

# AREA 40 FALL ASSEMBLY

Yogo Inn  
Lewistown, Montana  
September 17-18, 2011

## **FRIDAY, September** - Sapphire Room

A.A. meeting starting at 7:30 p.m. (This meeting is separate from the Assembly and is self-supporting; a 7<sup>th</sup> tradition basket will be passed)

## **SATURDAY SESSION – September 17**

**7:30-8:00** GSR's and visitors sign in with their District's DCM. *(DCM's please give the sign in sheets to the Area Secretary no later than 10:00 a.m.)*

**8:00-9:45** **Welcome** – Serenity Prayer, Traditions, and Concepts

**Roll Call** – by Area Secretary, Linda B.

**Orientation to the Assembly** – by the Delegate, Terry S.

**Reports from Area Committee Members**

**(Please note** – *we have a very full agenda, effort to keep reports under 5 minutes is appreciated.)*

Area Chair<sup>1</sup>

Secretary<sup>1</sup>

Treasurer<sup>1</sup>

Triangle Editor<sup>1</sup>

Area Service Chairs<sup>1</sup>

DCM's<sup>1</sup>

Standing, nonvoting service positions<sup>1</sup>

**9:45-10:00** **Coffee Break**

**10:00–10:30** **Election of Area 40's Nominee for West Central Regional Trustee** – Terry S.

**10:30-12:00** **Standing Committee Meetings:**

Treatment Facilities/Agenda..... 416

Archives/Area 40 Structure & Policy.....Kendall Room

Corrections/International Conventions ..... Terrace Room

Public Information/Report and Charter & Website ..... 430

CPC/Trustees ..... 310

Finance.....Gypsum Room

Grapevine/Policy & Admissions (GSC)..... 412

Literature..... 328

**Workshop** for those not attending committee meetings

Led by past delegates – Earl F. and Scott W. – “How AA Takes Its Inventory”

**12:00-1:00** **Recess for Lunch**

**1:00-1:15** **Area 40 Inventory Orientation** – Area Advisor Carole B.

**1:15-3:45** **Small Group Inventory Discussion Groups**

**Group 1** – Northeast Sapphire Room

**Group 2** – Southeast Sapphire Room

**Group 3** – Gypsum Room

**Group 4** – Pool Area

**3:45–4:00** **Coffee Break**

<sup>1</sup> **Reports:** 5 minute time limit with email (or written) copies to the Area Secretary and Triangle Editor

**4:00-5:30 Inventory Reports and Discussion** (Entire Assembly in Sapphire Room)

**5:30-7:00 Recess for Dinner**

**7:00-8:00 Floor Assembly – Committee Reports, Motions, and Discussion**

Treatment Facilities/Agenda<sup>2</sup> – Colby D.  
Archives/Area 40 Structure & Policy<sup>2</sup> – Joe H.  
Corrections/Intn'l-Regional Forums<sup>2</sup> – Terry H.  
Public Information/Report<sup>2</sup> – Paula H.  
CPC/Trustees<sup>2</sup> – Libbie L.  
Finance<sup>2</sup> – Lori F.  
Grapevine/Policy & Admissions<sup>2</sup> – Gary E.  
Literature<sup>2</sup> – Mary Mc.

**8:00-8:45 West Central Regional Trustee Sharing** - Ken B.

**8:45-9:00 Coffee Break**

**9:00-10:00 GSR Breakout** – Held by Past Delegate: Ask-it-basket and sharing  
**DCM Breakout** – Held by Past Delegate: Ask-it-basket and sharing

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**SUNDAY SESSION – September 18**

**8:00-8:45 Roundup Reports<sup>1</sup>:** Spring 2011 Great Falls; Fall 2011 Helena; Spring 2012 Kalispell

**Intergroup Reports<sup>1</sup>**

**Report from the West Central Regional Forum in Davenport, Iowa<sup>1</sup>**

**Report from the Local Forum Committee<sup>1</sup>**

**Report from the National AA Archives Workshop Committee<sup>1</sup>**

**Report from the 2012 WCRRASC Committee<sup>1</sup>**

**8:45-9:15 Delegate's Report** – Terry S. (questions and answers)

**9:15-9:45 Past Delegate Sharing** – Earl F.

**9:45-10:15 Past Delegate Sharing** – Scott W.

**10:15-10:30 Coffee Break**

**10:30-12:00 Floor Assembly – Committee Reports, Motions, and Discussion** (continued) followed by general sharing as time allows

***ADJOURN – PLEASE DRIVE SAFELY!***

***The Yogo Inn graciously places ashtrays/receptacles outside the doors and asks that smoking be limited to the outside smoking area. Our thoughtful compliance and courtesy are appreciated.***

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<sup>2</sup> **Floor comments are requested to take no longer 3 minutes**

The following is a list of agenda items and the Area Committees they have been assigned to for review. All items originate in Area 40 (including the items about review of what the General Service Conference did this last spring, which is our chance to look at whether we want to respond to any GSC action or inaction).

The Committee Chairs and DCMs were sent a list of agenda items with, in most instances, corresponding background information. This information is then passed on to other members of those committees and to GSRs in the districts and other interested members of our Fellowship for research, review and discussion, in turn providing for a well-informed *conscience/decision*. If your Group has any comments, questions, and concerns or would like copies of any background information please contact the appropriate Area Committee Chair or your DCM. Your DCM has the names, phone numbers and addresses of the Area Committee (which also appear in the *Triangle*) or you can email them through the Area's website [www.aa-montana.org](http://www.aa-montana.org) should you need them. (**NOTE:** the process by which items are submitted, dispersed, considered and brought to the Assembly is detailed in the ***Area 40 Committee System Policy and Procedures*** manual which is available through your DCM and on the web site).

Review Concepts I, II, III, X, XII and Tradition 2 for a clearer understanding of the above process.

The following Committees/Committee agenda items are listed in order of presentation.

### **TREATMENT FACILITIES/AGENDA – COLBY D.**

#### **Agenda**

- A. Review 2011 Conference Advisory Actions and Additional Committee Considerations for Agenda.

#### **Treatment Facilities**

- A. Review the “Bridging the Gap” process within Area 40.
- B. Review 2011 Conference Advisory Actions and Additional Committee Considerations for Treatment/Special Needs/Accessibilities.

### **ARCHIVES/AREA 40 STRUCTURE & POLICY – JOE H.**

#### **Archives**

- A. Review draft Area 40 Policy and Procedures which reflects updates as noted in section G2.8.
- B. Review 2011 Conference Advisory Actions and Additional Committee Considerations for Archives.

#### **Area 40 Structure & Policy**

- A. That Area 40 split the positions of Alt. Delegate/Area Chair and that the Area 40 Structures and Policy Committee be charged with building qualifications and job descriptions for the two new positions.
- B. Consider Area 40 extend financial support to DCM's in Districts that are financially unable to fully support their DCM's attendance at Area Assembly.

### **CORRECTIONS/INTERNATIONAL CONVENTIONS – TERRY H.**

#### **Corrections**

- A. Review the “Bridging the Gap/temporary contact” process within Area 40.
- B. Consider making the Pink Can Fund Program one of the defined responsibilities of the Corrections Committee and, for the purpose of Pink Can Funds:

1. Jails, Youth Detention Facilities and all programs that are operated by the Montana Department of Corrections, where alcoholics are confined, are eligible for said funds;
  2. All requests for funds come through the district in which the facility resides;
  3. The Area 40 Corrections Chair will provide a detailed Financial Report at both the Spring and Fall Assembly.
- C. Review 2011 Conference Advisory Actions and Additional Committee Considerations for Corrections.

**International Conventions/Regional Forums**

- A. Review the report of the 2011 Local Forums in Great Falls and Miles City including attendance and financial information.
- B. Review 2011 Conference Advisory Actions and Additional Committee Considerations for International Conventions/Regional Forums.

**PUBLIC INFORMATION/REPORT AND CHARTER & WEBSITE– PAULA H.**

**Public Information**

- A. Review the Area 40 Web site content, with particular attention to consistency between the Web site guidelines and Area 40 Policy and Procedures.
- B. Review the Fall 2011 Web site report from the Area Webmaster.
- C. Consider all business pertaining to the Web site operated by Area 40 Inc.
- D. Review the suggestion by Past Delegate, Carole B., that State officials and agencies be informed about A.A. and discuss and/or propose a method or methods for doing so.
- E. Review the operation of the Area 40 888 number.
- F. Review 2011 Conference Advisory Actions and Additional Committee Considerations for Public Information.

**Report and Charter**

- A. Review 2011 Conference Advisory Actions and Additional Committee Considerations for Report

**CPC/TRUSTEES – LIBBIE LAPP**

**Cooperation With the Professional Community (CPC)**

- A. Review 2011 Conference Advisory Actions and Additional Committee Considerations for Cooperation with the Professional Community.

**Trustees**

- A. Review 2011 Conference Advisory Actions and Additional Committee Considerations for Trustees.

**FINANCE – LORI F.**

**Finance**

- A. Prepare and propose the 2012 Area 40 Budget, with consideration for additional expenses that would result if other committee recommendations pass.
- B. Review 2011 Conference Advisory Actions and Additional Committee Considerations for Finance

**GRAPEVINE/POLICY & ADMISSIONS (GSC) – GARY E.**

**Grapevine**

- A. Review 2011 Conference Advisory Actions and Additional Committee Considerations for Grapevine.

**Policy/Admissions**

- A. Review 2011 Conference Advisory Actions and Additional Committee Considerations for Policy/Admissions.

**LITERATURE– MARY MC.**

**Literature**

- A. Review the status of Area 40's request to AAWS to produce a hardbound *Daily Reflections*.
- B. Review 2011 Conference Advisory Actions and Additional Committee Considerations for Literature.