



Area 40 - District 11 - Meeting Minutes April 11, 2026

The meeting was called to order by DCM Pat P., followed by the Serenity prayer. The Twelve Traditions were read by Alt-DCM Mark W. Bob C. read Concept 4, *"To All responsible levels, we ought to maintain a traditional "Right of Participation" allowing a voting representation in reasonable proportion to the responsibility that each must discharge."*

Lynne W. provided a card for Delegate Lisa C. to receive when she is at GSO in New York. Its being passed around, if you would like to sign it to send her good wishes

Quorum Established - Present are 11 GSRs and 7 committee chairs, 18 quorum is total.

Home Group Announcements

3 Legacies - Daniel M.

Three Legacies Group continues to meet Monday and Thursday night at 7pm at Unity Church basement at 19 14th Street West. All meetings are closed discussion from the Big Book or 12x12. Community commitments are limited to Hotline at this time.

Travel meeting this month is in Laurel 4/26 @10am.

Great Reality - Andy M.

Everything is going well. And they are reading a really good book at the bookstudy.

848 - Bob C.

Nothing to report. Thank you!

644 Group - Aimee S.

The majority of the last group conscience of the group's decision to not allow kids at meetings any more. We have had a lot of capacity issues and not enough chairs. There were lots of people with really strong emotions. The next group conscience tomorrow will discuss having a kid friendly meeting. Taco bar is the potluck theme for this month.

Recovery Group - Ryan M.

Monday- Friday at 8 o'clock.

Sunlight of the Spirit - Not present

We Are Not Saints -Angela F.

Meetings are going really good. We meet Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday at 6pm at 909 Wyoming.

Brown Baggers - Charles H.

All is well except we lost one of our elders, Lynn K. passed away. We will let people know when there is a gathering for her.

ODAAT - Erika B.

Tuesdays at 7pm are open and Fridays at 7pm are closed. April 1st was our 4 year birthday and we are going to have a party on the 27th at 5pm before the meeting. If there are enough people that come to the party and want to stay for the meeting, we may open it up.

Serenes - Tammy P.

Attendance is good. I discovered that as a GSR using email to communicate before and after a group conscience has been very useful. I failed to let them know about hosting the pre- at the church, I apologized about it in an email. My communication could have been better. I apologize for any confusion that was caused.

West End - Jon A.

Things are going well. The last group's conscience was on finance, it got a little contentious because we like to fight about money. I learned a lot. We are going to have a West End Weekend. I'll keep you posted on that and will get updates when I can.

Downtowners - Jess W.

We are fulfilling our commitments to White Birch and the Bookstore.

Absent groups - Sunlight of the Spirit, Lockwood, Ballantine, Serenity Seekers

Review of February 14, 2026 Meeting Minutes - April T.

Motion #13: (Jon A./ Angela F.) Motion to accept meeting minutes.

17 in favor, 0 against, 0 abstained. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report- Debbie D.

7th Tradition basket sent around. We paid the rent, the 12-Step call, and reimbursed Pat P. to attend the West Central Regional Service Conference. Costs for pre-assembly are in the expenses and in the income we received \$296 to offset that. Then there is a counter report, so ultimately it costs each District \$28.72. It was less than last year because we had some of the supplies. The line item looks like we spent over but actually we were under because we were able to offset the account.

Motion #14: (Erika B./ Tammy P.) Motion to accept Treasurer's report.

18 in favor, 0 against, 0 abstained. Motion passed.

Standing Committee Reports

Archives-Nadine F.

See report.

Bridging the Gap - Cam M.

All contacts have been made. Answered a call last night, waiting to hear back.

Corrections - Virginia I.

See report.

Hotline - Pat P. proxy for Kate K.

No information was sent out from the Area chair and he would be presenting it at Area Assembly. Pat P. was the hotline volunteer for the last month and he received 1 call.

Grapevine - Michelle M.

See report.

Treatment - Vince V.

See enclosed report.

Public Information - Don M.

Passed around a list of all places of all places that flier has been distributed. Accidentally deleted receipt for last printing cost. I need to ask for more money. Also keeping track of which places are going through more fliers, and have overall been well received. It is getting out there and being seen. Request for \$55 from the District to print more. Many times the front desk is very receptive with personal stories of how AA has been helpful in their lives. Management is less receptive, the places that have said no, is a corporate decision. Printing is online at 150 copies for \$49-55. Option to consider for money money is have another chair donate some of theirs to your or possibility of taking it from the community fund. Question asked of District chairs, if any were willing to give some of their funds to PI chair. Nadine from Archives is willing to donate funds because she doesn't have any costs.

Motion #15: (Nadine F./Angela F) Motion to donate \$55 for printing from Archives to PI.

17 for, 0 against, 0 abstain. Motion passed.

Debbie D., Treasure, suggested finding another receipt to submit to in case there is a need later to determine the cost. Don M. will submit a written statement of cost. Office Depot allows you to print online and gives discounts with numerous orders. For the Safety fliers in black and white 50 copies were made for 5 dollars. The committee is not going to meet in May, so the next meeting will be on June 6 at 2pm 644 Group.

Communications with the Professional Community - Mitch A.

See enclosed report. Able to print 150 copies for \$40 full color. Visited a person at Prairie Towers, who deals with lots of alcoholics for work and she sent out an email telling people about the workshop. QR code not working, but expected to start working soon. Possible cost of QR code is \$120. Exploring different options, possible cost of \$19.99 a month to use QR code.

Literature - Daniel M.

See enclosed report.

Intergroup - Chris C.

Intergroup NEEDS a secretary, there is no report available because there is no secretary. They are flush with money, there is over \$4,000. The main focus is Cooney Campout to make it more organized than it was last year. Chuck C. was left to clean up camp ground by himself, a newcomer couldn't find the AA campers. So we are focusing on organizing it better. We have an interim bookstore representative, the sobriety requirement isn't there, so he's shadowing another person. Reach out to Jamie if you want to reserve a campsite at Cooney in the 10 campsites that she gets every year. Will know dates for sure in a couple weeks and will pass information along. Also going to invest in awnings so that there will be shade from the sun to make Cooney nicer and shadier. April 10th sites may be available. Campout is July 10-12th. Intergroup is sending a report to Area. Ty B. is going to Area on behalf of Intergroup. Please

take back to the groups that Intergroup desperately needs a secretary. There is thought of combining Intergroup with District, but don't want to add responsibilities to District. There is another survey with QR code about Intergroup. Cooney will still be at Red Lodge Arm campground.

Al-Anon -Not present.

District 11 Commitments

<u>Psych Center</u>	6-7pm, show up at 5:45pm	
Mondays	April - 644	May - Recovery Group
Thursdays	April - ODAAT	May - Down Towner's
<u>Rimrock</u>	6-7pm, 2nd Sunday, speaker meeting and 7-8pm Mondays, Men's discussion	
	April - 848	May - Brown Bagger's
<u>Rimrock White Birch</u>	Monday 7-8 pm at White Birch (929 N. 19th), women's discussion	
	April - DownTowner's	May - Serenes
<u>Crisis Center</u>	10-11am	
Saturdays	April - Brown Bagger's	May - 644
<u>Hotline</u>	1 female & 1 male	
	April - Recovery Group	May - 3 Legacies (men)/ West End (women)

Old Business

Review update from the 2027 Fall Roundup Committee - Lynne W.

See enclosed report. Early bird special pricing is good until October 4th. I need activities and a graphic chair.

Review update from the District 11 Safety Workshop Ad-Hoc Committee - Don M.

Committee meeting again tomorrow morning. We have secured a venue, and we have 2 possibly 3 speakers that are going to share their experience, strength and hope with us. Paul L. will be there, as past delegate, to discuss safety in the rooms. We have also secured a professional to speak about things that we can't handle. She is a victim's advocate and speaks with women who have been trafficked, many who are out of recovery, as we are a target for some of these people who are defrauding Medicaid and Medicare through recovery. We have fliers, thank you Lynne. Please hand out fliers all over your group. We hope to have a banner to let people know when we meet at the library. Remember this is for AA members, to keep AA members safe in AA, how to handle a disruptive person that isn't drunk, 13-stepping, and threatening members outside. Nadine F. stated that we jealously take care of our and look out for our newcomers and agree that its an inside job. Sober livings are being targeted by bad actors and they are newcomers. Sober Breakfast on Saturday mornings at 8am at Perkin's

downtown back room. Down Towner's group does As Bill Sees It speaker meeting on Sundays at 10am.

Review Joint District 11, 12 & 31 Pre-Assembly Report -Pat P.

31 people attended, from all three Districts, and had time to discuss assembly items. Debbie D. reported that all receipts have been submitted and that gas for travel was the expense that was covered. Only spent \$34.94 in supplies this year. \$417 is full cost for pre-assembly, we took in \$296 in 7th Tradition, net cost without supplies was \$86.17 split between 3 Districts was \$28.72. District 11 assumed cost of supplies, District 12 and 31 will reimburse us. Net cost was \$63.67. Pat P. has communicated with other Districts along the way and they look forward to hosting another time. Tammy P. wanted to thank all the groups that were there and took care of their responsibilities.

New Business

Consider a donation of \$50 to Mayflower Congregational Church for the use of the Joint Pre-assembly Event.

ODAAT supplied extra contributions to the church when it was vandalized, normally we don't contribute to outside entities. Since we had contributed, they allowed us to use the space for free. 2 years ago, that church charged \$75 to use that space for an AA workshop.

Motion #16: (Daniel M./Jon A.) Motion to contribute the difference of the remaining budget to Mayflower Congregational church.
17 for, 0 against, 0 abstain. Motion passed.

Information and Events

District 11 Contact List – Here is the [link](#) that will allow viewing and editing the list.

Area 40 Panel 75 Contact List – Use this [link](#) to view the list.

Calendar of Events – Use this [link](#) to view the Area 40 Calendar

Area Committee Information – Use this [link](#) to access Area 40 Committee information and District Mini-sites

o Alcoholics Anonymous Group information Change Form – Use this link to access and download the form.

Instructions for where to send the completed form is printed on the form. Suggest emailing the Area 40 Secretary.

Event – Area 40 Virtual Pre-Assembly

o Date: April 11, Time: 12:30pm – 5:30pm

o Virtual Link: <https://zoom.us/j/98118198221?pwd=wbySugc25sZVJwGtjvhTD9sQgCX2M2.1>

o Event Flyer: <https://www.aa-montana.org/pdf/2026-04PreAssemblyVirtual.pdf>

Event – 2026 Area 40 Spring Assembly

o Date: April 17 - 19, Location: Holiday Inn, Great Falls

o Room Reservation before March 27th:

<https://www.aa-montana.org/pdf/2026-April-Area-40-Spring-Assembly-Flyer.pdf>

o Access to Background Material

▪ Dashboard - <https://www.aa-montana.org/dashboard/>

▪ Username: dashboard, Password: xwPa4Sky

Event - TREATMENT CORRECTIONS WORKSHOP

o Date: April 25, Time: 11am – 3pm, Location: First Presbyterian Church, 535 N Ewing, Helena

o Event Flyer: <https://www.aa-montana.org/pdf/2026-04TreatmentCorectionWorkshop.pdf>

Event – Spring Roundup

o Date, May 1 – 3, Location: Red Lion Hotel, Kalispell

o Event Flyer & Registration: <https://www.aa-montana.org/pdf/2026-05SpringRoundup.pdf>

2026 Area 40 Spring Assembly

Date: April 17 - 19, Location: Holiday Inn, Great Falls

Room Reservation before March 27th:

<https://www.aa-montana.org/pdf/2026-April-Area-40-Spring-Assembly-Flyer.pdf>

Call for Motion to Adjourn

Motion #17: (Angela F./Cam M.) Motion to adjourn.

in favor, 0 abstained, 0 and against. Motion passed.

Closed with the Responsibility Statement

Next District Meeting

May 9, 2026

In grateful service, submitted by:

April T.

District 11 Secretary

DISTRICT 11 COMMITTEE TREASURER'S REPORT APRIL, 2026

	CHECKING ACCOUNT	PRUDENT RESERVE	PETTY CASH
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OPENING BALANCE	\$ 7,534.31	\$ 3,575.02	\$ 100.00
INCOME	\$ 893.67 \$ 0.42		\$ -
EXPENSES	\$ 1,201.28	\$ -	\$ -
CURRENT BALANCE	\$ 7,226.70	\$ 3,575.44	\$ 100.00

INCOME		PREVIOUS MONTH YTD	CURRENT INCOME	TOTAL YTD INCOME	REMAINING INCOME
DISTRICT 11 7TH TRADITION		\$ 102.00	\$ 41.00	\$ 143.00	
AA WORKSHOP 7TH TRADITION		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
FIREMAN'S PT 7TH TRADITION		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
JOINT DIST 11,12,31 PRE-ASSEMBLY		\$ -	\$ 296.00	\$ 296.00	
CONTRIBUTIONS		\$ 1,228.13	\$ -	\$ 1,228.13	
TOTAL INCOME		\$ 1,330.13	\$ 337.00	\$ 1,667.13	

EXPENSES	SPENDING PLAN 2026	PREVIOUS MONTH YTD EXPENSES	CURRENT EXPENSES	TOTAL YTD EXPENSES	REMAINING SPENDING
RENT	\$ 1,872.00	\$ 468.00	\$ 156.00	\$ 624.00	\$ 1,248.00
RENT - US POST OFFICE	\$ 260.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 260.00
AREA ASSEMBLIES - DCM	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00
AREA ASSEMBLIES - DIST REP	\$ 700.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 700.00
AREA ASSEMBLIES - DIST REP	\$ 700.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 700.00
DCM - DISTRICT TRAVEL	\$ 150.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 150.00
DCM - PRE-ASSEMBLIES	\$ 150.00	\$ -	\$ 417.11	\$ 417.11	\$ (267.11)
WCRAASC - 2026	\$ 800.00	\$ -	\$ 1,019.67	\$ 1,019.67	\$ (219.67)
WCRAASC Forum	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
COMMITTEES	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

ARCHIVES	\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 100.00
BRIDGING THE GAP	\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 100.00
CORRECTIONS	\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 100.00
GRAPEVINE	\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 100.00
LITERATURE	\$ 100.00	\$ 4.00	\$ -	\$ 4.00	\$ 96.00
PI	\$ 100.00	\$ 55.50	\$ -	\$ 55.50	\$ 44.50
CPC	\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 100.00
TREATMENT	\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 100.00
AREA 40 HOTLINE	\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 100.00
12TH STEP CALL	\$ 300.00	\$ 76.30	\$ 25.61	\$ 101.91	\$ 198.09
FIREMAN'S POINT/DELEGATE REPORT	\$ 250.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 250.00
PRINT/POSTAGE	\$ 600.00	\$ -	\$ 36.99	\$ 36.99	\$ 563.01
BOOK PURCHASES	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -	\$ 52.50	\$ 52.50	\$ 947.50
EVENTS	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
UP EVENTS	\$ 250.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 250.00
PI/CPC SERVICE WORKSHOP	\$ 1,500.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,500.00
DISTRICT SERVICE WORKSHOP	\$ 250.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 250.00
GSR ORIENTATION	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
MISCELLANEOUS	\$ 150.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 150.00
TRANSFER TO PRUDENT RESERVE		\$ 383.62	\$ -	\$ 383.62	
OPERATING TOTALS	\$ 10,832.00	\$ 987.42	\$ 1,707.88	\$ 2,695.30	\$ 8,520.32

Archives

Archives presented an oral history of our District at Founder's Day as per the Intergroup request. Leonard S. from Washington state, was at Founder's Day. He was a member in Billings in the 1970's, I was able to get an interview (recorded) with him before he headed back to Washington.

Archives also provided another interview for our 40+ years recorded histories.

Many thanks for allowing me to serve.

Respectfully,

Nadine F.
District 11 Archives chair

Treatment

All the comments and questions have been taken care of. Books seem to be sufficient at the facilities. I've kept in touch with Brent at Rimrock, letting him know what groups are taking cars of White Birch and Rimrock Men's facility.

Thank you for letting me be of service.

Vince V.

CPC

Greetings District 11 Trusted Servants,

We've had two twelve step requests via our phone. One was missed, the second was responded to almost immediately.

Our committee met last Tuesday and will meet again three times prior to our workshop; April 21st, May 5th and 12th at 7:00 pm, BW Blacksmith, 1438 Grand Avenue. An Eventbrite account has been setup, a QR code generated, and flyers printed. A big thank you to everyone who helped! We experienced a glitch with the QR code yesterday that we hope to resolve this afternoon. Flyer distribution has been met with a very positive response in the vast majority of cases.

We were asked again to present information about AA to the the residents of the Off the Streets program which we did Friday the third, and will continue to do quarterly, or every other month as this is a thirty day program. I was able to network with an individual from HRDC who was presenting there as well. A couple who lives at the Big 5 are wanting to help facilitate the Friday 5:30 meeting that we have been working on for the past several months. I met with them after the presentation and we discussed various resources available.

I have attempted to follow up with the services director at St. Vincent de Paul in person but haven't been able to connect, so I left him a voicemail last week and have not heard back yet.

I continue to participate in the PI and Safety Workshop committees and will be attending the Area Assembly. I will participate in the Area CPC committee, network with other Chairs, and present the CPC activities and events in our district.

Yours in service,

Mitch Asbeck
District 11 CPC Chair
(406) 930-1318

Grapevine Report (4/11/2026)

Next Meeting for Grapevine Committee 4/28/2026

2nd floor of Library(small conf. room)

March 14,2026 set up a display table representing the Grapevine. Held a drawing for a free year subscription to the Grapevine. Winner: Suzanne L.

May 15, 2026 will have a display set up for the AA:A Resource workshop from noon to 3.

Still looking for potential Grapevine Representative that could help with display set up and recruiting to sell the magazine.

Thank you for letting me serve,

Michelle Muri, Grapevine Committee Chair

April 2026 District 11 Fall 2027 Roundup Committee Report

Hi Ya'll,

Exciting updates from your Roundup Committee! We would like to welcome Donna H, serving as our Hospitality Chair. We have set an Early Bird Registration price of \$35 to last up until the Missoula Fall Roundup, which will be Oct. 2-4, 2026. We are also offering the opportunity for the district & groups to "Sponsor Newcomers & those just out of treatment/jail" by buying registration scholarships for \$35, while the price lasts. We've got a flier with a QR code it so once the technical stuff gets figured out ya'll can register yourselves OR send us money for scholarships for people who haven't made it to AA yet. Ya'll will get an email with the QR code flier once we are ready to start taking registrations, hopefully within the week.

There is still a ton of work to be done, lots of service opportunities are still available. We are hoping to offer merchandise this year, and have started looking for a logo. We want it to have the roundup date & theme, the AA service symbol (since AIA non is copywritten), and have something about either fall in Billings or MT in general. Please let your artists friends know about the opportunity to help the roundup by designing an awesome logo for us to put on mugs & possibly other fabulous things.

Thank you for letting me be of service,

Lynne W

Fall 2027 D11 Roundup Chair

March hotline report

This month I have no report to communicate, Lance our area chair is sharing the monthly report at the Spring assembly and did not send an email to district chairs.

Thank you for letting me be of service.

Kate J.

DISTRICT 11 CORRECTIONS REPORT

APRIL 2026

Our committee meeting is the first Thursday of every month at 7:15 pm. We meet at the YWCA, 909 Wyoming.

I have learned that there will be a jail orientation for men and women on Monday, May 4th at 6pm. Nadine F. is the new chaplain at YCDF.

The prison orientation will be held in May and the Alpha House/ Passages orientation will be held in June or July. I will let you know the exact dates as soon as I find out.

Please let your groups know that all of our correctional facilities could use more volunteers. For different reasons, we have lost some helpers at each place. As a general rule, the sobriety requirement is one year and most of the facilities require that volunteers are off paper for a year. There are occasional exceptions.

With the help of Cam and our Area Bridging the Gap Chair, Sean, I spoke with 2 of the managers at Passages about Bridging the Gap. My concern was that we are not allowed to bring in or take out anything from the locked units. One of the managers suggested that they scan the request forms and then email them to use. The program director on the PARC unit said that they send them through the Post Office.

Thanks for allowing me to be of service.

Virginia I

District Literature report:

Our Primary Purpose podcast has released episodes 2&3: "AA is for everyone", and "AA reaching anyone, anywhere"

GSO offices open up for tours 4/24 following the retrofit of offices.

Kindle ebooks now have a "Page in book display " that matches the page number of the print versions.

Prices of AAWS ebooks and audiobooks digital downloads have increased to 14.99 for Big Books, Comes of Age, Pass it On, Dr Bob and the Good Oldtimers, Daily Reflections, and others.

That is all,

Daniel