

Grassroots Forum *Highlights*



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"I stood in the sunlight at last." - Bill W.

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January 2022
Quarterly
Attendance

312

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ASK-IT BASKET: HIGHLIGHTS

#4. Is there a suggested length of sobriety for the hybrid technicians that are required?

Answered by Monica M.

Thank you so much for your interest in our new technical support need and the question. We have suggested more than two years of sobriety wherever possible. We would also like them to have had some quarterly and assembly experience, that is they have attended at least one area event. It is important that they are not currently a voting member or alternate. Please contact me or our Chair if you would like more information.

#8. Do the DCMs still receive the current information for their district such as active and inactive in their DCM package sent out at quarterlies and assemblies?

#9. In the Treasurer's report, I heard an address for contributions to have changed, is that correct?

See full answers in the full issue
Grassroots Forum!

Statement of Purpose

The Grassroots Forum is a newsletter by and for the members of Alcoholics Anonymous in BC/Yukon Area 79. It is compiled and edited by the Grassroots Chairperson with the assistance and input of the Grassroots Committee. This newsletter is a vehicle for communication within Area 79 with the aim of strengthening unity and participation. Grassroots is also the means of distribution of the minutes, financial statements and all reports from our Area Quarterlies and Assemblies. It is the aim of the Grassroots Forum to fulfill its purpose with the greatest possible consideration of fiscal prudence and to practise A.A. principles in all of its affairs.

GENERAL SERVICE COMMITTEE REPORTS: HIGHLIGHTS

Delegate - Bob K.

It's amazing that 178 proposed agenda submissions were received by the General Service Conference Coordinator by the new September 15 deadline as per the newly implemented Equitable Distribution of Workload (EDW). After reviewing, it was decided to forward 15 of those agenda items to the 72nd GSC. It has not been decided which conference committees they will be assigned to until the Jan. 29 board meeting. Just for your information two of those 15 agenda items came from members in Area 79, the 1st being Reconsider use of the term "person in custody" in A.A. literature, and 2nd Consider request to revise the pamphlet "Do You Think You Are Different?" to include stories reflecting greater diversity. These two agenda items were submitted without Area backing but the wonderful thing is that both items will be discussed in length by our fellowship prior to our Pre-Conference as well as whichever committee they are assigned to at both the April Pre-Conference and the 72nd GSC.

Registrar - Pauline D.

In the past two years Alcoholics Anonymous has been really creative at keeping the doors open for the suffering alcoholic. Virtual groups have been created all over BC/Yukon Area 79 and many now are continuing on as regular groups but remaining virtual. These groups can be registered, providing they have a GSR or contact person. A recent conversation with GSO Membership Services stated that the address of the GSR or contact person will be the location of the group so that the group can be assigned to a district within BC/Yukon. The New Group form can be used for this process with just an indication that the meeting is virtual.

For full reports from all your General Service Committee members, see the full issue of Grassroots Forum!

DISTRICT COMMITTEE REPORTS: HIGHLIGHTS

District 7

Since merging our two districts, we have welcomed two more GSRs to the district and one more Alternate GSR. Currently there are 13 GSRs that stay connected. We also have made email contacts with three more groups that are hoping to join the district soon with a GSR member.

District 26

I was joined by 7 GSRs and 2 Alternate GSRs from District 26 this weekend. We meet as a district once a month with attendance of about 8-10 every meeting. A majority of our meetings are still or back online, with a few in-person or side-by-side. We have had a quiet couple of months but look forward to hitting the ground running this year.

District 70

We ran our Night Owls this year December 21 till January 1. With an average of 14 people per meeting, the theme was the 12 Steps of Christmas, we run this meeting from 9:30 till the last person shares. Some of our groups were enthusiastically doing a little hoot hoot before sharing. We've had an Alternate DCM move on and so have an opening. We have a new Public Information Chairperson, Doug D. Thank you for letting me serve. I hope you all have a safe, prosperous, and healthy new year.

For full reports from these and other DCMs, see (you guessed it!) the full issue of Grassroots Forum!

New Address for GSO Contributions

General Service Office
Post Office Box 2407
James A Farley Station
New York, NY 10116-2407
U.S.A.

April Pre-Conference Assembly - Apr 8-10, 2022 - Virtual

72nd General Service Conference - Apr 24-30, 2022 - Brooklyn, NY

June Quarterly - June 24-26, 2022 - No Bids Received (yet)

September Voting & Election Assembly - September 9-11, 2022 - Vernon, BC

Check out the events page on our website for lots of upcoming virtual District events!

Letter from the Editor

Hello Panel 71!

It is not possible to summarize the wealth of information contained in Grassroots Forum. The January 2022 issue is 56 pages and contains the full January 2022 Quarterly Minutes, Financial Statements, GSC Reports, DCM Reports, Committee Report-backs, and Ask-it Basket Answers!

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In love and service,

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