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March 13-15 2020 Shriners Event Center 7217 W. Westbow Blvd. Spokane, WA 99224

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 2nd anniversary meeting. Several hundred people showed up to hear him share Saturday night. Sunday morning Clancy and few Foxhall home group member 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 off shoot 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 AA and AFG speakers with the help of many AA and AFG members.

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The 25th Anniversary

2019
Pockets of
Enthusiasm

The Spirit Within

March 8-10 2019

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Questions? Call Rex 509-592-0388

Speakers

AA:

Tamara J. Coeur d'Alene ID Josh W. Seattle WA Tom McT. Austin TX Madeline P. Happy Valley OR Al-Anon:

Speakers and Workshop professionally recorded by Great Events

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Spokane WA 99224
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Free breakfast buffet
Free shuttle to event center

"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

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