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District 91 Monthly Meeting Minutes	February 23, 2025	
Attendees	<u>In person</u> Steve S Danielle K Abe M Jose S Lois L Susan H Tazarae C Antoinette M Stacey W Katie V Vince T Allyson V Chris M Rhianna G Michael M Denise S Sandy K Tyrone S Nancy S	
Opened 3:04 pm	Preamble: Tazarae C Traditions: Vince T Serenity Prayer: All Twelve Concepts: Tyrone S Concept of the Month (Concept 2) Presented by: Nancy S Review and approval minutes: Minutes approved NEXT MEETING: March 30, 2025. 3:00pm Alano Club (Hybrid Meeting) Meeting Host February: Bigfork by the Bay Meeting Host March: Treatment Committee	
Committee Chair Reports		
	Archives: - Looking for adequate location to store the archives.	Chris M
	Bridging the Gap: Nothing new to report for Happy Hour. We meet every Monday thru Friday at 5:30pm at the Alano club. Bridging the Gap made one new connection this month.	Rhianna G

	PI and CPC: I 'm currently reaching out to other CPC representatives to see how we can collaborate and work together. Thank you for allowing me to be of service.	Antoinette M
	Corrections: Our women's calendar for the jail volunteers is filled through April. We have plenty of women dedicated to serving AA in this capacity. However, this month has proven to be a little bit of a challenge in filling the calendar for the men's jail meeting volunteers. While there are several dedicated volunteers that have been stepping up and filling the empty spots, there has been a few Fridays where there was only one male volunteer for the meeting. I spoke with the Chief Detention Officer Bill Smith early in the month about this situation; and, he said that while he'd prefer to have two men for the meeting, he also understands that a meeting with one volunteer is better than no meeting at all. So, he has made the allowance that one male volunteer can run the meeting if that is the case. So far, this month all of the Fridays at the Flathead County Jail have had AA meetings for both men and women. I am hoping to get more men involved in this service, by continuing to make the announcements at meetings, and providing sign-up sheets in the meeting rooms. I believe it will pick up as the weather warms up, we shall see. I will be out of town March 1st- March 16 and will be working with the Corrections calendar and volunteer communications remotely.	Stacey W
	Grapevine : SUBSCRIPTIONS Print- 1yr-\$36.00 2yr-\$68.00 3yr-\$90.00 Digital- 1mo-2.99 1yr-\$29.99 2yr-\$49.00 3yr-\$69.00 Both- 1mo-\$6.00 1yr-\$56.00 2yr-\$98.00 3yr-\$130.00	Abe M

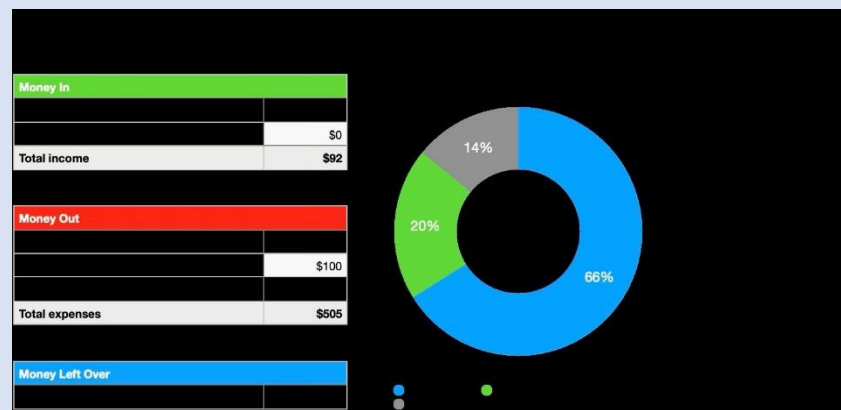
	*Since the monthly Grapevine can't go through AA conference approval, "The Conference recognizes AA Grapevine as the international journal of AA" *Jake H of the Whitefish group, former editor for Grapevine magazine, has a standing offer to help any member of AA to publish an article in the magazine. GSRs, please share this offer with your groups and encourage them all to write an article to share their experience, strength, and hope related to alcoholism and recovery. *Calling all district 91 grapevine chairs!!! All I have currently is Bigfork and New Hope. All other GSRs, please share contact info for your grapevine rep if you have one. *"Smooth Moves" is an article in February's issue about business meetings and service and might relate to district committee members. Thanks for the opportunity to serve. Abe M	
	Hotline:	OPEN
	Literature: Literature is performing well considering that it is still slightly handicapped regarding the Lit bank account. I have personally been down to the bank 3 times trying to get the old signer and old principles of the account removed and the actual physical address straightened. The last thing to get done is to grant this chair netteller access so I can do online banking. Just need an Eli signature on Sunday, I already have Vince, and I should be golden to use the account. As far as business we were able to purchase and provide the New Service manuals for new GSR's to District for Into Action in time for the event. Also, I placed an order for Serenity group that I received at the Into Actin Event, and at the same time ordered some lit so we can have it available to groups to purchase (in a pinch) and build up some inventory to have a proper display. 30 Plain Language books 3 AA Hardcover, 5 12x12, 3 As Bill sees it, 2 Daily Reflections were purchased. So far, I have used my c/c for these district purchases, but Serenity wrote a check in advance for their books. I will be able to provide financial reports going forward. Into action event-14 Service manual were distributed. \$56.00 is owed currently for them to Literature. Lastly, I have contacted many of the GSR's from groups around the district who have provided me with the contact names and numbers of their Lit	Susan H

	chairs and I have already been in contact with 6 of them already. Thank you GSR's!	
	Treatment: I am excited to Report that there is light at the end of the tunnel. dbradley@rcofmt.com is the email of the person in charge at RCM. There is 8 hours of new training for volunteers. I will be doing it over the next few days. I will make sure to get all the new rules so we can share with our groups. I will be reaching out to the ladies that volunteer, to make sure they have done the training as well. So grateful for the opportunity to mend the bridge to RCM. Gratefully in Service, Tazarae	Tazarae P
	District Intergroup Liaison (non-voting): Minutes from the February 22 Intergroup meeting: • Emery Bay campout is reserved for August 21-24 • St. Patrick's dinner is March 29; business meeting at 5:30, dinner at 7:00 & birthday meeting at 8:00 • Marlys is ordering new meeting schedules • Entertainment chair and Co-chair positions are still open. So far Ad-hoc committees form to organize events • The Spring Fling will be in April or May Caleb, from Whitefish, announced that the 40th Annual EZ Duz-It golf event will be June 7 & 8, with a barbecue on Saturday evening at the Whitefish community center. Intergroup is sponsoring the event again this year with a \$500 check to help with expenses. Everyone is welcome to the barbecue whether you golf or not. There will be flyers printed with the details.	Sandy K
Standing Committees /Reports		
	Into Action 2025 - Into Action 2025 has came and went! A big thank you to all who volunteered their time and energy to making this happen on short notice. Attendance fluctuated between 25-45 during the event. The highest numbers were during the luncheon. The event took in \$92 in 7th Tradition funds. Feedback received included the GSR School was informative, the luncheon was fantastic with a great amount of food. The	Hallie B

Newbie Panel was well-received, and the speaker Josh L. gave listeners much to think about.

Some lessons to take away were:

1. There were some great faces that showed at the GSR school event, however there are several more newer GSR's that weren't there.
2. There was not enough time for breakout sessions after the District Chairs shared their position information, which was a miss.
3. Good communication was established with the club and led to great involvement from Ray and Samson - who last minute jumped on the Newbie Panel.
4. A better job of setting expectations with anyone who had been asked to speak, including incoming District chairs and former chairs, would have been appreciated by all.
5. There seems to be an opportunity to make this more of an income generator for the District, however I have heard this is usually more of an outreach event for the District.



Christmas Alcathon 2025

OPEN

Spring Round Up 2026 –
Sorry we couldn't make it, we had work commitments.
The 2026 Spring Roundup is taking shape! We are so grateful to be a part of it. Workshops are coming together, committees are filling up, Banners and all graphic assets are being created, our decorations and fundraising teams are kickin' ... butt!
Things are getting exiting.

Our entertainment is going to awesome! The Speakers are next level! The jam session is ALWAYS a blast! - It's going to be so much fun. Things seem to have organically began to lean towards 3 things:
Any lengths service, Northwest Montana Vibe, and Arts and Creativity. - so cool.
We hope that the level of hospitality that our fellowship will provide will affirm our any lengths theme.

Nino &
Victoria

	In the coming months we ask that you begin to think about where you might serve. Grab a sponsor or a sponsee and cover a few shifts as a greeter, a roamer, or help at registration or the hospitality room. There's plenty of stuff to do! Some folks love to be up front, some are more behind the scenes people. We'll all be addressing getting out of our comfort zones, but it's way easier as team. (You can "tap out") Remember-Many hands make light work. If you have any questions please reach out. Grateful to Serve, Nino and Victoria Next zoom meeting March 26th! Please reach out the week prior if you'd like to attend ;)	
Group Reports		
	Bigfork by the Bay Group - Meetings all the same. Five meetings per week. Monday Women's meeting at 10am Tuesday 7 pm Thursday BB study 7 pm Saturday 7 pm Sunday 7 pm Only new news is our elevator will be completed by the middle of March.	Lois L
	Canyon Group –	Tyrone S
	Chief Cliff Wellbriety Group –	OPEN
	Columbia Falls Group - We hold business meetings quarterly and we last met on Thursday January 16th at 7:15. Our next business meeting will meet Thursday April 17th at 7:15 pm. Meetings take place Wednesday, Thursday, and Saturday evening at 8pm in the Chapel at the Vets Home in Columbia Falls. We have a speaker meeting every 3rd Saturday at 8pm. It was discussed at our last business meeting to remove the speaker meeting as there has been little interest and the inability to find speakers. Nothing has been decided and will be addressed at our next business meeting. There was no speaker for the month of February. I'm pleased to report there has been	Katie V

	an increase in attendance at the Columbia Falls Group meetings.	
	Girls Night Out Book Study Group – We meet every Wednesday at the Calvary Lutheran Church 2200 US Hwy 2 E in Evergreen. We open the doors at 5:30 for fellowship. We are currently reading the stories in the second portion of the Big Book. Our next business meeting is Wednesday March 5th after our regular meeting. Most of our service positions are filled, however we do need someone to serve as our Alternate GSR, Intergroup Liaison, CPC and Grapevine chairs. All women are welcome to attend!	Nancy S
	Going to the Sun Group – Things are well in the Canyon. Our meeting is held every Thursday 7pm at 215 Old School Ln in Coram and is very well attended. We also have a potluck on the last Thursday of the month at 6pm. Our business meetings are now held on the 1st Thursday of the month shortly after 8pm.	Chris M
	Happy Hour Group – No new updates	Rhianna G
	New Hope Group – Brian D will be the speaker at the March 1st 7pm Speaker Meeting	Aryel M (Presented by Antoinette M)
	Serenity Group – Serenity Group holds four meetings per week: M,T, F at 7 pm at the Alano Club, and M at 7 on Zoom. Please find Zoom details on the Area 40 website. Monday offers rotating Beginner topics, Tuesday is a Big Book Study and Friday is a random call-up meeting celebrating various lengths of sobriety except the final Friday of the month when we celebrate multiple years and have a one hour speaker. Our speaker this Friday, February 28 is Mary W. from the Girls Night Out Meeting. On the upside: I attended Into Action and learned a lot! I will be going to Casper, WY on Friday, Feb 28-March 1 for the WCRAASC, funded through the home group. I will attend the zoom Pre-Assembly on March 8, and our Alt-GSR, Paul W., plans to attend the in-person Pre-Assembly in Missoula on March 15. A struggle we had this month: Earlier in the month, I was contacted by Ray, the Alano Club manager who informed me that the lights were left on and the side door unlocked after the	Alyson B

	Serenity Group business meeting on Feb. 10. In response to this serious lapse, I offered a corrective action plan that includes: 1. I will make a motion for the next SG business meeting to revise GSR job description to include making sure that lights are out and the club is locked at the end of the monthly business meeting. 2. Revise monthly business meeting agenda to include a written reminder: Light Out/ Doors Locked, to enlist the aid of others as reminders. 3. I took responsibility for this error and personally committed to ensuring lights out and doors are locked at the end of the monthly business meetings. Ray was satisfied with this plan so that's where we stand. This is only an issue on the second Monday of the month after the SG business meeting, when SG is the last to leave the club. NA is otherwise responsible for locking up the club when their nightly 8 pm meeting ends, and they have it dialed in! I appreciate our group's new Alano Club Liaison, Margaret L. for connecting me with Ray and being part of the solution.	
	Somers/Lakeside Group Permanent report: The Somers/Lakeside Group has open meetings and anyone is welcome to attend. We meet every Monday at 7 pm in the basement of the Eidsvold Lutheran Church, 5935 Hwy 93 South in Somers. Please use East entrance. Attendance has been growing over the past year with summer months seeing the largest turnout. The first Monday of the month is our 12 Step Meeting, where we read and comment on the corresponding step for that month. Meetings where a newcomer(s) may be present, we usually have a first step meeting, welcoming their presence. The last Monday of the month is our Birthday Meeting, where we acknowledge anyone who had a sobriety birthday that month and celebrate with commemorative coins and refreshments. The other Mondays are open discussion. Meetings usually end by expressions of gratitude and a prayer.	OPEN
	Tobacco Valley Group	OPEN
	The Connection - @ Big Sky Treatment Center Tuesday at 8PM. Mostly attended by people leaving IOP.	Michael M
	White Fish Group – Meets at First Presbyterian 301 Central Ave Whitefish, MT • 3 meetings a day, 7 days a week: 7am; 12:30p, 8pm	Denise S

	• Ladies meeting on Tuesdays @ 6:30pm • Men's meeting on Wednesdays @ 6:30pm • Business meeting 1st Monday of month @ 6:30pm • Openers support meeting 2nd Monday of month @ 6:30pm opportunity to ask questions about things that may come up in a meeting that may be unusual or unsure how to handle. The church is continuing to grow their youth ministry program, along with New Life Ministries. Currently we are holding the 12:30 Sunday, 6:30 men's and 8pm meetings either in the kitchen downstairs or the classroom on the main floor to accommodate the need for the church/New Life to use our normal meeting room downstairs. More changes in room space may be coming in the near future. (more will be revealed) 😊. Sober Ski sponsored by the Whitefish Group is this coming weekend Feb 28-Mar 2. Flyer is on the Area 40 website. • Begins with the Friday Night meeting @ 6:45pm at the church. • Saturday ○ 8am Breakfast – Swift Creek Café (no host) ○ 9:30-10am Ski/Boarding meet at bottom of Chair 1 WMR ○ 1pm Lunch – Ed and Mully's ○ 6pm Potluck dinner (\$15 donation) Whitefish Community Center ○ 7:30pm-9pm meeting (open) • Sunday ○ 8am Breakfast ○ Meet again on mountain for skiing THANK YOU JAKE H for all your work coordinating this wonderful event again this year!!!	
District Reports		
	DCM – Nothing new to report	Eli S
	Alternate DCM – Nothing new to report	Steve S
	Treasurer – Bank Statement Ending Balance \$5,643.26 Outstanding Checks #183 Alano Club Rent Jan/Feb (\$30.00) Bank Statement Balance \$5,613.26 Beginning Checkbook Balance \$4,045.76 January Deposits	Vince T

	1-2 Canyon Group \$750.00 1-2 Serenity Group \$367.00 1-2 Christmas Alcathon Net \$32.25 1-2 New Hope \$200.00 1-19 Somers/Lakeside Grp \$119.25 1-23 Serenity Grp Pink Can \$153.00 Total January Deposits \$1,621.50 Checks Written January #183 Stacey Ward Corrections (\$24.00) #184 Kalispell Alano Club Rent Jan/Feb (\$30.00) Ending Checkbook Balance \$5,613.26 Prudent Reserve (\$1,500.00) Pink Can Beginning Balance (\$941.17) January Deposit (\$153.00) Total Pink Can Balance (\$1,094.17) Net Available Balance \$3,019.09	
	Secretary – Asked for all monthly report/updates to be emailed to section444@aol.com as soon as possible.	Jose S
Old Business	Bigfork by the Bay was selected by acclamation to head up the Hotline. Moved by Nancy S and seconded by Stacey W.	
New Business	None	
Next Meeting	March 30, 2025 3:00pm Alano Club, Kalispell	
Closing	Responsibility Statement	
Attachment	NONE	
Additional Notes:	NONE	