

DISTRICT 71 NEWS LETTER

September 9, 2015

We opened with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer. The 9th Concept was read.

DCM REPORT: Roxie conducted the meeting as DCM. Roll was taken. An information sheet was passed around to update contact information. The Area Assembly will take place in Lewistown on September 18, 19, and 20th. Roxy has copies of the addenda and it also can be found on the Area website. The issues that were discussed in New York will be discussed at the Assembly. The Area is also doing an inventory of itself and its communication with AA groups. Roxy passed out forms with suggested questions for the inventory. Members not able to attend the Assembly may submit to Roxy comments on the questions raised on these forms. GSRs who attend the Assembly will be able to participate in the inventory process in any appropriate way. Other business will be discussed as set forth below in this Newsletter.

SECRETARY REPORT: Tom reported. Minutes approved. 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: No report. The balance in the account was \$3261.11 in August which includes an \$850.00 prudent reserve.

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

TREATMENT: No report.

CORRECTIONS: Ana reported. Ana, Denny, and Charlie have applications for jail. They are also available at the Alano Club. There has been continued 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 was recommended that Ana contact the Sheriff and/or the Undersheriff concerning this matter.

LITERATURE: Shannon reported. Shannon informed the District that she is moving to Fort Worth, Texas next month. Shannon will give all literature and related materials to Roxy or make suitable arrangements before she leaves. SHANNON: THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE. Good Luck in your future endeavors. We are reminded 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.: Peggy reported and stated that here was nothing notable to report.

GRAPEVINE: No report. A new chair person will be appointed to replace Zach. District members should be prepared to submit nominations at next month's meeting. A new chairperson will be elected at the October meeting.

ARCHIVES: No report.

HOTLINE: No report.

OLD 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". The workshop has been rescheduled October 24, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. at St. Ann' Hall. A flyer and notice on the website should be promulgated shortly.

NEW BUSINESS

Elections will be held in October to elect a Grapevine chair and a Literature chair. Be prepared to make nominations. A motion was made and approved to reimburse expenses incurred by the DCM and Alternate DCM for the trip to Lewistown for the Assembly. Roxy will talk to Brandon M. concerning the best way for the District to update the meeting schedule on the website and the best way to post information from the District on the Website.

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. The potluck speaker meeting on August 15, 2015 featuring Rosie and Michael from Missoula was awesome..

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

Georgetown Lake: Ed reported. Attendance has been good, 13-15 people. There will be a picnic on Saturday September 12, 2015 featuring two speakers and plenty of good food and fellowship.

Anaconda: Lisa reported that meetings are going well. Large group of people are in sobriety and are doing well.

Control is an Illusion: Ted reported. Attendance is good usually about 20 people per meeting. The group is planning a workshop as noted above. Group elections will be conducted in November.

Promises: No report.

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

Dillon Wednesday Big Book: No report.

Twin Bridges: Roxie reported that group is awesome. Real good AA.

Newscomers 123: No report.

Galena St.: No report.

Live and Let Live: Brant reported. Everything is going well.

Opportunity Group (Castle Meeting): Ed reported. 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: No report.

Ladies Night Out: Teresa reported. The meeting is getting going well.

B I R T H D A Y S

The following Birthdays were reported. Anaconda Group: Gary- 26 years, Lisa-3 years, Pam-1 year, Matthew -6 mo., Michael-4 mo., Dell-4 mo.

Sheridan Keep it Simple: Walt W. 38 years, Brad G.-15 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, October 14, 2015 at 7:10 p.m.

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