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9, 29, 44, 45 & 54**

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FROM THE EDITOR

Wow, I hope you all enjoyed the sunshine this last weekend! I want to give a big thanks to Dana for filling in for me last month. She did a great job!

May is my AA birthday month and so I have been reflecting these last few days on the year. This has probably been the most full year of "life on life's terms" that I have encountered. There was a lot of fear in my life, uncertainty, and sadness. I am so grateful that this year I was able to ask for help, I was able to be vulnerable, I was able to cry in a meeting, and share with you today what was going on. I need to always remember that I am human and it doesn't matter how many years of sobriety I have I can also be the alcoholic that still suffers. It is still a fight for me today at times to let go of the ego, admit that I don't always have the answers and to ask for help.
Crystal S., Editor

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CSO SCHEDULE—June '10

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 Committee	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.



Central Services Office April 2010
Operating Results

Profit/Loss Statement

Sources of Funds:

	Actual	April 2010 Budget
Group Contributions	2,680.69	2,420.00
Meeting Contributions	684.25	450.00
Service Committees	694.28	250.00
Miscellaneous Income	234.71	410.00
Literature Sales	5,769.33	4,280.00
Schedule Sales	1,092.40	770.00
Newsletter Subscription	18.26	50.00
Total Sources	11,173.92	8,630.00

Expenditure of Funds:

New Wages	1,871.52	1,912.00
Social Security Tax	469.61	355.00
Medicare Tax	109.83	85.00
State Payroll Taxes	111.75	70.00
Answering Svc Expense	206.00	215.00
Cable TV	38.20	35.00
Electricity	100.22	162.00
Donations	-	-
Insurance	-	-
Rent	1,675.00	1,675.00
Supplies	94.19	250.00
Telephone	149.43	125.00
Miscellaneous	100.14	-
Copier	-	30.00
Repairs	-	-
Maintenance	-	75.00
Literature Expenditures	2,834.66	3,300.00
Newsletter Publications	208.94	250.00
Office Furniture	-	-
Schedule Publication	-	-
Postage	-	50.00
Website	76.35	205.00
Sales Taxes Paid	1,359.75	1,150.00
Business Licence	-	-
12 Step Committee	70.93	-
Total Expenses	9,476.52	9,944.00
Net Income/(Loss)	1,697.40	(1,314.00)

***Includes \$3,455.64 from March that was not entered into the computer

Restatement

	Mar-10	Apr-10
Total Sources	12,336.19	7,718.28
Total Expenses	16,128.50	9,476.52
Net Income/(Loss)	(3,792.31)	(1,758.24)

Actual

Cash Positions

Beginning Bank Balance	5,003.95
Income	11,173.92
Interest Income	0.09
Subtotal	16,177.96
Less: expenses	9,476.52
Prud Res Adjustment	-
Ending Bank Balance	6,701.44
Cash over(under) \$15,000	(8,298.56)
Prudent Reverse Goal***	28,836.00
Beginning Reserve Balance	24,646.68
Deposits to working reserve	-
Interest earnings	17.01
Ending Reserve Balance	24,663.69
Reserve over(under) Goal	(4,172.31)
***4 months based on budget	

Distribution Calculation

Ending Balance Operating Account	6,701.44
Ending Balance Prudent Reserve	24,663.69
Total Funds Available	31,365.13
Prudent Reserve Goal	28,836.00
Set Operating Balance	15,000.00
Total Allowable Funds	43,836.00
Distribution Overage(Shortage)	(12,470.87)

Amounts to Distribute per Motion

General Services Office NY	-
Western WA Area 72	-
Total Distribution	-



	YTD	Jan 10	Feb 10	Mar 10	Apr 10
District and Committee					
Access Comm	20.00	20.00	-	-	-
CPC Comm	40.00	-	-	40.00	-
DIST 29	1,645.73	65.00	1,450.73	-	130.00
Dist 44	90.00	30.00	60.00	-	-
Dist 45	614.28	90.00	-	-	524.28
Dist 9	80.00	40.00	20.00	-	20.00
PI Comm	80.00	-	40.00	20.00	20.00
Treat Comm	125.00	-	125.00	-	-
Other District and Committee	40.00	40.00	-	-	-
TOTAL District and Committee	2,735.01	285.00	1,695.73	60.00	694.28
Group					
9 AM AA	18.00	-	-	18.00	-
Anderson Island	50.00	-	-	-	50.00
As Bill Sees It	120.00	-	-	-	120.00
Buckley Group	20.00	-	-	-	20.00
By the Book	250.00	250.00	-	-	-
Common Ground	90.35	20.35	-	37.20	32.80
Courage to Ch	50.00	50.00	-	-	-
Daily Reflec	155.00	80.00	-	-	75.00
Destiny	145.00	-	-	145.00	-
Eastend New	30.18	-	-	-	30.18
Fox Island	201.90	90.90	-	-	111.00
Gig Har Legacy	135.00	-	-	-	135.00
Graham	192.78	-	-	128.20	64.58
Hang In There	79.06	18.69	13.16	-	47.21
Jolley	100.00	-	-	-	100.00
Ka-Sa-Ra	10.00	-	10.00	-	-
Keys To Sobriety	150.00	-	150.00	-	-
Ladies Nite Out	173.00	-	85.50	87.50	-
Living Free	125.00	-	-	125.00	-
Loft	500.00	-	-	-	500.00
McChord	100.00	-	100.00	-	-
Miracle on 56th	16.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00
Men at Work	167.00	167.00	-	-	-
Men's Stag	451.25	-	451.25	-	-
Mon Night Women	141.00	-	-	-	141.00
Morning Meeting	1,150.00	-	600.00	-	550.00
Narrows	137.98	37.65	28.00	31.00	41.33
New Freedom	45.00	-	-	45.00	-
North Star	118.85	23.43	-	-	95.42
Over 50	100.00	-	-	-	100.00
Plateau BB	100.00	-	-	100.00	-
Primary Purpose	35.72	-	35.72	-	-
Rebels With a Cause	100.00	-	100.00	-	-
Sat Spkrs	293.17	40.00	20.00	-	233.17
Serenity Hall	800.00	-	250.00	550.00	-
Sound	100.00	-	100.00	-	-
Spanaway	150.00	50.00	50.00	-	50.00
Step Ashore	157.20	-	157.20	-	-
Stielacoom Ser	300.00	-	120.00	-	180.00
Straight Shooters	100.00	-	-	100.00	-
Summit View HP	159.40	159.40	-	-	-
Women In Emo. Sobriety	122.45	-	122.45	-	-



CSO Sales Report - 2010

	YTD	Jan 10	Feb 10	Mar 10	Apr 10
TOTAL Group Meeting	7,440.29	991.42	2,397.28	1,370.90	2,680.69
An Lkwd Sp Bfst	294.00	88.00	66.00	82.00	58.00
Book Review	100.00	-	-	100.00	-
Brunch Bunch	75.00	-	75.00	-	-
Farwest	121.00	-	-	88.00	33.00
Gig Harbor Bfst	100.00	-	-	100.00	-
Madigan Prof	60.27	60.27	-	-	-
Miracle Tues	104.25	-	50.00	-	54.25
Mon Step Study	45.00	-	21.00	-	24.00
Out to Lunch	200.00	-	-	-	200.00
Thurs Step	12.00	-	-	-	12.00
Wed. Step Study	425.50	122.50	-	-	303.00
TOTAL Meeting	1,537.02	270.77	212.00	370.00	684.25
Miscellaneous					
Anonymous	381.57	134.75	9.37	186.56	50.89
Coffee	532.11	138.83	131.87	108.65	152.76
Copies	121.99	45.00	26.70	2.30	47.99
W to W	52.92	13.75	14.05	13.26	11.86
Other Miscellaneous	16.21	-	45.00	-	(28.79)
TOTAL Miscellaneous	1,104.80	332.33	226.99	310.77	234.71
Sales					
Literature Sold	20,006.35	5,026.92	4,023.57	5,186.53	5,769.33
Newsletter	22.86	2.50	0.35	1.75	18.26
Schedules	2,807.50	134.50	-	1,580.60	1,092.40
TOTAL Sales	22,836.71	5,163.92	4,023.92	6,768.88	6,879.99
TOTAL INFLOWS	\$35,653.83	\$7,043.44	\$8,555.92	\$8,880.55	\$11,173.92

CSO Visitor & Call Log April 2010

OFFICE VISITORS	PHONE CALLS	Total Calls	Minutes Charged by Answering Service	At a Cost of
H- In Office For Help	6	A - Information	382	
I - Local Member, buying Literature, Leaving Flyers, etc.	186	B - For Help	23	
J - Other Area Member	4	C - Help For Others	12	
		D - Other Area Visitors	3	
		E - Non A.A. Members	4	
		F - Help For Non-Alcoholic	2	
		G - Volunteer & Office Communications	32	
				556
				220
				\$206



District 9

District 9 – Report for Pierce's Progress - Submitted May 13, 2010

It hurts my heart that there are meetings out there without a group conscience. You see it takes time and participation to form a group conscience. It takes reading, discussing, studying the Twelve Traditions. It takes listening to even the quietest voice in search of God's will. And that, quite often, cannot be done in a 45-minute business meeting.

I especially like the Long-Form of the Twelve Traditions. The Seventh Tradition starts out, "The A.A. groups themselves ought to be fully supported by the voluntary contributions of their own members." It would be unheard of to take money from anyone outside of A.A. We would never think of taking money from a church or charitable foundation. As drunks we survived on handouts but as recovering alcoholics we stand on our own two feet. We become responsible for ourselves, financially and personally. If my Home Group is having trouble paying the bills, dig a little deeper because I want our doors to stay open to the suffering alcoholic. Are you doing all you can to support your group? Bill W. wrote that self-support entails a little money and a lot of time. Is your group taking handouts - even from another group?

Turn-out was less than average last month with a few GSRs missing. Rodney F., our Corrections Liaison, stepped down due to health issues. We're all sending prayers and wishes for a speedy recovery. If you are interested in serving please see me, or come to the next District 9 meeting - 3rd Tuesday of the month.

Our meeting on June 15th, will be held at the Area Archives Repository, 402 Saint Helens St, in Tacoma. The Archivist, Trisha C., will be there to give us a tour and talk about the importance of preserving our history. Then we'll conduct the regular business. I'm really looking forward to this!

By the time this comes out we will have had our Delegate's Report. Next in the works is the Pre-Assembly in August and the Concepts Workshop tentatively on September 11th. We'll get fliers out as soon as possible.

As Always Your Servant, Liz F. (DCM 9)

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.

Wednesday 2-4 pm, Thursday 2-4 pm, Friday 12-2 and Thursday 6-10 p.m. are all open
Call Linda

Next Deadline to get Information into Pierce's Progress

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

June 11, 2010



District 45

District 45 minutes for April 15, 2010

Archivist: Position was still open.

CPC: Mark M. Looking into packet that they got at the Quarterly to pass out to professionals and will put together at next CPC meeting. Thinking about giving professionals that attended the luncheon thank you cards, feedback cards, and other invitations; Talked about hand out invitations for the luncheons a month in advance. Next T.A.P.L. will be on July 16th at 11:30am and they are making fliers for that so more information will be coming soon, Don put together prep. card for Handout/Packet. CPC needs names and numbers of professionals the luncheon so if you have anyone in mind let Mark M. know.

CSO: David D. Talked about the new mission statement and what it states, prudent reserve will be dipped into by September; CSO needs home group support the contributions are really down. CSO is going to change banks from Bank of America to Sound Community. Motion for Chairperson to not attend any quarterlies unless reimbursed by host committee died because of lack of second vote. Roxanna made a suggestion that maybe they should think about raising the rent for individual groups that use the CSO with the contributions being so low, and that the rent did go up.

Treatment: David D. Area quarterly will be April 17th in Burien; Bridge the Gap in District had 9 females and 13 males and Out of District had 18 female and 35 male. There was a motion to reimburse the Chairperson for past quarterlies was made and passed and will be reimbursed at fifty cents per mile.

ALT. DCM: Kevin K. read from the Grapevine "Getting Spiritual", passed around the event folder for everyone, and passed out motions from the quarterly that have not been passed yet but are going to be discussed and wanted feedback. May 16th at 3pm will be the Assembly committee meeting and then right after at 4pm will be the Gratitude and Banquet committee meeting at the CSO. There is also the Delegate meeting on May 16th at 11am. Kevin will email the Quarterly motions to everyone; there was some discussion on the motion at the quarterly to create a new Delegate Area and it states "We move that the Western Washington Area Assembly submit an application to the General Service Conference to create an additional Delegate Area" that will be voted on in October.

New Business: Archivist is now Bob O. Denice brought up moving the committee meeting for the Gratitude Banquet and Picnic to a day the week instead of on a Sunday, Kevin isn't able to do another day during the week and it was decided to keep it on Sundays. Wanda P. a question if when talking about someone that is going to speak if it is promoting to also say that they are part of District, after some discussion it was decided to just say the person's name and not the position that they fill. Kevin K. asked if District 45 wanted to renew the Grapevine subscription and a motion was made and passed to get a new subscription. Cynthia H. opposed the motion, she disagrees with District getting it to give to Archivist later, and Bob O. opposed saying that he thinks as a District provide the Grapevine to other committees. Kevin K. asked if District would like to tour the Archivist building, many would love to do that.

Adjourned at 8:50 pm. Recovery Rocks, Trisha M.

District 54

District 54 DCM Report May 2010

Hello Everyone – It has been a busy month with lots of information for you.

I attended the Western Washington Area Assembly at the beginning of April in Port Angeles. There was a lot of information that was shared and a lot of new motions (9 so far) that we will be discussing over the next few months in preparation for the October Assembly in Longview. Please, please, please, start discussing these now in your Home Groups. The more conversation that we have now, the easier the Assembly will be on your GSR's. This is an election year and we have a lot of motions as well. In an effort to help your GSR not have to be up all night on Saturday doing business, we need to address all of your questions ahead of time. Your GSR will be bringing this information to your next Home Groups meeting. Remember, it is important that we do our best to be a part of the Group Conscience of Alcoholics Anonymous in Western Washington.

The Western Washington Area needs your support. Please make your Group Distributions so that the Area can provide the services that the groups have asked to be provided for the Alcoholic Who Still Suffers.

We will be combining together with District 29 (Puyallup, Sumner, and Orting) for the Delegate's Report this year. We will be meeting at the District 29 Monthly Business Meeting to hear from David T., our Area Delegate about what went on at the General Service Conference this year in New York. This is always interesting to hear what AA as a whole is up to and how it directly affects us here on the Plateau. Delegate's Report will be on June 8, 2010 at 6:30 pm. Please let me know if you would like more information.

I have lots more to tell you, but am out of space, so, more will be revealed. Always yours in service!!

Barbie Kaeder DCM District 54



District 29

Hello Everyone. I thought spring was here but it is only 40 degrees outside right now. What is up with that? I know that the weather is this way because I got a new motorcycle. Yes, I am now in the middle age-want to make a change motorcycle club. Crazy you say? Just because I crashed one of the motorcycle safety course bikes doesn't mean I will crash my own, I hope. Anyway, enough about me, here is what is going on in the Action District.

Our DCM passed out flyers for the July Quarterly and the October Assembly. She encouraged all the GSRs to register for the assembly as soon as possible. She also reminded everyone that the district inventory will be postponed to July 13 so the delegate can give us his conference report in June. If you have not heard a delegates' report, please come to the GSR meeting at 6:30 PM on June 8, 2010 at the District Service Center. It is one of the most uplifting and spiritual reports you will ever hear.

Our Alt. DCM announced that the area is hurting for money and to please contribute. He also reminded the groups to put the group number on their contribution so they can get a receipt and credit for their donation. He asked for volunteers to help with our upcoming District Picnic. If you would like to help, be at the District Service Center every Thursday at 6:00 PM.

The other trusted servants are doing well. We have two open positions. We need a new Cooperation with the Professional Community person and a Twelve Step Liaison person.

There are also open positions for alternates. Ask you GSR how to get involved in the third leg of our triangle. Do not sit on a two legged stool, you might fall.

We had some important group changes last month. Fried Bread II is no longer a meeting or a group. We are sorry to see them go. Also, The Gold Gate Group is searching for a new home. They are currently still meeting at Cattins but are having some anonymity problems because there is no separate meeting room.

Birthdays' for April are the following:

Mark S. 10 Years Happy birthday. Keep coming back!

The Picnic Gratitude Banquet motion was revisited under old business. It was tabled last month so the groups could take the ad-hoc committee findings back to their groups.

Teresa re-read the motion and a vote was taken. The motion failed by a vote of 2 for and 16 against.

We had couple of new business items. One was getting a sense of the district regarding Area 72 motion number 06.3. District 29 GSRs unanimously felt that the Area Trusted Servants should have 5 minutes to speak instead of the 3 that they currently have. The second new business item was a motion to put flyers in the Action to give more information regarding upcoming events. The motion was passed by a vote of 16 for and 1 against.

Whew, that turned out to be a big article. The Action District is hard at work. I will close with a couple of quotes from a book that taught me how to live a sober life:

"Therefore, the main problem of the alcoholic centers in his mind rather than in his body." Alcoholics Anonymous Third Edition page 23

"Ideas, emotions, and attitudes which were once the guiding forces of the lives of these men are suddenly cast to one side, and a completely new set of conceptions and motives begin to dominate them." Alcoholics Anonymous Third Edition page 27

Respectfully Submitted by: Carol N., District 29 Secretary Cne8817390@msn.com



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		

CFS (Western State) Group Name: Sanely Sober	Details: No warrants, no sex based offenses, and no previous contact with patients. Complete Oath Confidentiality, Security Clearance for approval by CSF. Sponsees with min of 3 months sobriety 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 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 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 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.

Sanely Sober Update

Hello Again from Sanely Sober!

It's been a while. Most of the members of Sanely Sober are dually diagnosed. We live with mental illness, drug and alcohol addiction. We meet on the grounds of Western State Hospital in the visiting room of the forensic services. (CFS) This is a locked down unit. There are few AA members who come from the community to our meetings, to share their experience, strength and hope. At our business meeting 27-10 we had a good time sharing.

Birthdays for the month of April:

Tim 3 yrs

Brian 4 yrs

Doug 9 months

Happy Birthday to all!

Sanely Sober meets Tuesday evenings, 6:15-7:15 PM, following the meeting are refreshments and time for fellowship. Our business meeting which precedes the regular meeting at 5:45 PM, and birthday meeting will then follow the same night. Lynnette McInturff, our AA Community Liaison, will walk you through a quick, confidential screening process (please arrive by 5:20pm, it's about 15 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, Community Liaison, CFS Unit, WSH @ (253)582-8900 ext. 3291. So give us a call and join us!

From all of us at Sanely Sober enjoy a great spring!



P. C. Corrections "Members Eye View"

My name is Edward and I am an Alcoholic. I was asked to write something on how Alcoholics Anonymous Corrections service has helped my sobriety. This is a no brainer for me. I found Alcoholic Anonymous Freedom Seekers group while incarcerated at Olympic Correction Center, Forks, WA in 2006. My first sponsor Marc M. attempted to get me to go several times to the Friday night Meeting with no luck. One night he asked me and I responded with the normal no thanks, but he interjected that it was birthday night and they were having cake and ice cream, "what the heck" I said, cake and ice cream is not your regular occurrence in prison

Something happened that Friday night and I have been making meetings ever since, and that was the summer of 2006. My original sobriety date was 10/14/2005, the date I was arrested in Washington State. I went to Clallam Bay from OCC, then to McNeil Island where I paroled in Nov. 2008. I was released to Tacoma and made meetings regularly for about 5 months and never got busy in A.A.

In May 2009 I took that first drink after 42 months dry and was off and running for about 3 weeks before I called my friend Chris G. in Enumclaw Wa. Chris is one of the men who carry the message into McNeil every Saturday morning along with my current sponsor. Chris didn't waste any time he was down here with quickness along with another A.A. friend Matt and they took me to Northend Newcomers in Tacoma where I got my current sponsor. From that night just four days sober my life took on new meaning—I felt like I had some hope. My new sobriety date is June 1, 2009 so I am coming up on my first year of active A.A. living.

I am 54 years of age and this last year has been the best year of life. That is so because I am of service in two home groups; I sponsor other men, and continue to stay in contact with my sponsor. I am involved in Corrections and one of my goals is to go back into prison to carry the message of Alcoholics Anonymous. I invite anyone who reads this that isn't involved in Corrections to consider making Corrections a part of your miraculous journey; a journey that we all get a chance to take in the program Alcoholics Anonymous. Trust God, Clean House, get into Corrections work, and help others—or something like that. Thank You for allowing me to be of Service.

Edward B.

Thanks Edward for your dedication to your sobriety through service to others. Please come meet Edward and our committee on the second Thursday of each month. You will meet some great folks living Happy, Joyous, and Free. Hope to meet you soon.

Keep smiling,

Bob H., PC Corrections Chair



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
May 30 Tacoma Detox @7 Prosperity Summit @ 7 (women only)	May 31 Serenity-WSH@6:30	June 1 Sea-Mar @6 New Life VA@7:30 WSH@6:50	2 Serenity-WSH@6:30 Tacoma Detox@7	3	4 Serenity-WSH@6:30 Prosperity @ 7 Sumner	5 Sea-Mar@7
6 Tacoma Detox @7 Prosperity Summit @ 7 (women only)	7 Serenity-WSH@6:30	8 Sea-Mar @6 New Life VA@7:30 WSH@6:50	9 Serenity-WSH@6:30 Tacoma Detox@7	10	11 Serenity-WSH@6:30 Prosperity @ 7 Sumner	12 Sea-Mar@7
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Hospital & Treatment List

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	Mon, Wed & Fri @6:30p	
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For Further Information, Contact your Treatment Rep. for details of your group commitments or visit the Treatment meeting, first Tuesday every month 8:30pm at CSO or Justine



Upcoming Events

<p>Step Into Spring With a Clean & Sober Dance Saturday, May 22 Fellowship Group 1012 S. 11th St. 9PM-12AM \$6 @ door</p>	<p>Saturday Speaker's Group 209 South J. Tacoma 7:30 PM</p> <p>June 5 Tommy H. Fellowship of Spirit Alex Fellowship June 12 Loree Cornerstone Michael Benson Hill June 19 Jess S. The Shop Group June 26 Dennis F Kitchen Group</p>	<p>North Pacific Group East 54th & East B. Street in Tacoma</p> <p>May 5 Randy M. Tues. Men's Stag May 12 Nora Alderwood Group May 19 John T. Bridge The Gap May 26 Bill M. NPG (33rd B Day)</p>	<p>Alacoma Club 6507 Mt Tahom Dr. SW Lakewood Sunday 8PM May 23 David D. Hang there May 30 Kevin K. Parklan Group</p>
<p>Fern Hill's 57th Anniversary Potluck Potluck Friday, June 18 6PM</p>	<p>75th Anniversary of AA A Vision for You June 13, 2010 Meydenbauer Center 11100 NE 6th Street Bellevue, WA Registration \$5 10AM to 9PM</p>	<p>29th Annual Freedom in Sobriety Pass It On! July 23-25 La Quinita Inn, Tac</p>	<p>Narrows Group Celebrati 75 Years of AA</p> <p>June 8 @ 7:45 1201 S. Jackson Ave. St. Andrew's Episcopal</p>
<p>District 45 Picnic Saturday, June 26 10 AM Wapato Park 6500 S. Sheridan Tacoma Potluck</p>	<p>Women of Action 20th Anniversary Attitude of Gratitude September 17-19 Pilgrim Firs, Port Orchard</p> <p>Contact LaVerne 253-939- 6488</p>	<p>Spanaway Hall 1st Sunday of Every Month Spiritual Breakfast 9 AM</p>	<p>Nooner to Niner August 13-15, 2010 Mineral Lake Event Center</p> <p>Mark K. kornhead44@msn.c</p>

Group Updates, Information, and Speaker Meetings

<p>Thursday Step Study Meeting New Location Fircrest Town Center 1039 Regents Boulevard 10 AM</p> <p>Sunrise Group Moving 6:30 AM Daily Epworth Lesourd United Methodist Church 710 S. Anderson St. Tacoma</p>	<p>District 45 Picnic & Banquet Meeting June 20, August 8, October 10, November 7 All @ 4PM @ CSO</p> <p>Contact Kevin K.</p>	<p>The Downtown Crew</p> <p>Wednesdays 7 PM S. 9th & Market Urban Grace Church Closed, handicapped Accessible</p>	<p>New Meeting</p> <p><i>Heard it Through the Grapevine</i> Thursday 6:45 PM 6507 Mt. Tacoma Lakewood Drive</p>
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<p>The Dock Group 535 Dock Street Suite 104 (Lakeside Recovery)</p> <p>Tue, Thur & Fir @ noon Monday BB Study 6 PM Friday 7:07 PM</p>	<p>The Night Cap 10 PM</p> <p>Five Nights a Week Sunday through Thursday 1201 S. 43rd St. St. Paul's United Methodist</p>	<p>Fellowship of the Spirit Every Tuesday at 7 PM Discussion topics taken from the Big Book 3rd Tuesday is speakers Mtg Last Tuesday is B Day Night St. Mark's Lutheran Church 6730 North 17th Street</p>
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Service Information, Events, and Other

**2010 Western
Washington Area 72
Assembly
October 1-3**

**Cowlitz Regional
Conference Center
1900 7th Avenue
Longview, WA**

**Take A Professional to Lunch
Friday, July 16 11:30 to 1:00
PM**

**Joeseppi's Restaurant 2207
N. Pearl Street Tacoma
We invite any person who
knows an alcoholic from
work for a FREE lunch**

**Western Washington Area 7
July Quarterly
July 9-10, 2010
Hampton Inn
3985 Bennett Drive
Bellingham, WA
Rooms (360)676-7700
Hosted by District 11**

**2010 Pacific Regional Forum
August 27-29, 2010
Torrance Marriott South Bay
Hotel
3635 Fashion Way
Torrance, CA
No Registration Fee**

**June 13, 2010
AA 75th Anniversary
Celebration
Meydenbauer Center
1100 NE 6th St.
Bellevue WA**

If you have an important da
coming up, or if your grou
has something special to
announce, please put a no
in my box at the CSO, or
email:
newsleter@piercecountyaa.org

GROUP TREASURER'S REGULAR CONTRIBUTION PLAN ADDRESSES

**General Service Office
PO Box 459
Grand Central Station
New York, NY 10163**

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

**Your District
Attention District #
3640 S. Cedar Ste. S.
Tacoma, WA 98409**

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 9820
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:\$ _____

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 volunteer 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!



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May/June 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	FULL	FULL	FULL	FULL	FULL	FULL	FULL
Noon 2 pm	OPEN	FULL	FULL	FULL	FULL	FULL	FULL
2 pm 4 pm	FULL	FULL	FULL	OPEN	FULL	FULL	FULL
4 pm 6 pm	FULL	FULL	FULL	FULL	FULL	FULL	FULL

Night-Time Phone-Volunteers, 6p-10p - June, 2010

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 30 <i>Sound Group</i>	May 31 <i>Fircrest</i>	June 1 <i>Fellowship</i>	2 <i>Fernhill</i>	3 <i>Fellowship of the Spirit</i>	4 <i>AMAA</i>	5 <i>Tues Nt Mens S</i>
6 <i>Jolly</i>	7 <i>Narrows</i>	8 <i>Miracle of 56th</i>	9 <i>Eastend Newcomers</i>	10 <i>Friday Night Group</i>	11 <i>Women's Big Book</i>	12 <i>New Arrival</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>Back to 40s</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>Hang in There</i>	30 <i>Parkland</i>	July 1 <i>Fellowship of the Spirit</i>	July 2 <i>AMAA</i>	July 3 <i>Tues Nt Mens S</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 Purchase 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