

## Area 40 - District 72 Agenda – January 2026 Meeting

Hybrid Meeting: [Saturday 01/31/26 4:30-6:30pm at Fellowship Hall, Bozeman and via Zoom. Link information below.](#)

Zoom Link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84336233284?pwd=cFI6MWxQN0pXNlV6MXdSVk9qdjVFQT09>

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 – Betty M
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 One: "Final responsibility and ultimate authority for A.A. world services should always reside in the collective conscience of our whole Fellowship."

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 2/3s for quorum)  
27 in room, 2 online = 29 Total = 19.14 people for Quorum
6. Approve December's meeting minutes – 29.0 approve, Motion passes
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.).*

**Nora D. (Wednesday Noon, Bozeman)** – More newcomers lately

**Brian W. (There is a Solution, Bozeman)** – Online has been steady, about 10-15 per meeting. In person little over 20. Few less visitors than last year but more regulars

**Jenny B. (Page by Page, Livingston)** – 20-24 people right now. First speaker meeting last month, great! Had 44 people. Next is second Tuesday in April.

**Jojo S. (Rebellion Dogs, Bozeman)** – Meet every day 5:30. 25-35 people Business is 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month 6:45

**Tanya W. (6<sup>th</sup> Chapter, Bozeman)** – Speaker meeting third Sunday of month, getting bigger and bigger as we go. Nice little time.

**Jax F. (LGBTQ+ and Friends, Bozeman)** – Meet Sat 6pm in library room. Business is first Sat each month after meeting. Small group, not just LGBTQ+, also And Friends, Welcome to join. Small group, range from 5-12. Always looking for more people to join, feel free to visit.

**Valerie K. (Young People, Bozeman)** – Meet Tue, Thu, Sun at 7pm. Business first Tue at 8:15pm, average 12-20 people. Can always use more people, can be young at heart, don't have to be young in age!

**Crystal B. (Pink Cloud, Bozeman)** – Wed 6pm. Steady Eddy. Pretty good. Had someone from homegroup go to Hall open house meeting to ask about rent. Had a hiccup where an event was happening during meeting, got it sorted.

**Jake C. (Not a Glum Lot, Online)** – On Intergroup. Avg 15-25 people per night. 5 newcomers who are coming a lot. Ever need a meeting at 9pm and at home, come on by.

**Steve Z. (Broad Highway Secular Group, Bozeman)** – Trying to move to library room. Usually small, 4-5 people. Monday at 6pm.

**Bradley G. (Itching Hour, Bozeman)** – Steady influx of newcomers. Meetings have been busier than usual. Come join us Fri Sat or Sun night.

**Susan H. (Vennis Over the Hill, Ennis)** – Have 4 meetings a week. Average 5-15 people in Winter at any given meeting. Business is 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of month after regular meeting. Have discontinued Tuesday 9am meeting which sucks but it is. Have resumed Fri night Big Book study format. Mon and Fri nights are hybrid. Info is online if anyone wants to join.

**Mike S. (West Yellowstone Group)** – Hardly any snow! Getting winter time 10-12 people showing up. Both meetings at 6:30 at church on Electric Street. Doing quite well with Pink Can, started it a couple months ago around T Giving. Have new treasurer, should be getting donations to District Treasurer soon.

**Russ G. (Third Steppers, Livingston)** – Have no snow here either! Having good attendance, reaching 45 people about. Speaker third Sat of every month, turned out well. Business is first Sat of each month. First Sat of each month have birthday celebration medallion meeting, always well attended.

**David K. (Tuesday at 8, Bozeman)** – Meet St. James corner Tracy and Olive. Avg 30 folks

**Paul S. (Common Solution, Belgrade)** – Peace Lutheran Sunday nights 6pm. Big Book also do 12&12, Business is 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of every month.

**Matthew R. (HOW Group, Bozeman)** – Nothing too fun and Exciting. Monday is book study. Sat is 8:30am, had over 30 people this morning and was also awesome.

**Autumn H. (Friday Beginners, Bozeman)** – Speaker with topic open discussion, first Friday of each month is book study of Plain Language Big Book

**Laurita G. (Women's Serenity, Bozeman)** – Tue and Fri noon, hybrid. Fri read stories in back of BB. Last Fri of month is birthday. Increase in women in last couple month. 15-20 attendees

- Visitors: Your name & your home group.  
Melinda W (Tuesday at 8)

#### 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 1/23/26: \$5,421.97  
Total Income: \$2,233.61  
Total Expenses: \$4,112.69  
Current Operating Balance: \$521.01

See attached reports for reporting period 12/7/2025-1/23/2026 which shows all income and expenses for this period, YTD vs. Budget. Any questions or concerns please reach out to me.

I am also including a New updated version of the 2026 Proposed Spending plan that has been updated to reflect 2025 Actual Spending. This item was tabled for Groups to discuss and come back in January for final changes and approval. Please Print one off as it will be an agenda item to discuss and approve or reject at the January 31st 2026 District meeting.

**\*\*\*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 1/31/26** 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.

##### **Answering Service, Wendy C.**

Absent, Lila read report

I will be out of the state on vacation during the last week in January, so here is my report. Thanks for having someone read it for me and please tell everyone hello!

No numbers for December yet to report, but I will send them in for next month's report when I get them. On December 14<sup>th</sup>, there was a state wide Zoom meeting. Mainly, we shared what was working with other chairs. We also decided against trying to forward calls to the suicide prevention number since none of us has that capability with a transferred call.

I am troubleshooting why the Answering Service did not get my updated volunteers for the month of December. I sent them to the Area Chair Lance on November 25, to his person and his AA Hotline email addresses and neither bounced back. I also texted them the same day to the Alternate Area 40 Chair Jake. Lance claims he did not receive them. I have asked him to help me understand why. I sent him the January volunteers' numbers today at both email addresses, and also texted them to Jake. I asked for a read receipt for the emails. Here is what I got back:

**Delivery to these recipients or groups is complete, but no delivery notification was sent by the destination server:**

[hotline@aa-montana.org](mailto:hotline@aa-montana.org)

Subject: JANUARY District 72 AA Volunteers PLEASE LET ME KNOW YOU RECEIVED THIS - THANKS!

**Delivery to these recipients or groups is complete, but no delivery notification was sent by the destination server:**

[Lancewh](#)

Subject: JANUARY District 72 AA Volunteers PLEASE LET ME KNOW YOU RECEIVED THIS - THANKS!

Not sure what more I can do, but I will keep asking. If I have to, I guess I can call the Answering Service and just give them the volunteer information? Any suggestions from anyone? Thank you!

Since the calls were incorrectly routed to the wrong volunteers in December, I handled them. I helped one person with how to help a friend get to a meeting, and how sponsorship worked. I had my husband call a male caller, and he was looking for a ride to a meeting so we picked him up and took him.

Wendy C

From Area Hotline Chair:  
Hello Everyone,

I hope everyone had a great holiday. It's a new year and looking forward to the Area Spring Assembly that will be upon us before we know. Sorry for the late report being sent out but let's get straight into it. Now there has been some confusion within some of the districts but i believe we have gotten it figured out and the issue seems to be on the back end with the Answering Services. I Hope this month goes smoothly. For December looks like we have missed about half of the calls that came though.

## Archives, Joanne M.

D72 Archives Report - Joanne M. - January 2026

- Completed printing out all of the 2025 meeting minutes, treasure reports, and flyers.  
**\*Groups - please be sure to include the year along with dates on your flyers!**

- I have been going through old notebooks making sure things are in chronological order, and inserting labeling tabs to help find specific documents.
- Once I finish going through everything, and trust me there is lots of stuff, I will start focusing on oral history interviews with oldtimers.  
If you know of anyone who is a good candidate for an interview please let me know. I ask that you help facilitate the process by providing the following information:
  - **Your name & contact info**
  - **Are you interested in conducting the interview?**
  - **Name of person to be interviewed**  
*Please talk to the person making sure they agree to participate*
  - **Their contact # or email**
    - **Let them know who I am and expect to hear from me**

The archives gmail is not set up yet, but soon.

You can email the above info to my home email: [-----](mailto:-----)

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

First, thank you for the honor of serving as your CPC Chair this year. I've learned a lot and developed such incredible respect for the work Alcoholics Anonymous does in our district. I'm grateful to all of you who give your time, your attention and your heart to AA Service work.

With AIAAnon, we gave a CPC presentation to the current cohort of MSU Nursing School students on Friday, January 16th from 1-3. Both groups had two presenters to allow ample time for questions. As always we filled the time with sharing not only our experience, strength & hope with these folks, and also shared reasons why the nurses can make such a powerful impression in the life of the yet-to-get sober alcoholic. For the first time in my history with CPC, one of our presenters was fairly newly back in recovery. We were cautioned that this could be dangerous, but it wasn't. In fact, this person was able to give the class something unique - their relapse experience which was pretty fresh in their mind and also why coming back to AA was and is their best hope of not drinking one day at a time. To me, it was one of the most moving shares I've ever heard.

At our last meeting, I mentioned that Rebekah P, our Treatment Chair and I were planning to meet with Rimrock to discuss how D72 might be able to be useful to them. As per their recommendation, we will be reaching out to them again in February as they indicated they needed more time to settle in first. More will be revealed here. After that meeting, we will schedule a meeting with PI, BTG and Literature Chairs as needed to begin talking about what we heard and our potential involvement with Rimrock.

One new thing came up this month. The Salvation Army is opening their big new building on N. 19th street. I was asked to meet with the Salvation Army to find out if there might be an opportunity for D72 to be useful to them. They seemed to be open to the idea of bringing a meeting into their new facility, but we did not discuss any details. There may be a CPC or Treatment or PI opportunity, but what I was asked to find out about was the possibility of having a meeting there. Before proceeding in any way, I wanted to check with D72 to find out who should be involved in potentially starting meetings there. As I understand it, they do not plan to provide overnight shelter. This will be directed to a new HRDC organization, Homeward Point center in Bozeman (opening in August).

If there is time tonight, I would love to hear any thoughts the District might have.

Betty M

**Grapevine & La Vina/Structure, Bob C.**

I'm Bob and I'm an alcoholic and your Grapevine and LaVina chair.

There is a Grapevine subscription contest running until the spring assembly. The district with the most new Grapevine subscriptions will win a hand made prize from Hugh, the Area 40 Grapevine chair. If you could put that out to your groups that would be great. Hugh will try to get numbers from Grapevine according to zip code to figure out who wins.

Thank you for allowing me to serve.

- Meghan asked how long does contest run? Bob said up to the Spring assembly.
- Mike asks does this include online subscriptions? Bob believes yes it does include online
- Betty asked does this include renewals? Bob says no Betty says ok, she was bummed but ok.
- Mike points out the online version does NOT include the jokes. Need printed version for the jokes!

**Literature, Steven R.**

Eight sales since early Dec, including case orders for corrections and treatment, and for several groups. Sales totaled: \$1536.68

Payment has been slow for many of these orders and I'm starting to need to be an enforcer to collect payment. One strategy is to demand payment upon receipt rather than be nice.

I had one sizeable order from GSO this month for nearly \$2381.69 from which I was able to satisfy several orders. We are stocked on most commonly-ordered items for some time.

As always, email is preferred for orders: [stevenr@hrdc.org](mailto:stevenr@hrdc.org). Text is second best but phone calls work, too.

Thanks -

SR

- Steven mentioned price increase from AA World Services on all books, increase of \$3 on each book. Price of pamphlets increasing by 15%. Note: News announcement available on the Meeting Guide app, that blue chair thing, 22 December 2025. Price increase effective February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2026.
- Bradley asks there is discount on bulk orders? Steven states yes depends, tend to get 10% discount on a case of books but usually on books, not pamphlets. Steven tends to buy about 5 cases at a time if he can
- Laurita asks how is price change distributed and told to the groups? Steven was informed via DCM but also can look at Meeting Guide app for AA news. All the books going up by \$3, all pamphlets going up by 15%

### **PI (Public Information), Ashley H.**

- + P.I. Committee met 1/30/2026
- + Over the month we delivered to 40 locations, mailed to 18, emailed to 3
- + Ordered 1200 printed schedules
- + Transitioning to a new printer because Allegra closed
- + Rimrock – email out
- + More room on schedules for writing phone numbers, comparing printing prices.
  - 8x14 vs 8x11
- + May reduce accessibility statement to a one line link to save space on schedule

- Brian says there's confusion about TIAS because meeting not always hybrid and there's been confusion about when it is online and when in person. Asked about potentially changing listing. Ashley said they can talk about it.

### **Roundup, Catherine J**

Roundup Committee Report

Jan 31, 2026

Greetings, District 72! This report reflects January activities. The committee has an active Gmail account, [roundup2027@area40district72.com](mailto:roundup2027@area40district72.com), established with support from Russ, the Technology Chair. A Roundup website is currently in development. A Save the Date flyer will be released shortly for distribution to Area, along with confirmed speaker information.

Event Dates: April 30–May 2, 2027 Best Western Grantree

Working Theme: “Where there once was a trickle, there is now a river,” drawn from the Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions, Step Twelve, and grounded in the following passage:

*“The persistent use of meditation and prayer, we found, did open the channel so that where there had been a trickle, there now was a river which led to sure power and safe guidance from God as we were increasingly better able to understand Him.”*

Roundup Speakers confirmed:

- Friday night: Andrew W. (Missoula, MT)

- Saturday night: Angie P. (Cincinnati)
- Sunday morning: Matthew M. (Seattle, WA)

Facilities & Venue: A site meeting has taken place with the Best Western Grantree. Pricing information is forthcoming.

Open Service Positions: Public Information Chair; Literature/Grapevine/Display Chair; Accessibility Chair; Entertainment Chair; Scheduling support; Recording support (working with the Speaker Chair).

Finance: The committee received a \$250 group donation from Reb Dog and \$500 from District 72. No expenditures have been made to date.

Next Meeting: Feb 21, 2026, at 10:00 a.m., Fellowship Hall (smaller room near the kitchen) or via Zoom meeting ID 659 311 3200 password howitworks

URL <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6593113200?pwd=NXNoRHJ0MXluY2JCRTBSeC82UIJHZz09>

In love and service,

Catherine J., Roundup Chair

### **Special Events, Amy K.**

District 72,

Not a whole lot to report. I think there may be a Special Event in March. It may be a Grapevine Event, where Hugh our Area 40 Grapevine Chair might come and do a writing workshop. I will keep you posted!!!

Amy

- Amy asks if she needs approval to use budget potentially to house Hugh overnight with motel?
- Meghan says not need to ask for approval, but can talk about it if need an increase. Lenore states it would be great to have District participate.
- Tim suggests if something where District could be all active and it's cool, he proposes we discuss that budget may not need to come out of Special Events budget. Could use other stuff
- Amy threatens if she doesn't use her budget she's going to go crazy at the end of her year
- Bob points out could use his budget as well
- Either March 21st? or April something, she's going to plan and book his room

### **Bridging the Gap, Michael S.**

Bridging the Gap report  
January 2026

#### Numbers

Bridging the Gap (BTG) requests for a temporary contact: 10 since the start of January.

- 1 female, 9 male.
- 10 matched with a temporary contact.
- 4 from detention centers, 6 from treatment facilities.

#### BTG volunteers

● Livingston provided a list of temporary contact volunteers. I would like to thank everyone who signed up. I updated the area database and am creating a corresponding spreadsheet for monitoring progress and evaluating performance.

#### Updates

- Received Livingston Volunteer signup sheet and entered into the database.
- Attended Corrections committee meeting.
- Attended Connecticut Area 11 BTG Workshop.
- Attended Area 40 12 Concepts Study monthly meeting.
- Began attending MCDC meetings in Butte.
- Access to GCDC AA meetings is brewing.
- Continuing work with Kevin on the new "Griffin Group" open meeting of Alcoholics Anonymous that meets in the HRDC warming center's "Homeward Point" facility Tuesdays @ 10:00 a.m. and Thursdays @ 8:00 p.m. We have seen solid turnout but need to keep the momentum going! PLEASE HELP SPREAD THE WORD.

- Contact email: [District72BTG@gmail.com](mailto:District72BTG@gmail.com)

**I attached the BtG request form and signup sheets for those interested in becoming a **Committee Member** or a **Temporary Contact Volunteer****

**Please help distribute these around the community and return them to me so we can keep our numbers up and our message strong!**

**Thank you everyone for your commitment and service.**

Michael S

District 72 BtG Chair

- Note: Lila will send Committee Member and Temporary Contact Volunteer forms as separate PDF's

#### **Corrections, Tony B**

Corrections meets 2nd monday, 5PM, in the North Room Fellowship hall. All are welcome if you are interested in Corrections, GCDC, or Treatment. We have a new box of Plain Language Big Books going to GCDC. All sponsor requests are being met through GCDC.

Boys2Men Meets Thursday, 830 PM at the hall, in room off the kitchen.

Thank you

-Tony

**Treatment, Rebekah P.**

The MCDC treatment meetings are progressing well. We currently have both male and female volunteers participating in the Butte and inpatient hospital meetings.

Several new volunteers have come forward, and I will provide further updates as they begin. In the meantime, please encourage anyone interested in this opportunity to contact me directly.

Best regards,

Rebekah

**Technology, Russell V.**

Looking into a better speaker for the hybrid district meeting.

Hoping to set up a time with treasure Tim K to get the Zoom account switched over from Betty M

Set up email for Joanne

Working out the kinks in the new email/ storage set up w google workspace

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

- Not much to report. Trying to get into Google Drive so that can move agendas from her personal Drive to the Shared Drive.

**DCM (District Committee Member), Lenore M.**

**DCM REPORT: January 2026**

**NEW TO REPORT:**

Hi fam! Happy New Years!! I got a list of District 72 Groups from our Area Secretary, Jessica S-K, and she is wondering if two groups are still active (because she doesn't have any contact information for either group):

1. Grupo Camino de Esperanza
2. Early Risers 11<sup>th</sup> Step Group

DOES ANYONE KNOW WHO I CAN CONTACT FOR THESE GROUPS? OR IF THEY ARE STILL GROUPS THAT ARE MEETING?

**FOLLOW UP INFORMATION:**

1. Our Area 40 Grapevine Chair, Hugh M. announced at Fall Assembly that the district that gets the most new subscriptions to the Grapevine before Spring Assembly 2026 will win a prize that he will make by hand. I just wanted to see a show of hands if anyone has been announcing this at their homegroups?  
Because we are a big, active District, it would be awesome if we could participate in this!

## NEWS FROM GSO/AAWS:

1. There has been an approved price increase for English, Spanish, and French books, booklets, pamphlets, and other literature items. This will go into effect on February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2026
  - a. Books will increase by \$3 each
  - b. All other literature will increase by 15%

AAWS is having a New Year's sale on some literature. This sale is effective from January 15<sup>th</sup> – March 15<sup>th</sup>. They are making available the *Plain Language Big Book*, our best-selling tool for reading our beloved Big Book, *Alcoholics Anonymous*, as a combo offer pairing with the Big Book, so all who wish to read both books may start the year off with a price break.

- Buy 1 Plain Language Big Book (print edition), & Get \$1 off 1 Big Book, Alcoholics Anonymous in English, French, or Spanish hardcover print editions!
- All you need to do is order: the print edition Plain Language Big Book (Item B-90), and pair it with each order of either:
  - Alcoholics Anonymous (Item B-1A), and get this Big Book at \$1 USD off its regular list price
  - *Les Alcooliques Anonymes* (Article FB-1A), and get this Big Book at \$1 USD off its regular list price
  - *Alcoholicos Anonimos* (Art. SB-1A), and get this Big Book at \$1 USD off its regular list price
  - **Please note:** Offer applies to all orders, large and small! And Special Offers, Combos, and List Price discounts are combinable with our other volume discounts!

3. AA Grapevine is having a sale (it is unclear how long it will last in the email I got), but if you subscribe to the app for 2 years, you will get \$8 off. Go to [www.aagrapevine.org](http://www.aagrapevine.org) to subscribe!

4. GSO has announced 3 new Class A (nonalcoholic) trustees. They are: Tom Ivester, M.D., from Chapel Hill North Carolina, Kelly Parsley from Helena, Montana (YAY MT!!), and Veronica Ramirez from Weslaco, Texas.

a. They will all serve 6-year terms

5. The trustees' Literature Committee of A.A. has opened calls for stories for two new pamphlets: "A Pamphlet on the Asian and Asian American Alcoholic" and "A Pamphlet on the Transgender Alcoholic"

. Working groups- composed of members from these respective communities- are hosting virtual writing workshops. These sessions offer ideas, practical help, and Q&A on writing and submitting stories for these pamphlets.

a. The virtual workshops (they will all be the same) will be held:

i. Monday, February 16<sup>th</sup> (President's Day) at 4 PM PST/7 PM EST

ii. Saturday, March 7<sup>th</sup> at 11 AM PST/2 PM EST

b. Zoom ID: 842 434 92371, Password: 705289 or login at

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84243492371?pwd=AV8g6TSA3te8edR1q9MNwtlZ30vrX.1>

6. The AAWS Board recently recommended that monthly communication be sent regarding matters related to self-support. Here are links to the first two:

<https://aaworldservicesinc.cmail20.com/t/y-l-apttkd-httlhhtkh-r/>

[https://www.aa.org/sites/default/files/literature/Scott\\_H\\_English\\_Letter\\_AAWS\\_Recommendation.pdf](https://www.aa.org/sites/default/files/literature/Scott_H_English_Letter_AAWS_Recommendation.pdf)

## NEWS FROM AREA:

1. There is a room block rate for our upcoming Spring Assembly. Please note that reservations must be made before **March 27th** to secure a room at the rate of \$119+tax per night for the [Holiday Inn Great Falls](#) - Convention Center. The room rate code is A40.

2. The deadline for submitting Area 40 Agenda Items for the Spring Assembly is **February 1st**.
3. Our Area Hotline Chair, Lance W. sent out his report for December. He said that there has been some confusion with some Districts, but he thinks they have all been resolved now. In December, Area 40 missed about half of the hotline calls in all of the Districts. District 72 had 3 calls and 2 missed calls.

**UPCOMING EVENTS: See all events on Area 40 calendar:**

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

1. On February 7<sup>th</sup> Primary Purpose will be having their annual speaker event right here at Fellowship Hall from 4pm with a panel, then a potluck, and a speaker at 7:30pm.
2. The WCRAASC (West Central Regional A.A. Service Conference) will be Friday 2/27 – 3/1 in Cedar Rapids, Iowa. I will be attending that in person.
3. Pockets of Enthusiasm is March 20-21<sup>st</sup> at the First Presbyterian Church in Helena. This will be a hybrid event
4. The 2026 Spring Assembly will be at the Holiday Inn in Great Falls April 17<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup>. This will also be a hybrid event
5. There will be a Treatment & Corrections workshop on Saturday, April 25<sup>th</sup> in Helena at the First Presbyterian Church
6. The Spring Round Up will be May 1-3<sup>rd</sup> in Kalispell at the Red Lion Hotel.
7. The Fall Assembly will be September 25-27<sup>th</sup> at the Holiday Inn in Great Falls
8. The Fall Round Up will be October 2-4<sup>th</sup> in Missoula at the Hilton Garden Inn

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

**EMAIL:** [dcm72@aa-montana.org](mailto:dcm72@aa-montana.org) or \_\_\_\_\_

**PHONE NUMBER:** \_\_\_\_\_

- Betty asks about scholarships for GSR's and committee chairs, what is the deadline? **The deadline for Spring Assembly scholarship is February 15**

**Reminder: send all reports to Lila at [district72.secretary@gmail.com](mailto:district72.secretary@gmail.com)**

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

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

- Tim - 2026 Spending Plan - discuss and approve  
- No discussion, just contemplation

**Motion to accept 2026 Spending plan**

**28 in room YES, 4 online YES = 32 in favor, 0 not in favor, 0 abstain**

**MOTION PASSES**

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

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

- Meghan - February District meeting conflicts with WCRAASC. Do we need to consider rescheduling?

- Tim asks for show of hands to see who is planning to attend. Meghan counted 3 people
- Betty cursed about forgetting to go to microphone after we told her to go to the microphone. Pointed out that WCRAASC is hybrid. May conflict if same time as District
- Lenore points out if possible she will attend District online
- Tim points out not many people attending so conflict is minimal
- Considered and dismissed
- Lenore - Discuss whether D72 wants to host a pre-assembly (potentially with District 61 which is the Helena area)
  - March 7<sup>th</sup>, March 14<sup>th</sup>, March 21<sup>st</sup> (but Lenore out of town), April 11<sup>th</sup> are open weekends.
  - Meghan asks so we would need to decide if pre-assembly is in Bozeman or Helena? Yes. So we would need to decide to split with them which Chair People would be attending. Also we do not need to hold pre-assembly with them
  - Catherine said her experience in the past is that one combined with Butte (and another) was pretty fun, wasn't an overnight. She could go either way.
  - Tim is all for pre-assembly. Background info is important to be talked about and helps people understand that we are all a part of the decisions made in AA. It is an opportunity to learn what's going on in AA. Tim think it's great, he is not for hosting it with another District just because of travel costs.
  - Lenore asks for show of hands who is interested in having a pre-assembly. Hands were raised (I didn't count. Greater than 8, less than 32)
  - Crystal asks since HOW Group does one already, could group join HOW Group, Matthew states no, the point is for GSR to get a sense of its own group
  - Amy states it could be a special event, Grapevine Event theoretically could wait.
  - Jax states they wouldn't mind doing an event with Helena but would be nice to be able to do online attendance in that case
  - Lenore will ask Lisa about her availability

- \* **Betty asking about Salvation Army meeting request (mentioned in CPC Report)**
  - An AA member asked her about having AA meetings at the Salvation Army but not many details. The AA member let Betty know that Salvation Army asked about having meetings there
  - CPC role is more about dealing with the professionals, she wasn't sure how to respond and wanted to ask if anyone had any guidance. Doesn't believe CPC is the right realm for this service request
  - Lila asked for clarification. Sounds like Salvation Army may have expressed to an AA member that they would be interested in having an AA meeting there, but the location in question is not yet open and don't know what building will be like (i.e. meeting space). AA member reached out to Betty.
  - Mike states that he seems we need to be available if they reach out and want a meeting in the Salvation Army
  - Nora says if it were up to her, she would wait to see what they are going to be in there cause they're not even open yet. They discussed a bit, decided to wait on any action.
  - Joanne validates Betty that CPC may not be right person to contact for this but she is the point of contact right now so if she could keep digging or being contact until things are resolved, would be great. Betty was satisfied.

**General Comments After Business Concluded:**

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- Crystal generally asked for clarification on where Pink Can funds do go.
- Rebekah states if the population in question is 70% correctional facility affiliated then Pink Can money goes toward them

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- Paul states that his group didn't feel that increase in cost for Treatment Chair for books was justified, he says he should have spoken up when we were discussing budget. Those people should maybe be given pamphlets instead
- Matthew states would be good if money used for big books for hospital is just used for hospital, not a cost that should be extended to other treatment facilities
- Rebekah asks ok so not using treatment... Are groups ok with using AA literature for private (for profit) institutions? AA meetings being brought into facilities like the hospital in patient unit meeting
- Steven states \$280 for case of big books. With \$3 increase would be \$360 per case
- Mike states providing books to newcomers is what we do
- Rebekah will clarify if hospital is for profit or not for profit

#### MOTION TO CLOSE

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: [area40.district72@gmail.com](mailto:area40.district72@gmail.com)

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12. Close with: Responsibility Statement