

DISTRICT 71 NEWS LETTER

October 14, 2015

We opened with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer. The 10th 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 in Lewistown held on September 18, 19, and 20th went well. We had five people attending and we had a representative on all voting committees. An Area inventory was taken on Saturday afternoon. Thanks to everyone who made the trip. Brandon, our webmaster, helped me update our meeting schedule on the website. Please let Roxie know if you see any meeting updates for the website.

SECRETARY REPORT: Tom reported. Minutes approved. A meeting schedule was circulated. Changes will be incorporated into the current 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 copy of the Monthly Financial Report was passed out to those in attendance. The balance in the account was \$3269.23 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: Charlie reported. They are currently bringing meetings to 25 people at WATCH and 30 people at CCP. Chad and Tom are handling men's meetings at MCDC and Jackie is doing an excellent job with the women's meetings. Bridging the Gap is going well.

CORRECTIONS: Ana reported. Ana, Denny, and Charlie have applications for jail. They are also available at the Alano Club. Meetings at the Butte-Silver Bow Jail have been discontinued due to an alleged lack of staff. It was recommended that Ana contact the Sheriff and/or the Undersheriff concerning this matter.

LITERATURE: Roxie reported. Shannon moved to Fort Worth, Texas. She gave Roxie a literature stand and the brochures and pamphlets in her possession. Anyone interested in filling this position should submit their name at the next meeting. GSRs are encouraged to solicit interest within their groups. A job description is set forth in the GSO Manuel. The position should be filled as soon as possible. Grant volunteered to contact District 61 in Helena about the procedure for buying books and literature for the District and groups in bulk in order to get a better rate and save money. He will report at the next meeting.

P.I. /C.P.C.: Peggy reported and stated that here was nothing notable to report. She introduced Meghan who is interested in service.

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.

ARCHIVES: No report.

HOTLINE: No report.

OLD BUSINESS

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 is scheduled October 24, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon at St. Ann' Hall. He distributed a flyer to those in attendance.

NEW BUSINESS

Elizabeth aka Betty has moved to Helena and will not be returning to the District. A motion was submitted and approved to have Teryl's name substituted for Elizabeth's on the bank account. A letter was received from the "Control is an Illusion" Group. The District did not think a reply was necessary.

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.

Sheridan Keep It Simple: Bronwen reported. The meeting is still going well. 15 to 20 people in attendance.

Georgetown Lake: Ed reported. Attendance has been good, 12-15 people. The meeting will be moving to Ed's house next month.

Anaconda: Lisa reported that meetings are going well. Large group of people are in sobriety and are doing well. There are 14 meetings per week.

Control is an Illusion: Denny reported. Denny was just appointed GSR after Ted resigned. The group is planning a workshop as noted above. Group elections will be conducted in November.

Promises: Charlie reported. They will elect a new GSR soon.

Keep it Simple: No report.

Dillon Wednesday Big Book: No report.

Twin Bridges: Roxie reported that group is awesome. Real good AA. Two birthdays this month.

Newscomers 123: Charlie reported. Good meeting. About 28 people from CCP and about 4 or 5 outside members attend.

Galena St.: No report.

Live and Let Live: Grant 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: Richard reported. Things are going good, however, they could use more support.

Ladies Night Out: Teresa reported. The meeting is getting going well, but could use more support..

B I R T H D A Y S

The following Birthdays were reported. Anaconda Group: Art- 16 years, John- 5 years, Ryan-1 year, Pam-1 year, Matthew -7 mo., Michael-5 mo., Dell-5 mo., Breezy-2 mo., Terry- 1 mo.

Sheridan Keep it Simple: Mike G. 25 years, Patty-34 years, David- 34 years, Bronwen S.- 1 year.

Twin Bridges: Roxie B. - 34 years, Mike B. - 10 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, November 11, 2015 at 7:10 p.m.

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