

# **DISTRICT 71 NEWS LETTER**

**July 13, 2016**

*We opened with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer. The 7th Concept was read.*

DCM REPORT: Teyrl conducted the meeting. Roll was taken. An information sheet was passed around to update contact information. Delegate's Day was a success. Libby L., the Area Delegate, presented a detailed and informative report. Teyrl distributed a copy of the Agenda items. The complete report is available on the website. The food was excellent. Ed M., the best cook in the west, provided the meat. There was food left over and it was donated to the Al-Anon picnic that was held on August 9. Contributions to the Area have been slow and the groups are requested to increase contributions, if possible. The Area Assembly will be held in Lewistown on September 16, 17, and 18. There will be no Pre-Assembly. There will be a Mini Conference at the Montana State Prison of September 17, 2016. Applications and information are available on the website.

SECRETARY REPORT: Tom reported. Minutes approved. A meeting schedule was circulated. Changes will be incorporated into the current schedule. Any GSR who wishes to recognize members of his or her group that celebrated a birthday during the month in this Newsletter are requested to submit a written list to the Secretary.

TREASURER REPORT: Tom reported. He handed out a statement for the month that reflected a balance of \$4208.60 including an \$850.00 prudent reserve. Contributions in the amount of \$1147.88 were received from various groups. Thank you.

## **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: No report.

CORRECTIONS: Denny reported. Ana has resigned as Correction chairwoman. There are not enough people volunteering to bring meetings in to the jail. Denny and Charlie are the only ones going to the jail. Although there has been neglect and delay on behalf of the jail personnel in the past, applications can be approved. Please fill out and submit your application to Denny and he will personally walk them through the process. Please try to inspire members of your group to participate (Thursday Night) or we may lose this opportunity for valuable service. The incarcerated alcoholics really appreciate the meetings.

LITERATURE: No report.

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

GRAPEVINE: No report.

ARCHIVES: Dan reported. Dan located archive material that was stored in a filing cabinet at St. Ann's and is inventoried it. There was not much material there. Virginia has some more material and Dan will contact her and begin inventorying the material it. Dan will be resigning his position as Archive chairman because he has been appointed alternate DCM.

HOTLINE: No chair person report. It was reported that a woman attempted to reach someone on the hotline in Butte and no one answered. We need more women to sign up for the hotline. It is possible that calls are being ignored as nuisance calls because the number (406) 248-2337 is unfamiliar. Identify it on your caller ID.

ROUNDUP: District 71 will host the 2017 Fall Roundup on October 13, 14, and 15, 2017. A separate Roundup report will be made available by the Roundup Committee.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Teyrl was appointed temporary DCM. Dan H. was appointed temporary alternate DCM. They will serve until January unless they are re-elected in October.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Elections for all District service positions will be held in October. Whoever is elected in October will officially begin service in January. Please announce the elections to your group members and encourage members to participate. The Castle picnic will be held on August 20, 2016 at 1:00 p.m.

### **GROUP SHARE**

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

Phillipsburg: No report.

Sheridan Keep It Simple: No report.

Georgetown Lake: No report.

Anaconda: Elisheva reported. Meetings are going well. They have quite a few newcomers. A pot luck picnic meeting is schedule for the last Saturday of the month during the summer at Benny Goodman Park.

Control is an Illusion: Denny reported. The attendance has been down during the summer.

Promises: Jon reported. Attendance at this meeting is approximately 15 people. CCP people attend on odd numbered days. They also do "Back to Basics" on Saturday at 10:30 a.m.

Keep it Simple: Ken reported. Good meeting. There are usually 15 to 20 people in attendance. They have been getting some out of town visitors during the summer. Daryl celebrated 50 years of sobriety.

Dillon Wednesday Big Book: No report.

Twin Bridges: No report.

Newscomers 123: Dan reported. This is a men's meeting. Good meeting with 20-25 CCP clients attending. They could use more outside support.

Galena St.: Barbara report. The meeting hosts clients from the Pre-Release Center, men on odd numbered days and women on even numbered days. The group received two dozen Big Books from the Live and Let Live Group. They are very grateful. Ashley B. was elected Secretary-Treasurer.

Live and Let Live: Laura reported. Good meeting. They have to elect a new GSR. There are usually 20-30 in attendance. They have a candy dish.

Opportunity Group (Castle Meeting): No one reported. Good meeting attended by Castle residents and WATCH clients. A meal is served on the first Tuesday of the month.

Ladies Night Out: Laura reported. The meeting could always use more support.

Sunrise Group: Miles reported. This is a small group with 5 to 15 people usually attending.

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

The following Birthdays were reported for August:

Anaconda Traditions Group: Virginia-38 years, Phyllis-5 years, Jim J.-2 years, Josh-10 months, Micalah-10 months, Brett-9 months, Jim-8 months, Mike -6 months, Joe-5 months, Kimberely-2 month. JJ- 1 month.

Promises Group: Jim H.-38 years.

The next business meeting will be held at Saint Ann's school on the second Wednesday of next month, September 14, 2016 at 7:10 p.m.

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