WSGA Board Meeting on March 15, 2023

X = Attended A=Absent

	Board Members		Chapter Reps	Ext	ra People
X	President Chris Brue Mc3cats	X	48 North Karen Townsend paisleykmt		YouTube Monitor
X	Vice-President Antoine Pin Winos_Seattle	X	Cache-cadian Eugene Reed Mr. Gadget2	Х	Outreach Antoine Pin Winos_Seattle
X	Secretary Lori Cassidy SeabeckTribe	X	Inland Empire Gerald (Jerry) Martin Martin5	Х	Jacquie Vaughn Prince Trouble New Vice President 2023-2024
X	Treasurer Annette Bailes PeachofWA	X	Olympic Peninsula Joshua Craig Confused Zombie	Х	Gabe Shanafelt wasurf New SW Chapter Rep 2023-2024
		X	Puget Sound Chris Umpphenour ChrisoftheNorthwest,		
		X	South Central Benjamin Parruzot Tecsomane		
		X	Southwest Vickie & Brian SuperKnots		

Called to order at 7:06 pm

Proxy: None

Minutes:

Motioned for Approval: Karen

2nd: Vickie

Approved: Lori, Vickie, Karen, Annette, Gene, Jerry, Antoine, Joshua, Benjamin

Treasure Report:

See attached Treasurer Report below

Membership as of March 12:

255 Total Members

Premium: 220 Basic: 25 Other 10

Chapter Reports: See below

Merchandise Report:

- Slowed down the last month
- Geotour is picking up and we have the first geocacher who completed all 7 chapters.
- 24 coins of Day break (completed 3 chapters)
- 3 coins for Night break (completed 7 chapters)

Outreach Program:

- Contact made with GSA Girls Scouts of America King County Satellite Group Leader for proposal for having educational series
 of sessions for multiple GSA Troops from Renton North to Redmond out east to Snoqualmie Pass.
- Contact Friends of Lake Sammamish Director of the Board. Currently switching out roles. Contacts attempted with no response.
- Contact Suzanne Halkin WA STATE PARKS Events Coordinator for Campout, CITOS and events.

Old Business:

- Election Results & Introductions
 - Jaquie Vaughn, Princess Trouble, as new Vice President
 - o Gabe Shanafet, wasurf, new Southwest Chapter Rep
 - o Benjamin Parruzot, Tecsomane, South Central Chapter Rep
- F/U on WSGA Cache Machine
 - o Discussion of possible different places for holding a statewide event

New Business:

- ★ Motion to Establish New Standing Committee's
 - Event
 - Merchandise
 - Online or Tech Committee

Motioned for Approval: Chris Brue

2nd: Joshua

Approved: Lori, Vickie, Karen, Annette, Gene, Jerry, Antoine, Joshua, Benjamin

- **★** Transfer of Duties
 - Outgoing and Incoming need exchange materials

Member Comment from Live YouTube and Board:

No comments but had 2 people listening

Next Meeting: May 17, 2023

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Adjourned at 8:59 PM

Chapter Reports

48th North		Karen Townsend paisleykmt
Past Chapter Events:	Upcoming Chapter Events:	Upcoming Area Events
1.29.22 National Puzzle Day GCA3XMN in Lake Forest Park [supposed to be for Snohomish County] hosted by 48N 25 Attendees	3.25.23 Tolkien Reading Day GCA5CYY Mount Vernon [Skagit County] hosted by 48N	Other area events in the works that will be hosted by 48N, birding event, mushroom event, hiking preparedness [what to pack in your bag].
2.5.23 Winter Games 2023: Mill Creek Bunco GCA42AQ in Mill Creek hosted by FxBill 5 Attendees		
2.12.23 Vampy Valentines Afternoon gathering GCA410D in Monroe hosted by SirKarp & NW Stinkerbella 12 Attendees		
2.18.23 CITO in Snohomish @ Hill Park GCA4DRC in Snohomish hosted by WatchDOGSMike 13 Attendees		
2.18.23 After Hill Park CITO BONFIRE GCA4DRD in Lake Stevens hosted by WatchDOGSMike 8 Attendees		
2.19.23 Ride Bikes! #50: Centennial Trail in Lake Stevens GCA45FJ in Lake Stevens hosted by gsbarnes 5 Attendees		

2.26.23 National Tell A Fairy Tale Day GCA4Q10 in Langley [Island County] hosted by 48N 6 Attendees		
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Planning an Escape Room event for July or August 2023.

We are planning tot talk to Ranger Tina at Cama Beach State Park about reviving the Great Balls of Fire event for February 2024.

Cache-cadian		Eugene Reed Mr. Gadget2
Past Chapter Events:	Upcoming Chapter Events:	Upcoming Area Events
	Chapter News:	

Inland Empire Chapter		Jerry Martin Martin 5
Past Chapter Events:	Upcoming Chapter Events:	Upcoming Area Events
		03/11/2023 2nd Annual Puzzle Solving Party!

GCA525T by Martin 5 Spokane Va 03/17/2023 Come Find GCA5BX2 by TeamMu Spokane Va 03/18/2023 Spring Brea GCA5CZ5 by Nuttyguy Pullman, W 05/20/2023 1st Annual GCA5FXH by jtbrownir	alley, WA S Parts alley, WA I Think Green ~ St. Patrick's CITO alley, WA Your Shamrock at the Golden Arches #5! dbugs alley, WA ak 2023 @ Wazzu A Spring Valley Reservoir CITO
Troy, ID	

The memorial service for one of our longtime members, Robert Imperatrice (RLDrosophila), is scheduled for Saturday, April 29, 2023, 11:00 a.m., at St. Luke's Episcopal Church in Coeur d'Alene, ID. Reception to follow at the church.

We are still looking for a venue in which to host our annual Winter Party event, which we have not been able to have since 2020. This is our largest event and draws around 60 to 80 attendees. Unfortunately, none of our former venues are available for a large group or are just plain unavailable for use. We may have to look at this being an outdoor Summer Party in the future.

I have been in communication with the new parks' director for Pend Oreille County, who is interested in having a new geo-challenge there this summer. He is not a geocacher; however, learned of the previous two geo-challenges, which took place in 2015 and 2017. Those two were placed by Richard Bain (the to life) on behalf of the parks department. Richard is not interested in doing a 3rd one, so I have been working on recruiting volunteers from within our IE Chapter roles to help make this happen. At current count, I have 7 volunteer hiders and one volunteer to handle the computer work, Derek Fisher (CacheDFish). This is a work in progress and the parks' director still has to see if he can obtain the funding for finisher coins. More to come...

Olympic Peninsula		Joshua Craig Confused Zombie
Past Chapter Events:	Upcoming Chapter Events:	Upcoming Area Events
	Chapter News:	

	Puget Sound		Chris Umpphenour ChrisoftheNorthwest
	Past Chapter Events:	Upcoming Chapter Events:	Upcoming Area Events
•	CNW's 500th	April/May Spring cook out	Several CITOs planned,
•	GCA4XZ2 - It's Annie Organ's 10,000th & she needs an event!,		GCA4VWX - Geocache Hiking Group - March 2023
•	GCA47CW - World Class Paddle Caching Practice Event Event Cache		

None at this time.

South Central		Benjamin Parruzot TecsomaneP
Past Chapter Events:	Upcoming Chapter Events:	Upcoming Area Events
Chapter sponsored or organized events: ♣ ♣ GCA4EJN - Footprints in the snow? February 18, 2023 by WSGA SC Chapter	Chapter sponsored or organized events: GCA4RF2 - WSGA SC Spring tour 2023 • #1 Dayton March 18, 2023 by WSGA SC Chapter GCA4RF4 - WSGA SC Spring tour 2023 • #2 Walla Walla March 19, 2023 by WSGA SC Chapter GCA4RF7 - WSGA SC Spring tour 2023 • #3 Connell April 8, 2023 by WSGA SC Chapter GCA4RF8 - WSGA SC Spring tour 2023 • #4 Othello April 15, 2023 by WSGA SC Chapter GCA4RF9 - WSGA SC Spring tour 2023 • #5 Yakima April 22, 2023 by WSGA SC Chapter GCA4RFC - WSGA SC Spring tour 2023 • #6 Prosser	GCA4XRJ – Yakima final route gathering March 24, 2023 by quadsinthemudd GCA307W - Tri-Cities 2023 Geocoin Challenge June 24, 2023 by Richland Parks&Rec

April 29, 2023 by WSGA SC Chapter	
♣ GCA4RFE - WSGA SC Spring tour 2023 ● #7 Goldendale May 6, 2023 by WSGA SC Chapter	

- 11 participants for a small get-together in Richland in February some from Spokane and Portland
- 9 of 16 coins distributed so far (includes 3 mailed coins). 7 left to distribute, I am still putting a notice at each event I organize or attend to remind everyone. The ones I have left are for people that are not around as often, so it might take a bit.
- Tri Cities Geocoin Challenge 2023 mega event will be held Saturday, June 24: GCA307W
- Going out of the Tri-Cities March-April-May for 7 events to tour the chapter :-)

Southwest Chapter		Vicki & Brian The SuperKnotts
Past Chapter Events:	Upcoming Chapter Events:	Upcoming Area Events
None	None	None

Chapter News:

Nothing new to report, the tour caches are getting a lot of love. People seem to be enjoying it. Good luck to the new rep and thank you to everyone for all you do.

Vice President Report

Vice President	Antoine Pin Winos_Seattle
Past Activities:	Upcoming:
Elections for 2023-2024 year	None

News

ELECTIONS "Nominanee Committee" Formed and including: Antoine Pin (Int. VP), Lori Cassidy (Sec), Benjamin Parruzot (S. Central Chapt. Rep), Jerry Martin (IE Chapt. Rep). Nominating for board members posted and opened to the general membership Feb. 1st - 15th Nominating period extended by two days. With Nominee Committee approval. Feb. 17th. Vetting period extended by two days with Nominee Committee approval. Feb. 19th Vetted Nominees / Slate: (fwd: & Posted to by WSGA Pres. Chris Brue) Posted Feb 21st with results and conclusion of Nominations Posted Feb 24th with results slate - All board positions running uncontested including two new replacements. (SW Chapter Rep & Vice President). Nominees presented per by-law 9.6 (all positions uncontested) Nominees in slate provided to be subjected to a 5 day dissent period extended by 2 days from March 1st to March 7th. Nominee Committee and President approval. As per By-Law 9.6.1 and 9.6.2 One single opinion piece submitted and sent to the board as per request of the feedback submitter. Election for nominees approved by acclamation on March 8th 00:01am 2023.

Treasurer Report

	WASHINGTON STATE GEOCACHING ASSOCIA	ATION		
Bank Balance, December 31, 2022				\$ 10,448.73
INCOME:				
	Membership Income		\$ 1,257.00	
	Merchandise sales		216.80	
	Grant Income-Port of Seattle for GeoTour		4,000.00	
	Donation		4.99	5,478.79
		Subtotal		\$ 15,927.52
EXPENSE:				
	Postage Expense		\$ 53.13	
	Chapter Allocation Expense		766.12	
	Office Expense		57.84	
	Website Hosting - 3 yrs thru 12/31/2025		181.00	
	Stripe Fees		71.14	\$ 1,129.23
Bank Balance, February 28, 2023				\$ 14,798.29
Current Bank Balance 03/13/2023		\$ 14,963.45		
Less: Printed Check Charge		(87.52)		
Reconciled Bank Balance 03/13/2023		\$ 14,875.93		
Balance undistributed in Stripe Acct.		47.94		
(deposit scheduled 3/15/23)				
Total Cash On Hand, 03/13/2023		\$ 14,923.87		
3/14/2023				
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CHAPTER ALLOCATIONS DATA FOR 2023										
Updated: 03/13/2023										
2023 Chapter Allocations (Paid Out)	Puget Sound	48 North	Olympic Peninsula	Cache-Cadian	Inland Empire	Southwest	South Central	Total		
January										
February										
March										
April										
May										
June										
July										
August										
September										
October										
November										
December										
Used to date	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		
	Puget Sound	48 North	Olympic Peninsula	Cache-Cadian	Inland Empire	Southwest	South Central			
Preliminary 2023 Funds based on 2022	\$830.00	\$390.00	\$230.00	\$200.00	\$380.00	\$260.00	\$160.00	ESTIMATES!!!		
January Additional Funds	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00			
Febrary Additional Funds	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00			
March Additional Funds	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00			
April Additional Funds	\$0.00		\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00		Ì		
May Additional Funds	\$0.00							i		
June Additional Funds	\$0.00							Ì		
July Additional Funds										
August Additional Funds										
September Additional Funds										
October Additional Funds										
November Additional Funds										
December Additional Funds										
Used		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00			
Remaining Funds	\$830.00	\$390.00	\$230.00	\$200.00	\$380.00	\$260.00	\$160.00		\$2,450.00	