

**Yogo Inn  
Lewistown, Montana  
September 22 & 23, 2007**

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**Friday, September 21**- Sapphire Rooms

AA meeting starting at 7:30 p.m. (This meeting is held separately from the Assembly and is self-supporting).

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**SATURDAY SESSION – September 22**

7:30/8:00 GSR's and visitors sign in with their District's DCM. (*DCM's please give the sign in sheets to the Area Secretary no later than 10:00 a.m.*)

8:00/9:45 **Welcome** – Serenity Prayer, Traditions, and Concepts  
**Roll Call** – by Area Secretary  
**Orientation to the Assembly** – Area Delegate, Andrew W.  
**Reports from the Area Committee Members**  
Area Chair\*  
Area Secretary\*  
Area Treasurer\*  
Triangle Editor\*  
Area Service Chairs\*  
DCM's\*  
Standing, nonvoting service positions\*

9:45/10:00 **Coffee Break**

10:00/12:00 **Standing Committee Meetings:**

Archives/Structure ..... Kendall Room  
Corrections/Intn'l-Regional Forums ..... Terrace Room  
CPC/Trustees ..... Employee Lounge  
Finance ..... Gypsum Room  
Grapevine/Policy & Admissions..... Board Room  
Literature..... Room 306  
Public Information/Report..... Room 328  
Treatment/Agenda..... Room 310

(IF YOUR COMMITTEE FINISHES ITS BUSINESS DURING THIS SESSION, PLEASE NOTIFY THE AREA CHAIR)

**Workshops for those not attending committee meetings**

The General Service Board & AAWS – Chuck B., West Central Regional Trustee  
[www.aamontana.org](http://www.aamontana.org) – Alex M., Area 40 Webmaster

12:00/1:30 **Recess for Lunch**

1:30/2:30 **Workshop for those not attending committee meetings**

Archives – Gerry R., Area 40 Archivist

**Standing Committee Meetings (continued)**

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2:30/3:15 **Delegate's Report** – Andrew W. (questions and answers)

3:15/3:30 **Coffee Break**

- 3:30/4:15      **Election of Nominee for West Central Regional Trustee**  
4:15/5:00      **Floor Assembly – Committee Reports/Motions and Discussion**  
Literature \*\* - Linda B.  
Grapevine/Policy & Admissions \*\* - BilliJo D.  
Archives/Structure \*\* - Conrad M.  
Finance \*\* - Curt K.  
Public Information/Report & Charter \*\* - Sean B.  
CPC/Trustees \*\* - Terry S.  
Treatment/Agenda \*\* - Geoff D.  
Corrections/Intn'l Conventions-Regional Forums \*\* - Bill E.
- 5:00/7:00      **Recess for Dinner**  
7:00/8:15      **Speaker – West Central Regional Service Trustee – Chuck B.**  
8:15/8:30      **Coffee Break**  
8:30/10:00     **GSR Breakout** – Led by Past Delegate Mark S.: Ask-it-basket questions and sharing  
**DCM Breakout** – Led by Past Delegate Bob H.: Ask-it-basket questions and sharing

**SUNDAY SESSION – April 15**

- 8:00/9:00      \*Roundup Reports:  
                    **Spring 2007 Butte; Fall 2007 Great Falls; Spring 2008 Helena**  
                    \*Intergroup Reports  
                    \*Report on the West Central Regional Forum  
                    \*Update of establishment of the Area 40 800 number – Sean B.  
                    \*Report on the Area Workshops held in Dillon & Glasgow – Scott W.
- 9:00/9:30      **Past Delegate Sharing** – Bob H.  
9:30/10:00     **Past Delegate Sharing** – Mark S.  
10:00/10:15    **Coffee Break**  
10:15/12:00    **Continue Floor Assembly / Committee Reports – Recommendations – Discussion,**  
                    General Sharing

**ADJOURN / DRIVE SAFELY!!!**

*\* Reports: 5-minute time limit with two written copies given to the Area Secretary.*

*Floor comments are requested to take no longer than 3 minutes*

**Please note that the rooms this Assembly meets in have been designated smoke free by past action. The Yogo Inn has graciously placed ashtrays/receptacles just outside the outside doors. They have requested that smoking be limited to that area and the bar and that we not smoke in the meeting rooms, hallways or lobby area. Your thoughtful compliance and courtesy are appreciated.**

The following is a list of agenda items and the Area Committees they have been assigned to for review. All items are Agenda Items that pertain to Area.

The Committee Chairs should have received a list of agenda items with, in most instances, corresponding background information sometime in August. This information is then passed on to other members of those committees for research, review and discussion, in turn providing for a well-informed *conscience/decision*. If your Group has any comments, questions, and concerns or would like copies of any background information please contact the appropriate Area Committee Chair. Your DCM has the names, phone numbers and addresses of the Area Committee should you need them. (**NOTE:** the process by which items are submitted, dispersed, considered and brought to the Assembly is detailed in the ***Area 40 Committee System Policies & Procedures*** manual which is available through your DCM).

The following Committees/Committee agenda items are listed in order of presentation.

The General Service Conference items that were submitted to the committees for review will not come to the floor of the Assembly as *recommendations (a motion passed and seconded)* but will instead be addressed as an informed *sense of the committee/area*. The purpose of this is to insure our Delegate is provided with a sense of Area 40's informed group conscience and to help him in preparation for the upcoming General Service Conference.

Review Concepts I, II, III, X, XII and Tradition 2 for a clearer understanding of the above process. The following Committees/Committee agenda items are listed in order of presentation.

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### **Literature – Linda B.**

1. Review Literature committee items discussed at the GSC, but no action taken or recommendations made.
2. Consider forwarding to the General Service Conference Secretary a proposal to publish a hardbound edition of Daily Reflections.

### **Grapevine/Policy & Admissions – BilliJo D.**

#### **Grapevine**

1. Discuss the status of Area 40 subscriptions to and participation in the Grapevine.
2. Review Grapevine committee items discussed at the GSC, but no action taken or recommendations made.

#### **Policy & Admissions**

1. Discuss the effectiveness of the process of distributing the assembly agendas and background information.

### **Archives/Structure – Conrad M.**

#### **Archives**

1. Consider a request Area 40 fund the Area Archivist to attend either the 2008 or 2009 National Archives Workshop, depending on whichever is closest and/or the least expensive. Funding is not to exceed \$1,500.00.
2. Review Archives committee items discussed at the GSC, but no action taken or recommendations made.

### **Structure**

1. Consider asking the Area Chair to appoint an Ad Hoc Committee charged with studying the Pre-Assembly concept currently utilized in Area 40. Ask the committee to review the purpose of these events, the funding of these events, and the contribution they make to the informed group conscience of Area 40. It is hoped that this study will determine the current usefulness of these events and guide for future direction for them.
2. Review the Policy and Procedure document for accuracy.
3. Review the Past Actions document.

### **Finance – Curt K.**

1. Consider setting the Area 40 Prudent Reserve at 50% of the budget for “essential services” rather than 50% of the full Area 40 budget. (see attached “Essential Services Budget”)

Essential services would include:

- A. The Spring and Fall Assemblies (budgeted to reflect the higher actual costs of the Spring 2007 Assembly)
  - B. Regional Service Conference and Forum for the Delegate only
  - C. Area 40's share of the Delegate's expenses set at the amount suggested by the General Service Conference (currently \$1,200)
  - D. Full funding for the Area Chair travel expenses to Districts and distribution of agendas and background material
  - E. Administrative expenses only for the Secretary, Treasurer, and Webmaster
  - F. Publication and distribution of the Triangle on a quarterly basis only
2. Review the financial status of the Area.
  3. Recommend the 2008 Area 40 Budget.

### **Public Information/Report & Charter – Sean B.**

#### **Public Information**

1. Consider expanding the area 40 website to include dissemination of other materials such as reports from the annual General Service Conference, information coming from the General Service Board throughout the year, and other materials that might continue to improve the communication between all levels of the service structure.
2. Discuss the progress of the Area 40 800 Number.
3. Review Public Information committee items discussed at the GSC, but no action taken or recommendations made.

#### **Report & Charter**

### **CPC/Trustees – Terry S.**

#### **CPC**

1. Discuss ways of stimulating interest in C.P.C. service.
2. Review CPC committee items discussed at the GSC, but no action taken or recommendations made.

#### **Trustees**

1. Discuss the process for electing a Regional Trustee.

## **Treatment/Agenda – Geoff D.**

### **Treatment**

1. Review Treatment committee items discussed at the GSC, but no action taken or recommendations made.
2. Discuss the feasibility of putting together and maintaining a 12<sup>th</sup>-step call list for Area 40.

### **Agenda**

## **Corrections/International Conventions-Regional Forums – Bill E.**

### **Corrections**

1. Discuss the effectiveness of the pink can program.
2. Review Corrections committee items discussed at the GSC, but no action taken or recommendations made.
3. Discuss the status of carrying meetings into correctional facilities in Area 40

### **International Conventions-Regional Forums**

1. Discuss the 2010 International Convention.

**Spring Assembly – April 12 & 13, 2008**