

# Spring Assembly   Idaho Area   May 17, 2025   Saturday 10am-1:15pm MST

Cheryl Sorenson   Idaho State Delegate

Lori Malin   Alt.   Idaho State Delegate

Jeanne Hobson   Area Treasurer

Marlene Farnsworth   Area Secretary, D4, GR

Cindy Nestell   Area Ala Teen Coordinator

Nicole Rumpel   District 1 Rep.

Ann Wallace   District 2 Rep.

Mary Heckel   District 3   Alt. Rep.

Teresa Norton   District 5

Jana Melhorn   District 7

Ruth Blaha   Group Records Coordinator

June A., Sheila M., Cynthia J., Rebecca A., Debbie S., Jenny R., Trena T., Teresa B., Judy P., Lynnette H., Adan G., Debbie Y., Robbin B., Rochelle, Vivienne S., Leah B., Kris, Betsy, Laura R., Sharon H., Kelly B., Mary M., Vickie O., Katy B., Timothy B., Phil O., Theresa R., Teresa N.

Chrissy is Conducting. Chrissy reads the Serenity Prayer, Nicole reads the 5th Step, 5<sup>th</sup> Concept, and 5<sup>th</sup> Tradition.

Rochelle makes a motion to accept the minutes from the Fall 2024 Assembly (written by Jess, Nicole's friend), 2nded by Cynthia, all in favor.

Jeanne presents the Treasurer's report. The full report is available to all on our website:

<https://al-anon-idaho.org>

Ruth states the minutes and newsletters are scanned and available at the Literature Center.

Jeanne states that the money from the sale of the OWL (\$500), and the money we saved by cancelling the Area Zoom (\$169), was sent to WSO. (\$669 total.)

Bret will make a place on the area webpage for each District to post their information.

Ruth states each group can update their information and changes on the WSO site, with their group number.

Jeanne let us know that the minutes from the 2023 meeting are missing. The computer went down. Janet Drake has a jump drive with the info.

Debbie Young asked for a current mailing address for Area donations.

Jeanne provided the Area Address: Make checks payable to: IDAHO AREA 13 AFG. Send to:

IDAHO AREA 13   AFG P.O. Box 4521   Pocatello, Idaho   83205-4521

Nicole reminded us to email or call Ruth for any changes. She is our Group Records Coordinator.

Ruth B. [ruthineagle@gmail.com](mailto:ruthineagle@gmail.com) (208) 850-6602

Bret wants to know if the Website provides VALUE to members. Or are flyers better? He would like to streamline our registration and payments for Assemblies, by making it available online. He will send out a survey in the next few weeks to see what people want.

Chrissy reads the DR reports. A few DR's share what's happening in their region.

D1 Has 11 active meetings, Black light Bingo nets \$160 profit

D2 Has a new DR as of March. No meetings yet. They have 10 active meetings.

D3 23 Active meetings: 11 on Zoom, 12 in person. 2nd Annual Jeopardy and Speaker Panel went well. Lasagna Dinner netted over \$300 profit.

D4 Great Speaker meeting attended by most GR's, huge turnout April 18, 2025 with Kathy C. as a Guest Speaker. We are planning more in the future. All Groups have been visited, and there is enthusiasm for more District activity.

D5 Summer picnic potluck planned. District provides meat. 50 people expected. Holiday Bash attended by around 70 people.

D7 They have 10 meetings, and a strong outreach person. They have an Alateen meeting. They will sponsor a "Fall into Recovery" fundraiser for the Literature Center.

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### **Cheryl Sorenson's Delegate report: "Investing in Each Other to Preserve Our Legacy"**

Beautiful Power Point available on our web page, complete with slides you can copy and share with your groups at your next Business Meeting.

WSO is the business side of AI Anon, managing assets of 6 million dollars per year, and the Charter governs the AFG using bylaws. Between Delegates and Trustees, there are 91 voting members. 2/3 are Delegates, and 1/3 are Trustees and support staff. The Delegates vote on the seating motion of Trustees, making changes to the local service section of policy, the 2024 Annual Report, and the seating motion for the non-voting WSC participants.

Concept 6: The Administrative Responsibilities of Trustees. The 1984 Conference voted that the 1968 Concepts are AS IMPORTANT as the Steps and Traditions. Trustees are guardians of AI Anon's 12 Traditions, 12 Concepts of Service, and AI Anon World Service Conference. There are 9 Regions in the United States, and 2 in Canada. Idaho currently has no Regional Trustee.

There are 3 Delegates on each Conference Team. In 2026, WSC will return to a 5 day Conference in Newport News, Virginia.

2026 is the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of AFG.

The Conference Leadership Team collects ideas, recommends topics, and gives review and feedback.

CAI= Conference Agenda Items.

These are used to gather, clarify, and consolidate.

Membership Survey: Cheryl's Power Point available to view on our webpage: <https://al-anon-idaho.org>

15,037 responses from 21,000 groups show that 49 % of Al Anon members come in because of a spouse, 20% because of children, and 14% because of parents.

Idaho Area had a CLEAN AUDIT January 13-17, 2025.

Don't forget to do your Alateen recertification.

A.A. is having their World Conference July 3-6, 2025 in Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada at the Convention Center. Al Anon members are invited, and encouraged to attend. Al Anon Family Groups will have their own sessions and events, offering resources and connection for family and friends of alcoholics.

The Al Anon International World Convention is in Minneapolis, Minnesota July 20-22, 2028.

October 25, 2025 WSO is on a road trip to Omaha, Nebraska.

All of Cheryl's excellent report can be found on: <https://al-anon-idaho.org>

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Nicole: Assembly Guidelines. Motion to approve Assembly Guidelines by Kelly B., 2nded by Jenny R., all in favor.

The AWSC has a double budget for the fall, because of zero expense for today's Spring Zoom Assembly. There are three potential Guest Speakers being considered: Kathy from Worley (where the Assembly is being held), Cheryl and Lori M. recommend considering Sara F., and John M. also.

Nicole said they are looking for volunteers to help with decorations, and the registration table. They are looking for a comradery feeling for this Fall Assembly, and to approve the Budget.

Possibly 2-3 workshops, and a breakfast meeting.

Friday night we have the Casino room for 3 hours for our Spiritual Meeting. (no charge.) Coffee, tea, and snacks available in the morning. Ruth suggested a Panel Meeting or Speaker Friday night since we have a 3 hour block of time in the room.

Registration will be sent out early. Betsy suggested the registration be emailed out or available on the web page in August. Jeanne suggested having Registration Table available Friday evening. Nicole suggested a group dinner Friday night, and will look into it. Debbie Y. suggested a Dinner Meeting.

There will be a Taco Bar for lunch, so people can make what they want, and most diets will be able to find something to eat. Nicole will get a flyer on the website with details.

Registration is \$30, Lunch is \$30. Cindy reminds us that we will be voting on rotation of offices in the Fall.

Nicole said the Casino rooms are recently remodeled and smoke-free. Room costs are from \$120-170. Consider sharing a room. Nicole needs Jeanne to send her W-9 form. Mary H. suggests we don't wear fragrance, so those with allergies can participate without masks. Pet pictures for the Calendar must be sent to Jana M. by July 15. Label with animals name and breed. 500-1,000 dpi please. Jana can reduce the size if needed. Ruth made a motion, and Marlene seconded, all in favor to do the calendars again this year.

Chrissy thanked us all for attending and we closed at 1:15pm MST.