

Area 40 - District 72 Agenda – June 2026 Meeting

Hybrid Meeting: [Saturday 06/27/26 4:30-6:30pm at Fellowship Hall, Bozeman and via Zoom.](#)
[Link information below.](#)

Zoom Link:

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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 – Nora D.
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 Six: The Conference recognizes that the chief initiative and active responsibility in most world service matters should be exercised by the trustee members of the Conference acting as the General Service Board.

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)
In room 21 + Online 3 = 24 total
Quorum - 18
6. Approve May's meeting minutes – Unanimous approval (we did 0 disapproved and 0 abstain)
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.).*

Valerie K. (Young People, Bozeman) – Meet Tue Thu Sun at 7. Tue is speaker, Thu is dealer's choice. Sunday is 12&12 study for now, once through 12 and 12 will be switching to the big book. Then once through big book will go back to 12 and 12. Nothing huge, annual Kickball event will be coming up in August or September. Have had pretty consistent attendance lately, meeting has been getting bigger. Bunch of visitors and newcomers.

Laurita G. (Women' Serenity, Bozeman) – Tue is 12 step study, Fri is stories in back of book. Both meetings are hybrid meetings. Seen an increase in members. Encourage them to choose a homegroup. Lots of people out of town visiting.

Autumn H. (Friday Beginners, Bozeman) – At 6 pm, format is 15 minute speaker lead. First Friday of month do book study of plain language book.

Matthew R. (HOW Group, Bozeman) – Meet here in room 4 days a week. Starting planning for group inventory, and October 10th will be speaker event. Will have Judith R from North Dakota, come see us.

Paul S. (Common Solution, Belgrade) – Meet Sun at 6pm. BB and 12&12 study. 20 regular attendees, 6-10 homegroup members for group conscience. Great meeting.

Crystal B. (Pink Cloud, Bozeman) – Meet in room Wednesday at 6pm, Hybrid meeting, vary between 10 and 15 in meeting, split between in room and zoom. Have 8 homegroup members.

Nora D. (Wednesday Noon, Bozeman) – Consistently have 25-45 people in room. Lot of visitors lately just traveling through, lots of fun.

Ken S. (Hospital Group, Bozeman) – Meet at 6pm Sundays. Have about half a dozen regulars, hybrid meeting and most of members come from online all over the US.

Maurice W. (Friday Men's, Bozeman) – And is Alt GSR for Thu Big Book study. Have a good turnout so please come on by.

Brian W. (There is a Solution, Bozeman) – Multi modal meeting, in person every day. M-F in person only. Sat and Sun are hybrid meeting. Online presence runs independently M-F online. Each group running about 20 people right now, gotten bigger over summer. Quite a few visitors, quite a few newcomers.

Jacob G. (Itching Hour, Bozeman) – Have 7 homegroup members, avg 5-20 people each meeting.

Jake C. (Not a Glum Lot, Online) – Meet every night 9pm. Business is every third Tuesday of month. Different topics for each day. Just brought back list serve.

Leah F. (The Great Reality, Belgrade) – One meeting a week, Wed at 6pm. Homegroup is 5 people, attendance 5-10. Only other announcement have summer BBQ happening 18th of July. There's a pond there, can bring floaties, paddle boards, fishing rods. Luanne from Big Sky and Tony from Michigan will be speaking. All are welcome, bring families. At River Rock Church of Nazarene.

Susan H. (Vennis Over the Hill, Ennis) – 4 meetings a week. MF at Presbyterian church, hybrid. Wed in Jeffers, Sundays at Thomas Hickman library. Business is third Monday of month following meeting. 10-15 people per meeting, getting more with tourists. Group got into a bit of trouble in Virginia City, someone forgot to lock the door. Is in the community room to the right for now, meeting in smaller room. Group did make amends, space meeting is temporary.

Dez R. (Early Risers, Bozeman) – Meeting in kitchen room. Avg of 20 people. Meditation group, not always AA approved lit. Meditate and carry on. Have around 20 people.

Russ G. (Third Steppers, Livingston) – Lot of visitors right now. 30-50 people right now. If want to drive over and visit Sat morning, is a good drive.

- Visitors: Your name & your home group.

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 6/20/2026: \$7,746.44

Total Income: \$1,388.25

Total Expenses: \$997.48

Current Operating Balance: \$2,178.62

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. Pink can donations remain high and 0 for expenses. If your group is sending contributions for Pink Can instead of 7th Tradition, PLEASE slow down the pink can contributions our current pink can balance is \$2,040.99, we can use 7th tradition contributions more, Group Contributions YTD are only \$3206.81, and our spending plan is \$12,948.00 making us down about 25% YTD for group 7th Tradition Contributions vs Spending Plan/Budget.

Our current operating balance is \$2,178.62. I made a error on the last Budget vs. Actual Report for May 2026, as I did not have correct number for Technology under Money spent YTD, and have corrected that amount in the current report.

***District 72 contributions remain 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 6/27/2026 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.

- Lenore asks are individuals allowed to contribute to District? Tim says yes.

- Meghan says compared to spending plan, contributions are down. How do contributions compare to actual contributions from past years? Tim says not sure but he does know compared to last year contributions are down, but spending is also down. Also skewed because we make money selling literature. YTD we are down ~\$862 in how much lit we've purchased vs. how much we've sold. Meghan reiterates are we on par with how contributions are usually or no? Tim says still low on spending plan.
- Lila follow up maybe in finance committee we can talk about adjusting expected contributions from groups (Note: we followed up, Lila understands better now)

Answering Service, Wendy C.

I have requested days ago, but never did receive a report from the Area headquarters for statistics for the last month. These reports are normally at least a month late for our report, but I will forward it if/when I get it. We have received quite a few calls that were not picked up by the volunteer initially in the last month, but all were reached shortly after they called by me or another volunteer. Thus, everyone who has called in (since I took this service work last summer) has been answered, which is a huge testament to our volunteers!

This last month I have received names of new volunteers from several groups. Thank you so very much! I am reaching out to them, to get more people signed up to answer calls.

We have changed from a one month commitment to a three month service commitment because the Answering Service we contract with often neglected to update on the first of the month to the new volunteers (I gave the Area head the new names and numbers at least five days in advance very month.) This created much confusion and since I am not allowed to communicate directly with them, I had no options to correct it other than asking and hoping the Area volunteer would try to fix it.

At any rate, it's not a perfect system, but we are successfully reaching out to every person who called the Answering Service.

Gratefully,
Wendy C.

Area Chair Report:
Hello Everyone,

Happy 4th of July hope everyone stays safe during the holiday weekend and may we continue to answer to phone if we sign up for it thank you. Here are the numbers of calls and missed called we had during the month of June.

District	Calls	Missed
11	4	3
12	0	0
21	1	1

23	1	1
31	0	0
41	0	0
42	0	0
51	2	0
61	2	1
71	2	2
72	15	8
81	7	4
91	3	0
93	4	2

Thank you for your continued effort to help the Hotline. Everyone's effort is much appreciated.

Lance Whitehorse
(406)799-8015

- Jake (Alternate Area Answering Service Chair) states Lance and he don't send out reports until after 1st of next month cause that's when they get them. D72

Total 14 calls, 5 missed, all 5 responded to after fact

- Leah says it's low number of calls, is there a way to promote hotline? Wendy says not part of committee where that's been topic. Jake might know. So Jake says yes topic has come up, it is currently with the material that goes to Districts. Generally those calling in are visiting from out of town or are not part of AA yet, so question is how do we reach them. Leah says wonders if opportunity to partner with PI committee, she went to a mental health symposium and CPC Area Chair was there, wonders if there's a conflict with attraction vs promotion with trying to increase awareness of hotline. Is a great resource, wonders if it can be leveraged better. Is it accessible by Google, etc.

- Meghan suggests this could be something brought up as agenda item if we want to discuss as a group or brought up in a committee meeting.

Archives, Joanne M.

Meghan gave report.

D72 Archives Report - Joanne M. - June 2026

archives@area40district72.com

- Nothing new to report at this time.

- I apologize for not being present today. I am in Ennis helping the Area 40 Archivist, Rick H., Area 40 Archives Chair, Jodi T., as well as several other District Archives Chairs and volunteers. We are working on organizing the Archives Vault.
- Sorry to miss the agenda item regarding Archives Guidelines.
- If you have any questions, comments, or help with anything involving archives please reach out via the provided email above.

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

Absent, no report

Grapevine & La Vina/Structure, Bob C.

Lila gave report

Hello District 72. My name is Bob and I am an alcoholic and your Grapevine chair. I apologize for my absence, I have a deadline on a big job and am working through the weekend. I really don't have much to report but if anyone has any questions or concerns for me please feel free to contact me.

Thank you for allowing me to serve.

Bob C -----

Literature, Steven R.

2026-06-27

We had three sales this month for \$523.18.

I have plenty of stock of soft cover and plain language big books available at the old price. I have recently ordered three cases of abridged big books for Treatment.

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.

If you've tried to reach out and haven't heard back from me, please be patient and ping me again.

Thanks -
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PI (Public Information), Ashley H.

PI Report:

Not much to report yet. PI Committee Meets on July 3rd. Will be discussing the Grapevine QR code and legal size schedule options. Insty Prints had been a good option with current schedules running \$0.19 cents each. I ordered 1000 schedules this quarter.

Groups, please let me know if you have any meeting info changes. The online schedule can be updated immediately and printed schedules are updated once every three months.

In service,

Ashley H.

Roundup, Catherine J.

Jake C. gave report. Report not sent in.

- Lenore asks website? Roundupspring27.com

Special Events, Amy K.

Hi District 72, it was a great event. Thank you Lisa!
Stay tuned for the next one!!

Amy K.

Bridging the Gap, Michael S.

Attended Corrections chair committee meeting. 21 requests this month. Thank you for the opportunity to serve

Michael S
District 72 BTG Chair

- Wendy asks how do I get back on Bridging the Gap email list? Send Michael an email, district72btg@gmail.com

Corrections, Tony B.

The treatment/BTG/corrections group meets the 2nd monday of each at 5PM in fellowship Hall. All are welcome. The meeting is online too as well (please email me for the zoom link).

For corrections, paper work for taking meetings to Montana State Prison is due June 9th, orientation is July 10th. For information regarding taking AA meetings to Gallatin County Detention center, please contact Tony B via email/phone. Females interesting in attending either the Main Female Facility in Billings or the overflow facility in Riverside, please contact Virginia Ireland (Billings) or Penny Reynolds (Riverside). Contact Below:

Contact Information for meetings at Montana Women's Prison Billings (Main Facility):
Virginia I.

[-----](#)

Contact Information for meetings at Montana Women's Prison Riverside (Smaller Facility):
Penny R.

[-----](#)

- Paul says his group is concerned about \$2000 in Pink can. His group would like to see that money spent instead of sitting. Is wondering if there is a way or plan to spend that money going forward. Tony says he will talk with his committee. Clarifies that splits go toward 7th tradition, Pink Can is its own thing. Sounds like Tony is on it.

- Leah says there was an open item about the Men's Tuesday evening meeting going over to NA? Tony says there still is no closure, has not yet heard back from

Misty and has emailed her twice. Request originated from Misty, that AA give over a time slot for Men for NA, they wanted a Tue night but is a very popular night for AA. Solution might have been a Saturday night or to split the pods between programs. Has not yet heard back from Misty.

- Wendy says her husband's Belgrade Surrenders has bought books for MCDC. Rebekah clarifies that comes out of her budget as treatment chair, Wendy will let them know.

Treatment, Rebekah P.

Gave report, report not sent in.

- Rebekah mentions there was an individual in the past who was bringing books in to MCDC and she talked to him with Dennis. Said it is great for individual group to be buying books, but is also a service to be letting the District buy those books so it can be written into the budget.

- Crystal asks how often do we take meetings to MCDC, is it third Saturday? Yes third Saturday of the month. Wants to send some printed meeting schedules to MCDC with next group going to MCDC. Apparently is Ennis group taking meeting next.

Technology, Russell V.

During the technology committee meeting this month, we decided to set up a test email for the district72.com emails so we can facilitate transferring all previous emails to the new emails.

The idea is to have all the new area40district72.com email set up by December says the incoming class of 2027 will start using those as opposed to the old Gmail.

The projector screen that we have been using for district zoom meetings and belong to the fellowship hall has gone missing. So I went out and bought one at Best Buy for \$199.99 necessitating the additional expenditure of \$109.99 for the technology committee.

- Amy asks where will the screen he bought for Tech committee be stored? Russell says he doesn't know yet. Considered marking it as District 72 property, last projector screen belonged to Fellowship Hall

- Tim asks would Tech Chair and District be opposed to storing screen at Committee Chair's home? Room where things have been stored is no longer as secure as it used to be due to people having code for it. Russell suggests a cabinet at the hall would be better. Tim says talk to the board but ok with Russell hanging onto the screen for now.

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

Reminder that we have elections starting next month for the 2027/2028 rotation. We'll start with officer elections and will be using the third legacy procedure. I've invited our delegate, Lisa C, to facilitate the procedure for us.

When the Technology Chair approached the finance committee with an urgent request to exceed the spending plan to purchase an item we needed for an upcoming event, it became clear that we do not have a stated procedure governing how we handle those types of decisions. The finance committee plans to draft a proposed update to the

District guidelines so the District can decide how it'd like us to proceed in these types of situations in the future. This will be on next month's agenda.

Thanks!

- Crystal asks where do I learn about Third Legacy procedures, where to find them. (Note: This procedure is located in AA Service Manual, found in table of contents. Ex. In the '18-'20 Edition, it is on page S21)

DCM (District Committee Member), Lenore M.

DCM REPORT: June 2026

NEW TO REPORT:

Hi fam! I want to thank Meghan for covering me last month when I had a migraine! I want to take the time to apologize and make amends to anyone who feels slighted by me. I got a new position at work, and it has been changing up my meetings routine/availability! I am working hard to try and sort out a new schedule!

FOLLOW UP INFORMATION:

1. I am thrilled to see so many chairs with updates to their positions! This is super helpful and important that we are able to keep the job descriptions up to date (especially from you all that are doing them)!
2. 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 recently acquired the "Everything AA" app! There will be some phased changes coming to the app (working with the original creator of the app).

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. In June, there are lots of Founders Day campouts and picnics all over Area 40.
3. On Saturday June 27th starting at 12:30, we will be having our District 72 Delegates Report special event. This is where we get to hear about our Area 40 Delegate Lisa's experience at the General Service Conference.
4. The Fall Assembly will be September 25-27th at the Holiday Inn in Great Falls.
5. 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 secretary@area40district72.com

PLEASE COME TO THE MICROPHONE FOR ALL REPORTS, QUESTIONS,

COMMENTS. 9. Immediate Business – for June 2026: 2 MINUTE TIMER FOR

QUESTIONS/OPINIONS

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

- Discussion item: Adding the Grapevine QR code to the district meeting schedules (previously tabled to wait for PI chair to be in attendance)
 - Lenore reminds us idea came from her homegroup to add Grapevine QR code to meeting schedules. She knows space is tight, knows PI Committee has talked about ways to save space. Thinks it's a great way to support Grapevine if there is space on schedule.
 - Ashley states would be easy to put on the front. Have talked about changing the fold. Ashley asks why are we doing the Grapevine code? Should be able to fit it.
 - Meghan asks so we could do it without an added expense? And Ashley says yes.
 - Lenore clarifies it is as a way to support the Grapevine, Doug echoes that yes Delegate mentioned today Grapevine needs money
 - Matthew reiterates that we don't even know if the groups want the Grapevine QR code on front so should start there
 - Crystal says the committee PI could talk about it and provide us with some ideas of where to put it. Could also put the Everything AA app link on the front.
 - Ashley states would love to hear back from groups on if they would like Grapevine on front or Everything AA app or what they want
- Discussion item: Proposed updates to Treatment chair position description

- [Rebekah reads updated position description]
 - Meghan states in the IPU section, note about training. Remembers when she did MCDC, there was a reference to rules and training. So include in MCDC section as well. Also where it says reimbursement should be submitted at least one month in advance, is this in other position descriptions? If not, maybe it should be included in other descriptions.
 - Rebekah states didn't realize she needed to ask in advance for reimbursement. States she thinks the training for MCDC is significantly less than what is required for IPU, basically just signing non disclosure agreement.
 - Susan asks about mileage and fuel expense reimbursement, says that's fallen to way side. Susan suggests reimbursement SHOULD be done, not that it may be reimbursed. Make it clear that they SHOULD be reimbursed, need to send in receipt. Also asks are there any sobriety requirements for going in? Rebekah says is a year, it can be in the guidelines. Susan says are there more treatment centers we can go to? Rebekah says Rimrock not interested in us. Susan says would be good that Treatment Chair reaches out to new treatment facilities. Rebekah says was discussed in committee previously that it be brought back to committee when a new treatment center arises and agenda item if comes out of committee.
 - Tim says thinks in guidelines need to be clear what is reimbursed in chair descriptions. Thinks Chairs should be reimbursed cause it is in their budget. However, he thinks that AA volunteers should not be reimbursed for food or gas money because it is AA service and is also how it used to be.
 - Rebekah states doesn't think people are asking for reimbursement for food. She states she thinks reimbursement for gas opens door for people who otherwise would not be able to do the service.
 - Discussion item: Proposed updates to DCM position description
 - [Lenore reads update description]
 - Tim says he may be delusional but from his experience only have pre assemblies for spring but not for fall. They agree. Tim clarifies spring assembly is all about the General Service Conference, give delegate feedback for what we as Area think on items. (Note: Removal of Fall pre assembly in job description has occurred)
 - Amy states if this gets approved does she need to update her job description? Meghan and Lenore clarify it may not be approved by District always so does not need to be in Special Events description.
 - Meghan's understanding is that it encourages DCM to work with Special Events chair for optional pre assembly, it is not mandated.
 - Crystal Motions: To approve updates to DCM job description in District guidelines. Tim or Matthew seconded.
- 21 in room yes, 4 online in favor. 0 opposed, zero abstain

MOTION PASSES

- Discussion item: Proposed updates to Archives chair position description (Decided not to do without Joanne present)
- Discussion item: Proposed updates to Treasurer position description
 - [Tim reads updated description]
 - Matthew states his group had no discussion
 - Matthew Motion: To accept all of the changes to the guidelines for the Treasurer position. Seconded by somebody
 - Discussion: Michael asks is there a software in lieu of Quickbooks that needs to be added? Tim says no, just use Excel or Word

19 in room yes, 5 online, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions

MOTION PASSES

- Discussion item: Proposed updates to Special Events position description
 - [Amy reads position description update]
 - Tim Motion: We accept the changes to the Special Events Chair in the District 72 Guidelines. Seconded by Russell

19 in room, 2 online. 0 opposed

MOTION PASSES

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

- Rebekah - Request to reverse order of position elections for upcoming rotation (Tabled)

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

Next district meeting: 4:30 p.m., Sat. July 25, 2026 at Fellowship Hall in Bozeman

See Area website for happenings in our District and the rest of Area 40 as well as current District information: <https://www.aa-montana.org/>
 District 72 mini site: <https://www.aa-montana.org/district-sites/dist72/index.php>

12. Close with: Responsibility Statement