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## The Open Gate A Threshold to Freedom

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**C**atastrophe had been years in the making, a slide into a profound dependency on drink, so cunning and subtle that I hadn't noticed. Outwardly, I appeared to function -- perhaps I simply refused to acknowledge my long, slow descent. But when booze stopped working, all at once, I imploded and collapsed. The world crashed. Adrift on an ocean of calamity, clinging to a life buoy they called "treatment center," my mind was numb and thick with fog.

There were many facets to my prescribed treatment plan, including transport in the hospital bus to and from my very first AA meeting. Thursday nights, however, were reserved for an introduction to the Big Book. A man came to "recovery class" with a copy for each of us.

He said his name was Buddy, and he had been a sober member of AA for over thirteen years. He shined with the light of enthusiasm and selfconfidence. My first thought was: Nobody can stay sober that long. But I sure wanted what he appeared to have. Buddy was going to help us study the Big Book every Thursday night, and with no alternatives, I skeptically decided to see it through. He seated us in a row in front of him. For me, the first session was a jumble of confusing words.

The next week, during Buddy's second visit, my mind began to clear a little, opening up space for my two-headed nemesis, fear and dread, to return. My insides shook and my knuckles whitened as I hung on. Buddy asked me to read aloud from the chapter, "More About Alcoholism," and my voice quivered as I read from page forty-two: "Then they outlined the spiritual answer and program of action which a hundred of them had followed successfully."

"Stop right there," Buddy said.

I looked up. His eyes bore into mine, even as his face wore a slight look of mirth. Gently, he asked me, "Do you believe everything's going to turn out all right?"

In a heartbeat, the debacle of my life flashed through my mind. Disaster seemed to loom. I wanted to appear brave and strong facing my future. That's what he really wants to hear from me, I thought. But the situations I would have to face were so immense and frightening to me that I had considered a "permanent" way out rather than face reality. I imagined myself standing before an iron gate, clutching its bars, locked out from the glowing light of freedom and

serenity on the other side.

My mind stumbled, but in a fraction of an instant, I was overwhelmed by a realization. It washed over me and seemed to swing that iron gate open. These AA people and their book said that no matter what was out there, they would stand by me and help me through. More importantly, a Higher Power of my own choosing would be there with me, and they could show me the way to tap into that power. Buddy was holding the gate open, but I was going to have to take the action and step across.

I looked at him with a sense of wonder, and his expression seemed to mirror my own, as if he completely understood what was happening. In a whisper I answered, "Yes . . . I believe everything's going to turn out all right. I don't know how, but I believe that it will."

That's the moment I took the action, stepping through the gate and across the threshold into a whole new way of living. It was frightening to leave the old ways behind, regardless of how disastrous they had been, but I was determined to try something different. The book in my hands came alive, and seemed to speak directly to me. There was too much to absorb all at once. I was going to need help from these people, and for the first time since my early youth, I was going to let people help. I found myself a student again, and in many ways, I was once again a child. This inspiration was perhaps the most important experience of my life.

The next many months proved to be every bit as difficult and arduous as I had feared. As my old life faded away, I lost many possessions, but gained a solid community of sponsor, friends, and family I had never known before. With their help, I learned to trudge this path. Many problems were confronted and resolved.

Almost a year later, Buddy and I found each other at a nearby AA conference.

"You look great," he told me, as we sat down to share with one another from a whole new perspective of hope, understanding, and mutual respect.

Nearly twenty years have passed, and Buddy and I have remained close. He has helped me many times along the way, and I've had the good fortune to be of some help to him. We are true friends, in every sense of the word, and together we try to help newcomers.

I used to say that Buddy saved my life, but he has never allowed that. "Your Higher Power did that," he insists, and of course, he's right.

After all these years, I still carry a spark of that inspirational moment of realization that the AA program was for me. I am joined to its message, one day at a time. Every time I see my old friend, or sit in a meeting with him, or just talk to him, I'm carried back to that time he was my gatekeeper and encouraged me to step through into the Sunlight of the Spirit. ☺

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*I am responsible.*

When anyone, anywhere, reaches  
out for help, I want the  
hand of AA to always be there.  
For that, *I am responsible.*

### Calgary AA Central Service Office

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Calgary, Alberta – T2G 4X7

Phone: (403) 777-1212 Fax: (403) 287-6540

Email: [centraloffice@telus.net](mailto:centraloffice@telus.net)

#### Office Hours:

Mon to Thr: 8:30am – 1:00pm, 2:00pm – 5:00pm  
Fri: 8:30am – 5:30pm, Sat: 9:00am – 1:00pm  
Closed Sundays and Stat Holiday Weekends

**NOTE: CLOSED Sept. 1 & 3**

# NEW MEETINGS

**Beacon's Refugee Group**  
(Open, Discussion)  
Saturday, 8:00pm  
Highland Community Centre  
3716 - 2nd St. NW  
(Side door)

**Big Book Study**  
(Open, Women)  
Monday, 7:30pm  
11419 - 8th St. SW  
(Upstairs, at left)

**Came to Believe**  
(Open, Discussion)  
Sunday, 7:30pm  
Rm. 200L, 200 Haddon Rd. SW  
(Upstairs)

**Cedar Villa Shut-In Seniors**  
(Open, Mixed)  
Saturday, 10:00am  
3330 - 8th Ave. SW  
(Gord R.: 510-8680)

**Come & See**  
(Open, Mixed)

Sunday, 7:00pm  
St. Joseph's Church  
640 - 19th Ave. NW

**East Village Woman's Group**  
(Closed, Women, Step/Discussion)  
Tuesday, 6:00pm  
East Village Place  
750 - 5th SE  
(3rd Floor, Ring #1015)

**New You Sailor Bill's**  
(Open, Mixed, Step & Tradition)  
Tuesday, 7:30pm  
Bowness Sportsplex  
7904 - 43rd Ave. NW  
(Main floor meeting room)

**Sowing the Seed**  
(Open, Mixed)  
Tuesday, 7:30pm  
Mustard Seed Creative Centre  
106 - 11th Ave. SE  
(Basement)

**Walking Eagle**  
(Open, Step & Tradition)  
Monday, 8:30pm  
Knox United Church  
506 - 4th St. SW  
(Harris Room)

**Rounders**  
Wednesday, 8:30pm  
Cedarbrae Community Centre, Rm. 3  
11024 Oakfield Dr. SW  
(Summer ONLY)

**Step By Step**  
Thursday, 8:00pm  
Christ Church  
3602 - 8th St. SW  
(New room, North door, Downstairs)

**Strathmore Thursday Night 12 x 12**  
Thursday, 8:00pm  
NOW MEETS AT:  
Strathmore Full Gospel Church

# CANCELLED MEETINGS

**Black Diamond (Oil Field Hospital)**  
Sunday, 8:00pm

**First Things First**  
Thursday, 7:00pm

**Inside Out**  
Tuesday, 7:30pm

**New You**  
Wednesday, 8:00pm

**Properties Group**  
Thursday, 8:00pm

**Sailor Bill's**  
Tuesday, 7:30pm

## Newest Stuff at CSO

- **"The Language of the Heart"**  
(Large Print), collected writings of Bill W. to the Grapevine, \$20.00.
- **"The Best of Bill"** (Audiobook), Grapevine booklet read on to CD, \$16.00.
- **"In Our Own Words"**, Grapevine book of articles written by young people, \$11.00.

## CENTRAL OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED:

July 4th & 6th for Civic Holiday AND  
Sept. 1st & 3rd for Labour Day.

## ALREADY IN!

- CSO has 2008 Grapevine Pocket Planners & Calendars.

**Planners: \$7.00 Calendars: \$12.50**

# MEETING CHANGES

**Haddon's Journey Home**  
NOW STARTS AT 5:30pm (Mon. - Fri.)  
200 Haddon Rd. SW, Rm. 200L  
(Upstairs)

**Airdrie Sunday Morning Breakfast**  
Speaker now starts at 10:00am  
Breakfast following  
Best Western Regency Inn, Rm. 207  
Edmonton Tr., Airdrie

**Los Vientos**  
Fri. & Sat. - 7:00pm, Sun. - 5:00pm  
Forest Lawn Physiotherapy  
1803 - 35th St. SE (Basement)

## The 5<sup>th</sup> Tradition

(Long Form)

Each Alcoholics Anonymous group ought to be a spiritual entity *having* but *one primary purpose* — that of carrying its message to the alcoholic who still suffers. ☉

## A.A.'s Legacy of Service

\*Bill W.

*The A.A. Service Manual*  
1951

**O**ur Twelfth Step — carrying the message — is the basic service that the A.A. Fellowship gives; this is our principal aim and the main reason for our existence. Therefore, A.A. is more than a set of principles; it is a society of alcoholics in action. We must carry the message, else we ourselves can wither and those who haven't been given the truth may die.

Hence, an A.A. service is anything whatever that helps us to reach a fellow

sufferer — ranging all the way from the Twelfth Step itself to a ten-cent phone call and a cup of coffee, and to AA's General Service Office for national and international action. The sum total of all these services is our Third Legacy of Service.

Services include meeting places, hospital cooperation, and intergroup offices; they mean pamphlets, books, and good publicity of almost every description. They call for committees, delegates, trustees, and conferences. And, not to be forgotten, they need voluntary money contributions from within the Fellowship. ☉

\*Bill wrote these words in 1951, therefore, his words reflect that time period in their details.

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# VALUABLE 12 STEP OPPORTUNITIES

“Practical experience shows that nothing will so much insure immunity from drinking as intensive work with other alcoholics.”

- Big Book, Pg. 89

Members needed to carry the message to **Bowden Institution**.

(Please note: Security clearance is required)

**More Information: Brenda G. (403) 309-8323 or email: [corrections@area78.org](mailto:corrections@area78.org)**

Members needed to carry the message to the **Remand Centre** and **Calgary Youth Offenders Centre**.

(Please note: BOTH require security clearance & min. 1 yr. sobriety)

**More Information: Marilyn L. (403) 239-4923**

Calgary AA would like members for the **12 Step List**. **PLEASE SEE INSERT!**

**More Information: Doug (403) 990-9914 or Mathew (403) 777-1212**

**or email: [centraloffice@telus.net](mailto:centraloffice@telus.net)**

**Bridging the Gap** is looking for members willing to work in **NE Calgary** as well as **Centres Outside of Calgary**.

**More Information: Mathew (403) 777-1212 or email: [centraloffice@telus.net](mailto:centraloffice@telus.net)**

## Calgary Archives needs your old Grapevines:

In cataloguing all of our Grapevines for Archives, we have found we are missing a few from years past. We thought, with all our AA friends out there, someone might have some of the missing issues. Specifically we are looking for donations of the following issues:

**Any Grapevine 1958 and earlier, Aug. 1961, Aug. 1965, and any issues from 2002 - 2004**

## Calgary Archives is looking for the following:

Calgary Archives is currently searching for **AA members with more than 30 years sobriety** who are willing to do oral histories.

We are also seeking groups who are **willing to submit Group Histories**.

**If you are interested in being a part of Archives or for more information:**

**Tim (403) 273-2846**

## Calgary & Area 78 Corrections Committees:

We are always in need of **any and all, current or old Grapevines**, for use in the jails of Southern Alberta. Drop them off in the special box at CSO and they will get read several more times & help inmates to find sobriety. You can also give them to your GSR to take to the CGSC meeting or Area Assembly.

## CGSC is looking for volunteers to fill the following positions:

**Registrar, Introductory Service Seminar Chair & Intergroup Liason Positions.**

**If you are interested please attend the next CGSC Meeting (last Monday of the month) or call Central Office at (403) 777-1212**



## CHECK THIS OUT!

### Valuable Service Work Opportunity Up for Grabs!

**Calgary Intergroup** is looking for a volunteer for the position of **Special Event's Chair**. The **Special Event's Chairperson** is responsible for **all the fun events** that happen through Calgary Intergroup (Dances, BBQ's, Parties, etc.)!!!

**If you are interested, or know of any one who might be interested, please call Central Office at (403) 777-1212**

Area 78 Delegate, Pat L.'s, Summer Report can be found online at <http://www.area78.org>. (Click on **Service, Delegate's Page, July 2007 Delegate's Message**.)

All submissions to be included in any upcoming editions of the Westword newsletter should be sent to [westwordeditor@gmail.com](mailto:westwordeditor@gmail.com) no later than the first Monday of each month. Anything sent past this deadline MAY NOT be received in time to be included in the edition.

Thank you - Westword Editor

# UPCOMING EVENTS

## 28th Annual Stettler Round Up

Aug. 17-19, 2007

### NEW LOCATION

Nevis Community Hall

13 Miles west of Stettler on Hwy. 12, to Nevis, 1/4 mile north.

**More Information: Gary A. (403) 742-2156**

## YA-BUT 2007

Texas Scramble Golf Tournament

Sunday, Aug. 19, 2007

Tickets: \$85.00

**More Information: Norm N. (403) 272-1935**

## Red Deer Round Up

Aug. 24 - 26, 2007

Westerner Park - Harvest Centre - Marquis Room

**More Information: Nikki M. (403) 309-0901**

## 20th Annual Sober, Strong & Free Round Up

AA Conference for Gays, Lesbians, Bisexuals & Transgender People and their supporters.

Aug. 31 - Sept. 2nd, 2007

St. Andrew's Centre

12720 111 Ave.

Edmonton, AB

## Cranbrook's 6th Annual AA Camp Out

(Rock Lake Camp)

Aug. 31 - Sept. 2nd, 2007

SPACE IS LIMITED - REGISTER EARLY

To purchase tickets or for

**More information: Niel M. (250) 489-8107**

## Fellowship & a Movie

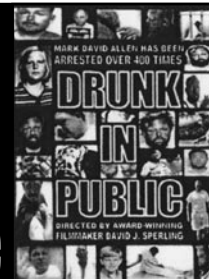
Friday, Aug. 24, 2007

8:00pm

5510 - 26th Ave, NE

Showing acclaimed documentary:

**DRUNK IN PUBLIC**



## Pioneer's Dinner

Saturday, October 20, 2007

5:30pm-10:00pm

Dalhousie Community Church

5511 Baroc Rd NW

Dinner and Refreshments:

**\$25.00**

### Speakers:

- Marilyn M. (Al-Anon)
- Irene S. (Double H)
- Bart F. (Bow Trail)
- Jack B. (Mar. Park)

**More Information: Central Office at 777-1212**

**If you would like to contribute a recovery related story to be published in the Westword, simply drop it off at Central Office or email it to: [westwordeditor@gmail.com](mailto:westwordeditor@gmail.com)**

# HAPPY AA BIRTHDAY!

## July

<b>272:</b> Sandra	1 yr.	<b>Desperation:</b> Martin W.	4 yrs.	<b>Inglewood:</b> Christine E.	1 yr.	Greg B. Tom L. Jenine G. Kate F. Joan S. Jennifer S. Stan R. Al. S. George U. Morag M. Kim A. Debbie K.	6 yrs. 8 yrs. 11 yrs. 12 yrs. 14 yrs. 15 yrs. 16 yrs. 17 yrs. 18 yrs. 18 yrs. 20 yrs. 25 yrs.	<b>Open Door:</b> Bill D. Stu H.	23 yrs. 30 yrs.
<b>ABC:</b> Matt D. Cindy P. Dean C.	3 yrs. 10 yrs. 14 yrs.	<b>Drawing Board:</b> Rick B.	15 yrs.	<b>Link:</b> Norm C. Bill A. Lorene S.	10 yrs. 15 yrs. 15 yrs.			<b>Recovery:</b> Candace B. David G. Rob W. Bob M.	1 yr. 1 yr. 3 yrs. 18 yrs.
<b>Crossroads:</b> Audrey C. Steve M. Flo J.N.	15 yrs. 29 yrs. 39 yrs.	<b>Edgemont:</b> Joanne Lloyd Don C. Linda G.	3 yrs. 5 yrs. 14 yrs. 14 yrs.	<b>MAAT:</b> Ken R.	21 yrs.			<b>Sun. Morning 11am:</b> Dennis D.	4 yrs.
<b>Dalhousie Mens:</b> Bill C.	2 yrs.	<b>Highland Park:</b> Margaret L. Amy M.	28 yrs. 33 yrs.	<b>Midnapore:</b> Elaine W. Norm E. Doug H. Pat M.	1 yr. 6 yrs. 23 yrs. 24 yrs.	<b>Northlanders:</b> Stu Vera T.	1 yr. 3 yrs.		

## August

<b>ABC:</b> Don H. Lib B.	18 yrs. 20 yrs.	<b>Desperation:</b> Scott B.	1 yr.	<b>MAAT:</b> Dave P. Angie P.	1 yr. 19 yrs.	<b>Open Door:</b> Patty F.	26 yrs.	Mo B. Tom E. Dick W.	13 yrs. 31 yrs. 39 yrs.
<b>Back to the Drawing Board:</b> Kim W.	10 yrs.	<b>Edgemont:</b> Monica B.	12 yr.	<b>Marlborough Park:</b> Ray I. Harry M.	20 yrs. 21 yrs.	<b>Tues. Morning Ladies:</b> Karen M. Melanie Susan Faye H. Pat J.	2 yrs. 2 yrs. 2 yrs. 17 yrs. 25 yrs.	<b>Sun. Morning 11am:</b> Bruce H. Mike Mc.	4 yrs. 22 yrs.
<b>Crossroads:</b> Bonita N.	25 yrs.	<b>Highland Park:</b> Ellen L. Orland W.	20 yrs. 21 yrs.	<b>Midnapore:</b> Claire M. Maggie S. Bob M. Jerry M.	1 yr. 5 yrs. 7 yrs. 17 yrs.	<b>Recovery:</b> Jonathan W. Martin M. Mike F. Rose S. Jim H.	1 yr. 1 yr. 1 yr. 5 yrs. 7 yrs.	<b>Unity:</b> Wayne T.	4 yrs.
<b>Dalhousie Mens:</b> Bud J. Blaine A. Kelly B.	1 yr. 4 yrs. 6 yrs.	<b>Inglewood:</b> Russel K. Rindy Y. Francis Y.	5 yrs. 23 yrs. 24 yrs.						



## SUNDAY MORNING BREAKFAST

**Downtown Ramada Inn**  
708 - 8th Ave. SW  
Breakfast - 9:00am  
Speaker - 10:00am

**Come and join us for breakfast:**

\*Buffet Breakfast . . . . . \$12.00  
Healthy Start Breakfast . . . \$9.00  
Toast & Coffee . . . . . \$4.00  
Coffee . . . . . \$2.00

\*Please note recent price change.



## DOWNTOWN SATURDAY NIGHT SPEAKER

**Fortis Building**  
North Tower  
801 - 7th Ave. SW  
Speaker - 8:00pm

### UPCOMING GROUPS:

- Sun. Morn. 11am (Aug. 18th)
- Link Group (Aug. 25th)
- Link Group (Sept. 1st)
- Link Group (Sept. 8th)

**IMPORTANT NOTICE:** There is on-street parking only. We have not been allowed in the underground lot for some time now due to verbal abuse of the security personnel. In fact, this abuse continues, and if it doesn't stop **we will lose the meeting altogether.**



## TELEPHONE MONITORING

This is an experience you must not miss. We know you will not want to miss it. Frequent contact with newcomers and with each other is the bright spot of our lives.

- Big Book, Pg. 89

**Thank you to all who signed up as late night monitors!**

**If you would like to serve in this capacity, please phone Doug at:**

**990-9914**

## 12 Step List Application & Renewal Form

(Suggested minimum 1 year of sobriety)

New application ☐

Change of information ☐

Sex : M ☐ F ☐ Home Group: \_\_\_\_\_

First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Initial \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Number \_\_\_\_\_

Are you willing to be listed as a Midnight Monitor (11:00 p.m. – 8:30 a.m. shift)? Yes ☐ No ☐

Please fill in the following to have your name on the 12 Step List:

### WHEN are you available?

Weekday AM only (9:00 a.m. – noon) ☐

Weekdays PM only (noon – 5:00 p.m.) ☐

Weekday daytime (9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.) ☐

Weekday evenings (5:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m.) ☐

Weekends (9:00 a.m. – 11:00 p.m.) ☐

Anytime (7 days a week, 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 p.m.) ☐

Weekdays at Central Office (9 a.m. – 1 p.m.) ☐

Weekdays at Central Office (1 p.m. – 5 p.m.) ☐

### WHERE are you available to make 12 Step calls?

(Remember – take an AA friend)

Anywhere in Calgary ☐ NE ☐ NW ☐ SW ☐ SE ☐

Town(s) around Calgary : \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have transportation for 12 Step calls? Yes ☐ No ☐

What languages (other than English) do you speak? \_\_\_\_\_

Are you willing to be listed on the foreign languages list? Yes ☐ No ☐

**Please give this application to your home group's Intergroup Representative,  
or mail, or fax to:**

Central Service Office  
#2, 4015 – 1 Street S.E.  
Calgary, AB T2G 4X7

**Phone : (403) 777-1212**

**Fax : (403) 287-6540**

## What is the 12 step list?

This list contains the names and phone numbers of AA members who are available to make 12 Step calls.

Listings are by area of the city and home group.

The list is used by phone monitors when a caller needs to talk with another alcoholic.

You may wish to talk with the newcomer a short time or a long time. Or, with another AA friend\*, you might meet them for coffee, take them to a meeting, or visit them in their home.

List your available times and what parts of the city you are willing to travel to. A car is helpful, but NOT necessary.

### How to sign up:

Return this application form to Central Office or to your home groups' Intergroup Representative. Once you are on the list and need to make changes to your contact information, please call Central Office and ask for Mathew.

\* It is strongly suggested that you do NOT go on a 12 Step call by yourself.

### What are Midnight Monitors?

These are people willing to take calls between the hours of 11:00 p.m. and 8:30 a.m. Their phone numbers are given to the answering service who forward calls, on a rotation basis, directly to them during that time. It usually involves only talking and listening, and occasionally getting another member who is listed on the 12 Step List to call them back the next day.



# WE NEED YOU FOR AA SERVICE!

For more information, please fax this sheet to Central Office at 287-6540 and someone will contact YOU to talk about potential service positions.

Alternatively, you can call Central Office at 777-1212.

“The tremendous fact for every one of us is that we have discovered a common solution. We have a way out on which we can absolutely agree, and upon which we can join in brotherly and harmonious *action*.”

The fellowship of Alcoholics Anonymous is always in need of members who are willing to contribute some of their own time and energy to help us *carry the message*. Service positions are numerous and can range from answering phones to helping on an upcoming Round-Up Committee. Please read over the list of potential services positions available and, if you are interested, please fill out the basic information and fax this sheet to Central Office at 287-6540. Someone will then contact you to talk about service in more detail.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(eg. John D.)

Group: \_\_\_\_\_

Sobriety Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred contact method: ☐ Phone ☐ E-mail

Please contact me: ☐ Anytime ☐ Daytime ☐ Evening

I am interested in more information about service in the following areas:  
(Please check all that apply)

- |   |  |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Archives                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Special Events (Dances, etc.) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Phone Monitoring             | <input type="checkbox"/> 12-Step List                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Introductory Service Seminar | <input type="checkbox"/> Corrections & Institutions    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sunday Morning Breakfast     | <input type="checkbox"/> CPC/PI                        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Round-Ups                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Intergroup                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Westword                     |  |

☐ I am interested in helping in any capacity!



NEW Calgary District Listings
revised 2007

Note that no group has to change if they do not want to. The boundaries are changing but a group does not have to. If your group is scheduled to change and does not want to, the General Service Representative (GSR) for the group should inform the Calgary General Service Ccommittee (CGSC). Otherwise it will be assumed that the changes are OK. Any comments or concerns can be directed via your GSR, District Committee Member (DCM) or individually to the CGSC at the July or August meeting (2007), or e-mail Central Service Office re: redistricting.

DISTRICT 73

Table with 2 columns: Category, Value. Rows: Groups (18), Group Meetings (42), Total Meetings (49).

Table with 3 columns: GROUPS, OLD DISTRICT, # OF MEETINGS. Lists various groups and their meeting counts for District 73.

DISTRICT 75

Table with 2 columns: Category, Value. Rows: Groups (13), Group Meetings (54), Total Meetings (57).

Table with 3 columns: GROUPS, OLD DISTRICT, # OF MEETINGS. Lists various groups and their meeting counts for District 75.

DISTRICT 77

Table with 2 columns: Category, Value. Rows: Groups (16), Group Meetings (36), Total Meetings (39).

Table with 3 columns: GROUPS, OLD DISTRICT, # OF MEETINGS. Lists various groups and their meeting counts for District 77.

DISTRICT 77 (continued...)

Table with 2 columns: Category, Value. Rows: University Group (77, 1), West End Step & Tradition (77, 1), Sun. Nite District 77 Speaker (77, 1), Winners Circle (77, 2).

DISTRICT 78

Table with 2 columns: Category, Value. Rows: Groups (19), Group Meetings (20), Total Meetings (20).

Table with 3 columns: GROUPS, OLD DISTRICT, # OF MEETINGS. Lists various groups and their meeting counts for District 78.

DISTRICT 79

Table with 2 columns: Category, Value. Rows: Groups (15), Group Meetings (18), Total Meetings (20).

Table with 3 columns: GROUPS, OLD DISTRICT, # OF MEETINGS. Lists various groups and their meeting counts for District 79.

DISTRICT 80

Table with 2 columns: Category, Value. Rows: Groups (12), Group Meetings (15), Total Meetings (15).

Table with 3 columns: GROUPS, OLD DISTRICT, # OF MEETINGS. Lists various groups and their meeting counts for District 80.

DISTRICT 82

Table with 2 columns: Category, Value. Rows: Groups (17), Group Meetings (63), Total Meetings (65).

Table with 3 columns: GROUPS, OLD DISTRICT, # OF MEETINGS. Lists various groups and their meeting counts for District 82.

DISTRICT 85

Table with 2 columns: Category, Value. Rows: Groups (14), Group Meetings (17), Total Meetings (20).

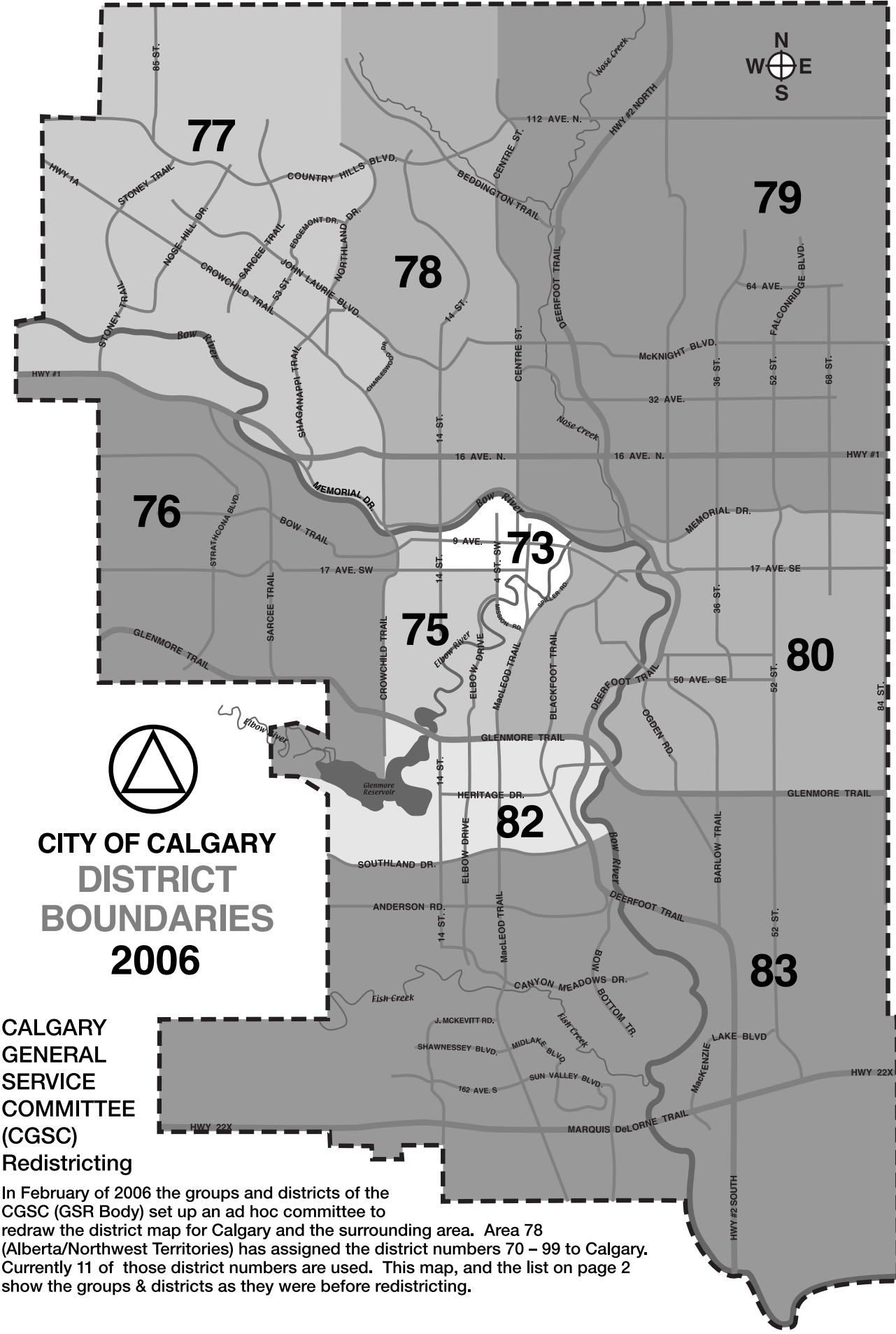
Table with 3 columns: GROUPS, OLD DISTRICT, # OF MEETINGS. Lists various groups and their meeting counts for District 85.

DISTRICT 86

Table with 2 columns: Category, Value. Rows: Groups (11), Group Meetings (17), Total Meetings (17).

Table with 3 columns: GROUPS, OLD DISTRICT, # OF MEETINGS. Lists various groups and their meeting counts for District 86.

NOTE
Groups marked with (▲) are now located within a new district boundary. However, it is up to each groups' Group Conscious as to whether they actually change districts or not.



CALGARY
GENERAL
SERVICE
COMMITTEE
(CGSC)
Redistricting

In February of 2006 the groups and districts of the CGSC (GSR Body) set up an ad hoc committee to redraw the district map for Calgary and the surrounding area. Area 78 (Alberta/Northwest Territories) has assigned the district numbers 70 – 99 to Calgary. Currently 11 of those district numbers are used. This map, and the list on page 2 show the groups & districts as they were before redistricting.

OLD Calgary District Listings
2006

DISTRICT 73

Table with 2 columns: Item, Value. Rows: Groups (11), Group Meetings (16), Total Meetings (22).

Table with 3 columns: GROUPS, NEW DISTRICT, # OF MEETINGS. Rows: Champlain Group (73, 1), Choirboys (unlisted) (73, 1), Explorers (73, 1), Knox Knooners (73, 5), Mountainview Group (unlisted) (73, 2), Southwest Serenity (73, 1), Sowers of Hope Group (73, 1), Sowing the Seed (73, 1), Thursday Afternoon Drop-In (73, 1), Turf Group (73, 1), Walking Eagle Group (73, 1), Alpha House (73, 1), Centre of Hope (Salv. Army) (73, 1), Downtown Saturday Night (73, 1), Drop In Centre (73, 1), Lawyers' Meeting (unlisted) (73, 1), Sunday Morning Breakfast (73, 1).

DISTRICT 75

Table with 2 columns: Item, Value. Rows: Groups (7), Group Meetings (48), Total Meetings (49).

Table with 3 columns: GROUPS, NEW DISTRICT, # OF MEETINGS. Rows: Daily Reflections (75, 8), Elbow Park Group (75, 1), Glenmore Group (75, 24), the Link (75, 1), Recovery Group (75, 12), Step by Step Group (75, 1), Tri-Currie Group (75, 1), Aventa (75, 1).

DISTRICT 76

Table with 2 columns: Item, Value. Rows: Groups (6), Group Meetings (6), Total Meetings (8).

Table with 3 columns: GROUPS, NEW DISTRICT, # OF MEETINGS. Rows: Action Group (75, 1), Anonymi Group (75, 1), Bow Trail Group (75, 1), Lakeview Open Speaker (75, 1), Podium Group (75, 1), Unity Group (75, 1), Cedar Villa (Shut-in Seniors) (75, 1), Friends of Bill W. (75, 1), (MRC during session).

DISTRICT 77

Table with 2 columns: Item, Value. Rows: Groups (22), Group Meetings (42), Total Meetings (45).

Table with 3 columns: GROUPS, NEW DISTRICT, # OF MEETINGS. Rows: ABC Group (77, 1), A-Men (78, 1), Awakenings Group (77, 1), Bowmont Group (77, 1), Dalhousie Men's Group (78, 1), Dalhousie Women's Group (78, 1), Edgemont Group (78, 1), Eye Opener Group (77, 1), Fun Seekers Group (77, 5), Generation XII Group (77, 1), Go For It Group (77, 8), Homeward Bounders (77, 5), Last Gasps (77, 5), Mustard Seed Group (77, 1), New You Sailor Bill's Group (77, 1), Northlanders (78, 1), NW Calgary Group (78, 1).

DISTRICT 77 (continued...)

Table with 3 columns: Item, Value, Value. Rows: Sooner Than Nooner Group (77, 1), Stampede (77, 1), Tuesday Morning Ladies (77, 2), University Group (77, 1), West End Step & Tradition (77, 1), Sun. Nite District 77 Speaker (77, 1), Winners Circle (Foothills Hosp.) (77, 2).

DISTRICT 78

Table with 2 columns: Item, Value. Rows: Groups (18), Group Meetings (38), Total Meetings (38).

Table with 3 columns: GROUPS, NEW DISTRICT, # OF MEETINGS. Rows: 19th Street Big Book Group (78, 1), 272 Group (78, 2), Borderline Group (78, 1), Come and See Group (78, 1), Count Your Blessings Group (78, 1), Desperation Group (78, 1), Double H Group (78, 1), Fellowship of the Spirit (78, 1), Front Runners (73, 3), Garnet Block (73, 16), Getting There Group (78, 1), Highland Park Group (78, 1), North Hill Group (78, 1), Nose Creek Big Book Group (78, 1), Smog Group (73, 3), Smorg Group (78, 1), Sunday Morning 11 AM (73, 1), Wed. Morning Eye Opener (78, 1).

DISTRICT 79

Table with 2 columns: Item, Value. Rows: Groups (15), Group Meetings (18), Total Meetings (20).

Table with 3 columns: GROUPS, NEW DISTRICT, # OF MEETINGS. Rows: Airport Group (79, 1), Birds of a Feather (unlisted) (79, 1), Crossroads Group (79, 1), Grapevine Group (79, 1), Grey Sheep (79, 1), MAAAT Group (79, 1), Marlborough Park Group (79, 1), New Life Group (79, 1), No Name Group (79, 1), Out To Lunch Bunch (79, 3), Overcomers Group (79, 1), Regal Group (79, 1), Saturday Night NE Group (79, 1), Talisman Group (78, 1), Grupo Unidos (79, 2), Peter Loughheed Hospital (79, 1), Sunrise Residence (79, 1).

DISTRICT 80

Table with 2 columns: Item, Value. Rows: Groups (14), Group Meetings (17), Total Meetings (18).

Table with 3 columns: GROUPS, NEW DISTRICT, # OF MEETINGS. Rows: 9th Tradition (80, 1), Bonanza Group (73, 1), Candlelight Group (80, 1), Drawing Board Group (80, 1), East Side Discussion Group (80, 1), Forest Lawn Group (80, 1), Harmony Group (80, 1), Inglewood Group (73, 1), Grupo los Vientos á Calgary (80, 3), Monday Morning Group (80, 1), Ogden Group (80, 2), Open Door Group (80, 1), Soberiders (80, 1), Southview Treeline Group (80, 1), Portal Group (73, 1).

DISTRICT 82

Table with 2 columns: Item, Value. Rows: Groups (9), Group Meetings (46), Total Meetings (48).

Table with 3 columns: GROUPS, NEW DISTRICT, # OF MEETINGS. Rows: 19th Hole Group (82, 1), Big Book Study Group (82, 1), Get to the Point Group (82, 1), Haddon Road Groups (82, 16), New Beginnings Group (82, 22), Rounders Group (82, 1), Sarcee Group (82, 2), Wake Up Group (82, 1), Whitesheep (82, 1), Rockyview Hospital (82, 2).

DISTRICT 83

Table with 2 columns: Item, Value. Rows: Groups (8), Group Meetings (17), Total Meetings (17).

Table with 3 columns: GROUPS, NEW DISTRICT, # OF MEETINGS. Rows: Cedarbrae Men's Group (82, 1), Deer Ridge Group (82, 1), Fireside Group (82, 1), McKenzie Group (82, 3), Midnapore Group (82, 6), Palliser Group (82, 1), Sobriety & Beyond Group (82, 1), Southlanders Pancake (82, 3).

DISTRICT 85

Table with 2 columns: Item, Value. Rows: Groups (14), Group Meetings (17), Total Meetings (20).

Table with 3 columns: GROUPS, NEW DISTRICT, # OF MEETINGS. Rows: 5th Chapter Group (85, 1), Back To Basics Group (85, 1), Canmore Sunday Night (85, 1), Cochrane Rounders (85, 1), Cremona Blasters (85, 1), Freedom Group (85, 1), Knock Turn All Group (85, 1), Laughter Noon Group (85, 1), Mountainview Group (Banff) (85, 3), Noon Oasis Group (85, 1), Rule 62 Group (85, 2), Springbank Thursday Group (85, 1), Springbank Tuesday Group (85, 1), Thursday Night Men's Group (85, 1), Tsuu T'ina Reserve (85, 1), Tsuu T'ina Spirit Healing Lodge (85, 2).

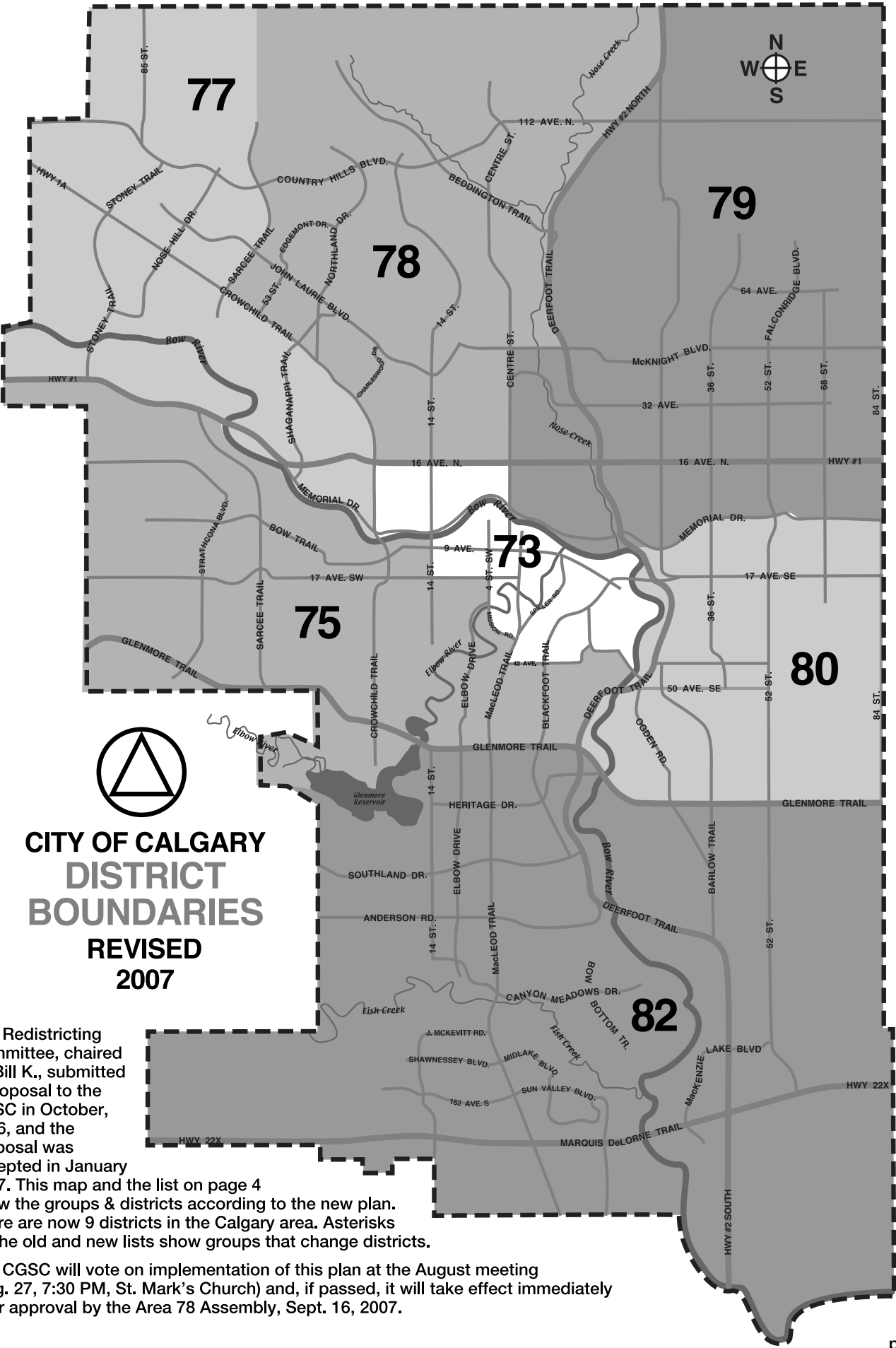
DISTRICT 86

Table with 2 columns: Item, Value. Rows: Groups (11), Group Meetings (17), Total Meetings (17).

Table with 3 columns: GROUPS, NEW DISTRICT, # OF MEETINGS. Rows: Airdrie Country Group (86, 2), Airdrie Nooners (86, 1), Back From Hell Group (86, 5), Crossfield Group (86, 1), Irricana Recovery Group (86, 2), Lunch Pail Group (86, 1), New Life Group (86, 1), Sorel Rider (86, 1), Sunday Morning Breakfast (86, 1), Sunset Discussion Group (86, 1), Thursday 12 & 12 Group (86, 1).

NOTE

Groups marked with (▲) are now located within a new district boundary. However, it is up to each groups' Group Conscious as to whether they actually change districts or not.



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The Redistricting Committee, chaired by Bill K., submitted a proposal to the CGSC in October, 2006, and the proposal was accepted in January 2007. This map and the list on page 4 show the groups & districts according to the new plan. There are now 9 districts in the Calgary area. Asterisks on the old and new lists show groups that change districts.

The CGSC will vote on implementation of this plan at the August meeting (Aug. 27, 7:30 PM, St. Mark's Church) and, if passed, it will take effect immediately after approval by the Area 78 Assembly, Sept. 16, 2007.