

Hi everyone,

My name is Jack and today I am truly a grateful alcoholic.

Thank you for allowing me to be of service with you this rotation. I am humbled and honored to have the opportunity to serve with you and be a part of this great effort. I am not a huge fan of long reports if they don't pertain directly to the topic but many of you do not know me so I'm going to tell you a little about myself.

My name is Jack Bradshaw. My sobriety date is 7/2/1987. My home group is the Weiser Progress Group. I have served as a member at all home group positions, District DCM and last rotation I was blessed to be the Area 18 Grapevine Rep. I was dragged to my first H&I jail meeting when I was about a week sober and followed dutifully and even sometimes reluctantly along for the next 2 years with a gentleman in Northern Idaho that believed in taking a meeting to a jail of hospital anywhere from Missoula to Central Washington almost every single day. Wow—what an education for a Newby. He was crude, rude and socially unacceptable but had a heart of gold and was loved by everyone from law enforcement to the most wary patient and inmate. Even I, as sick as I was, soon learned to tolerate him and later on to love him dearly. PS: His crusty old pipe stunk worse than any bottom of the line bar I was ever in

I was involved in the formation of the Snake River H&I Subcommittee and participated with them the first year of their existence. At the beginning of the last rotation I stepped aside to dedicate my time to the Grapevine. That is far too much time spent on my soap box. Let the party begin.

I am here for only one reason. That is to be of service to you. I will gladly help in any way I can. Yes—be of service to you!!!

I know a few of you and am looking forward to getting acquainted and being of service to all of you.

You have done a wonderful job of putting together the Treasure Valley H&I West Subcommittee. I know that many of you have spent countless hours and put in tremendous effort to get where you are today. Thank you one and all for your dedication to H&I and AA as a whole. I love each and every one of you for being who you are and doing what you do.

Please do not hesitate to call or email me anytime you have a question or need some help. If I don't know the answer I will do my best to find it and I am willing to help you any way possible.

Love you all--Jack