

# **DISTRICT 71 NEWS LETTER**

**November 11, 2015**

*We opened with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer. The 11th Concept was read.*

DCM REPORT: Roxie conducted the meeting as DCM. Roll was taken. An information sheet was passed around to update contact information. Roxie has the Conference Report from the Area Assembly in Lewistown. Contact her for a copy. A copy of the report should also be available on the website. The Triangle will be sent to all registered GSRs to share with their groups. The results of the Area inventory should be included in the Triangle.

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 \$3258.38 which includes an \$850.00 prudent reserve. The treasurer also disclosed that there is \$636.00 in a separate Roundup Account. The money will be used as seed money to commence planning for the next District 71 Roundup.

## **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. 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. Charlie requested 2 cases of Big Books to be paid out of the Pink Can Fund to distribution to these institutions.

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. Denny called Mark Johnson who did not return his call. He then delivered applications and a letter to Johnson asking for a meeting to update list of people allowed in the jail for meetings. Peggy also talked to the Sheriff and he said he would talk to Johnson. She has not gotten a response. Grant stated that he is working on getting meetings into the Pre-Release Center. Nothing has been finalized yet.

LITERATURE: No Report. See New Business.

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

GRAPEVINE: No report. See New Business.

ARCHIVES: Chrissy is moving and will step down as Archives chairperson. Charlie will contact Chrissy and get the Archives information including computer files. GSRs should offer this opportunity to be of

service as Archives chairperson to interested members of their groups. Computer skills would be helpful to the successful applicant.

HOTLINE: No report.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Teryl's name has not been substituted for Elizabeth (Betty) on the bank account. John said he will contact Teryl get this done.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Judy J. was nominated and elected as the new Literature chairperson for District 71. She has been sober for 17 years and has held various service positions in California. She is well qualified and enthused about this service position. Welcome and Thank You Judy.

Ana nominated Bill for the position of Grapevine chairperson. Bill has served as GSR and Treasurer of AA groups. He is well qualified and has a willingness to serve. Welcome and Thank You Bill.

### **GROUP SHARE**

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

Whitehall: Bill reported. Trusted servant duties are in the state of flux. Bill turned the GSR helm over to Kevin. Meeting is still going.

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

Georgetown Lake: Ed reported. Attendance has been good, 10-12 people. The meeting has moved to Ed's property for the winter.

Anaconda: No report.

Control is an Illusion: Denny reported. Lunch is provided every Tuesday at the meeting. A Thanksgiving pot luck will be held November 24. The group will provide turkey and trimmings. Please bring a salad or desert or just show up. Group elections will be conducted December 2..

Promises: Charlie reported. Back to Basics is going with approx, 20 people attending.

Keep it Simple: No report.

Dillon Wednesday Big Book: No report.

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

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

Galena St.: June reported. Terry was elected secretary and Ashley was elected Treasurer. Alcoholics from the Butte Pre-Release Center are welcomed at this meeting, men on odd numbered days and women on even numbered days.

Live and Let Live: Grant reported. Everything is going well. They even have candy at the meeting.

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. Snacks will be provided when no dinner is served. However, they are having more meals during the summer, but no specific schedule has been established. Meeting is at 7:00 pm. Thanksgiving dinner will be served on November 24 at 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday Night Mens Group: Richard reported. Things are going good, however, they could use more support. The group is planning a Christmas party next month. More details will be forthcoming.

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. Sheridan Keep it Simple: Ana K.- 4 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, December 9, 2015 at 7:10 p.m.

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