

# **DISTRICT 71 NEWS LETTER**

**August 12, 2015**

*We opened with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer. The 8th Concept was read.*

DCM REPORT: Roxie conducted the meeting as DCM. Roll was taken. An information sheet was passed around to update contact information. Roxy reported to the group and thanked everyone who helped making Delegate's Day a success. The Dillon Alano Club closed because it lost its lease. Meetings formerly held at that location have been moved. New locations will be set forth on the Meeting Schedule. Other business will be discussed as set forth below in this Newsletter.

SECRETARY REPORT: Tom reported. Minutes approved. There were no changes in the meeting schedule. Any GSR who wants to recognize members of their group that celebrated a birthday during the month and wish to recognize them in this Newsletter are requested to submit a written list to the Secretary.

TREASURER REPORT: John reported. A financial report covering the period from July 8, 2015 to August 12, 2015 was circulated. The balance in the account is \$3261.11 which includes an \$850.00 prudent reserve. It is noted that the Anaconda Traditions Group and the Live and Let Live Group each contributed \$300.00 to the District this month.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

*Contact information for committee chairs can be found on our A.A. schedule.*

*Times and places for correctional/treatment meetings can be found at [www.aa-montana.org](http://www.aa-montana.org)*

TREATMENT: Charlie reported. The website for "Bridging the Gap" is up and running. Please submit contact information for anyone who wishes to be involved to Charlie. Updated information is requested. They visited the WATCH Program and the residents showed interest in staying sober after they were released. The Women's CCP Group that meets on Tuesday is going well. Four more women have been approved. Jackie took over for Robin and is doing a fine job.

CORRECTIONS: Ana reported. Ana requested a moment of silence for Robin. Ana, Denny, and Charlie have applications for jail. They are also available at the Alano Club. There has been some delay in getting applications approved because it is not a priority with jail personnel. In fact, Mark Johnson claimed he lost the previous applications that were submitted. It may be necessary to speak to the Sheriff concerning this matter.

LITERATURE: Teresa reported for Shannon. She stated that there will be a Celebration of Life for Robin on September 19, 2015 at the Harvest Church located at 229 S. Montana St.

P.I. /C.P.C.: No report.

GRAPEVINE: No report. A new chair person will need to be appointed to replace Zach.

ARCHIVES: No report.

HOTLINE: No report.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Delegate's Day was held on August 1, 2015 at Benny Goodman Park in Anaconda from 12:00 to 4:00 p.m. The Area Delegate was present and made a report. Her presentation was interesting and informative. Thanks to all who worked to make Delegates Day a success.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Roxy announced that the Yogo Inn in Lewistown will no longer allow large amounts of food at the tables during future Assemblies. She reminded everyone that the agenda for the upcoming Assembly is set forth on the website at aa-montana.org. Ted, the GSR of the Control is an Illusion group stated that the group was sponsoring a workshop entitled "Alcoholism-A Merry go Round Called Denial" on September 26, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. at St. Ann' Hall. Local Al-Anon groups are helping with the workshop. Ted requested that the District make a no strings attached contribution to the Workshop. After some discussion the request was denied primarily on the grounds that AA groups are autonomous and the District would be skirting the Traditions to get involved. The District did agree to help get the word out on the Workshop.

### **GROUP SHARE**

*All times and places of A.A. meetings are listed on our meeting schedule.*

Whitehall: Bill reported that all is well. Attendance is good. A potluck speaker meeting is scheduled for August 15, 2015 featuring Rosie and Michael from Missoula.

Sheridan Keep It Simple: Ana reported. The meeting is still going well.

Georgetown Lake: No report.

Anaconda: Lisa reported that meetings are going well. Large group of people are in sobriety and are doing well. There are several members in early sobriety that seem to be doing well. Last month's birthday meeting was held on Delegates Day.

Control is an Illusion: Ted reported. Attendance is good usually about 20 people per meeting.

Promises: Charlie reported. Attendance is good.

Keep it Simple: Ken reported. The group is doing well.

Dillon Wednesday Big Book: No report.

Twin Bridges: Roxie reported that group is awesome. Attendance is up. Real good AA. They have been getting some out of town visitors this summer.

Newscomers 123: Charlie reported. Meeting is going well. About 30 people from CCP attend.

Galena St.: No report.

Live and Let Live: No report.

Opportunity Group (Castle Meeting): No reported. Teryl observed that the group is doing well. The group reaches out to WATCH guys and people living at the Castle (sober living). They will only have dinner on the first Tuesday of the month instead of every Tuesday. However, they are having more meals during the summer, but no specific schedule has been established. Meeting is at 7:00 pm. Snacks will be provided when no dinner is served.

Wednesday Night Mens Group: Richard reported. The group is doing well, however, attendance is down a little during the summer. They have a great meeting place that is air conditioned.

Ladies Night Out: Teresa reported. The group has been registered. The meeting is getting more interest and going well.

## **B I R T H D A Y S**

The following Birthdays were reported. Anaconda Group: Virginia- 37 years, Jim-1 year, Pam-11 mo., Matt -4 mo., Jeff-3 mo., Breezy-1 mo.

Promises Group: Jim H.-32 years.

Happy birthday to all our birthday people this month! The next business meeting will be held at Saint Ann's school on the second Wednesday of next month, September 9, 2015 at 7:10 p.m.

*We closed with the Responsibility Pledge and the Lord's Prayer.*