

Area 40 - District 72 Agenda – April 2026 Meeting

Hybrid Meeting: [Saturday 04/25/26 4:30-6:30pm at Fellowship Hall, Bozeman and via Zoom.](#)
[Link information below.](#)

Zoom Link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84336233284?pwd=cFl6MWxQN0pXNlV6MXdSVk9qdjVFOT09>

Meeting ID: 843 3623 3284

Passcode: 371512

PLEASE SILENCE YOUR CELL PHONES.

1. Open with a moment of silence followed by the serenity prayer
2. Read the District 72 safety statement:
 - If any person endangers another individual or disrupts the group's efforts to carry A.A.'s message, the group may ask that person to leave the meeting. Recognizing the importance of group unity, our group wishes to create a safe meeting environment in which alcoholics can focus on achieving sobriety.
3. Read the Short Form of the Twelve Traditions – Laurita G.
4. The 12 Concepts for World Service are a set of guiding ideas written by A.A. co-founder Bill W. to help A.A. run its service structure in a fair, responsible, and democratic way. In simple terms, they explain who makes decisions, how authority is shared, and how we make sure the voices of the groups are heard at every level. We reference them at this meeting to remind ourselves that A.A. belongs to all of us, that leaders are trusted servants, and that our services work best when they reflect our collective conscience and protect the unity and future of A.A.

Read Concept Four: At all responsible levels, we ought to maintain a traditional "Right of Participation," allowing a voting representation in reasonable proportion to the responsibility that each must discharge.

5. Establish quorum: Voting members are group GSRs, District Committee Chairs, and District Officers. If you are an alternate GSR, please only raise your hand if your GSR is not present. (calculate 3/4s for quorum)
20 in room, 4 online = 24 in room
Quorum = 18
6. Approve March's meeting minutes – 20 in room, 4 online = 24 total
Minutes approved
7. Introductions of GSRs & Visitors: **3 MINUTE TIMER FOR GSR REPORTS**

*If you are a GSR please come to the microphone to give your report.
Please briefly share:*

- GSRs – Your name, home group & anything you think might interest or benefit your fellow GSRs and/or District Chairs about your home group (e.g., events or activities your home group is hosting or doing, topics that your group is interested in or struggling with, etc.).

Lenore asks GSR's to please let her know how many homegroup members your group has so she can report to Area.

Sue W. (Pink Cloud, Bozeman) – Wed at 6pm. Business mtg is second Wed of month. Avg 15-18 women in meeting, 50/50 between online and in person. 8 homegroup members

Susan H. (Vennis Over the Hill, Ennis) – 4 meetings a week, Mon and Fri hybrid 7:30pm. Friday Big Book study. Wed 7:30pm at Jeffers, Sun 10am in Virginia City. Business is 3rd Monday, Avg 5-15 at each. Bring in tourists in summer. No new happenings or news, thank you.

Laurita G. (Women's Serenity, Bozeman) – Tue and Fri, hybrid in East room. Business 2nd Friday of each month, Have grown a lot in last 2 months, had 28 women last couple meetings.

Jake C. (Not a Glum Lot, Online) – Meet every night 9pm, have gotten 8 new members, have 21 homegroup members. We're doing great.

Bob C. (Common Solution, Belgrade) – Meet Sun at 6pm in Peace Lutheran. Things going good, Lit study. Strong group, attendance around 20 people. Have 11 homegroup members.

Jax F. (LGBTQ+ and Friends, Bozeman) – Meet Sat at 6pm. Business 1st Sat after regular meeting. Small group but tight group, always looking to loosen it up and have more people join. More than welcome even if not member of alphabet mafia!

Bradley G. (Itching Hour, Bozeman) – Meet Fri-Sun 9pm in south room. Avg 5-20 people in room. Grown to 6 homegroup members.

Autumn W. (Friday Beginners, Bozeman) – Meet at 6pm, attendance has been good. Speakers and also read plain language book.

Ken S. (Hospital Group, Bozeman) – Meet at 6pm on Sundays, hybrid. Business is 1st Sunday and also do a tradition on first Sunday.

Matthew R. (HOW Group, Bozeman) – HOW Group just sent him to Area Assembly, Nothing super new going on. Started group conversation about doing a group inventory, Beginning in July will be starting elections, Have about 40 homegroup members, but not sure who is active, will evaluate

Leah F. (Great Reality, Belgrade) - Wed 6pm in River Rock 1st Wednesday business meeting. Have 5 homegroup members. Regular attendance of 5-10, River Rock planning summer BBQ maybe 11 July in partnership with another meeting. Will share more closer to time.

Nora D. (Wednesday Noon Group, Bozeman) – Meet once a week Wednesday at noon, always 30-40 at meetings, have solid 4 members in homegroup.

Brian W. (There Is A Solution, Bozeman) – Meet every day in this room (District room), Sat and Sun are hybrid. Sat is book reading, Sunday speaker meeting. Always looking for speakers so please talk to Brian if interested. Think there's 15 homegroup members. About 20-40 in average attendance between in persona and online combined. Business is 2nd Tuesday of month right after meeting.

John M. (Tue at 8, Bozeman) – Might have 17, 18 homegroup members.

- Visitors: Your name & your home group.
Allison (Alt GSR of TIAS)
Kat

Mark
Cameron

8. Introductions and Committee Reports 3 MINUTE TIMER FOR REPORTS

Treasurer, Tim K.

Please see full Treasurer's Report for details

Current Bank Balance as of 4/18/26: \$8,303.81

Total Income: \$1,654.14

Total Expenses: \$324.09

Current Operating Balance: \$3,114.78

Greeting groups and District 72:

Group contributions are still way down YTD vs our spending plan budget, however, we are still okay with money as committees have not spent much of their budgets. Next months expenses will be much larger though, as we will have expenses incurred this weekend for our DCM and the 3 candidates, we approved scholarships for to go to Area Assembly. I am projecting over \$2,000.00 for those expenses alone.

We received a returned check that was mailed in January for meeting schedule printing for the January PI Committee and Allegra went out of business and the check was returned with envelope saying store closed and unable to deliver to vacant space, so I added that back into our account and the PI Budget for now, but if someone gets ahold of me wanting that payment we can re-issue payment. Special Event #1 we had in March was a great success and went over budget \$57.18 due to fuel expense of \$103.24 for Area 40 Chair to travel here for the event since our DCM invited her to come share with us.

Lastly, Russell V, our technology chair, paid our Zoom subscription which totaled \$204.00, using our debit card. Zoom had told him that the previously debited amount was credited to the card they had on file, which was Betty M's card. She did not receive credit and cashed the district check reimbursing her for \$165.90 that was charged to her account. So somehow, we have double paid for our Zoom subscription and hopefully we get that straightened out eventually.

Our current operating balance is \$3,114.78, but as I said above will be much lower as this next period will have some large expenses including Area Assembly and Rent for the next quarter, and P.O. Box fee is due by April 30, 2026 at an increased rate of \$250.00, so please GSR's please remind your Groups we need more 7th tradition Contributions.

***District 72 contributions remains the same mailing address: PO Box 1538, Bozeman Mt. 59771-1538, *Please make checks payable to District 72 and ***PLEASE specify in memo if pink can contribution OR Group 7th Tradition contribution OR Literature purchases PLEASE.

*To Contribute to Area 40, send contributions to Area 40 Inc. P.O. Box 43, Billings Mt. 59103.

*To contribute to G.S.O. send contributions to General Service Board P.O. Box 2407, James A Farley Station, New York, NY 10116-2407.

Please Print a copy off for the district meeting on 4/25/2026 as we will NOT have copies available since we now have multiple page reports. If you are signed up to receive emails from District 72 you will receive a copy in your email.

Thank you for allowing me to serve,
Tim K-District 72 Treasurer

- GSR's please remind groups we need more 7th Tradition
- Lenore says she was on Finance Committee at Area. Area contributions are way up, have skyrocketed. So can send more money to District for now
- Russell attempts to clear up confusion about check with Betty, will look into the ~\$200 expenditure

Answering Service, Wendy C.

Absent, no report.

- Note: Jake C briefly stated during later reporting of that all calls were answered (Lila thinks that's what he said)

Archives, Joanne M.

D72 Archives Report - Joanne M. - April 2026

archives@area40district72.com

- I've been continually working on cleaning up the archives notebooks, folders, and boxes of random stuff. It's been an interesting process trying to organize things other people have saved over the years. Some days I can get totally into it and other days not so much. It has helped me to rethink what I personally save in my home.
- Note to committee chairs - please remember if you have any documents, flyers, or notes that might be "archive worthy" please talk to me. I'm happy to help you decide what to keep and what to pass along to me.
- GSR's please remember if your group has any sort of event flyer be sure to include the year with the date of your event. I try to grab copies of flyers here at the Hall, but it might be a good idea to email a copy directly to me.
- Feel free to reach out with any questions, suggestions, etc.....

CPC (Cooperation with the Professional Community), Betty M.

Greetings District 72!

My name is Betty and I am the C72 CPC (Cooperation with the Professional Community) Chair. This month was Spring Assembly for A40. As a voting member of the A40 CPC Committee, I attended Spring Assembly and participated actively in the session. Our team reviewed Agenda items to be discussed at the General Service Conference by both the CPC Committee and the Trustees Committee. No votes were taken at the Committee level. Our Area Chair took the consensus of the group for those items that seemed to be of interest to our Delegate, Lisa C. She will bring the conscience of the Area to the General Service Conference next week..

Locally, we reached out to the MSU Nursing School to begin planning our Summer and/or Fall Presentations to the students. I am trying to find a good contact at

Intermountain Health (the company into which St Vincents/SCL merged) to see how D72 A.A. might be able to be useful to their staff & professionals. I reach out for help to our Area CPC Chair on this one because I couldn't find a contact online to save my soul. Neither could she. Being a persistent lot, we plan to find a different approach to reaching out to them and moving forward in that way. Finally, we are also beginning to work with the Detention Center and hope that we can do a joint presentation with AIAnon for them.

GSRs: Please tell your groups that CPC has a lot of plans and very few workers right now. If anyone is interested in working with Professionals to carry the message of AA, please feel free to give them my number: -----

That's it for now. Blessings, Betty

Grapevine & La Vina/Structure, Bob C.

Hello District 72, my name is Bob and I am an alcoholic and your Grapevine and LaVina chair.

Unfortunately we did not win the Area subscription contest (Note: audible disappointment), but I wanted to thank everyone who purchased subscriptions for Grapevine or LaVina. That is awesome!

I am excited about the agenda item for GSO to talk about allowing personal contributions to Grapevine and will be tracking that.

Thank you for allowing me to serve.
Bob C.

- Bob asks about personal contributions to Grapevine discussion at Area.
Matthew says sense of the Area was for Grapevine to accept personal contributions and Lisa will take that to the GSC

Literature, Steven R.

2026-04-25

One sale this month for \$72.38.

I have plenty of stock of soft cover and plain language big books available at the old price. If you'd like hard cover books, I'll be placing an order soon.

As always, email is preferred for orders: [-----](#). Text is second best but phone calls work. Expect to need to reach out at least twice if you call.

I do miss some contacts from time to time; I am not infallible! If you've tried to reach out and haven't heard back from me, please be patient and ping me again.

Thanks -
SR

- Nora says last month she told her group how we were waiting on payments. Did Steven get payments? Steven says because we are trusting, sometimes people say they will send checks to Tim or will get check to Steven then seem to forget. Has been problematic, Steven states seems it needs to be that people won't get

literature until they pay. Does not like being enforcer but not getting payments otherwise

- Mark asks about how to get literature from Steven cause his group doesn't have Literature Chair, Use email. [-----](#)

- Tim states he did just get a lot of literature checks from Steven right before District, accounts for most if not all of the missing literature payments. Thank you cause we will need it!

PI (Public Information), Ashley H.

Absent, report read by Troy H.

Hey District,

I apologize for my absence, I'm at a volleyball tournament in Helena today.

Groups: please let Ashley know if you have any schedule changes to make. The next printed schedules will come out in July. Changes to the online meeting schedule can be made immediately. In the meantime, take new schedules back to your groups.

We didn't have many changes last month, one meeting in Belgrade had a time change. I removed the accessibility statement so we have more room to write phone numbers for newcomers.

I was planning to have the four fold, legal sized piece of paper schedule out, but formatting and folding was more complicated than I expected and I needed to get a proof to the printer. That will be the goal for next quarter then I can re-add the accessibility statement again.

Schedules were printed at Insty-prints in Belgrade and were 29 cents each as opposed to 26 cents at Allegra. Their printing queue was longer than the usual wait at Allegra so I wasn't able to get the schedules until April 15th. I will put the order in a week earlier next time. We usually order less this time of year, but I stuck with 1200 since we ran low last quarter. It's a good problem to have, I'm glad they're getting used!

The PI committee met on April 17th and delivery routes are getting done. We are still delivering to 40 locations, mailing to 18, and emailing a pdf to 3. One committee member is trying to touch base with someone at Rimrock in hopes that we could drop schedules off for them as well.

Thank you for allowing me to serve,
Ashley H.

- Troy passes along for Ashley that if District approves putting Grapevine QR code on Schedule, she trusts judgment of District and please email her the QR code for putting on schedule

Roundup, Catherine J.

Absent, report read by Jake C.

District 72 Roundup 2027 Committee Report

Submitted April 25, 2026 (Committee met April 11, 2026)

The Roundup 2027 Committee met on April 11, 2026, with lots of members in attendance.

Registration & Communications

April outreach continues.

The Save-the-Date flyer is in circulation and website is up.

Email: roundup2027@area40district72.com

Event & Meeting Schedule

The Roundup will be held April 30 – May 2, 2027.

Next meeting: May 16 at 10 AM.

Venue & Lodging

Hotel contracts have been signed.

Room blocks: Best Western Grantree Inn – \$149/night (+ tax).

Meals have been selected, and menus will be available on the website soon.

We also booked a block at the Homewood Suites – \$129/night;

Program Updates

Al-Anon and AA speakers have been selected.

Financial Update

Current balance: \$750.00

Committee Updates

New Chairs: Jeanne C. and Jackie.

Ongoing outreach, including collaboration with Richard J. (Toronto, CA).

Next Steps

Finalize booking details and share reservation information.

Continue outreach.

Distribute Save-the-Date across the Area.

Volunteers Welcome

Volunteers are encouraged to get involved via the QR code on the flyer, by contacting Catherine J. -----, or emailing roundup2027@area40district72.com

- Meghan states website is awesome! Jake: "Thanks!!" Meghan, asks about email? Jake says the Gmail works but currently using the District assigned email as preferred. Will check with Kietra

- Susan asks about is donating an option? Is it correct there is 17% fee on top of donation? Jake says you can opt out of that (Note: fee is through 3rd party software, Zeffy), says he will help Susan figure that out cause she doesn't see it. Jake clarifies Zeffy is organizing group for non-profits, Zeffy puts fee in but it is an option to opt out of it and Jake is happy to show people how to opt out of that.

Special Events, Amy K.

Hi District 72,

The next special event will be on June 27th from 12:30-4:00pm before the regular District 72 meeting. Our Delegate Lisa will share everything with us from when she went to New York. The flyer will be out soon.

Email: -----.

thank you

-Tony

- Lenore asks for the NA meeting space, is he talking only about men? Tony says yes.
- Meghan says Pink Can is \$1600 (sweet!) Tony says ok we will spend it. Meghan says is that helpful, meet needs? Is Prioritizing sending contributions to District ok? Tony says yes but also it could change very easily.
- Troy asks about Literature for Pink Can purchase? Tony says it's just big books, plain language, and 12&12. Troy asks has it ever been considered to add pamphlets? Tony says not really, keeping it simple.
- Susan asks has it been considered to bring meetings into Riverside Women's correctional facility? Riverside is corrections, has been shut down for a while. Tony was unaware, he says he will look into it. (Note: Tony added contact into his report)
- Rebekah states something that came up at Area was that a lot of things are going onto tablets, if inmates have tablets can they access literature on tablets?
- Lenore says she's pretty sure not all facilities have tablets for inmates. Also that there are staples in pamphlets and that's not allowed
- Leah says she was with a woman from Billings who appreciated meetings in the jail. If need connection to Billings, Leah can help with that. (Note: Tony added this contact into his report as well. Way to go Tony)

Treatment, Rebekah P.

Report for District 72 treatment chair:

This April was a difficult month to get coverage for MCDC as the Area Assembly took place this month. However, with effort from other members, the meeting was successfully covered; two men and two women traveled from Bozeman to Butte to carry the message of recovery.

The IPU unit is entering another rotation of volunteers, and we are grateful for everyone who has come forward to help at this new meeting. Regarding the gas reimbursement issue, I have visited with a few folks and am open to suggestions for streamlining the process.

Please note that the background information for the IPU meeting is now available under the mini site tab for District 72. On a personal note, I truly enjoyed the Area Assembly!

Love/Service-

Rebekah P.

- Asks Steven about Pink Can literature purchase for MCDC? Steven says pretty sure last Pink Can purchase was about 6 months ago but he will double check.
- Steven states we had a 20 Plain Language book order for Corrections back in Jan. Had a case of small big books for Corrections/MCDC back in January

Technology, Russell V.

Changed zoom acct to .com email

Discussed general set up to facilitate better interaction for hybrid district meetings

Currently looking into the cancellation of the district Zoom account and try to determine where the refund went
Will include Tim . Betty. Lenore and Meghan in my emails.

Alt. DCM (Alternate District Committee Member), Meghan R.

Actually has a report!

Hello everyone,

I wanted to take a few minutes to look ahead at our upcoming elections for the 2027-2028 District rotation. According to the District 72 guidelines, *"The election of district officers and committee chairs shall take place no later than the August district meeting in the even numbered year."* Because elections typically take at least 2 months to complete, we'll start the process in July.

Along with that, our guidelines state that *"It is suggested that these guidelines be reviewed... and revised from time to time as the need arises...with any changes submitted to the groups of the District for approval."*

Because any changes need to be taken back to the groups before the district can approve them, timing really matters here. If we want updated, accurate position descriptions in place before elections begin, we'll need to move on this now.

With that in mind, I'd like to strongly encourage all committee chairs to review your position descriptions before next month's meeting. As you go through them, think critically—what's missing, what's unclear, and what you may be doing in practice that isn't reflected in the written description.

Our goal would be to gather all suggested updates in May, so they can be brought back to the groups and, ideally, voted on in June—giving us clean, updated guidelines ready ahead of July when elections begin.

The goal is to make these roles clearer and more approachable for the next person. What would have helped you before you stepped into the position? What would make it easier for someone to understand the commitment before they agree to stand?

I'd also encourage you to start talking with members of your committees, sponsees, or other members of the fellowship who may be interested in a District position now. If you see someone who might be a good fit for the role you currently hold, have that conversation. Share your experience, answer questions, and help people feel comfortable stepping forward.

And finally, if everyone could begin announcing in your meetings that district elections will start in July, that would be really helpful. The more we get that message out, the more time people have to consider getting involved.

If someone is curious but hasn't attended a district meeting yet, encourage them to come in May or June. Seeing how it works firsthand can make a big difference.

DCM (District Committee Member), Lenore M.

DCM REPORT: April 2026

NEW TO REPORT:

Hi fam! I got to attend the Area Assembly last weekend where we got to give Lisa a sense of our District on the General Service Conference agenda items for this year (thanks to our great pre-assembly). I am so glad that everyone from our District that came in person and online were there!

I serve on the Area Finance Committee and we had really good discussion in our Standing Committee meeting. We reviewed the Area 40 and the General Service Conference agenda items.

I am super grateful that our District has the scholarship fund to send people to area and that 3 of you used it!

I got to give a District 72 report at the Area Assembly, and it made me even more proud than I already am to get to serve with all of you!

FOLLOW UP INFORMATION:

1. I discovered (actually I was told about) something called "Fellowship Connection" from other DCM's and our Area 40 Secretary, which I did not know existed! It is an online database that GSO uses to keep the trusted servants up to date for Areas and Districts. This was the sheet I passed around at the last meeting. I cannot update it myself, but our Area 40 Secretary Jess can, so I was finally able to send her an updated list.
 - a. For those of you who want/need digital workbooks, I am double checking with Jess to make sure I do not need to do anything additional for you all (who didn't opt out) to get a digital one sent to your email.

NEWS FROM GSO/AAWS:

1. AAWS sent out an update on literature price changes:

"We are reaching out to provide an update on upcoming changes to the list prices for AAWS digital downloads, including e-books and audio-books. At its March 6th meeting, the AAWS Board approved the new pricing. The e-book price for A.A. in Prison will remain unchanged at \$2.99. These updates will take effect on May 4, 2026. The last price increase occurred in 2023, with a prior adjustment in 2022. This change is part of our ongoing effort to implement "normalized list prices," aligning pricing as closely as possible across our various literature formats, including print. Please note that the list prices for AAWS print materials and other physical media items (CDs and DVDs) were previously adjusted, effective February 1, 2026. A detailed price list is attached for your reference:"

****NOTE: THE PRICES FOR THE SPANISH AND FRENCH TRANSLATIONS ARE THE SAME AS THE LISTED ENGLISH VERSIONS BELOW**

Title	List Price (USD)
Alcoholics Anonymous, Fourth Edition	\$14.99
Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions	\$13.99
Daily Reflections	\$14.99
Living Sober	\$6.90
Alcoholics Anonymous Comes of Age	\$14.99
Came To Believe	\$6.90
Dr. Bob and the Good Oldtimers	\$14.99
As Bill Sees It	\$13.99

Experience, Strength and Hope	\$8.99
A.A. In Prison	\$2.99
'Pass It On'	\$14.99
Our Great Responsibility	\$14.99
Plain Language Big Book: A Tool for Reading Alcoholics Anonymous	\$13.99
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Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions – Audiobook	\$13.99
Living Sober – Audiobook	\$6.90
Daily Reflections – Audiobook	\$14.99

2. There was also an email from GSO about e-books:

“We’re pleased to share that “Page in Book” display is now available for our Kindle e-books.

This feature, which has been requested by many A.A. members, allows readers to view the same page numbers that appear in the print edition of a book on a Kindle device or in the Kindle app.

- a. This feature can be especially helpful for members who are reading along together with their sponsees and sponsors, either at the kitchen table or in meetings, workshops, and study groups. We can now follow the same page references used in the printed book.

How to enable the “Page in Book” feature

If you do not see page numbers at the bottom of your screen, you can turn them on by following these steps:

On a Kindle eReader (Paperwhite, Oasis, or Basic Kindle):

1. While reading, tap near the **top of the screen** to open the menu.
2. Tap **“Aa” (Font)**.
3. Select the **“More”** tab.
4. Under **Reading Progress**, choose **“Page in Book.”**

On the Kindle App (iPhone, iPad, or Android):

1. While reading, tap the **center of the screen**.
2. Tap **“Aa” (Font)**.
3. Select **“More.”**
4. Under **Reading Progress**, choose **“Page in Book.”**

Once activated, the page number displayed will correspond to the page number in the print edition.

3. NEWS FROM GSO: there was an email update from Bob W. who is the General Manager of the General Service Office that got sent out about the completion of the retrofit of the General Service Office in NYC:

“Dear A.A. Friends,

Wishing you all warm greetings from the General Service Office!

I’m pleased to announce that the retrofit of the office has been completed.

Before I share the details of our return, I first want to express my deep gratitude to each and every one of you for your patience throughout the duration of this project. Thank you!

In my previous communication regarding this project, I shared the unfortunate delays that were experienced due to the exposure of asbestos. The clean-up work finally began in mid-December and the project itself launched in the latter part of that month. The general contractor stayed true to their original estimate 10-12 weeks completing the bulk of their work last week.

We just received confirmation that our furniture will be delivered on Monday April 6th. The furniture set up process will take the balance of that week and all employees will return to the office the following Monday, April 13th.

Appreciating your continued patience to allow us to get our refreshed workspace in order, office tours and the Friday AA meeting will resume on Friday April 24th.

I want to extend a special note of thanks to our Facilities, Mail and Shipping and Technology Services teams who have gone above and beyond to support and keep this project moving and essential services to the Fellowship in place.

Again, I deeply appreciate your patience, understanding, and continued support throughout this process. It has meant a great deal to all of us.

We look forward to welcoming you back very soon to a revitalized General Service Office.

With gratitude for your continued service to Alcoholics Anonymous,



Bob W.

General Manager, G.S.O.”

NEWS FROM AREA:

1. I mentioned this a few months ago, but our Area Archives Chair, Jody T. is looking for volunteers to help with organizing our Area Archives storage in Ennis. She has set a date! This will be happening on Saturday, June 27th. This is the same day as our June District meeting, but Ennis isn't too far away, so anyone that wants to help can do so earlier in the day. She was showing me some pictures at the Area Assembly, and it looks like there are some really awesome things to see!! If anyone wants to carpool together let me know! If you have any interest in this, feel free to reach out to Jody. Her contact info is: ----- or [-----](#)

UPCOMING EVENTS: See all events on Area 40 calendar:

<https://aamontana.org/calendar.php>

1. **RECURRING EVENT:** Online Area 40 Concepts Study on the third Saturday of each month from 10:30-12pm. Zoom info is: **ID:** 934 7874 0545 **PASSCODE:** 231067
2. There will be a Treatment & Corrections workshop on Saturday, April 25th in Helena at the First Presbyterian Church
3. The Spring Round Up will be May 1-3rd in Kalispell at the Red Lion Hotel.
4. There will be a Safety in AA workshop in Billings on Saturday, May 16th from 2:30-4:30pm at the Billings Public Library.
5. In June, there are lots of Founders Day campouts and picnics all over Area 40.
6. The Fall Assembly will be September 25-27th at the Holiday Inn in Great Falls.
7. The Fall Round Up will be October 2-4th in Missoula at the Hilton Garden Inn.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions or needed information:

EMAIL: dcm72@aa-montana.org or [-----](#)

PHONE NUMBER: -----

Reminder: send all reports to Lila at district72.secretary@gmail.com

PLEASE COME TO THE MICROPHONE FOR ALL REPORTS, QUESTIONS, COMMENTS.

9. Immediate Business – for April 2026: 2 MINUTE TIMER FOR QUESTIONS/OPINIONS

- Nope

10. Old Business: 2 MINUTE TIMER FOR QUESTIONS/OPINIONS

- Discussion item: Adding the Grapevine QR code to the district meeting schedules (this was tabled last month to wait for PI chair to be in attendance)
 - Lenore has follow up question, thinks is a great idea but points out that Ashley said send her the QR code but Lenore has no idea how to do that. Meghan points out that it would be pretty easy. Troy states as long as there is room on the schedule it can be added. He states he sees a spot that it could go.
 - Susan states she doesn't think the Meeting Guide app spot should be shrunk (Note: In reference to Troy's theoretical suggestion)
 - Lila was on the PI Committee previously, and she has full confidence that the PI committee will be able to meet the needs of what people want for schedule (balance QR code and room for phone numbers on back)
 - Tim asks will another page increase cost for schedules? Troy says likely because we would need bigger paper. Troy states have larger paper with 4 folds would increase price. In addition, committee is still discerning where will be a reliable source to get schedules from.
 - Lenore suggests we wait to discuss this until PI Chair is here

MOTION: Table discussion of adding Grapevine QR code to the paper schedules until we have a suggested layout with added QR code and a price estimate for the larger schedules Ashley has already looked into.

Discussion:

- Leah asks why? Is it to increase subscriptions for Grapevine? Yes it is to promote awareness of Grapevine and additional funds for Grapevine
- Matthew asks did we decide as a District to do this? Points out Grapevine is not AA approved literature, so why don't we put Living Sober or other AA literature reference on schedule?
- Lila states Ashley already mentioned she would make the QR code fit, Susan states she wants to see the schedule before it is approved
- Brian points out this is getting really convoluted, seems we want white space, QR code, and price estimate. Lenore points out this is why we wanted to wait to talk until Ashley here.

MOTION VOTE

18 in room, 3 online. = 21 in favor, 1 opposed, 1 abstention

Minority opinion: Tim states agrees with idea, but we are putting cart before the horse.

REVOTE:

14 in room, 3 online. 17 in favor, 6 opposed

MOTION PASSES, TABLED FOR NEXT MONTH

- Tim - Discussion item re: gas money for special event

- Lenore states we had a pre-assembly event, was first live pre-assembly event we had since Covid. Lenore asked one specific Area Chair member (Jessica, the Area Chair) to be here for it. We are discussing the money for that gas. This was put together very last minute thanks to Amy's help. Lenore states she's ok with this money coming out of DCM budget.
- Amy states it was a special event and she's only over budget by ~\$50, next event will be with local delegate so no gas will be anticipated. Lenore says if needed, hit her up.
- Joanne asks why were we charged this time even though Kacie came and we didn't pay. Lenore states last time it was Kacie coming after Delegate report so it was covered by Area but we did before Delegate report so not technically part of her Area service commitment.
- Susan asks for clarification on what the Area designated chair spending plan is for. (Meghan clarifies, it is travel for District Committee Chairs that are selected to be voting members of their respective Area Committee at assemblies) Tim states we do want to keep that budgeted. Susan expresses we could use that money for this, Tim states it is important to keep that money set aside although Betty did not attend in person this Spring
- Matthew states it shouldn't really matter where in the budget the finances are coming from, it was a worthwhile cost and should be covered regardless of which budget it comes from
- Amy states there were some chairs that refused to be reimbursed which was cool. Tim asks is that self supporting? Meghan points out that's a whole different set of questions, we agree to move on

- Discussion item: Adding to Alt DCM job description: "Attends at least one Area Assembly per year during their two-year term."
 - Meghan states we approved in the last year to budget money toward letting Alt-DCM attend one assembly per year during two year term assembly during their two year term. States it should be in guidelines so it is clear and known it is expected.
 - Leah asks roughly how much is this? Tim states it is roughly ~\$500 per year
 - Rebekah states should we add anything about attending pre-assembly to job description? Meghan states we do not have it in job description that Alt DCM attend pre-assembly
 - Amy asks what does it say now? Meghan states it says nothing about attending assembly
 - Tim states it is a great idea, his homegroup pays for Alt GSR to attend Assembly in similar way. It is very helpful for stepping in and if Alt GSR (or Alt DCM) is elected to GSR (or DCM)
 - Matthew and Bob ask for clarification for what is brought back to groups? Tim states it actually isn't reflected in spending plan currently. Meghan expresses she could have sworn we discussed and added this to the spending plan before approving it.
 - Troy as visitor suggests having two separate talking points for approving spending for Alt DCM attendance of Assembly and adding this to job description
 - Meghan states she no longer feels prepared for this discussion because she may have been mistaken about spending plan, will check for next month.

MOTION: Table this Discussion so Alt DCM can get clarification on spending plan for next month

20 in favor, 2 online, 0 opposed. 0 abstention

MOTION TO CLOSE YES PLEASE

Very in favor, very much, we all did it

- Discussion item: Proposed updates to Treatment chair position description (OUT OF TIME)
- Discussion item: Proposed updates to DCM position description (OUT OF TIME)

11. New Business: 2 MINUTE TIMER FOR QUESTIONS/OPINIONS

- Summer District meetings - do we want to travel outside of Bozeman in July, August, and/or September? (OUT OF TIME)

If you have items for next month's agenda, please email Meghan at: ----- at least 10 days in advance of the next meeting date (when possible). Remember there is a form on the Area 40 District 72 mini site to help in writing agenda or discussion items

***Please send any items to be screenshared & displayed at the next D72 meeting to:
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Next district meeting: 4:30 p.m., Sat. May 30, 2026 at Fellowship Hall in Bozeman

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District 72 mini site: <https://www.aa-montana.org/district-sites/dist72/index.php>

12. Close with: Responsibility Statement