

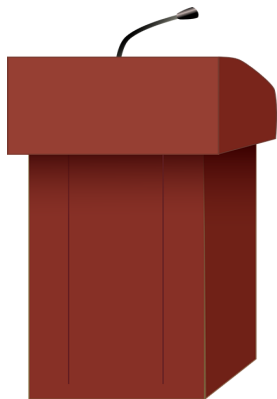
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March 12-13 2021

Shriners Event Center  
7217 W. Westbow Blvd.  
Spokane, WA 99224  
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### The Origin Story

In the mid-80s Clancy was speaking at the Sunflower Round-Up and coined the phrase "Pockets of Enthusiasm". He was referring to clusters of AA groups with a high level of the "spirit within" for recovery. Following the Sunflower conference, Dick and Peggy M from Bellevue NE started the Pockets of Enthusiasm round-Up in Omaha, NE. I was able to be a part of that conference for a couple years before moving back to Spokane in 1991. (continued on back)



# POCKETS

of *Enthusiasm!*

(In 1993) Clancy I. had spoken at the Foxhall NW Group 2<sup>nd</sup> anniversary meeting. Several hundred people showed up to hear him share Saturday night. Sunday morning Clancy and a few Foxhall home group members went out to breakfast at the Golden Corral Buffet. Also attending the breakfast was a small group from the Pacific NW meeting, Tacoma, WA, as well as a Pacific Group offshoot from Helena and Bozeman MT. Not knowing these "pockets of enthusiasm" were so close, I suggested we start a conference that would move from one community to the next each year. The Spokane, Tacoma, Helena and Bozeman groups would each host a speaker and all would share in the financial responsibility of the conference. We also invited the Spokane Al-Anon Family Group to participate in the weekend and offered two speaker times. The second year those from Montana suggested the conference should stay in Spokane as the travel to Tacoma would be too far. No surprise, Tacoma felt the same way about trekking to Helena. We stayed in Spokane. After about 5 years the Montana contingency backed out to start the Northern Rockies Pockets of Enthusiasm, and Tacoma resigned to spend more time and effort on their conference - Sponsorship Conference. Spokane AA meetings, The South Hill Group and the Prescription for Living Group, have bowed out as sponsors as well as Spokane AFG.

Today the conference continues to host four AA and two AFG speakers with the help of many AA and AFG members.  
Robert L.

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The 26th Anniversary  
**2020**  
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Questions?

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592-0388

# NW Pockets of Enthusiasm

March 13-14th 2020

“The Spirit Within”

## Friday

Conf/Reg opens 3:30 pm  
Marathon Mtgs start 4:00 pm  
Al-Anon Speaker 7:00 pm  
AA Speaker 8:00 pm

## Saturday

### Marathon meetings all day

AA Speaker 9:00 am  
Al Anon Speaker 10:30 am  
Lunch Break 12-2pm  
AA Speaker 2:30-3:45

### Dinner

Countdown 6:30  
AA speaker 7:00 pm  
Raffle 8:15 pm

## Speakers

### AA:

Brendan D Vancouver, WA  
Marty J Richmond, BC CAN  
Diane B Anacortes, WA  
Dawn M Laguna Hills, CA

### Al-Anon:

Kelly P. Helena, MT  
Rhea F, WA

## On-line Registration

www.nwpockets.org  
PayPal

## Dinner (optional) \$15

Mexican buffet catered by De Leon Foods

## Lodging

### Sleep Inn

3809 S Geiger Blvd Building A  
Spokane WA 99224  
509-315-8922  
Free Shuttle to Event Center

## (34 rooms available till February 28th)

Mention Pockets to get a \$95/night rate.  
Free breakfast buffet



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“Still you may say: ‘But I will not have benefit of contact with you who wrote this book.’ We cannot be sure. God will determine that, so you must remember that your real reliance is always upon Him. He will show you how to develop the fellowship you crave.”

Alcoholics Anonymous pg. 164

Signers for the hearing impaired

## Mail Registration

### Name

AA \_\_\_\_\_ AFG \_\_\_\_\_

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### Address

### Phone

### Email

Please contact me about volunteering \_\_\_\_\_

Before March 1 \_\_\_\_\_ x \$30 = \_\_\_\_\_  
After March 1 \_\_\_\_\_ x 35 = \_\_\_\_\_  
Dinner ticket \_\_\_\_\_ x 15 = \_\_\_\_\_  
Total: \_\_\_\_\_

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