

District 36 Business Meeting Minutes March 3, 2026

Call to Order

Twelve Traditions - Erik

Introductions and AA birthdays – Erik 10mos

GSR sharing - None

85 Years of AA in Washington celebration – Astri T – In April 1941, four alcoholics met in Room 522 of the New Washington Hotel for the first A.A. meeting in Washington State. In 2026, we're celebrating 85 years of continuous recovery through Alcoholics Anonymous with a statewide event. Alcoholics Anonymous in Washington State is turning 85 years old in April of 2026.

We are having a big party, and you are invited to Celebrate 85 Years of AA in Washington

The party program includes Don L. from Bellingham as the main speaker, an old timers (50+ years) panel, young person's panel, a presentation on AA history in Washington, a raffle, sobriety countdown and a dance.

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Where: Emerald Downs Racetrack

2300 Ron Crockett Dr., Auburn, WA 98001

When: April 18th from 10am to 10pm

If you would like to find out more and/or register for this event go here:

<https://www.seattleaa.org/home/85-years-in-wa/>

If you would like to volunteer for this event go here:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C044EACAB28A2FECF8-61370696-85years#/>

If you have questions, contact wa85aa@seattleaa.org

A group of members decided to have a celebration and needed to raise funds, they came up with a can to raise funds for the event. They are selling "poker chips" available for sale for \$25 each to help raise funds. If an AA member donates \$1 for each year of their sobriety they can have their name, sobriety date, and home group and district put into a journal that will be available for years to come.

District Chair reports

- Archives – **Allison** – No Report
- Accessibility – **John** – No Report
- Corrections – **Natalie**
 - Echo Glen women's meeting on pause - staffing changes. Unfortunately, I've not heard back from any of my contacts in several weeks.
 - I plan to attend a Corrections Quarterly on March. I still need to figure out a plan of action and topics for a 2026 Corrections event/workshop for our District

- ESIG Rep – **Patrick**
 - The last meetings were on February 5th and the hot topics were that we still need to fill the open board position and the next event is the pancake breakfast April 18th. District 39 already has the date set for the gratitude dinner as November 26th.
 - This month's meeting is March 5, 2026, at 7:00 pm. Note new start time. At this Thursday's board meeting we do have two candidates which are going to share their resumes, so it appears that is probably filled.
 - ESIG is migrating email services from Zoho back to Google, which may cause email disruption over the next week.
- Events – **Jerry** – No official events for Dict36 this month. Spring Fling March 28th starting @2:30 BBQ/Potluck, Speakers, and Live Band. Planning for campout and Dist36 picnic is underway.
- Grapevine and Literature – **Erik** – Elldi has quite a few Grapevines that she is hoping to donate to the district. Erik will reach out and arrange drop off.
- Gratitude Dinner – **Natalie**
 - I'll be creating a notice for the website to solicit more 2026 committee interest.
 - I think we should pick the date soon and see if the Church has it free and then the new committee can start with that.
 - So far, we have one new person interested and I still need to schedule the follow up meeting with the 2025 team
- 3rd Legacy – **Paul**

Third Legacy Chair March 2026 Report

- Attended 6 of the 8 meetings in our district with no contact and forwarded contact info to Tami for 5 of the meetings.
- Attended District 35 business meeting and obtained D35 group conscience to co-host a Service Workshop in July with us. Prepared motion to our district for same.
- Attended March Area 72 Third Legacy Roundtable. I gave some feedback regarding discussion topic of approving Area 72 Third Legacy Committee at upcoming Area Assembly.
- Contacted ESIG Hotline Coordinator and published phone answering opportunities within our district.
- Prepared D36 meeting “GSR topic of the month” -- suggestions for developing an “Informed group conscience.”

Next Steps

- Attend remaining 2 meetings without contacts. Follow up on the other meeting that didn't fulfill my request to send contact info.
- If approved, brainstorm workshop topics, prioritize, and begin developing July program.
- Expand group outreach to groups with GSRs.
- Consider “Help Wanted – Eastside Service Opportunities” bulletin board posted on SnoValleyaa.org website.
- Web and Digital – **Tami** – Nothing new to Report

District Officer reports

- Secretary – Greta – Motion made and accepted to approve February meeting Minutes
- Registrar – Tami – Website up to date with all correct times and addresses
- Treasurer – Dwayne

Balance Sheet ending February, 28th 2026

Income: **\$236.74**

2/2/2026	Camel and I	group contribution	\$193.73	
2/3/2026	PayPal donation - Paul A	Group contribution	\$9.70	
2/26/2026	7th tradition - district 36 meeting	group contribution	\$33.00	
2/28/2026	interest checking	interest	\$0.22	
2/28/2026	interest savings	interest		\$0.09

Expenses: **-\$175.67**

2/1/2026	Bluehost.com (yearly)	technology	-\$157.12	
2/23/2026	Zoom (monthly)	technology	-\$18.55	

2026 Budget			
	Budgeted	Actual	Notes
DCM	\$800.00	\$203.81	DCM hotel expense \$161.81, April Quarterly \$42
Alt DCM	\$800.00	\$23.00	January quarterly (online)
district printing	\$300.00	\$20.12	district meeting handouts (20.12)
Online technology	\$400.00	\$379.57	Bluehost 156.97 & Zoom 222.60
Secretary	\$25.00		
ESIG	\$25.00		
Treasurer	\$75.00	\$24.75	BECU cheques
Grapevine and Literature	\$150.00	\$71.00	Grapevine expense for 2026
CPC/PI	\$100.00		
Treatment/Bridge the Gap	\$100.00		
Accessibility	\$75.00		
Registrar	\$50.00		
Alcothon	\$50.00		
District Hosted Workshops/3rd Legacy	\$400.00		
Events	\$500.00		
Gratitude Dinner	\$2,000.00		
Corrections	\$100.00		
Storage	\$480.00	\$240.00	
Rent to Fall City Church	\$240.00	\$240.00	
PO Box	\$182.00	\$96.00	
Young People in A.A.	\$100.00		
Total	\$6,952.00	\$1,298.25	
Total Budget PR	\$1,938.00		
Rounded	\$2,000.00		

ACCOUNTS



Business Interest Checking **6337

Available Balance **\$2,905.00**

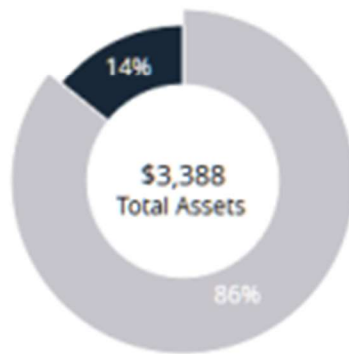
Current Balance **\$2,905.00**

Business Member Share S... **62...

Available Balance **\$482.74**

Current Balance **\$482.74**

ASSET SUMMARY



Business Interest Che...
****6337 85.75%

Available Balance **\$2,905.00**

Current Balance **\$2,905.00**

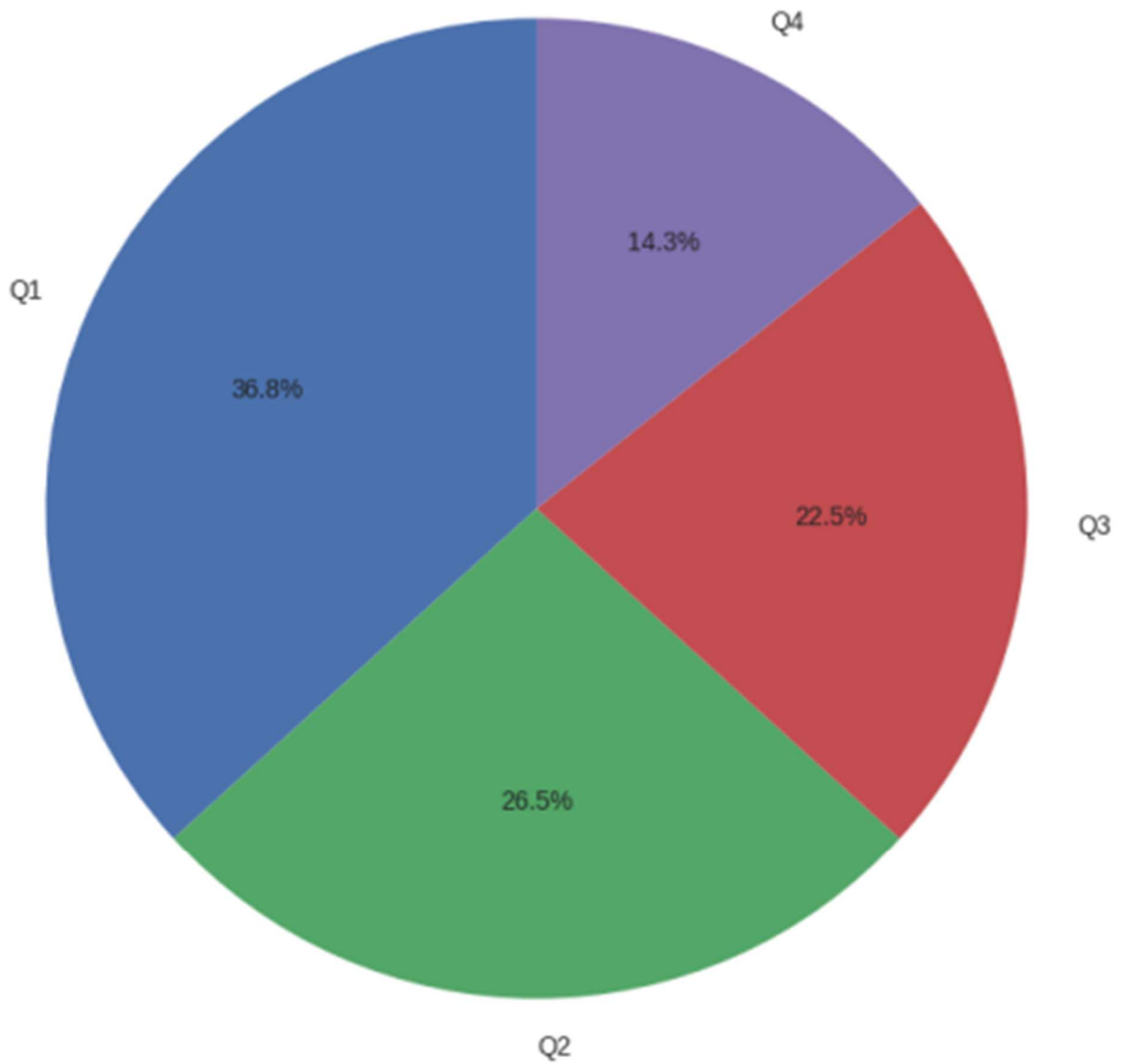
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2026	Totals	Jan	Feb
As Bill Sees It	0		
As Bill Sees it Online	0		
BYOL Bring Your Own Lunch	0		
Came to Believe	156	156	
Duvall Big Book Study	0		
Duvall Candlelight	0		
Duvall Sunday Morning	0		
Foreward to 164	0		
Friday Fumblers	0		

Friday Night Live and Let Live	0		
Grupo Oriente	0		
Home Group	0		
HOW Women's Meeting	0		
Lunch with Bill W.	0		
Mt. Si Group - Fall City Saturday Night	0		
Raging on the River	0		
Right Side of the Tracks	0		
Saturday Night Live	0		
Serenity on Sunday	0		
Sno Valley Women in Recovery	0		
Snoqualmie Friday Night	0		
Snoqualmie Happy Hour	0		
Snoqualmie Stag	264.25	264.25	
Snoqualmie Valley Happy Hour	0		
SnoValley Young Peoples Meeting	0		
Sober Rebels	0		
Step Sisters	0		
Stillwater Serenity	48	48	
Surrender on Sunday	0		
That 12 and 12 Meeting	0		
The Camel and I	193.73		193.73
Thursday Night Candlelight	0		
Towns-End Brothers	0		

Tuesday Hope	0		
Women's HOW Meeting (Online)	0		
Women's Sunlight of The Spirit	0		
District 36 - 7th Tradition	67.7	25	42.7
Alcathon	170	170	
Total	899.68	663.25	236.43

Quarterly Donations



1st Quarter - \$1,242.73

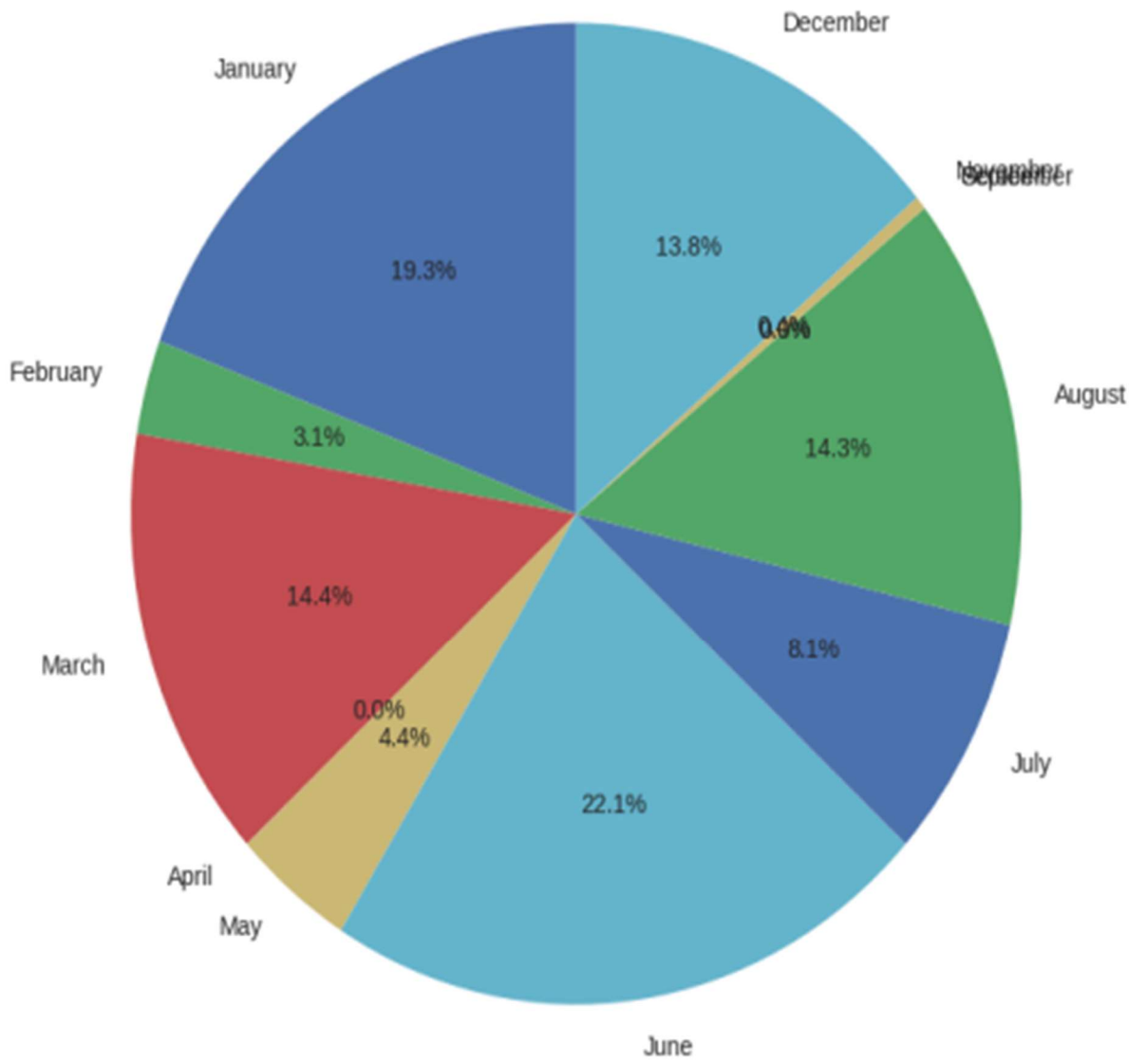
2nd Quarter - \$869.18

3rd Quarter - \$759.38

4th Quarter - \$483.25

Total for 2025 - \$3,381.54

MONTHLY DONATIONS



January \$651.72 July \$274.30
 February \$105.00 August \$485.08
 March \$486.01 September \$0.00
 April \$0.00 October \$0.00
 May \$148.54 November \$15.00
 June \$747.64 December \$468.25

- DCM – Mike
 - I attended the Area Cooperation with Professional Community quarterly in Issaquah. John K from District 35 and I presented on the Middle School Speaker project which took place last year. We were joined by Brandy, the Issaquah Middle School teacher who invited us to speak. Lots of questions about presentations, speakers, and planning.
 - I joined the DCM roundtable online and met with Eastside DCMs from District 18, 33, 34, 35, and 38 for brunch and discussion about Area topics and Eastside planning for our joint events (like the upcoming Pre-conference).
 - The Area Pre-conferences will take place in March. The one planned for the Eastside Districts will be on Sunday, March 15 in Renton at 2:30 pm (<https://snovalleyaa.org/pre-conference-info-session/>). The Pre-conference is one of four annual events we ask the GSR to represent your group at the Area. Our Area Delegate, Courtney S, will present the topics that she needs our Area conscience for the General Service Conference in April.
 - More info on the Delegates Corner, Area 72 web: <https://area72aa.org/delegates-corner/>
 - March 14, 10am, Northern Districts Pre-conference in Everett and Hybrid: <https://area72aa.org/event/pre-conference-northern-districts/>
 - March 21, 8am, Virtual Pre-conference: <https://area72aa.org/event/pre-conference-virtual-district-am/>
 - March 21, 1pm, Central Seattle and Linguistic District Pre-conference: <https://area72aa.org/event/pre-conference-central-seattle-linguistic-districts-pm/>

Meeting Guide

The Meeting Guide app available on your smartphone has up to date meeting locations and is supported/updated by GSO. There is a news tab at the bottom that brings up the announcements and asks direct from the General Service Office. Check it out.

GSO has announced Season 2 of Our Primary Purpose podcast which explore GSO and what they provide our fellowship. Weekly episodes start on March 17:

<https://www.aa.org/gso-podcast>

Area Event Calendar

Area events, district workshops, and AA related celebrations can be found on the Area Newsletter Flyer

Wall (you can even submit your event for posting here): <https://news.area72aa.org/flyer-wall/>

Mar 8, 3pm – 4:30pm, Email & Google Basics Workshop, online:

<https://area72aa.org/event/area-email-google-basics-workshop-2/>

Mar 15, 4pm – 5:30pm, Registrar Workshop, Online: <https://area72aa.org/event/registrar-workshop-virtual-3/>

Mar 21, 10am – 2pm, Area Corrections Quarterly, Greate Seattle Intergroup and Zoom: <https://area72aa.org/event/area-corrections-quarterly-meetng/>

Old business

- Discussion topics from January Quarterly – do we have new feedback?
- Open positions, volunteers for service

Alternate DCM

Bridge the Gap/Treatment

Cooperation with Professional Community/Public Information

Young People

New business

- Service Workshop in July hosted by D35 and D36

District 35/District 36 Service Workshop

Carrying the Message Beyond the Group (or something like that)

Tentative Motion

District 36 co-host with District 35 in July a Workshop on the topic of Service with an estimated attendance of 40 people. Further that D35/D36 Events Coordinators develop and report back on details of date, venue, and volunteer positions needed, then generate a flyer. Further that D36 Third Legacy Chair solicit program input, circulate and gain approval on program, and obtain speakers/ panelists and report back for approval.

Tentative Details

Date: Saturday, July 18?

Venues: Eastside Fire & Rescue, Newport Way, Issaquah (D35 just hosted a CPC Quarterly there and recommends it as a good venue). Other venues ideas welcome. Issaquah might have better attendance than Snoqualmie, North Bend, or Carnation?

District 35 Concurrence: D35 approved a group conscience to co-host at their March District meeting.

Program Thoughts & Input

- D35 recommended one panel of 3-4 speakers and program duration of 90-120 minutes.
- General service topics: The AA service structure. GSR, District, and Area. District Standing Committees. Other District positions.
- Other service: ESIG (phones, 12th step, office), treatment facilities, Echo Glen for women, meeting-to-meeting interchange, etc.
- Sponsorship of course is a core service. Include? Typically is a topic for an entire workshop. I'm undecided.

Thoughts to Enhance Participation and Fellowship

Barbecue: A barbecue was suggested to end the event to enhance fellowship and draw attendance.

Booths: "Booths" (actually tables) staffed during last part of program and barbecue to connect directly with service opportunities.

- **Five takeaways for this month's business meeting**
 1. 85 Years of AA in Washington is celebrating on April 18. Join us at Emeralds down for speakers, food, and fellowship.
 2. The area Pre-conferences are this month. This is the opportunity for the Area Delegate to share the topics for the General Service Conference and get our group conscience.
 3. We will meet one hour early in April before the business meeting to have pizza and discuss the pre-conference and GSR roles for upcoming area business. More info to come.
 4. The district has a proposal for a service workshop in July. Please check for interest and possible topics.
 5. Groups should consider contributing quarterly as consistency and not amount is important to budget planning.

Close the meeting