



Area 40 - District 11 - Meeting Minutes September 12, 2026

The meeting was called to order by DCM Pat P., followed by the Serenity prayer.
Alt-DCM Mark W. read the 12-Traditions. The 9th Concept was read by Jim B.

“Good service leadership at all levels is indispensable for our future functioning and safety. Primary world service leadership, once exercised by the founders, must necessarily be assumed by the trustees.”

Welcome and recognize visitors to District - Dave O.

Quorum Established - Present are 13 GSRs and 4 committee chairs, 11 is quorum.

Home Group Announcements

Ballatine - Dave L.

Discontinuing group.

We Are Not Saints -Victoria T.

Nothing new to report.

Sunlight of the Spirit - Sarah L.

Reading *Living Sober* on Thursdays. We meet Tuesdays and Thursdays.

848 - Jim M.

Have meetings everyday at noon. Started new meeting that meets Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays at 6:30pm

ODAAT - Michael C.

Tuesdays and Fridays at 7pm.

West End - Jon A.

West End Weekend was well attended. Lots of fun. New speaker meeting going well.

Brown Baggers - April T.

Meeting well attended, especially the 630am is seeing significantly more people. BB has the bookstore for this month.

644 Group - Aimee S.

Picnic budget approved for annual. Most elections were completed, Jess, the new GSR. No more dogs allowed in the 644 group.

Serenes - Tammy P.

Grateful to be on the meeting listing. Lots of newcomers and travelers are finding the meeting. Attendance is up to 15.

3 Legacies - Daniel M.

Three Legacies Group Update: The Three Legacies Group continues to host meetings on Monday and Thursday evenings at 7pm in the basement of Unity Church at 19 14th Street West. These meetings are closed discussions based on the Big Book or 12x12. Currently, community commitments are limited to the Hotline. The group's travel meeting for September will be held in Huntley on 9/18 at 7pm. In August, the Hotline received three calls from male individuals, all of which were answered. The group has elected a new incoming General Service Representative (GSR), Jolynn T.

Serenity Seekers -Paul P.

Attendance is 3 -7 with meetings Tuesdays and Fridays at 7pm. The 1st Friday of the month is a speaker meeting.

Great Reality - Andy M.

Still meeting Mondays and Wednesdays at 7pm and reading AA Comes of Age.

Recovery Group - Matthius M.

Going well as always. Labor Day was amazing. Completed elections, Ty B. will be the new GSR. Men's retreat will be October 23-25th.

Hardin- Jim B.

First time the group has had a GSR in about 10 years. Group is excited to get involved in service work. Meetings are Monday and Friday at 8pm on the corner of 5th and Crow. Attendance is usually 6-10.

Absent groups - Uptowners, Lockwood

Review of August 2026 Meeting Minutes - April T.

Motion #33: (Mathius M/Jon A.) Motion to accept meeting minutes.

1 in favor, 0 against, 0 abstained. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report- Debbie D.

7th Tradition basket passed. A couple of contributions, paid rent, the hotline, bought a Service Manual.

Motion #34: (Victoria T./Tammy P.) Motion to accept Treasurer's report.

17 in favor, 0 against, 0 abstained. Motion passed.

Standing Committee Reports

Archives - Absent

Bridging the Gap - Mark W. proxy for Cam M.

Corrections - Victoria T. proxy for Virginia I.

See report.

Hotline - Paul P. proxy for Kate J.

See report.

Grapevine - Grapevine position open, Mark W.

See report.

Treatment - Vince V.

Nothing really to report, everything seems to be doing good at all the facilities. Psych Center has 3 AA books left there. Thank you for letting me be of service.

Public Information - Don M.

Electronic version of flyer available upon request. Next meeting will be October 3rd at 3pm at 644 Group.

Communications with the Professional Community - Mitch A.

See enclosed report. App explained to reduce District expenses, accessible through QR code, streamline process for professionals that are requesting 12- Step calls. App designed to be used throughout Area 40, if so desired. The phone list will be managed by the PI committee. No contract with present service. Once flyers are sent out the 12-Step call will be discontinued.

Motion #35: Motion from committee to replace 12- Step phone service with 12 - Step app.

17 approved, 0 against, 0 abstained. Motion passed.

Literature - Daniel M.

See enclosed report.

Intergroup - Chris C.

Intergroup now a 501(3)(c). Halloween Party will be October 10th, flyer available. Halloween needs help with setting up. Holiday Party will be December 12th, flyers available. Holiday Party needs groups to commit to help and will want meat donated. A new debit card arrived so business can be completed after business. Bookstore now stocked, and donating pamphlets to PI about Young People in AA.

Al-Anon - Deb L.

20 meetings in the District. Stepping Up to Serenity has a monthly speaker meeting with the next being September 29th at 6pm.

District 11 Commitments

Psych Center 6-7pm, show up at 5:45pm

Mondays September - 848

October - 644

Thursdays September - Recovery

October - West End

Rimrock 6-7pm, 2nd Sunday, speaker meeting and 7-8pm Mondays, discussion
September - Uptowners October - Brown Baggers

Crisis Center 10-11am

Saturdays September - Sunlight of the Spirit October - Recovery

Hotline

1 female & 1 male

September - Serenes (women)/Brown
Baggers (men)

October- 3 Legacies/ Serenes

Old Business

Consider election of District 11 Grapevine Chair for the remainder of this rotation.

No one present to stand for Grapevine chair.

Report progress of the appearance of affiliation rather than cooperation with AA on the Recovery Church web sites in District 11 (Harvest Church).

Pat P. reached out to Harvest Church to educate about affiliation. Contact will discontinue appearance of affiliation.

Consider sending surplus of contributions over expenses of \$192.89 for providing Fireman's Point breakfast to District 12 to support the cost of the Fireman's Point Campout.

Motion #36: (Mitch A./Jon A.) Motion to contribute surplus funds of District 11 funds from Fireman's Point to District 12.

12 favor, 5 opposed, 0 abstained.

Minority opinion heard. Express that Districts like groups need to be self-sufficient. Other ways that money could be used. No expressed need from District 12 of needing financial help. The District received 3 contributions specifically for Fireman's Point this year. Contribution to be a good show of unity to District 12. Motion stands.

Review feedback from groups on how to utilize District funds.

Groups expressed that excess money should be sent down the Triangle, money could be used for scholarships for people to attend Area. Pat P. reported that the District is a receiver of funds.

Review update from the 2027 Fall Roundup Committee.

See attached report. Discussion of AA and Alanon having separate raffles. Discussed District 11 buying scholarships to Roundup 2027 before price increase in October 2026 to save a place for a newcomer,

Motion #37: (Jon A./Jon A.) Motion that District donate 10 scholarships to the newcomer fund for the October 2027 Roundup.

16 for, 0 against, 0 abstained. Motion passed.

New Business

Consider the Hardin Group Request for District Scholarship to cover expenses to send their GSR to attend the Area 40 Fall Assembly.

The Group is able to afford to send GSR to Area so scholarship is not needed.

Consider funding incoming DCM's expenses to attend the Area 40 Fall Assembly.

Motion #38: (Mitch A./Don M.) Motion for District to pay incoming DCMs expenses to attend Fall Area Assembly in Great Falls.

17 for, 0 against, 0 abstained. Motion passed

Review development of the proposed 2027 District 11 Spending Plan Treasurer:

Please take back to groups and discuss and report back in October. Any questions can be directed to Debbie D. Question of increasing Literature line because 5th Edition will cost \$20 per book.

Hold election for remaining District 11 Officers and Committee Chairs.

Alt DCM - Jon A. willing to stand. Sobriety date 12-16-21, gave service history. Voted: 15 in favor and 1 abstained. Vote passed: Jon A. new Alt-DCM.

Secretary - Tammy P. nominated. Willing to stand, but need a month to confirm, issue tabled until October District meeting.

Treasurer- no one present to stand.

Bridging the Gap- Mitch A. willing to stand. Sobriety date 1-20-2019, gave service history. Vote: 16 for, 0 against, 0 abstained. Vote passed: Mitch A. is the new Bridging the Gap chair.

Public Information - Erika B. Sobriety date 4-27-2019, gave service history. Voted: 16 for, 0 against, 0 abstained. Vote passed: Erika B. new Public Information chair.

Communications with Professional Community- Aimee S willing to stand Vote: 16 for, 0 against, 0 abstained. Vote passed: Aimee S. Sobriety date 8-11-2018, gave service history. Vote: 16 for, 0 against, 0 abstained. Vote passed: Aimee S., the new Communications with Professional Community chair.

Corrections - April T. willing to stand. Sobriety date 2-27-2017, gave service history. Vote: for, against, abstained. Vote passed: April T. new Corrections chair.

Remaining open positions- Treasurer, Archives, Grapevine, Hotline, Literature, and Treatment

New Business

Information and Events

District 11 Contact List – Here is the [link](#) that will allow viewing and editing the list.

Area 40 Panel 75 Contact List – Use this [link](#) to view the list.

Calendar of Events – Use this [link](#) to view the Area 40 Calendar

Area Committee Information – Use this [link](#) to access Area 40 Committee information and District Mini-sites

Alcoholics Anonymous Group Information Change Form – Use this <https://www.aa-montana.org/pdf/area/GroupInformationForm.pdf> to access and download the form.

Instructions for where to send the completed form are provided on the form. Suggest emailing the Area 40 Secretary.

2026 Area 40 Fall Assembly

September 25 - 27, Location: Holiday Inn, Great Falls

Room Reservation before September 14th:

<https://www.aa-montana.org/pdf/2026FallAssembly.pdf>

Agenda updates: <https://www.aa-montana.org/pdf/area/2026FallAssemblyAgenda.pdf>

Access to Background Material

Dashboard - <https://www.aa-montana.org/dashboard/>

Username: dashboard, Password: xwPa4Sky

Havre Mini Conference

October 2 – 4, Location: HRDC, 2229 5th Ave, Havre MT

Registration/Flyer: <https://www.aa-montana.org/pdf/2026-10HavreMiniConference.pdf>

Event – Fall Roundup

October 2 – 4, Location: Hilton Garden Inn, 3720 N. Reserve St., Missoula MT

Registration/Flyer: <https://www.aa-montana.org/pdf/2026-10FallRoundup.pdf>

Fellowship at the Falls

October 10, Location: Faith Lutheran Church, 1300 Ferguson Drive, Great Falls MT

Registration/Flyer: <https://www.aa-montana.org/pdf/2026-10FellowshipAtTheFalls.pdf>

H.O.W. Group Speaker Event

October 10, Location: Fellowship Hall, 2165 Durston Rd., Bozeman MT

Registration/Flyer: <https://www.aa-montana.org/pdf/2026-10HOWGroupEvent.pdf>.

District 61 Grapefest

October 17, Location: Wilson House, 1376 Linden St., Helena MT

Registration/Flyer: <https://www.aa-montana.org/pdf/2026-10Grapefest.pdf>.

Call for Motion to Adjourn

Motion #39: (Victoria T./Andy M.) Motion to adjourn.

16 in favor, 0 abstained, 0 and against. Motion passed.

Closed with the Responsibility Statement

Next District Meeting October 10, 2026

In grateful service, submitted by:

April T.

District 11 Secretary

DISTRICT 11 COMMITTEE TREASURER'S REPORT - 2026		CHECKING ACCOUNT	PRUDENT RESERVE	PETTY CASH
SEPTEMBER	OPENING BALANCE	\$ 8,185.60	\$ 3,577.70	\$ 100.00
	INCOME	\$ 1,034.00	\$ 0.43	\$ -
	EXPENSES	\$ 185.65	\$ -	\$ -
	CURRENT BALANCE	\$ 9,033.95	\$ 3,578.13	\$ 100.00

INCOME		PREVIOUS MONTH YTD	CURRENT INCOME	TOTAL YTD INCOME	REMAINING INCOME
DISTRICT 11 7TH TRADITION		\$ 217.75	\$ 39.00	\$ 256.75	
AA WORKSHOP 7TH TRADITION		\$ 345.00	\$ -	\$ 345.00	
SAFETY WORKSHOP 7TH TRADITION		\$ 296.00	\$ -	\$ 296.00	
GRAPEVINE WORKSHOP		\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ 100.00	
DELEGATES REPORT - FIREMANS POINT DONATION		\$ 220.00	\$ -	\$ 220.00	
DELEGATES REPORT - FIREMANS POINT 7TH TRADITION		\$ 197.00	\$ -	\$ 197.00	
DELEGATES REPORT - BILLINGS-7TH TRADITION		\$ 101.00	\$ -	\$ 101.00	
PRE-ASSEMBLY		\$ 229.00	\$ -	\$ 229.00	
JOINT DIST 11,12,31 PRE-ASSEMBLY		\$ 29.72	\$ -	\$ 29.72	
CONTRIBUTIONS		\$ 4,284.35	\$ 995.00	\$ 5,279.35	
TOTAL INCOME		\$ 6,019.82	\$ 1,034.00	\$ 7,053.82	

EXPENSES	SPENDING PLAN 2026	PREVIOUS MONTH YTD EXPENSES	CURRENT EXPENSES	TOTAL YTD EXPENSES	REMAINING SPENDING
RENT	\$ 1,872.00	\$ 1,248.00	\$ 156.00	\$ 1,404.00	\$ 468.00
RENT - US POST OFFICE	\$ 260.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 260.00
AREA ASSEMBLIES - DCM	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 275.15	\$ -	\$ 275.15	\$ 724.85
AREA ASSEMBLIES - DIST REP	\$ 700.00	\$ 146.67	\$ -	\$ 146.67	\$ 553.33
AREA ASSEMBLIES - DIST REP	\$ 700.00	\$ 307.60	\$ -	\$ 307.60	\$ 392.40
DCM - DISTRICT TRAVEL	\$ 150.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 150.00
DCM - PRE-ASSEMBLIES	\$ 150.00	\$ 503.44	\$ -	\$ 503.44	\$ (353.44)
WCRAASC - 2026	\$ 800.00	\$ 1,019.67	\$ -	\$ 1,019.67	\$ (219.67)
WCRAASC Forum	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
COMMITTEES	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
ARCHIVES	\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 100.00

BRIDGING THE GAP	\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 100.00
CORRECTIONS	\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 100.00
GRAPEVINE	\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 100.00
LITERATURE	\$ 100.00	\$ 4.00	\$ 4.00	\$ 8.00	\$ 92.00
PI	\$ 100.00	\$ 101.50	\$ -	\$ 101.50	\$ (1.50)
CPC	\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 100.00
TREATMENT	\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 100.00
AREA 40 HOTLINE	\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 100.00
12TH STEP CALL	\$ 300.00	\$ 204.31	\$ 25.65	\$ 229.96	\$ 70.04
DELEGATE REPORT-FIREMAN'S POINT	\$ 250.00	\$ 224.11	\$ -	\$ 224.11	\$ 25.89
DELEGATE REPORT-BILLINGS	\$ -	\$ 117.31	\$ -	\$ 117.31	\$ (117.31)
PRINT/POSTAGE	\$ 600.00	\$ 256.84	\$ -	\$ 256.84	\$ 343.16
BOOK PURCHASES	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 77.50	\$ -	\$ 77.50	\$ 922.50
EVENTS	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
UP EVENTS	\$ 250.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 250.00
PI/CPC SERVICE WORKSHOP	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 679.22	\$ -	\$ 679.22	\$ 820.78
DISTRICT SERVICE WORKSHOP-SAFETY	\$ 250.00	\$ 54.00	\$ -	\$ 54.00	\$ 196.00
DISTRICT SERVICE WORKSHOP-GRAPEVINE	\$ -	\$ 116.13	\$ -	\$ 116.13	\$ (116.13)
GSR ORIENTATION	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
WCRAASC BID	\$ -	\$ 190.85	\$ -	\$ 190.85	\$ (190.85)
MISCELLANEOUS	\$ 150.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 150.00
TRANSFER TO PRUDENT RESERVE		\$ 383.62	\$ -	\$ 383.62	
OPERATING TOTALS	\$ 10,832.00	\$ 5,909.92	\$ 185.65	\$ 6,095.57	\$ 5,120.05

Hotline Report

Per area chair, our district received 6 hotline calls with 3 missed and returned. Paul is sitting in for my position this meeting, I will be at Girl Talk. Thanks guys!

Grapevine Report

September 2026

September's featured section is all about "Sponsorship". It's full of helpful, personal and often humorous stories by members about the joys and challenges of AA sponsorship.

Book of the month is "One on One: AA Sponsorship in Action. If you get on your Grapevine app and order the book, you get 20% off through the month of September.

For all your other Grapevine needs and wants, download the app for free, then get a subscription while you're there! If you don't have one already.

In Love and Service

Alt. DCM

Interim Grapevine Chair

Mark W.

DISTRICT CORRECTIONS COMMITTEE REPORT SEPTEMBER 2026

Our committee meeting is the first Thursday of the month at 909 Wyoming. We start at 7:15.

Here's the news:

A jail orientation is being held Monday, September 14th at 6 pm at the jail. We need men and women with 2 years of sobriety or more. This is an excellent opportunity to impress your sponsor.

I am going to get an ink stamp to imprint books from the jail with the hotline number. I have checked with Office Depot and they are able to do that and include the QR code for meeting lists.

Rick from Alternatives has agreed to do another group orientation for those who missed the last one. It will be on Tuesday, October 13th at 6 pm. Only one year of sobriety required and you don't necessarily have to be off paper!

Thank you for the opportunity to serve.

Virginia

Hi Ya'll, September 12, 2026

Thanks to Erika & everyone serving on the Program Committee we have the registration flier complete! I am also very excited to announce the Fall 2027

Roundup travel mug we will be selling for \$20 each. We will have a few to sell at the Roundup, but be sure to order yours early to guarantee you will get one. I want to mention the Early Bird pricing of \$35 for registration, which will be running through September. You would be doing the Roundup a great service by registering early, and we discounted the price as a thank you. A couple Dist 11 homegroups have also purchased a number of registrations to be used as scholarships. This is also a great way to both support the Roundup & also ensure that someone who isn't yet sober can participate.

Our Raffle & 50/50 Chair has been busy as well. He's been reaching out to individual artists in our District, asking for unique pieces to be in the raffle. If you are an artist or know someone with artistic abilities who would be interested in contributing to the raffle, please contact Mark W. He is also asking homegroups to put together baskets for the raffle. In conclusion, please let your groups know all the ways to get involved. Contact Mark W for Raffle items, Diane W if you want to be involved with the Marathon Meetings, Erika B for Programming, and of course you can always join us the 2 nd Thursday of the month for the Committee Planning Meeting. Due to the excellent efficiency of our committee we won't be meeting in October. We will be meeting in the back room of the Perkins on 27 th Street. Hopefully that will be our meeting venue for the rest of the time the committee meets. And please, if you don't want to commit to the Roundup yet, please consider purchasing scholarships while you can still take advantage of the \$35 registration fee. It will go up October 5, so register now!

Thank you for letting me be of service,

Lynne W

Dist. 11 Fall 2027 Roundup Chair

District Literature Update: The AAWS Board has announced that the 5th Edition Big Book is scheduled for release in February 2027. Priced at \$20.00, this new edition will come with a removable dust cover and 26 additional personal stories. Furthermore, the audio version of the Plain Language Big Book is now accessible for \$9.99. The 76th General Service Conference (GSC) final report is available in PDF format on aa.org, with print copies to follow soon. The Everything AA app is now available under AAWS's new ownership. The app can be downloaded for free, with the option to contribute \$1.99 monthly or \$19.99 annually for a subscription to support the content. Subscribers will have access to extra content.

Good morning im not able to attend this morning unfortunately garbage duty calls. So for bridge the gap i have received passages referrals i am doing what I can to get those women connected i have had 5 so far I had put in a request for them to send them separately in stead of all at once. For rimrock I have had at least 10-20 guys. I have had 5 or so females one them which has been connected with. The guys I have been able to get connections for.

Thank you for allowing me to be of service.

Cam

Greetings,

The committee met this Tuesday and continues to meet the second Tuesday of the month. We are continuing to compile a list of speakers/panelists for the Spring '27 professional workshop. We have a couple that have committed and some that are considering. If you know someone who would have experience to share regarding working with alcoholics, please ask them or refer them to one of the committee members. The new 12 Step app is ready to go live after the district approves it. Thank you Dave O. and Aimee for all of your work on this project. I met recently with Dena at Off The Streets and will most likely do another Friday presentation to their clients as they turn over every 30-45 days. I continue to participate on the PI committee and will be attending the Area Assembly.

Yours in service,

Mitch Asbeck

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