



# DISTRICT 11 OCTOBER NEWSLETTER



## Group Reports & Birthdays

### Bellingham Group:

We hope to see you all at 1113 1/2 Railroad.

**Blaine International Group:** Speaker for Oct. Kenny D. Empire Way, 2nd Friday 7:30 potluck 6:30

**Birthdays for October:** 7 years Barbara S; 6 years Katy F; 3 years Chad, Al M.

**Custer by the Books Group:** Custer By The Books is about to do a real Custer's Last Stand. We have decided to hang up our number. At our last business meeting, we voted not to allow our treasury to dwindle down to nothing. Rather, we want it to do some good and District 11 could use the financial support right now, so we are closing our doors as of the last meeting in September and donating our entire treasury to our District.

We would also like everyone to know that on the 24th of September (the last Saturday of the month), we are having a going away party/pot luck event to say goodbye. We are also hoping to get a good size basket at the meeting that night to increase our final donation to District.

Please come on out and help us say goodbye and help to support your District. We're providing the meat. Just bring a dish to pass and a heart full of fellowship.

### Dry Dock Group:

**Birthdays for October:** 52 years: Leonard M.; 31 years: Jennifer W.; 9 yrs: Laurie R.; 8 yrs: Art M., Katie C., Don C., Hannah E.; 6 yrs.: Scott L., Sonja; 2 yrs: Kelly S., Cathryn C., Heather M., Sean D.; 1 yr: Katie H., Marco W., Michele, Misty C., Eddie K., Keith A., Angie T., Cody B., David V.

**Everson Group:** Attendance has increased substantially at both meetings . . . lot's of Good AA here!

**Fairhaven Group:** Come visit us at Fairhaven on Thursday nights at 7:30P PM to read the Steps and Traditions and on Sunday nights at 7:30 to read our new book that has the stories from the back of the Big Book, including stories that have been discontinued from earlier editions!

**Ferndale Unity Group:** We have two new meetings, Monday and Thursday nights at 5:30, they are open and one hour long.

**Birthdays for October:** Travis S., Gary, Jim S., Dakota M., Jessica P., Gretchen E., Johathan B., Ruth D., Hiedi F., Kina L., 1 year.; Amber M., Peter S., 2 years.; Michelle W., Nicole C., Elix R., Sherrie O., Angel 3 years.; Dustin C., four years; Steven A., Ken H., 5 years; Jose K., 6 years; Sherry J., 7 years; Deborah W., 9 years; Lyndsey S., 18 years; Paul D., 26 years; Mary A., 27 years; Lee N., 40 years

**Grateful Hearts:** We will be having a speaker meeting on October 31, come join us.

**Birthdays for October:** 2 yrs: Cheryl K; 1 yr: Dana S, Sue H.

**Gentle Spirits:** We moved to the Louisa House at 2240 Main Street in Ferndale. Our meetings will continue to be held on Tuesdays at Noon and all meetings are open.

**Into Action Group:** Please join Into Action on Tuesday nights at 7:30pm for a 12&12 step study 1st, 2nd and 3rd Tuesday and birthday meeting on the 4 Tuesday. We've recently added a special tradition meeting on the 5th Tuesday, where we have 3, 5 min speakers presenting on 3 different traditions with a discussion to follow.

**Birthdays for October:** Tiffany G. 2 Years

**Kendall Group:** Break out of town and see them on Monday nights. Birthday celebration last Monday of the month.

**Lawrence Group:** Lawrence Group holds "warm and friendly" fireside meetings Tuesdays at 7:30pm. Birthdays celebrated the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month with "Rosie's Cake". Potluck dinners start at 6:30pm the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday every other month. Join us with an open mind and heart, sincerely willing to give. Surely you will receive!

**Lynden Group:** Our Big Book study happens on the 2nd Thursday of each month.

**Maple Falls Group:** Maple Falls still has meetings Wednesdays and Saturdays 7-8pm.

**Northwest Group:** Please join us Saturday October 15 to celebrate our annual birthdays. Potluck is at 5:30p followed by the birthday meeting at 6:30p with cake and fellowship to end our evening.

**Birthdays for October:** 35 years-Ralph and Susan B, 28 years-Frank B, 25 years-Polly and Isreal, 23 years-Ken Y, 21 years-Ruth D, 17 years-Brian H, 12 years-Ruth S, 8 years-Johnny W, 6 years-Jerry, Dana K, Peter H, 5 years-Laura O, Jacob D, 4 years-Anne W, Michael C, 3 years-Laura E, Vic, 2 years-Erica B, Deborah E, Allen W, 1 years-Kyle G, Greg C

**September Birthday:** 5 years-Megan K

## Committee Reports \* Committee Meetings

### District Committee Member (DCM) – Dale S.

Hello District 11, Not much to report this month. Hope you enjoyed all the picnics this summer! Events are posted on our website at [www.whatcomaa.org](http://www.whatcomaa.org). ALL are welcome and encouraged to come

Dale S. – DCM – District 11  
dcm@whatcomaa.org

### Alt District Committee Member – Adina F.

"Sunlight of the Spirit" Gratitude Banquet is only a month away! Join us at Lynden Fairgrounds on November 12th!

Thanks to all who have stepped up and volunteered. There are still many opportunities to show your gratitude through service on the day of the event.

We meet on the second Tuesday of the month at 7pm. The next meeting is on October 11 at 7pm @ Dry Dock.

We have decided as a committee to cancel the dance this year that has taken place after banquet due to lack of participation, thanks to those that supported it in the past.

Come be a part of the fun. Bring your ideas and enthusiasm. We hope to see you then. Thanks again to the many Home Groups anonymous donors that have stepped up to donate raffle baskets..... who else wants to get involved??

Feel free to contact me with any questions, comments, or concerns.  
Gratitude@whatcomaa.org or 360-410-9548

Yours in Love&Service,  
Adina

### Archives- Brett H.

Hi district 11! Bret H. your archives rep. Please email district 11 archives with your experiences with past Archivists. Do you have direct experience being archivist? When did you serve in this position? What was your favorite part of being archivist? Thanks for the opportunity to serve.

### Accessibility- Bryan B.

If interested please come visit us at the next accessibility committee meeting the first Thursday of the month at Northwest Hall at 5:30.

### Corrections & Treatment- Calvin R.

Our Jail and Juvy meetings are in need of support! Especially from women as we have some volunteers rotating out soon. If you are at least year sober and a year off of active probation and willing to help us keep our commitment to alcoholics in jail, please come to our business meeting on the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of the month at 5:30 pm at Northwest hall to sign up.

### Grapevine & Literature– Bruce B./Rob H.

All is well in the land of Grapevine and Literature. We hope to see as many groups as possible represented at the monthly meeting. Keep in mind that we have a few new additions to the literature available, including Daily Quotes, Sober and Out, and the pamphlet Many Paths to Spirituality. Ask your group rep to pick these up for you at the next GV&L meeting if interested.

### Phone Service Committee- Adam G.

The phone service committee needs your help! This is an excellent way to help carry the message to the still suffering alcoholic. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact us at: [phoneservice@whatcomaa.org](mailto:phoneservice@whatcomaa.org).

Our monthly committee meeting happens on the 2nd Thursday of each month at 6:15, Dry Dock Hall. We look forward to seeing you or hearing from you!

### Schedules – Kenny P.

Group schedule changes are due by the 2nd Friday of each month. Any changes made must be emailed to **BOTH:**  
[schedule@whatcomaa.org](mailto:schedule@whatcomaa.org) AND [webservant@whatcomaa.org](mailto:webservant@whatcomaa.org)

The email address for the schedules chair was incorrect in past newsletters, please make note that the correct email is [schedule@whatcomaa.org](mailto:schedule@whatcomaa.org)

### Public Information/Cooperation with the Professional Community (PI/CPC) – Krista O.

In August, Kanani and I attended the quarterly in the Lynnwood area. There was a lot of talk about the fact that AA is NOT growing. Our membership is steady but not growing. Your Area 72 PI and CPC Chairs have been working hard, going where Bill and Bob went to help the suffering alcoholic, in their local hospitals. They have accomplished a great deal of 12 Step work at Virginia Mason, Overlake and others. The work is visiting patients who have been admitted or are in the ER, who appear to need help, are offered a visit from us, and they accept a visit from us. This work takes a while to get going so it is my goal to have the contact made and get the process started before the end of my 2 yr. term in December.

The committee is also planning an informative workshop on Anonymity, October 13, 7 pm at OPP (see flyer). District 11 PI/CPC Committee will also be hosting the Area 72 PI/CPC Quarterly on Nov.12 (watch for flyer)

In Service  
Krista O.

## Group Business Meetings

**Bellingham Group-**1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of the month at 6:30pm

**Blaine International-**1<sup>st</sup> Friday of the month at 6:30pm

**Dry Dock-**3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the month 6:15pm

**Everson Group-**3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of the month at 7:30pm

**Fairhaven Group-**1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month at 6:15pm

**Ferndale Group-** 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the Month at 6:30pm

**Gentle Spirits Group-**1<sup>st</sup> Tues. of the month at 1:00pm

**Grateful Hearts-**1<sup>st</sup> Monday of the month at 6:30pm

**Into Action-**1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of the month at 6:30pm

**Kendal-**Last Monday of the month

**Lawrence Group:** 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of the month at 6:45pm

**Lynden Group-**3rd Thursday of the month at 7:00pm

**Nooksack Group-**1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of the month at 8pm

**Northwest Group-**2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month at 6:30pm

**Our Primary Purpose-**1<sup>st</sup> Wed. of the month at 7pm

**S.O.S.-**1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of the month at 8:45pm

**Southside Group-**2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the month at 8:15am

**Sudden Valley-** 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of the month at 6:30pm

**Sumas-**3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month (odd months) at 8:00pm

**Third Legacy-**1<sup>st</sup> Monday of the month at 5:30pm

**WITS-** 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of the month at 7:15pm

**York Meeting-** 1<sup>st</sup> Friday of the month at 5:30pm

## Group Birthday Celebration

**Bellingham Group-**Last Thurs. of the month at 7:00pm

**Blaine International-**Last Friday of the month at 7:30pm

**Dry Dock-**Last Sunday of the month 3:30pm

**Everson Group-**3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of the month at 7:30pm

**Fairhaven Group-**3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month at 7:30pm

**Ferndale Group-**Last Saturday of the month at 8:00pm

**Gentle Spirits Group-**4<sup>th</sup> Tue. of the month at 12:00pm

**Grateful Hearts-**4<sup>th</sup> Monday of the month at 5:30pm

**Into Action-**4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month at 7:30pm

**Lawrence Group-**2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month 7:30pm

**Lynden Group-**Last Thursday of the month at 7:30pm

**Kendal-**Last Monday of the month at 7:00pm

**Nooksack Group-**Last Wednesday of the month at 8pm

**Northwest-**3<sup>rd</sup> Sat. of the month 6:30pm; potluck 5:30pm

**Our Primary Purpose-** Every day of the month

**S.O.S.-**Every Wednesday of the month at 7:00pm

**Southside Group-**Everyday at 7:00am

**Sudden Valley-** Last Thursday at 7pm

**Sumas-**Last Tuesday at 7:00pm

**Third Legacy-**Every Monday of the month at 7:00pm

**WITS-** Every Tues. of the month at 6:30pm

**York Meeting-** Every Friday of the month at 6:30pm

## Ongoing Volunteers Needed for:

The AA HOTLINE – 360-734-1688

[phoneservice@whatcomaa.org](mailto:phoneservice@whatcomaa.org)

Ongoing volunteers are needed to take meetings to corrections and treatment facilities, AA Hotline and to speak at non-AA informational meetings. Please attend the monthly Corrections and Treatment meeting to find out the requirements for volunteering (always the 4th Thursday each month at 5:30 pm at Northwest Group)

**Mount Baker Round Up** ~ The application for Scholarships available only at [www.mtbakerroundup.org](http://www.mtbakerroundup.org)  
**Annual District 11<sup>th</sup> Gratitude Banquet!** ~ Saturday November 12<sup>th</sup> ~ Lynden Fairgrounds - Expo Hall  
**Warm Beach Mens Retreat** ~ Feb 24<sup>th</sup> thru 26<sup>th</sup> ~ *This is retreat you must not miss*

**4TH Demension New Years Eve** ~ AA Speaker Meeting and Dance ~ All Ages Welcome

**Maple Valley Group was not closed down!** ~ *It is still alive and open*

**The Third Legacy Group HAS A NEW HOME** ~ Faith Lutheran Church ELCA ~ 2750 McLeod Rd. Bellingham, WA 98225 ~ Regular meeting time ~ Monday 7PM ~ Paid Child Care Provided

**Ferndale Unity** ~ Nueva reunión el Viennese por la noche en Español 7:00pm.

**Our Primary Purpose Group:** We have 3 meetings per day, 7 days a week as well as an in-depth Big Book study Sunday mornings @ 10:30am. We also have a speakers meeting every Friday evening at 5:30pm.

**Rule 62 Group:** We are now an open Big Book Study meeting. Everyone is welcome. Thursday night at 7pm at 1013 Holly St. in Bellingham.

**Southside Group:** The 7pm meetings are on Monday and Friday only.

**SOS Men's Group:** SOS (Steel On Steel) is an open men's group that meets each Monday and Wednesday at the St. James church in Fairhaven. Meetings begin at 7pm. Monday is a Big Book Study. Wednesday begins with a 20 min topic speaker followed by a break. Cookies and coffee provided. The monthly business meeting is held on the 1st Wednesday of each month after the regular mtg. Time is celebrated each week. SOS has a commitment to take a meeting to PCN in Skagit County on the 3rd Tuesday of each month.

**Birthdays for October:** 25 years: Bob M.; 7 years: Michael Q.; 4 years: Adam G.; 1 year: Brandon D.

**Sudden Valley Group:** Every Thursday at 7 pm (Grapevine and BB) and Saturday at 9am (12&12). We meet in the Lower Level of the Dance Barn at Gate 2 in Sudden Valley. We are in the Sunshine Classroom next to the Health Club.

**Sumas Group:** The Sumas Group is doing well, and would like to invite you all to join us as we move into the 2016 fall season. We are an open group of AA, so all are welcome! We are planning some great monthly group outings, and are very excited to be visiting other groups within District 11 to share our experience, strength, and hope. We meet every Tuesday at 7:00 pm at the Sumas Christian Reformed Church, located on the corner of 3rd Street and Sumas Ave. in beautiful downtown Sumas!

**Third Legacy Group:** Speaker meeting is the last Monday of the month!

**York Meeting:** 1-hour Speaker meeting last Friday of the month. Childcare provided. We celebrate birthdays and have cookies each week!

**Women in the Solution:**

WITS meets at 6:00pm every Tuesday. We are a weekly women's meeting that meets every Tuesday at St. John's Lutheran Church on Cornwall. We have paid childcare and snack potluck! We have service opportunities available and all are welcome to participate in our group conscience. Our format each month: 1st Tuesday problem-solution night, 2nd Tuesday daily reflections, 3rd Tuesday step study, 4th Tuesday speaker meeting, and 5th Tuesday Chairperson's choice.

**Birthdays for October:** 9 years: JoAn L.; 2 years: Cathryn C.



**FEBRUARY 24-26, 2017**

For more information and registration, visit:

[www.sosmen.us](http://www.sosmen.us)

**Third Legacy- Rachael**

Your District Third Legacy Committee is alive and well! The beginning of fall has been busy with three District 11 groups asking us to assist with group inventories. We also had an exciting opportunity conduct an inventory for the Fidalgo Bay Group in Anacortes. As usual we are available to facilitate group inventories, assist with workshops, and come speak to your group about anything service related.

In an effort to increase 7th tradition contributions to the district, area, and GSO, the Third Legacy Committee would like to come to your group's business meeting and speak about the importance of the 7th Tradition. If your group is interested in this brief, informative session, please speak to your GSR.

The Traditions are the glue that binds AA groups together! Come find out what all the fuss is about. Join us as we study Traditions 9 through 12 with a workshop Thursday October 20th at 6:30 at Dry Dock. All are welcome to attend!

Your District Third Legacy Committee,  
Rachael W. and Vin K.

3legacycom@whatcomaa.org

**B'ham OldTown OldTimers**  
**Open SPEAKERS MEETING**  
**POTLUCK 5 PM...Please NO DESSERTS**  
**3rd Saturday Each Month 6-8 PM**  
 St. Paul's Episcopal Church Parish Hall  
 2117 Walnut Street ~Bellingham  
 (see back of flyer for Nov GB)

<u>Oct 15</u>	<u>Nov 19</u>	<u>Dec 17</u>
Laurie P. 01.30.94 22 yrs. Sedro Woolley	AA Shalaby B., Gig Harbor (01.06.98)	Nick T. 01.01.97 18 yrs. Lynnwood
David K. 01.20.93 23 yrs. Mt. Vernon	Al-Anon Gordy B., Kent Al-Anon *see Detail Flyer on Back	Michele E. 10.30.82 34 yrs. Blaine

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

**AUGUST**

Previous Balance: \$1200.05  
 Income Groups: \$668.78  
 Income Other: \$266.95  
 Total Donations: \$935.73  
 Expenses Committee: \$512.44  
 Area, GSO: \$0.00  
 Total Expenses: \$512.44  
 Ending Balance: \$1623.34

**ANONYMITY IN A.A. INFORMATIVE WORKSHOP**

HOSTED BY: PUBLIC INFORMATION/COOPERATION WITH THE PROFESSIONAL COMMUNITY COMMITTEE (PI/CPC)

Location: Our Primary Purpose (OPP)  
 1939 Grant St., Bellingham, WA.

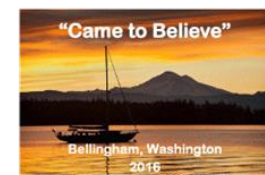
Date: Thursday, OCTOBER 13, 2016

Time: 6:45 pm- Food and Fellowship  
 Your 2016 PI/CPC committee will be voluntarily preparing a meal for this event.

7:15 pm- Workshop

Seventh Tradition will be observed and goes to OPP for the use of their facility.

**28th Annual Mt. Baker Roundup**



**Oct 28th-30th, 2016**

Register early- only 250 registrations available!

**Schedule of Events** subject to change-

**Guest Speakers**

- Beth H. Cary, NC
- Chuck H. Cary, NC
- Lynn A. Valencia, CA (Alanon)
- Scott L. Nashville, TN
- Bob R. Bellingham, WA

**Contact People**

Bob & Mary Jo McCoy 360-920-3676  
 Don Landis 360-820-8485  
 Eileen Landis 360-820-3520  
 Or email: [admin@mtbakerroundup.org](mailto:admin@mtbakerroundup.org)

**Hampton**  
 3985 Bennett Dr., Bellingham, WA 98225  
 Reservations: 1-800-726-7866  
 Fax: 360-671-7557  
 Email: [BLWA.hampton@hilton.com](mailto:BLWA.hampton@hilton.com)

**Friday, Oct. 28th**

- 3:00pm Registration & Hospitality Open
- 4:00-5:00pm Open-AA Call Up Meeting
- 5:30pm Dinner Break- (No meal provided)
- 7:00pm AA Speaker
- 9:00pm "The Costume Dance"

**Saturday, Oct. 29th**

- 8:00am Registration Opens
- 8:30am Hospitality Room Opens
- 9:00-10:30am Workshop: AA Speakers Panel
- 10:45-11:45am Alanon Meeting
- Noon Lunch- Taco Bar
- 1:00-2:00pm Alanon Speaker
- 2:00pm Break
- 4:00pm AA Speaker
- 6:00pm Dinner- Prime Rib/ Chicken/ Vegetarian
- 7:30pm Sobriety Countdown, & Raffle
- 8:00pm AA Speaker
- 10:00pm Candlelight Meeting

**Sunday, Oct 30th**

- 8:00am Hospitality Room Opens
- 9:00am Breakfast Buffet
- 10:00am AA Speaker

**Registration packages:**

Full Registration: \$78.00 (dance not included)  
 Includes all meetings, coffee and hospitality rooms.  
 Plus All Meals: Saturday Lunch, Saturday Dinner and Sunday Continental Breakfast  
 Registration Only: \$43.00  
 Includes admission to all meetings, coffee & hospitality rooms.  
 Friday Night Costume Dance \$5.00 (\$7.00 at the door)

**Register Online at [www.MtBakerRoundup.org](http://www.MtBakerRoundup.org)**

**OCTOBER 2016**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 Detox, 7pm
2	3 St. Joes, 4pm	4 Detox, 7pm  Gratitude Banquet Mtg. Dry Dock @ 7pm	5 Visions, 7pm  Mount Baker Roundup Mtg. St. James Church @ 5:30pm	6 Detox, 7pm	7 St. Joes 7pm	8 Detox, 7pm  Literature Mtg, FUG @ 10:30am
9	10 St. Joes, 4pm	11 Detox, 7pm	12 Visions, 7pm  Newsletter Report Deadline	13 Detox, 7pm  Phone Service Mtg, Dry Dock, 6:15pm	14 St. Joes 7pm	15 Detox, 7pm
16	17 St. Joes, 4pm	18 Detox, 7pm	19 Visions, 7pm  GSR District Mtg, Dry Dock, 6:30pm	20 Detox, 7pm	21 St. Joes 7pm	22 Detox, 7pm
23	24 St. Joes, 4pm	25 Detox, 7pm	26 Visions, 7pm	27 Detox, 7pm  PI/CPC Mtg, Dry Dock, 6:30pm  C&T Mtg, NW, 5:30pm	28 St. Joes 7pm	29 Detox, 7pm
30	31	1	2	3	4	5

\*For information please visit [whatcomaa.org](http://whatcomaa.org).

\*For information about quarterly committee meetings and area events go to [www.area72aa.org](http://www.area72aa.org)