i>David S.</i>	22 <i>Follow up</i>	23 <i>Cornerstone Crew</i>	24 <i>Sunrise</i>	25 <i>Serenity Hall</i>	26 <i>N. E. Newcomers</i>	27 <i>No. Pacific Group</i>
28 <i>Sound Group</i>	29 <i>Fircrest Study</i>	30 <i>Friday Night Group</i>	July 1 <i>The Morning Meeting</i>	July 2 <i>OPEN</i>	July 3 <i>AMAA</i>	July <i>Tues Nt Mens Stag</i>

DO YOU MAN THE OFFICE AT CSO?

Well if you do, or if you know a person or group that does, can you pass this on...

Please remember to TRANSFER the phones to the Answering Service at the end of your shift. Also, there is a new Purchaser Logbook, to be filled out by the person who is Buying Literature or making a contribution to CSO. There is a sign on the front desk with instructions. Thank you, and please pass this on!

If you have questions, call Sally @ CSO M-F 10-2: 253-474-8897