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FROM THE EDITOR

Well, hello all! Did we all enjoy the heat wave? I had the opportunity to visit my mom in Canada the first weekend of the month and while there I went to a meeting, which happened to be their treatment commitment. What a wonderful group of people. They welcomed me from the start and I felt so comfortable! I have been to different meetings up there in Vernon, BC, and I have heard the message out of the Big Book of Alcoholics Anonymous every time. How I love our common bond no matter which country we are in.

Nooner to Niner rocked again this year! I was able to see some old friends, spend quality time with loved ones, and met some new friends playing volleyball! Shout out to our dream five! My neck still hurts....lol

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CSO SCHEDULE—Sept '09

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Treatment	2 Accessibility Committee	3 Public Information Committee	4	5
6 Central Service Office	7	8	9 Cooperation with Professional Community	10 Corrections Committee	11 <i>Pierce's Progress Deadline</i>	12
13	14 Twelve Step Service Commt.	15 District 9	16 District 44	17 District 45	18	19 <i>Pierce's Progress Mailing</i>
20	21	22	23	24	25	26

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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DEADLINE

Friday following the
2nd Thursday
5:00 pm.



News from Central Services Office

From the CSO Committee

Tim T. Opened the CSO Committee meeting at 6:30 PM on August 2, 2009. Last month the deadline for the newsletter happened before the CSO Committee meeting so some of the may be old news.

Ed, the Chairperson of the Accessibility Committee, introduced us to Carol and her husband Bill. They brought in the lovely piece of artwork that Carol had painted and donated it to the CSO. It is now hanging over the literature cabinet so you can see it when you first walk in the door. We also have it on a disc if someone wants to have a copy.

For personal reasons, Steve L., had to step down as Alternate Chairperson for the CSO Committee. We hope things get better for him. Keith P, past DCM of District 29 has made himself available for the position.

Many things could not be resolved at this month's meeting because we didn't have a quorum. Several things were discussed, but could not be voted on. We are putting together a mission statement for the CSO. That should be ready at next month's meeting.

We are planning on an open house for October 18th, probably 10 AM to 4 PM. More will be revealed later.

The old CSO computer is now set up in the volunteer room. When a volunteer goes to the internet the home page is Map Quest. Now if someone on the telephone needs directions to a meeting, the volunteer can use Map Quest to give them that information.

Because of the Labor Day holiday, the CSO Committee meeting will be held on September 13th. I hope your summer is all you hoped it would be.

Sally K.

CSO VISITOR & CALL LOG
July 2009

OFFICE VISITORS	PHONE CALLS	Total Calls :	488
H- In Office For Help	A - Information 322	Minutes Charged by Ans Svc:	484
5	B - For Help 10	At a Cost of for May:	\$321.40
I - Local Members	C - Help For Others 9	Thanks, CSO	
88	D - Other Area Visitors 3		
J - Other Area Member	E - Non A.A. Members 3		
9	F - Help For Non-Alcoholic 2		
	G - Volunteer & Office Comm. 37		

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 10am-12pm, Wednesday 2-4 pm, Friday 12-2pm, Saturday 12-4pm, and Sunday 10am-6pm are all open



Next Deadline to get Information into Pierce's Progress

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



Central Services Office July 2009
Operating Results

Profit/Loss Statement

Sources of Funds:

Group Contributions	1,009.82
Meeting Contrib	1,651.50
Service Comm 7th Tradition	315.00
Miscellaneous Income	413.35
Literature Sales	3,099.45
Schedule Sales	214.05
Newsletter Subscription	1.25
Total Sources	6,704.42

Expenditure of Funds:

New Wages	1,968.25
Social Security Tax	122.04
Medicare Tax	28.54
State Payroll Taxes	46.61
Answering Svc Expense	321.40
Cable TV	34.08
Electricity	84.70
Insurance	-
Rent	1,595.00
Supplies	126.15
Telephone	117.57
Miscellaneous	-
Copier	-
Repairs	327.90
Maintenance	-
Literature Expenditures	713.60
Newsletter Publications	188.29
Schedule Publication	-
Postage	-
Website	105.00
Sales Taxes Paid	993.10
Business Licence	-
12 Step Committee	-
Total Regular Expenses	6,772.23

Overage

New Computer System	-
Office Furniture	-
Other Overage	-
Total Overage	-

Grand Total Expenses **6,772.23**

Net Income/(Loss) **(67.81)**

Actual

Cash Positions

Beginning Bank Balance	10,996.09
Income	6,704.42
Interest Income	0.16
Subtotal	17,700.67
Less: expenses	6,772.23
Prud Res Adjustment	-
Ending Bank Balance	10,928.44
Cash over(under) \$15,000	(4,071.56)
Prudent Reverse Goal***	32,740.00
Beginning Reserve Balance	32,582.90
Deposits to working reserve	-
Interest earnings	18.74
Ending Reserve Balance	32,601.64
Reserve over(under) Goal	(138.36)

***4 months based on budget



CSO Sales Report - 2009

	YTD	Jan-09	Feb-09	Mar-09	Apr-09	May-09	Jun-09	Jul-09
District and Committee								
Access Comm	50.00	-	20.00	20.00	-	-	10.00	-
CPC Comm	160.00	40.00	-	40.00	-	-	40.00	40.00
DIST 29	455.00	65.00	65.00	65.00	65.00	65.00	65.00	65.00
Dist 44	210.00	-	-	90.00	30.00	-	30.00	60.00
Dist 45	195.75	-	15.75	-	90.00	-	-	90.00
Dist 9	120.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	-	-	40.00
PI Comm	160.00	-	40.00	20.00	20.00	-	60.00	20.00
Treat Comm	70.00	-	50.00	-	20.00	-	-	-
Other District and Committee	10.00	-	-	-	-	10.00	-	-
TOTAL District and Committee	1,430.75	125.00	210.75	255.00	245.00	75.00	205.00	315.00
Group								
Anderson Island	95.00	45.00	-	-	-	50.00	-	-
As Bill Sees It	166.50	6.00	9.00	10.00	15.50	45.50	45.50	35.00
Back 2 Basics	40.00	-	-	30.00	10.00	-	-	-
Buckley Group	27.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	27.00
Bunker	128.06	-	-	-	-	-	-	128.06
By the Book	101.00	101.00	-	-	-	-	-	-
Common Ground	53.13	20.00	-	-	-	-	-	33.13
Cornerstone	120.00	20.00	-	100.00	-	-	-	-
Courage to Ch	75.00	-	-	25.00	-	-	50.00	-
Daily Reflec	145.00	-	-	65.00	-	-	-	80.00
Destiny	120.00	-	40.00	40.00	-	-	-	40.00
Eatonville	75.00	-	50.00	-	-	25.00	-	-
Eastend New	130.00	-	130.00	-	-	-	-	-
Firgrove	76.84	-	76.84	-	-	-	-	-
Fox Island	503.10	261.00	-	-	133.50	-	-	108.60
Friday Nite	50.00	-	-	-	-	50.00	-	-
Gig Har Legacy	57.40	-	-	57.40	-	-	-	-
Hang In There	31.22	-	-	-	7.90	12.77	10.55	-
KISS	100.00	-	-	-	-	100.00	-	-
Ladies Nite Out	55.00	-	-	-	-	-	55.00	-
Living Free	250.00	-	125.00	-	-	125.00	-	-
Lunch Bunch	300.00	-	300.00	-	-	-	-	-
Madigan Group	200.00	-	-	100.00	100.00	-	-	-
Men at Work	199.58	125.50	-	-	-	74.08	-	-
Mon Night Women	244.89	-	-	-	88.17	-	156.72	-
Morning Meeting	1,100.00	600.00	-	-	200.00	100.00	200.00	-
Narrows	246.40	41.40	31.00	35.00	41.00	31.00	36.00	31.00
New Freedom	15.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	15.00
North Star	209.05	61.92	-	22.15	-	-	62.40	62.58
Northend New.	461.22	274.59	-	99.71	86.92	-	-	-
Over 50	190.00	-	-	-	-	-	190.00	-
Plateau BB	200.00	100.00	-	-	-	100.00	-	-
Primary Purpose	20.00	-	-	-	20.00	-	-	-
Puyallup Group	63.60	-	-	50.25	-	-	-	13.35
Ruston Study	15.50	-	-	-	-	-	15.50	-
Safe Haven	50.00	50.00	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sat Spkrs	731.42	20.00	20.00	20.00	631.42	20.00	20.00	-
Saving Our Sobriety	30.00	-	-	-	-	-	30.00	-
Serenity Hall	1,726.00	276.00	-	200.00	500.00	500.00	250.00	-
Shop	451.71	-	-	101.31	-	-	-	350.40
Spanaway	460.00	110.00	50.00	200.00	50.00	50.00	-	-
Step Ashore	175.00	-	-	-	175.00	-	-	-
Summit View HP	90.73	-	55.93	-	-	-	34.80	-
Trusted Serv	206.71	-	-	-	206.71	-	-	-
Tue BB Thumpers	157.50	-	-	-	157.50	-	-	-
Tues Mens Stag	85.70	-	-	-	-	-	-	85.70
Woman In Emotional Sobriety	124.00	-	-	124.00	-	-	-	-
TOTAL Group	10,153.26	2,112.41	887.77	1,279.82	2,423.62	1,283.35	1,156.47	1,009.82
Meeting								
An Lkwd Sp Bfst	613.28	77.73	141.55	88.00	83.50	99.00	-	123.50
Book Review	200.00	-	100.00	-	-	-	100.00	-
Brunch Bunch	210.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	210.00
F.A.I.R.	100.00	-	-	-	100.00	-	-	-
Farwest	363.50	110.00	-	120.00	46.90	58.40	28.20	-
Gig Harbor Bfst	300.00	-	-	-	-	300.00	-	-
Gig Harbor Men	400.00	-	-	200.00	-	-	-	200.00



CSO Sales Report - 2009

	YTD	Jan-09	Feb-09	Mar-09	Apr-09	May-09	Jun-09	Jul-09
Madigan Prof	25.00	-	-	25.00	-	-	-	-
Miracle Tues	77.00	-	-	6.00	26.00	27.00	-	18.00
Mon Step Study	55.50	-	28.50	-	-	-	27.00	-
Out to Lunch	200.00	-	200.00	-	-	-	-	-
Sunday Bowlers	30.00	-	-	20.00	10.00	-	-	-
Tues Step Study	1,100.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,100.00
Wed. Step Study	634.91	-	231.56	-	185.63	162.75	54.97	-
Westside BB Study	101.50	-	-	-	-	101.50	-	-
TOTAL Meeting	4,410.69	187.73	701.61	459.00	452.03	748.65	210.17	1,651.50
Miscellaneous								
Anonymous	1,082.15	120.00	109.75	227.40	220.00	154.00	42.00	209.00
Coffee	1,001.25	137.71	136.40	174.33	152.50	130.90	143.00	126.41
Copies	159.62	8.55	1.85	10.44	31.64	25.95	53.25	27.94
Memorial	50.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	50.00
W to W	45.76	14.75	13.00	9.01	9.00	-	-	-
Other Miscellaneous	30.10	-	-	-	-	30.10	-	-
TOTAL Miscellaneous	2,368.88	281.01	261.00	421.18	413.14	340.95	238.25	413.35
Sales								
Literature Sold	31,963.67	4,632.25	4,576.91	5,036.43	4,284.08	3,454.85	6,879.70	3,099.45
Newsletter	183.56	39.70	4.70	26.87	47.19	51.85	12.00	1.25
Schedules	3,006.55	579.75	489.50	115.00	773.25	333.25	501.75	214.05
TOTAL Sales	35,153.78	5,251.70	5,071.11	5,178.30	5,104.52	3,839.95	7,393.45	3,314.75
TOTAL INFLOWS	\$53,517.36	\$7,957.85	\$7,132.24	\$7,593.30	\$8,638.31	\$6,287.90	\$9,203.34	\$ 6,704.42

**CSO Distribution Worksheet
2009**

	January	February	March	April	May	June	July
Distribution Calculation							
Ending Balance Operating Account	24,238.34	20,790.54	20,031.47	16,083.68	15,965.09	10,996.09	10,928.44
Ending Balance Prudent Reserve	32,064.17	32,064.17	32,119.53	32,540.77	32,559.49	32,582.90	32,601.64
Total Funds Available	56,302.51	52,854.71	52,151.00	48,624.45	48,524.58	43,578.99	43,530.08
Funds Allocation to Improvements	10,600.00	10,600.00	10,600.00	10,600.00	10,600.00	10,600.00	10,600.00
Less Amounts Spent							
Computer System	1,376.19	1,376.19	1,376.19	1,376.19	1,376.19	1,376.19	1,376.19
Office Furniture	-	-	-	-	-	2,133.54	2,133.54
Storage	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Remaining Allocation	9,223.81	9,223.81	9,223.81	9,223.81	9,223.81	7,090.27	7,090.27
Prudent Reserve Goal	32,740.00	32,740.00	32,740.00	32,740.00	32,740.00	32,740.00	32,740.00
Set Operating Balance	15,000.00	15,000.00	15,000.00	15,000.00	15,000.00	15,000.00	15,000.00
Total Allowable Funds	56,963.81	56,963.81	56,963.81	56,963.81	56,963.81	54,830.27	54,830.27
Distribution Overage(Shortage)	(661.30)	(4,109.10)	(4,812.81)	(8,339.36)	(8,439.23)	(11,251.28)	(11,300.19)



TSSC REPORT

12 Step Committee Report – Hello, here are our business notes for Aug. Linda L., our daytime coordinator, has the following positions open at C.S.O. Sunday 10 am – 6pm Monday 10-12, Friday 12-2pm and Sat. 2-4. If you are interested in getting into service answering the phones @ CSO during the day please contact Linda

Our new evening Coordinator Paula may have a possible opening for a group or individual on the 3rd Monday of each month. If your group is interested please contact Paula @

Our night watch coordinator Chris F. says all the position are filled but if you would be interested in answer the phones from your home at nights please contact Chris

The TSSC will be having it's workshop on how to make a 12 step call on Sept. 26 at the CSO starting at 1100 -1:30. John H will be speaking. If you are interested in attending or would like further information please contact Carmen the TSSC Chair . Our next meeting will be on Sept.14 @ 6:30 pm at the CSO, so come and join us if you would like to get involved with 12 step work. Have a great month.

District 54

DISTRICT 54 REPORT

August 2009

Well, I hope that everyone has been able to stay cool in the hot weather this summer!!!

July and August are proving to be busy months. Lisa and I attended the July Quarterly in North Bend on July 10th & 11th. The verbiage for the motions has been finalized and they are ready to go for the Assembly in October. A copy of all of the motions has been emailed to your GSR and should be available for you at your home group. If you do not have access to a copy and would like one, please let me know and I will get one to you.

The Pre-Assembly is being held on August 9th at the Old Soldier's Home in Orting. If you are a GSR or an Alternate GSR, you should attend this function as it is to help you learn more about the motions so that you can help your group form an informed group conscience prior to the Assembly.

We have added Accessibilities back to our roster of Standing Committees and are in need of someone to step up and take on this rewarding service position. Accessibilities helps to ensure that the program of Alcoholics Anonymous is available to those that cannot get to a meeting because they are shut-ins or have transportation issues, need handicapped accessible meetings, need interpretation services and such. Being accessibilities chair is about chairing a committee that helps to find solutions to these issues. If you have any questions about this committee, you can ask me or you can ask the Western Washington Area Accessibilities Chair, Stephen C. You can reach Stephen at 253-891-0335 or catch up with him at one of our local meetings.

While I am on the subject of Standing Committees, we are also in need of chairs for the following committees: Treatment, Public Information, and Cooperation with the Professional Community. As you can see, your District needs you. Please, please, please come to the next District meeting and make yourself available to help carry the message to the Alcoholic who still suffers. All three of these committees deal with the front lines of 12th step work which is the cornerstone upon which AA is built. Without these committees being active in our District, many alcoholics do not know how to find us. If you can't chair one of these committees, at least please make this announcement at the meetings that you go to so that someone else can hear of our need for service.

Sober Through Service,

Barbie Kaeder
DCM District 54



District 45

District 45 minutes for July 16, 2009 Meeting called to order at 6:30 pm

Traditions read by Mary J. Birthdays for the month of July were, Shane F. has 7 years

Treasure Report: Jana C. gave the secretary the treasure report; checks came in and went out. Picnic wasn't self supportive with the seed money. \$ 121.88 is all we have in the bank, funds are running low. Motion to accept the minutes was made and passed.

Accessibility: Position is still open and needs to be filled right away. Treatment: Position is still open and needs to be filled right away.

Archivist: Annette A. Archive Quarterly is August 1 at the Faith Lutheran Church in Bellingham WA... Archive workshop is August 15& 16th see area 72 newsletter for details on that. Archive would love to store archives at CSO instead of the Alacoma Group.

CPC: Mark M. treasure report of \$433.04. Luncheon had 10-12 pastors that attended and they were pleased with the presentation. September 25th is the next T.A.P.L., due to the T.A.P.L. the pastors are thinking of having an AA meeting at there church. CPC PI quarterly is August 8th from 8-3 pm.

CSO: Mary J. CSO is no longer looking for part time work, the job was filled by Annette A. there was no distribution for this month, and there was no overage to give. Chairperson Tim talked about Roadshow and summary for 6 months, those details will come soon. Literature prices will not change for purchases made in June. Standing committee storage will be purchased and there are 8 cabinets. They are creating handbook for motions. CSO would like input from groups on what CSO does, should do, ect.

Grapevine: Robert S. Went to June quarterly and got some good stuff for the display, the new literature prices is in effect as of July 1st. the catalogs are available. Robert has information for GSR's on literature stuff. Upcoming events are September Quarterly at Lake Stevens. Robert S. and area chair Regis set up the Grapevine display for us and it was remarkable. They also passed around fliers and pamphlets. Regis also gave out a diagram of racks and what and where you should put the stuff in them, also where it is located at. Regis also talked about the L.I.P.S. Literature in Prison Service; he asked that groups give old pamphlets and literature stuff to corrections facility. Grapevine has a lot of CD's now.

PI: Ron R. Quarterly is August 8th 9am-3pm at the Methodist Church. They are looking into getting bus signs for a few different transits; new racks at YMCA and Summit Public Library.

TSSC- Ken S. availability slot times are Mon. 10-12, Wed 2-4 Friday 12-2, Sunday 2-6, and Saturday 12-4. Coordinators positions are all filled up now. Night Watchman replaced old book and made new contacts. Monday through Friday 10pm-8am answering phone slots are open, looking to fill that time. The workshop is in September and more information will come closer to that time. It is very important to read the book before you start to answer the phones, there is a lot of good information in there.

Alt. DCM: Kevin K. The District 45 picnic went really good, it was a huge turn out; thank you to everyone that helped put that together. 2nd Sunday of every month at 4pm is the committee meeting for the Gratitude Banquet at the CSO office; there will be 250 tickets to be sold at \$12 and they will go on sale in August. Kevin did replace the picnic funds.

DCM: Roxanna M. attended the quarterly and it was very enlightening. Roxanna asked how many people were attending the pre assembly and it was counted that 15 people from our District will be attending. September 12 will be the Concept workshop, please go to home groups and ask to help with the lunch for that, it would be greatly appreciated. Register any group changes; please have legible group name, contact information, last name, address, and group number on it. Roxanna went over the motions from the Assembly; ask her for any information about the motions.

Group Reports:

As Bill Sees it: On Friday, August 7th at 6:30 pm is their 15th anniversary, at the Alchoma club in Lakewood; it will have a mini speakers meeting, please come and help them celebrate.

Parkland: Candle lights have been canceled and the 9am weekend meetings need support.

Spanaway: August 29th at Spanaway Park Shelter "D" is their big picnic. Tuesday and Thursday at 8 pm is a candlelight meeting, and Friday at 10 pm.

Summit View Higher Power: going good attendance is up.

Adjourned: 8:30 pm. Recovery Rocks, Trisha M.



Cooperation With Professional Community Committee

CPC Committee's TAPL is September 25th! Do you know a professional who could benefit from knowing about AA for his/her company? We host a free lunch for the professionals (If you attend with them-only you have to pay), with a presentation of what AA is and is not. Come to Joeseppi's on North 21st and Pearl at 12:00 and bring your professional, or submit their name and contact info to your home group's TAPL invite list for next time!

We at the CPC Committee are thrilled to be hosting another TAPL. Our last one in February of '09 was so successful, with a record turnout, that we almost went broke!! We have 7th Tradition donations from home groups again and we are truly grateful to be able to host one again. We intend to do three TAPL's a year, so keep your contributions coming so we can continue this great presentation.

We have a great committee and if your home group does not have a CPC representative please come visit us on the 2nd Wednesday of every month at the Central Service Office at 6:30 pm. We are getting great responses from the professional communities and we do more than just the TAPL's!! Come check us out!!

Yours in Service and Gratitude,

SANLEY SOBER

Hello again from all of us at Sanely Sober!

Most of the members of sanely sober are dually diagnosed. We live with mental illness and alcoholism and/or drug addiction. We meet on the grounds of Western State Hospital in one of the class rooms at the Center for Forensic Services (CFS), which is a locked unit. There are a few AA members who come from the community to share their experiences, strength and hope with us. We are planning our barbecue for August 18th and we hope to see some of you there! Come share with us and enjoy the sunshine.

Our July birthdays were:

Terry E. - 18yrs

Al A. - 4yrs

Tracy G. - 1yr

Sanely Sober meets Tuesday evenings, 6:15-7:15 PM. Following the meeting are refreshments and time for fellowship. Our birthday night is the last Tuesday of the month. Our business meeting, which precedes the regular meeting at 5:45 PM, is held the same night. Lynnette McInturff, our AA Community Liaison, will walk you through a quick, confidential screening process (about 10 minutes) when you arrive for your first Sanely Sober Meeting. If you would like to find out more about our meetings, please contact Lynnette McInturff, AA Community Liaison, CFS Unit, WSH @ (253)582-8900 ext. 3291 or Mike A., Pierce County Corrections Committee

Enjoy the summer and Stay Sane & Sober

Tracy G.



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 Facility Contacts and Requirements - Updated October 2008

CFS (Western State) Group Name: Sanelly 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.

PC CORRECTIONS "MEMBERS EYE VIEW"

I'm Erica and I'm an alcoholic. When my sponsor agreed to guide me in my pursuit of sobriety and recovery from alcohol and drugs, one thing she asked me to do was to obtain a service position. I made coffee, greeted people at the door, and chaired meetings my first year of sobriety and found those duties to be very rewarding. My position as my Homegroup Corrections Committee Representative was given to me while I was in the ladies' room during a business meeting. My Homegroup members think they are quite funny.

The first Corrections Committee meeting I attended was intimidating, but I did recognize a few familiar faces. As I continued to serve on the Corrections Committee, I learned about its function and what an important position it holds in the community and to alcoholics who are still suffering and incarcerated. In many cases, we are the only people that have regular access to alcoholic inmates, so we represent hope and a possibility of a brighter future for these people.

Service work is what kept Bill W. and Dr. Bob sober. Service work is the legacy that has been passed down to us to give to other alcoholics, to help those who suffer from this disease, and in doing this, I stay sober. I understand that if I falter in my program, I could, at any moment, be right where the inmates are.

Last year in July, my service term was up for my Homegroup. I went to my "last" meeting, somewhat relieved that I would no longer be attending Corrections. That night I was voted in as the Secretary of the Corrections Committee. I guess that was divine intervention! I plan on being a part of this group as long as I'm able to do so. Serving on the Corrections Committee has become a part of my program that I look forward to every month. If you are looking for service that makes a difference in people's lives, come to the Corrections Committee. We've got a seat for you.

Thanks, Erica N.

I have had the pleasure of knowing Erica since she arrived at A.A. and what a pleasure that has been. She is our Corrections committee secretary and she does an incredible job in our behalf. She always keeps her commitments and her work is impeccable. What a gift she is to all of us in Corrections and because of her solid AA program what a gift she has become for many. Thanks for all you do Erica.

Corrections work is vital for the man, woman or young person that is down—and equally vital for us because "Alcoholism" knows no boundaries. Hope to meet you at one of our monthly meetings.

Bob H., Correction Chair



I struggle with intimate relationships

I recently made an attempt to change partners and found myself regressing to teen-age behaviors. A whole new set of character defects reared their ugly heads and roared. I conducted myself in such a fashion that days later I was embarrassed and needed to make amends to a woman I was fond of. I thought I was better than this. I thought I was maturing. I acted without thought or consequence.

Where did I go wrong? Why did I act so...obnoxiously? I'm typically a nice guy, well behaved with good manners-those of a gentleman. Hard to believe after that night. I was over-bearing, I think. I was pushing my luck and her boundaries. This isn't me, normally. It was as if I had fallen off the wagon and was a drunken teenager.

My current struggle is changing my expectations. I have discovered that sober dating is different than what I am accustomed to. My experience is with live-in relationships. In 18 years I have known only two women. I was married for 15 years and with a girlfriend for 2 1/2 years.

I had been sober for a period of 12 years one time and clean 'n sober for 15 months-this time. However, the first time of 12 years I was on a marijuana maintenance plan, and I stopped going to AA meetings. This time I'm serious about my sobriety and working the steps every day in my life. (Well, as best as I can in the moment. I have a long way to go)

My tools provided by AA say that I need to look at my part in it. I haven't grown up. Going on 40 doesn't mean I naturally act mature. I acted like a teenage, hormone-driven, horndog. I'm terribly embarrassed to admit that. So now what do I do about it? Call my sponsor...should have, I still haven't. Talk to other members of AA that I'm comfortable with...yeap, did that. Make amends...working on it. Grow up and don't do that again...working on it. I guess I can only change through experience and only when my defects are rearing their ugly heads. These defects were in hiding for a very long time and had never come to light till now.

With light there is transparency. Now that I see my defects of character I can do something about it. Thanks to AA I have the tools. Thanks to my desire to change the things that I can, with Gods help, I can work on these problems or defects of my character.

I do regret that other people had to be affected by my poor behavior for it to be apparent to me. I can make amends and I will become a better man with practice and honest effort.

Today I have been humbled. I have accepted my defects and the problems I caused. Also, I am responsible for what I have done and for the consequences of my actions. However, today I was not drunk, nor did I drink because of this debacle. I have tools to combat my tendencies to medicate in the face of embarrassment and humiliation. Today I did not run away; I turned to the people in AA, used my tools, and worked through this.

Today I am still sober. Thanks to Alcoholics Anonymous and a God that loves me.

_July 9, 2009 Author: Danny S.Home. Group: Home Group, Home, Wa.

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

**Hang in There Group
6th Annual Camp-out &
Pot Luck Picnic
River Bend
Campground
August 21 -23**

**District 54 Annual Picnic
August 22 noon to 5
Hamburgers, Hot Dogs &
Beverages provided,
everything else is potluck
VFW Campground
Highway 162
No Pets allowed**

**Spanaway Hall Picnic
Saturday, August 29
Spanaway Park, Lake
Shelter "D"
12:00 pm to 6pm
Raffle @ 2 pm
Pot luck sides**

**19th Annual Women of Action
Retreat
Sept 18-20
"We pocket our Pride"

LaVerne
godisgood844@msn.com**

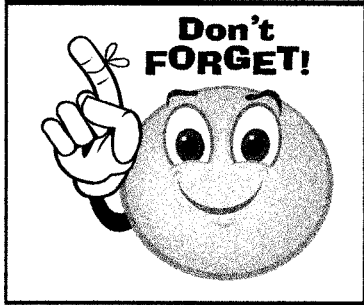
**Summit View Higher
Power Group's
11th Annual Pot-Luck
Monday, October 19
5316 104th St. E.
Summit United
Methodist**

**TAKE A PROFESSIONAL TO
LUNCH
Friday, Sept 25 11:30 to 1:00
Joseppi's Restaurant
We invite any person who
knows an Alcoholic from work
for a FREE lunch
Please give name & # to your
home group CPC rep**



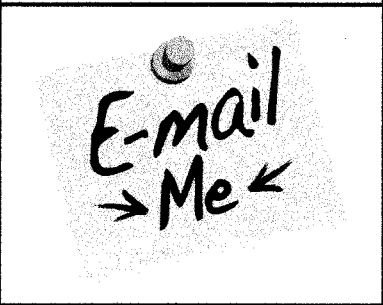
**28th Annual Spiritual Retreat
N. Olympic Celebration
Sept 11, 12, & 13
Located at Camp David Jr.

Contact Alex P.
sangoalex@comcast.net**



**5th Annual Gay &
Lesbian Retreat
Sept 18-20
Millersylvania State
lkshoreretreat@aol.com**

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, or email: newsletter@piercecountyaa.org



Group Updates, Information, and Speaker Meetings

Simple Solutions
Thursday @ 7 in Puyallup
Has CLOSED due to lack of support. Thank you.

**Spanaway Hall
Schedule Change
Tuesday & Thursday 8 pm
open meetings!
Friday Night Candlelight
10:00 p.m**

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

**Miracle of 56th
NEW 6 AM MEETING!

Monday- Friday
Come join us for a
spiritual breakfast!**

North Pacific Group
East 54th & East B Street
August 19 Valerie B.,
Alderwood Group
August 26 Jane B.,
North Pacific Group (25 B-Day)
7:30 pm.
30 min speaker, break, call up meeting.

**Parkland Group has cancelled
their Friday & Saturday Night
Candlelight meetings due to lack
of support.

Saturday & Sunday 9 AM
meetings need support

Big Book study every Monday @ 8
Tradition meeting every
Thursday @8**

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.



Service Information, Events, and Other

**Grapevine & Literature
Quarterly**

September 12, 2009
Calvary Chapel Church
9428 4th St. SE Lake Stevens, WA
9am fellowship, 10am business

**District 45 Gratitude
Banquet Committee
Meetings**

Second Sunday of every month
at 4:00 p.m. at CSO.

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

**Western WA Area 72
Assembly**

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

Corrections Committee Quarterly

September 19, 2009
St. Paul's Lutheran Church
1309 Franklin St.
Vancouver, WA
9am fellowship, 10am business

17th Annual
Sponsorship Conference
October 16-18
La Quinta Inn & Suites

www.sponsorshipconference.net

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@piercecounyyaa.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.

GROUP TREASURER'S REGULAR CONTRIBUTION PLAN ADDRESSES

**General Service Office
PO Box 459
Grand Central Station**

**Central Services Office
3640 S. Cedar Ste. S.
Tacoma WA 98409**

**Your District
Attention District #
3640 S. Cedar Ste. S.**

Please make sure all your contributions include your group's name and service number. This information is very important in assuring that your group receives proper credit. Find out from your district the best way to support your standing committees.

**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



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:\$ _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

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

Memorial: ___ Anonymous Donation: ___

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. 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!

Aug 21-23	Hang in There Group 6th Annual Camp-out & Pot Luck Picnic	River Bend Campground	
Aug 22	District 54 Annual Picnic	VFW Campground Highway 162	12 to 5 No Pets Allowed Pot Luck Sides
Aug 29	Spanaway Hall Picnic	Spanaway Park, Lake Shelter D	12 to 6 Pot Luck Sides
Sept 12	Grapevine & Literature Quarterly	Calvary Chapel Church 9428 4th St. SE Lake Steven	9 am Fellowship, 10 am business
Sept 18-20	19th Annual Women of Action Retreat	Pilgram Firs	
Sept 19	Corrections Quarterly	St. Paul's Lutheran Church 1309 Franklin St. Vancouver WA	9 am fellowship, 10 am business
Sept 25	Take a Professional to lunch	Joseppi's Restaurant	11:30 to 1:00 pm
Oct 2-4	Western WA Area 72 Assembly	Lynwood Convention Center 3711 196th Street SW	



August-Sept CSO Daytime Phone-Volunteers

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

Night-Time Phone-Volunteers, 6p-10p - Sept, 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
August 30 <i>As Bill Sees It</i>	August 31 <i>Fircrest Study</i>	1 <i>Fellowship</i>	2 <i>The Morning Mtg</i>	3 <i>Joe</i>	4 <i>AMAA</i>	5 <i>Tues Nt Mens Stag</i>
6 <i>Jolly</i>	7 <i>Narrows</i>	8 <i>Miracle of 56th</i>	9 <i>Eastend Newcomers</i>	10 <i>Back to Basics</i>	11 <i>Women's Big Book</i>	12 <i>New Arrivals</i>
13 <i>Spanaway</i>	14 <i>Fircrest Study</i>	15 <i>District 9 Groups</i>	16 <i>12X12</i>	17 <i>Firgrove</i>	18 <i>Sat Speakers</i>	19 <i>Puyallup AIR</i>
20 <i>David S.</i>	21 <i>Tiopsaye</i>	22 <i>Cornerstone Crew</i>	23 <i>Sunrise</i>	24 <i>Serenity Hall</i>	25 <i>Northend Newcomers</i>	26 <i>No. Pacific Group</i>
27 <i>Sound Group</i>	28 <i>Follow Up</i>	29 <i>Friday Night Group</i>	30 <i>Parkland</i>	Oct 1 <i>Joe</i>	Oct 2 <i>AMAA</i>	Oct 3 <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

Pierce Progress
3640 S. Cedar, Suite S.
Tacoma, WA 98409

Attention:

Group

Pierce's Progress Subscription Information

Mail this form to or drop it off at: CSO, 3640 S. Cedar, Ste S., Tacoma, WA., 98409. Be sure to send ck/mo payable to CSO (don't mail cash). Rates are \$1/mo for individuals/groups when mailed to an address or P.O. Box (includes printing/postage). Groups/Districts/Committees who subscribe receive copies in their box at CSO for .35/copy. Also, single copies are available at CSO with donations appreciated to help defer costs.

INDIVIDUAL/GROUP SUBS (MAILED)

Today's Date: _____ [CSO Date ___ / ___ / ___ -Ck# _____ SK: _____]

Name (Group): _____ (Group Contact: _____)

Address: _____ **City:** _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____

Phone: (____) _____ **Other #:** (____) _____ **email:** _____

Calculate: \$1 x #/mos _____ = \$ _____ (Amt Enclosed)

GROUPS, DISTRICTS, AND COMMITTEES SUBS (NOT MAILED)

Today's Date: _____ [CSO

Date ___ / ___ / ___ -Ck# _____ SK: _____]

Grp/Dist/Comm Name: _____ **CSO Box #:** _____

Contact Person: _____ **Service Position:** _____

Phone: (____) _____ **Other #:** (____) _____ **email:** _____