

Area 40 - District 72 Agenda – July 2026 Meeting

Hybrid Meeting: [Saturday 07/25/26 4:30-6:30pm at Fellowship Hall, Bozeman and via Zoom.](#)
[Link information below.](#)

Zoom Link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84336233284?pwd=cFl6MWxQN0pXNlV6MXdSVk9qdjVFOT09>

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 - Alison**
4. **Read Concept Seven:** The Charter and Bylaws of the General Service Board are legal instruments, empowering the trustees to manage and conduct world service affairs. The Conference Charter is not a legal document; it relies upon tradition and the A.A. purse for final effectiveness.
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)

23 total – Quorum = 17.25

6. **Approve June's meeting minutes** – Unanimous approval

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.).*

Jake C. (Not a Glum Lot, Online) – Meet every night 9pm online. Business third Tuesday of month.

Nora D. (Wednesday Noon, Bozeman) – Business second Wednesday of month. Attendance 30-40 people, homegroup of 4 people. If anyone interested, could use more members.

Jax F. (LGBTQ+ and Friends, Bozeman) – Business is first Sat of month after meeting. Small group but looking for anyone who would like to to come to meeting. Can be LGBT or supporter, come join and have some fun.

Ali M. (There is a Solution, Bozeman) – Group has been growing, just about over 20 people every day. Lots of visitors that return. Business is second Tuesday of each month.

Amanda G. (Tuesday at 8, Bozeman) – 20-30 people each meeting, 12-15 in homegroup. Just had a few new members join.

Bradley G. (Itching Hour, Bozeman) – Meets Fri Sat Sun 9pm at Hall. Business is third Sat after normal meeting at 10:15pm. Doing really well, growing. Between 5 on slow night and 20 plus on big night. Lots of visitors and newcomers.

Susan H. (Vennis Over the Hill, Ennis) – 4 meetings a week. Also hybrid meeting, can join online. Fri night book study meeting. Wed at Jeffers at 7pm Sundays at 10am at Historic Thomas Hickman and are back in after some issues. Have 5 to 15 per meeting. Business meeting third Monday of month. Group took meeting to MCDC in July, always an exceptional service opportunity.

JoAnna K. (HOW Group, Bozeman) – HOW Group doing elections. Meet 4 days a week.

Crystal B. (Pink Cloud, Bozeman) – Things going good, sometimes slow in person and heavy on Zoom, sometimes vice versa. Did ask Treasurer to look up info for Venmo contributions. 37% of 7th tradition contributions were from Venmo and 63% were in person, If interested in getting Venmo for group, feel free to ask Crystal.

Leah F. (Great Reality, Belgrade) – Beautiful space, any women that haven't come, please see us. Have 5-12 women each week, Wed at 6pm. Solid group of homegroup members so far. BBQ went well, thanks to those who came. 30-40 people throughout the day, was great. Thanks for info Crystal.

Pat L. (Primary Purpose, Bozeman) – Mon Wed at Pilgrim church, Business meeting after meeting some Wednesday (Note: My words, Pat was more specific I think). Monday is AA lit topic. Monday closed meeting book topic. Wednesday is open.

Amy K. (Common Solution, Belgrade) – Amy not there at business this month cause it was her birthday. Big book study, about 25 people in meetings, have 10 homegroup members.

Brian T. (Steps and Traditions, Bozeman) – Meeting going well, attendance 20-30 meetings

Tanya W. (6th Chapter, Bozeman) – 20ish people in meetings. 6-7 homegroup people, have speaker meeting.

- Visitors: Your name & your home group.

Lisa C (TIAS)

Dennis S

Vonnie

Bill

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 7/18/2026: \$9,287.68

Total Income: \$1,611.91

Total Expenses: \$370.67
Current Operating Balance: \$3,382.52

Greeting groups and District 72:

Attached is the Treasurer's report update July 18, 2026. Let me know if you need anything from me or notice any mistakes :).

Thanks for allowing me to serve District 72 as your Treasurer this last year and a half, definitely made me practice the principles!

Group contributions are still down YTD vs our spending plan budget, however, we are still okay with money as committees have not spent much of their budgets. I do know Steve R our Literature Chair has ordered some larger literature orders for Corrections from the Pink Can fund, Treatment Literature budget and for District 72 Literature supply, which I have not received all the invoices for at time of this report and will be reflected on next month's Treasurer's report and will drop the Pink can fund and our operating balance quite a bit. Pink can donations remain high and 0 for expenses, as of this report, but we have some pending expenses that will be reflected in the report and balances next month. 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 \$2,378.33 with some pending expenses.

Our current operating balance is \$3,382.52, but will have some larger expenses for literature and Fall Assembly coming up which should correct the larger operating balance into our guidelines suggested range. I made a error on the last 7th Tradition and Pink Can report for June, I forgot to add the YTD expenses into the 2 existing columns and have corrected this, so 7th Tradition income YTD is \$5896.80, remaining spending plan for 2026 expense is \$7,051.20 if our committee chairs spend their full budgets.

***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 7/25/2026 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.

- Pat asks why money for Pink Can is sitting, Steven says they just ordered ~\$2,000 worth of books (Note: he clarified close to \$1900 because I texted the man)

Answering Service, Wendy C.

I don't have a new report from Area yet for June, will share it next month.

Things are going well. All calls have been answered, and some volunteers are going the extra mile and staying in touch with folks new to our program, or in crisis. That is awesome!

Also, thanks to all of you for gathering names of volunteers for the Answering Service. We have a list that should easily take us through next summer.

Thanks!
Wendy C

Archives, Joanne M.

D72 Archives Report - Joanne M. - July 2026

archives@area40district72.com

- Last month I attended the Area 40 Archives Vault Clean-up Day in Ennis. It was great to work together with so many AA members from around the state. I reunited with old faces and met new members as well. We had tons of laughs. I worked closely with Pat P. from Billings, who is a computer guy. We worked on some really old computers. Does anyone remember "Floppy Disks"? It was a great reminder where technology started and how far we have come.

Thank you Jodi T, Area 40 Archives Chair for organizing this event. There is talk about doing this again in the fall. So if your interested please let me know.

- I continue to collect and file D72 archives materials.
- My hope is that the next Archives Chair will enjoy this position as much as I have.

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

Hi everybody!

Thank you for the continued opportunity to serve as your District 72 CPC Chair.

Late last month, our committee took a presentation in to the MSU Nursing students Summer School program. There were over 20 students, all of whom were part of an accelerated nursing program. You could see and hear how interested they were in our presentation by the number and nature of their questions. Really good questions!

My thanks to Doreen M and Kim K who shared their experience, strength & hope with the students. I was grateful to be with them.

MSU Nursing will be inviting us to do one more presentation this year during the Fall.

Again, thank you for allowing me to serve.

Betty M
CPC Chair

Grapevine & La Vina/Structure, Bob C.

Hello District 72.

There is an urgent matter with the building where my church meets and I am currently tied up with that and unable to attend again. The truth is that this has been my craziest year to date and I am just not keeping up with my obligations. It is not an excuse and I do apologize. There have been things going on for several months now and I am just not serving you well.

Bob C.

Literature, Steven R.

We had two sales this month for \$48.04 along with additional orders for big books for GCDC, MCDC, and MSP, both for English and Spanish-language versions. I've ordered copies of the Spanish-language big books for other meetings and will have more on hand when an order arrives.

I have plenty of hard cover and plain language big books available at the older price.

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 -
SR

- Betty asks about progress on 5th edition book. Do we have any more information on target date of release and projected cost? Steven says no idea release date, expects roughly 15 dollars for cost. Has not seen anything about price change.
- Lisa marches up to the microphone. 5th edition approved and going to printer, estimated release date is end of 2026 December or early 2027

PI (Public Information), Ashley H.

The PI Committee met on July 3rd. Schedules are in the process of being delivered to 41 locations in District 72, mailed to 18, and emailed to 3. We have one new committee member.

We also started delivering printed schedules to RimRock in Bozeman and have added them to our distribution schedule.

The committee discussed adding the grapevine QR code to the meeting schedule. It was mentioned that the sole purpose of this schedule is to inform people of meeting times and places in this area. The grapevine does not do this. We like the idea of supporting the grapevine, but think the QR code should be added to the bottom on the back page if that is what the groups want to do.

I made a mock up of what the legal sized schedules would look like. After talking with a handful of printing places in the area, Insty Prints in Belgrade still has the best price, quoted at .20 cents each for 1000 legal sized brochures. We are currently paying .19 cents each. When we ordered from Allegra, schedules were approximately .28 or .29 cents each depending on the quantity ordered.

Bottom line, making this change seems to be well within our budget. Having more space would allow me to add the accessibility statement to the back again and would leave lots of blank space for phone numbers.

GSRs, if you have any changes or updates that need to be made, please let me know. The next batch of printed schedules will come out in October, but changes online can be made immediately.

In service,
Ashley H.

Roundup, Catherine J.

District 72 Spring Roundup 2027 Committee Report

July 25, 2026

The District 72 Spring Roundup Planning Committee met on **July 18** and continues to make steady progress toward the **April 30-May 2, 2027** Roundup at the **Best Western Grantree Inn** in Bozeman. Committees reported continued work on facilities, registration, merchandise, speaker logistics, hospitality, decorations, entertainment, archives and literature, and the weekend program.

Early bird registration is open!

The **Program Committee** meets on the **third Friday of each month at 11:30 a.m. at Range Coffee**. We welcome additional participation, particularly from AA groups interested in planning meeting content and schedule.

We are seeking trusted servants to fill several service positions, including **Secretary, Facilities Chair, Accessibility Chair, Coffee Coordinator, and Marketing Support and Silent/Live Auction Coordinator**.

The Roundup Planning Committee meets on the **third Saturday of each month at 10:00 a.m.** at the Fellowship Hall and online via the **Not A Glum Lot Zoom Room**.

Zoom Meeting:

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

Meeting ID: 659 311 3200

Passcode: howitworks

We encourage all District 72 groups and members to join us through committee service, basket donations, and participation. For more information, visit www.roundupspring27.com or email roundup2027@area40district72.com.

In love and service,
Catherine

Special Events, Amy K.

Nothing to report, have a couple ideas for events and will let us know.

Bridging the Gap, Michael S.

I pray everyone's summer is going well!

Not much new to report.
Request keep rolling in.

Attended corrections meeting and discussed more on the pink can and how to distribute literature.

Still working out kinks with the IPU and trying to get quicker correspondence for requests from residents.

We are always in need of new volunteers so please help spread the word if you know anyone looking for service.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve.

Michael S
District 72 BTG Chair

Corrections, Tony B

The AA/BTG/Treatment committee meets on the 2nd Monday of every month @ 5PM at the hall.

We ordered n=4 cases of books this past month to support literature demands at GCDC and MSP.

We always looking for new volunteers at GCDC and MSP.

Thank you!

-Tony

- Tim says Area 40 Pink Can goes toward corrections facilities around state.

Tony says roughly 43 facilities in Montana. Tony says Pink can money was spent on literature order (Note: as mentioned earlier with Treasurer's Report, ~\$1900 spent from Pink Can on books)

- Pat asks is there a standard methodology for getting literature to Men's Prison? Tony says he's been in contact with the lady, wants to go there himself to drop things off. Not really a method. Tony says for past few months couldn't bring new stuff in unless from Amazon. Pat then asks is there plain language book for Prison? Steven says nobody has asked. We can do so. Pat says average Americans read about 7th grade level. Expresses lots of interest in Plain Language book for Prison. Tony says let him pray on that. Pat says is more accessible. Meghan suggests committee discussion? Pat says no, offers to go with Tony to prison.

- Rebekah says at Area were talking about making a workbook for facilities, could be helpful

Treatment, Rebekah P.

Hi Everyone,

I hope you are all doing well.

I wanted to provide a quick update from our recent activities. The Ennis team attended

the MCDC meeting this month to deliver our message. The attendance consisted of two women and 14 men, which is fairly typical for these meetings.

Additionally, the IPU meetings are going strong. We are currently planning a meeting for new recruits, which will take place sometime in late August or early September. I will share more details as soon as the date is finalized.

As always, I appreciate the opportunity to be of service.

Best,
Rebekah P

Technology, Russell V.

Committee notes for July:

Discussed whether to use shared drives vs personal drives for new Gmail/ .com accounts.

Figured out how to migrate emails and contacts. Possibility calendar

I was reimbursed today for the screen \$199.99

Camera is glitchy... turned out the WiFi connection was weak.

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

Reminder that Fall Area Assembly is coming up in September. If you are a GSR and your home group cannot afford to send you and you'd like to attend, please consider completing a scholarship request form found on the District 72 mini site under the Documents tab. Committee chairs - if you are interested in attending and your position description says "may attend area assembly if district budget allows," and you'd like to attend, please also fill out a scholarship request. Send requests to Tim (Treasurer) by 8/15 so we can vote on whether to approve scholarships at the August district meeting.

Thank you!

- Tim or Russell asks if committee chairs should fill out scholarship form if interested? Meghan says yes, that will work

DCM (District Committee Member), Lenore M.

DCM REPORT: July 2026

NEW TO REPORT:

Hi fam! I think I have only attended one District meeting via zoom, so this is a great experience for me to see if I can hear and see and all the good things!

I want to thank the Finance Committee for doing our quarterly audit without me when I got stuck at work for way too long! I am so grateful for everyone's willingness to participate, show up, and serve our District and the still suffering alcoholics that have somewhere to go (and maybe a service commitment too!)

FOLLOW UP INFORMATION:

1. I want to thank everyone that went out to help Jody (our Area 40 Archives Chair), Rick (our Area 40 Archivist), and Joanne (our District 72 Archives Chair) clean up and start sorting/organizing our Area Archives which live in Ennis.

2. I also want to thank our awesome Special Events chair Amy for another really fun and informative event where we got to hear Lisa's Delegate Report from after her time at the General Service Conference earlier this year. She did an incredible job explaining any confusing parts and sharing what the full experience is like. THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE, LISA!

NEWS FROM GSO/AAWS:

1. August 31, 2026: Deadline to submit Class A Trustee Candidate Resumes

Dear Friends,

We trust you have found time in your busy service schedules to enjoy summer activities with family and friends.

The trustees' Nominating Committee has received numerous responses and questions following the announcement of a Class A (nonalcoholic) trustee vacancy that will occur on the General Service Board at the conclusion of the 77th General Service Conference held in April 2027 to succeed Molly Oliver.

As a gentle reminder, I would like to confirm that **August 31, 2026**, is the deadline for parties interested in serving as a Class A trustee to submit their resumes.

Resumes can be submitted using [resume submission link](#), by email to nominating@aa.org or by postal mail to: Attn: Secretary, trustees' Nominating Committee, General Service Office, PO Box 459, Grand Central Station, New York, NY 10163.

The committee looks forward to having a large pool of qualified applicants reflecting the diversity that A.A. strives to have within itself.

Sincerely yours,

David S.

Chair, trustees' Nominating Committee

NEWS FROM AREA:

- 1.

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. The Fall Assembly will be September 25-27th at the Holiday Inn in Great Falls.
3. 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 July 2026:** 2 MINUTE TIMER FOR

QUESTIONS/OPINIONS

- Officer Elections with Lisa C.

- Betty asks is rotation encouraged or if you've already stood for a position, should you stand again? Lisa says up to District. Lila reads District guidelines that Rotation is encouraged (Page 9 of District Guidelines):

- "In all district service positions, rotation is encouraged so that everyone has the opportunity to serve in all areas of service work."

- Jake asks if less than required years of sobriety, can you still stand for DCM? Lisa responds it is up to the group conscience of the District.

DCM Voting

- DCM candidates: Lila H. (8/26/2017), Brian T. (2/18/2016), Tony B. (2/7/2020), Tim K. (10/28/1995)

- Round 1 (27 votes total, substantial unanimity is 18): 15 Lila, 12 Tim.

- Round 2 (26 votes total, substantial unanimity is 18): 18 Lila, 8 Tim,

- Lila is DCM by substantial unanimity

Alt DCM Voting

- Alt DCM candidates: Ashley H (12/5/2018), Brian T., Tony B., Tim K.

- Round 1 (25 votes total, sub un is 17) Ashley 5, Brian 6, Tony 1, Tim 13

- Round 2 (25 votes total, sub un is 17) Ashley 3, Brian 4, Tony 2, Tim 16 (withdraw Ashley and Tony for Round 3)

- Round 3 (25 votes total, sub un is 17) Brian 7, Tim 18

- Tim is Alt DCM by substantial unanimity

Secretary Voting

- Ashley H., Brian T., Tony B., Lenore M. (7/1/2012), Jake C. (1/9/2025)

- Round 1 (25 votes total, sub un is 17) Ashley 8 Brian 3 Tony 3 Lenore 4 Jake 7

- Round 2 (25 votes total, sub un is 17) 9 Ashley 2 Brian 1 Tony 1 Lenore, 12 Jake (Lose Brian, Tony, Lenore)

- Round 3 (25 votes total, sub un is 17) 12 Ashley, 13 Jake

- Round 4 (25 votes total, sub un is 17) 15 Ashley, 10 Jake

- 22 in favor for for going to hat

- Leah is opposed cause it is close, one more vote could get to actual vote vs blind hat vote

- No change in opinion so going to the hat

- Jake comes out of hat

- Jake C is Secretary out of hat

- Motion to extend 10 minutes, unanimous

Treasurer Voting

- Brian T., Tony B., Amy K. (8/28/2019), Crystal B. (12/28/2019) Tony says he's NOT an accountant.

- Round 1 (24 votes total, sub un is 16) Brian 3 Tony 1 Amy 15 Crystal 5

- Round 2 (24 votes total, sub un is 16) Brian 1, Tony 1 Amy 18, Crystal 4

- Amy is Treasurer by substantial unanimity

MOTION TO CLOSE

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

- Discussion item: Adding the Grapevine QR code (or Everything AA) to the district meeting schedules (this was sent back to the groups last month to get input) (Not today)
- Discussion item: Proposed updates to Treatment chair position description
(Not today)
- Discussion item: Proposed updates to Archives chair position description
(Not today)
- Rebekah - Request to reverse order of position elections for upcoming rotation (Not today)
- Finance Committee - proposed changes to guidelines re: time sensitive budget amendment requests (Not today)

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

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. August 29, 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