Happy March! I am excited to point out a few of the awesome service activities in and around San Antonio - after all, service is in our name! Let us know how the CSO can be of service to you [http://aasanantonio.org/]. Did you know there is a full calendar on the web page for numerous past and future events - is your event included? Take a look! Also see our Statement of Purpose for CSOSA [http://aasanantonio.org/statement-purpose]. In addition to books, chips and literature, we can help with publishing in Night Cap and What’s Happening for your activities and anniversaries Come by the office to say hello to Jim and Virginia.

March 7th is the Leap into Service Picnic at Lady Bird Johnson Park at 10700 Nacogdoches from 11-2. This incredible event is hosted by Inter-Service and will include fun for the whole family! There will be food, games, fellowship and speakers. I am looking forward to this event and hope to see you there. Burgers, chips and cookies will be provided - but you can bring a side dish or desert to share.

WEEKEND IN AASA 2019 WAS AMAZING!!!

Thanks to a great AASA committee they raised over $37,000 for the Office. (over 1/3 of our budget).

We hear there are exciting plans for 2020 with more fun events like Family Fun Fair, Bunco, Spaghetti Dinner/Dancing and......many more!

Great news that the next AASA is going to be held in Spring 2021 at the Shrine on 1604. Back on the calendar where many have requested, and the north side venue has been preferred. ( parking is not going to be an issue).

Tamara A.

Safety and A.A.: Our Common Welfare

Safety is an important issue withing A.A.---one that all groups and members can address to develop workable solutions and help keep our meeting safe based on the fundamental principles of the Fellowship.

This is from a Service Piece from General Service Office of A.A. If you would like the complete article come by the office and pick one up or email me at csosa1285@att.net and I will email you a copy.

Thanks

Jim
“DESIGN FOR LIVING”

CITY WIDE

SPEAKER MEETING

@ 7:00PM

MAR 14, 2020: Sonya D.
(San Antonio, TX)

APR, 11 2020: Constance S.
(San Antonio, TX)

May 9, 2020: Kim L.
(Bastrop, TX)

NEW SPEAKER MEETING EVERY SECOND SATURDAY

POT LUCK @ 6:00PM

BRING A DISH
THERE WILL BE PLENTY OF COFFEE, DESSERTS & ESN

UNIVERSITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
300 BUSHELL
SAN ANTONIO, TX 78212

LEAP INTO SERVICE PICNIC

HOSTED BY SAN ANTONIO INTER-SERVICE
Families and Children Welcome to Attend!
FOOD | GAMES | FELLOWSHIP | SPEAKER

MAR 07, 2020
11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

LADY BIRD JOHNSON PARK PAVILION
10700 Nacogdoches Road | San Antonio, TX 78217

Join us for food, fellowship, and a speaker (Karen H.) at the San Antonio Inter-Service Committee Family Picnic. Enjoy burgers, chips, salads, and cookies (bring your favorite dessert or side, if you like!) and learn about the opportunities to leap into service in your A.A. community.

ENTER THE PARK FROM NACOGDOCHES ROAD AND FOLLOW THE SIGNS TO THE CAVIION LOCATED NEXT TO THE DOG PARK. PARKING IS IN THE ADJACENT LOT.

7th Tradition Workshop
Where does your dollar go?

NORTHWEST COMMUNITY CHURCH
8900 GUIBEAU ROAD
SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS 78250

MARCH 11, 2020
(2ND WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH)

AMANDA B.
BI-LINGUAL CHAIR
SWTA 62 PANEL 70

WE MEET IN THE ENCuentRO ROOM
(THE CHAPEL AT THE FAR LEFT END OF THE BLDG.)

District 18 invites you to the district.
Location: 713 Division San Antonio (Emmanual Church)
Date: April 4th, 2020
Time: 3:00pm
Panel: K. C. Area Registrar
Linda D. Area treasurer
Amy H. Schertz-Cibilo Treasurer
ORACIÓN DE LA SERENIDAD

Dios, Concedeme serenidad para aceptar las cosas que no puedo cambiar, valor para cambiar aquellas que puedo, y sabiduria para reconocer la diferencia.
Hagase tu voluntad y no la mia.

DECLARACIÓN DE LA UNIDAD

 Debemos hacer esto para el futuro de A.A.:
 Colocar en primer lugar nuestro bienestar común; para mantener nuestra comunidad unida;
 Porque de la unidad de A.A. Dependen nuestras vidas y las vidas de todos los que vendrán.

JUNTA PUBLICA DE INFORMACION

3:00 P.M. Sábado 23 de Mayo de 2020
1314 E. Fair Ave. – Iglesia Sta. María Margarita

-El Nuevo en AA - Compañero Silvestre P. 
-la mujer en AA - Compañera Claudia T. 
-Que es Ala-nan - Miembro de Ala-nan 
-EXPOSITOR - La espiritualidad de LOS 12 PASOS
José Luis Guzmán (EL TARASCO)

REFLEXION

Cuando es superado el mal espiritual, nos componemos mental y fisicamente.

CENTRAL SERVICE OFFICE, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS

March 2020

SESIONES DE 8:00 A 10:00 P.M.

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-RESURRECCIÓN
-IRA. VEZ |
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-RENACER
-KYLE TX. |
| DOMINGO 17 MAYO | 4TO. PASO | -LIBRO GRANDE
-PAZ Y SOBRIEDAD
-GOZO Y PAZ |
| LUNES 18 MAYO | UNA VISION PARA MAÑANA | -UNIDAD
-ESPERANZA
-VOLVER A VIVIR |
| MARTES 19 MAYO | DEFECTOS DE CARÁCTER | -NUEVO AMANECER
-MENSAJE
-GRATITUD |
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-12 PASOS
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-J. LUIS GUZMAN |
| DOMINGO 24 MAYO 6:00 P.M. EN EL GRUPO | TALLER LIBRO AZUL | -J. LUIS GUZMAN |

3814 S. Flores – San Antonio, Tx.
**SMSM 2020**

*The A.A. Service Manual Combined With Twelve Concepts for World Service* by Bill W.

*2018-2020 Edition Reflecting Actions of the 2018 General Service Conference*

**WHEN**
March 9, 2020
7:00 PM - 8:30 PM

**WHERE**
University Presbyterian Church
Rm CE 4
300 Bushnell, San Antonio, TX 78212

**Concept Three**
Rita L
SWTA 68 Panel 52
Past Delegate

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**CENTRAL SERVICE OFFICE, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS**

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**SECOND MONDAY OF THE MONTH**

**JANUARY 13**
**FEBRUARY 10**
**MARCH 9**
**APRIL 13**
**MAY 11**
**JUNE 8**
**JULY 13**
**AUGUST 10**
**SEPTEMBER 14**
**OCTOBER 12**
**NOVEMBER 9**
**DECEMBER 14**

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**Chicago Group**

Shavano Baptist Church
5047 De Zavala Road

**SATURDAY 7PM OPEN SPEAKER**

**FEBURARY SPEAKERS**

3/7 Gerri H Club 12
3/14 Bill B Freedom Group
3/21 Willie C Club 12
3/28 Teresa S Freedom Group

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**GOLIAD GROUP**

**MARCH 2020**

Speaker’s Meeting
Saturdays @ 6:15PM
537 Avondale
(210) 534-3937
Snacks provided

Come join us in the fellowship

| March 7th | Goliad Group | Cheryl G 11yrs |
| March 14th | Goliad Group | Syndney C 11yrs |
| March 21st | **Goliad BBQ Day** | Lesia E 5yrs |
| March 28th | Goliad Group | Gary G 3yrs. |
HOPE GROUP
VIII ANNIVERSARY

HOPE GROUP INVITES YOU TO IT'S ANNIVERSARY WITH A SPEAKER
STACY C. (Panel 68 DCM, District 13)
DATE: SATURDAY MARCH 21ST 2020
WHERE: EMMANUEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
ADDRESS: 713 DIVISION ST. SAN ANTONIO
DINNER TIME: 5:00 PM
SPEAKER: 6:30 PM
Fellowship, fun and 50/50 raffle

TURNING POINT GROUP

MARCH SPEAKERS
March 4    Shelia S.    Turning Point Group
March 11   Jim B.      Turning Point Group
March 18   TBA
March 25   Birthday Night

Turning Point Group
St. Thomas Episcopal Church
1416 N. Loop 1604
Portable Bldg. # 5
7 PM
BIG BOOK STUDY
JOE MCQ. & CHARLIE P.
CDs Recorded in
Sacramento, CA 1999

SATURDAY, MARCH 7, 2020 | 3:00 PM
SERENDIPITY
10929 NACOGDOCHES, #5

Bring your Big Book, or use one of ours, and join us in listening to recordings of Joe & Charlie as they share their experiences, challenges, stories, and understanding of the Big Book. Although recorded in 1999, they are as relevant today as they ever were. It is an open meeting with a short discussion period following each CD. We will meet Saturdays 3:00-4:30 for 10 weeks. Coffee provided.
Save the Date
Saturday April 25, 2020

Archives Spring Fling
Service Potluck

SPEAKERS
at 6:30 pm
To be
Announced

Join us in this service spring gathering!

Dinner at 5:30 pm

Club Twelve
102 Thames
San Antonio 78216
GROUP SPOTLIGHT

BEGINNERS & NEWCOMERS

St. Pius X Catholic Church
3303 Urban Crest Dr
SA 78209
Friday 5:30 O-Beginners

COUNTY LINE WOMEN’S GROUP

United Methodist Church
28300 Hwy 281 N
SA 78260
Saturday 10 AM 12x12 Women’s

PECAN VALLEY GROUP

St. Philip’s Episcopal Church
1310 Pecan Valley Dr.
SA 78260
Tuesday & Thursday O-BB 6:00 PM

FREEDOM GROUP

Abiding Presence Lutheran Church
14700 N San Pedro, Room 202
SA 78232 7:15 PM -OD
Friday Night Now Has FREE Babysitting!!!!

ABUNDANCE HAPPY HOUR GROUP

Winners Club
5723 Kenwick 78238
Everyday 11 am OD
GROUP UPDATES

Grupo Nuevo
Sendero
2150 Cincinnati
SA 78228
Sim. Tjri SAT
8:00 PM

MOVED / CHANGED

Travis Park Group
230 E. Travis
Room 210
SA 78205
M thru F CD
BACK TO OLD LOCATION

Goliad Group
537 Avondale
SA 78223
No 7 AM Meetings
Meeting Times Everyday
Noon, 3:15 PM, 6:15PM
8:15 PM

Guilbeau Group
NW Community Church
8900 Guilbeau Road
SA 78250
2nd Wed. 7 PM
SPEAKER MEETING

NEW

Main Street Group
The First Step Sober House
605 Main Street
Ingram, TX 78025
Thursday 7PM
BB-Discussion
STEP THREE: Made a decision to turn my will and my life over to the care of GOD as I understood him.

I asked an old-timer, “How do I know if I've completed Step Three?”

She said, “You'll have completed the rest of the Steps.”

What?! I used definitions to help me out.

**Decision:** a conclusion or resolution reached after consideration.

**To Turn:** change or cause to change direction

So, Step Three gave me the opportunity to consider the years of uncontrolled drinking as proof that I might want to change the direction of my life. I was living in fear, misery, & desperation. ANY change would have been better. But I was so unsure of what it would look like if God took care of me, that I used the fear of the unknown as an excuse to stay in the white-knuckling terror that I was in. It turns out that I had proof of what a God-cared-for life looked like: YOU! All of you bright-eyed, productive, sober alcoholics shared that you once felt like I did & that now you lived in peace & freedom. Regan F.

TRADITION THREE: The only requirement for AA membership is a desire to stop drinking.

We can read in the Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions the early, and now humorous, actions that brought this tradition into being. I still smile when I picture down and out drunks deciding who might make them look bad if they let just anyone join the fellowship! I do remember arrogantly arriving at the doors to find out how to stop feeling so bad. I really didn't want to “join.” My W.C.Fields defenses went up and I knew I didn’t want to join any group that would have me as a member! How quickly that changed.

For me, this tradition reflects what we are: open, accepting, and helpful. “When any alcoholic anywhere reaches out for help I want the hand of AA always to be there, and for that I am responsible,”

Interestingly, as first written, this tradition required an “honest desire to stop drinking.” It soon became apparent that most drunks didn't have that level of honesty.

Doug F.
CONCEPT THREE: “As a traditional means of creating and maintaining a clearly defined working relation between the groups, the Conference, the A.A. General Service Board and its several corporations, staffs, committees and executives, and of thus insuring their effective leadership, it is here suggested that we endow each of these elements of world service with a traditional “Right of Decision.”

Despite significant opposition to add ‘a political dimension’, Bill and his advocates, with clear help from God, got the conference structure approved. Now the groups connected to Districts and Areas, which elected a Delegate to attend the General Service Conference each year. The Conference made important decisions about literature, public information and how the GSO operated. But at each level of service, the leaders had to be trusted and given the “Right of Decision”. Groups could not dictate how their GSR should vote at the next level. The Delegate should do the same, because at each different level, new information was provided affecting those decisions.

Every level of service has its “Right of Decision”. Groups have the right to be wrong. Districts, Areas, the Conference and the GSO each have to make the best decisions they can based on the information at hand. They have to be trusted. And we have to have faith that no group, service leader or level in the structure can break A.A. Our Steps, Traditions and Concepts, including the “Right of Decision” ensure that.

One final point. If our groups do not elect a GSR and send that leader to the next levels, those groups have no sense of connection or voice in the group conscience of all the levels leading to effective decisions at our headquarters in New York. One result is that only about half the A.A. groups in the U.S. financially support the General Service Office. And they have the right to make that decision too.

Jim B.

No matter how unreasonable others may seem, I am responsible for not reacting negatively. Regardless of what is happening around me I will always have the prerogative, and the responsibility, of choosing what happens within me. I am the creator of my own reality. When I [review my day], I know that I must stop judging others. If I judge others, I am probably judging myself. Whoever is upsetting me most is my best teacher. I have much to learn from him or her, and in my hearts, I should thank that person

Bill W.

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THINGS WE CANNOT CHANGE

Steve G.

Steve G. passed away February 10, 2020. 14 years Sober

George S.

George S. passed away February 13, 2020. He would have 33 yrs. sobriety on 2/14/2020
George was a long time member of the North San Pedro Group

Regina S.

Regina S. passed away February 26, 2020. She had 35 years of Sobriety and was a active member of the Spring Branch Group. His favorite saying was “Be Happy, Joyous & Free”
Texas Pins

Visitors to the International Convention trade pins or stickers from their home town. Join in on the celebrations with your own pin from SA.

• Texas Lapel Pins

$3.50 Each
10 for $20.00

ARCHIVES NOTES

Six years after the June 10, 1935 birthday of AA and two years after the Big Book was published, The San Antonio Light reported that there were 450 members of AA in Cleveland, 35 in Houston, and only four in San Antonio. One year later in 1942, the total reported here was 15. These individuals represent the very roots of our fellowship here. I wish someone had been able to preserve their stories for us all to share.

The GSO listed six groups here in 1950, the year co-founder Dr. Bob died. By 1952, one dozen groups were accounted for in the GSO ledger. It took seven more years before the total was raised to 14. At that time the local population had passed 500,000. I guess it was easy for The Nightcap to print the Meeting Guide in those days!

The Nightcap, our very own newsletter, was published until June 1954 and suspended further publication until 1972, 18 years later. Anyone know why?

We welcome help learning and preserving interesting facts about our fellowship’s history in San Antonio. We meet at Club 12 at 6pm on the first Thursday of each month.

Chairman– Doug F.

NEW ITEMS

1. Large print AA Big Book and AA 12x12 ring bind.
   $25.00

2. Large Print AA Big Book, with note paper between pages
   $20.00
SERVICE OPPORTUNITY

NEW CHAIRPERSON NEEDED FOR AFTER HOURS TELEPHONE COMMITTEE

1 YEAR SOBRIETY, 1-2 YEAR COMMITMENT, TRAINING AND MATERIALS PROVIDED

SERVICE YOU CAN DO IN YOUR PJ’S WATCHING NETFLIX

CONTACT KRIS J. AT 210-410-3970
kristina_jacobs@yahoo.com

Or ALICE L. 361-290-8007 alice.loving@yahoo.com
ARE YOU LOOKING FOR SERVICE WORK?

The Central Service Office

In Office Telephone Help Line

Has an open volunteer shift

Friday 1:00 PM – 5:00 PM

Requires 1 year sobriety, a home group and regular meeting attendance

Please contact Virginia B. 210-821-6325 or grpserv2019@att.net
CRITIC’S CORNER

(All Movies available at CSO)

*I’ll Cry Tomorrow*, 1955, Directed by Daniel Mann

The movie is a biopic. It tells the story of a singer and Broadway star named Lillian Roth. Susan Hayward plays the main character who struggles against her overbearing stage mother as well as her alcoholism. Interestingly (at least to me), she goes to AA where she is helped by a male sponsor played by Eddie Albert. They fall in love and marry. Perhaps this is part of the reason we suggest today that men sponsor men and women sponsor women. The picture received the Academy Award for Best Costume Design as well as three Academy Award nominations, including Best Actress for Susan Hayward. The AA scenes are surprisingly realistic.

*Days of Wine and Roses*, 1962, Directed by Blake Edwards

Starring Jack Lemmon and Lee Remick, this drama tells the story of a problem drinker who leads his girlfriend into a life of problem drinking. After many struggles, he recovers in AA, but she does not. Also somewhat dated by modern standards, this movie received four Oscar nominations, including Best Actor and Best Actress and was selected for preservation by the National Film Registry in 2018.

*My Name Is Bill W.*, 1989, Directed by Daniel Petrie

This (CBS Hallmark Hall of Fame) made-for-television drama stars James Woods as Bill Wilson and James Garner in a smaller role as Dr. Bob. The movie tells essentially the same story as Chapter 1 of the *Big Book*. Bill drinks, vows to quit, and then drinks again (and again). He and Lois ride around on their motor cycle as his career soars and then crashes. Finally, he soberes up and meets Bob. It is not as significant a drama as other titles on this list, but it does a nice job of briefly retelling the very early history of AA.

*Leaving Las Vegas*, 1995, directed by Mike Figgis

This is a grim, depressing drama about a doomed romance between a suicidal alcoholic and a prostitute who tries to help him. The movie is based on a semi-autobiographical novel by John O’Brien who committed suicide after signing away the film rights to his book. Nicholas Cage stars as the alcoholic. He won the Golden Globe Award and the Academy Award for Best Actor. Elisabeth Shue was nominated for a Best Actor Award for her role.

*28 Days*, 2000, Directed by Betty Thomas

Sandra Bullock stars as an alcoholic, drug-using newspaper columnist who ruins her sister’s wedding during a drunken spree, smashes a car into a tree, and then reluctantly enters a 28-day treatment program as an alternative to going to jail. The movie is a drama with some comic relief. Viggo Mortensen, Dominic West, Elizabeth Perkins, and Steve Buscemi play supporting roles.

*Flight*, 2012, Directed by Robert Zemeckis

Denzel Washington stars as an alcoholic commercial airline pilot who uses booze to party and cocaine to wake up. When his plane is about to crash (through no fault of his), he manages a miraculous landing. However, the subsequent investigation uncovers his problems with alcohol and drugs. The film is loosely based on a real event. It was nominated twice at the Academy Awards for Best Actor (Washington) and Best Original Screenplay. Other well-known cast members include Don Cheadle and John Goodman (who brings some comic relief as the pilot’s drug dealer).
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Central Service Office Representatives

Monthly General Membership Meeting (CSOR Meeting)

Meets on Monday, March 16 at 6pm

Officers (January—July 2020)

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Central Service Office Representatives (CSORs) Meeting Location

BROWN HALL
At The Episcopal Church of Reconciliation
8900 Starcrest, San Antonio, 78217

Directions: Take Starcrest Rd. off of Loop 410 East – Go North on Starcrest for two blocks. The church is on the corner of Starcrest and Barrington. You can park in the parking lot on the corner of Starcrest and Barrington and walk across the back of the church campus through the outside Hallway of Brown Hall, You have arrived!

CSOR Agenda Calendar for 2020

January of each year:

Elect a nominating committee to serve for one year

November of each year:

Elect Board of Trustees as required in by-laws

Concept Three's short version reads, "To insure effective leadership, we should endow each element of AA—the Conference, the General Service Board and its service corporations, staffs, committees and executives— with a traditional 'Right of Decision.'"

In other words, so that everyone in service can function efficiently, each is entrusted with a Right of Decision.

However, none should abuse this privilege by: 1) failing to consult the proper people for advice regarding a major decision; 2) delaying to make a report describing the outcome of an important AA vote; or 3) exceeding one's clearly defined authority. If any of the above situations should occur, there are ways to remedy it. For instance, if services at Grapevine, Inc. or World Services, Inc. founder, the trustees can appoint better directors and hire better workers; if the trustees exceed their authority, the delegates can censure them; and if the General Service Conference functions poorly, the AA groups can elect more effective delegates.
Monday, 2/17/2020  Secretary: Laura S (volunteer)

**Chair:** Carlil J. (SIS)

**Opening Prayer:** Serenity Prayer

**Introductions:** New CSOR reps introduced themselves and their group; then all other CSOR reps introduced themselves and their group; all reps announced their groups’ Special Group Activities

**Tradition:** Second tradition

**7th Tradition:** basket passed

**Announcements:** deadline for article/flyers to be submitted to CSO for addition to *What’s Happening?* is the 10th of the month and for *The Nightcap*, it is the 25th of the month; attn Jim B; please avoid dark colors on flyers as they do not copy/present well when reproduced

**Minutes of the previous meeting in January:** motion moved by Andy J. and second by Don

**Guests:** Virginia B.

- Raffle was conducted and calendars were the prizes
- There is a need for an IN-House phone volunteer on Mondays from 1:00-5:00 in the Central Service Office *(flyer)* starting the 1st week of March

**Board Liaison Report:**

Susan H

- Nan and Debbie have planned many activities and flyers will be forthcoming
- Weekend of AA in SA is planned for April 2021
- There will not be a Weekend of AA in SA in 2020

David, Educational Trustee

- Looked up AA movies for history

Rosie, Hospitality Committee for Area 68 Assembly

- Asked for volunteers to help serve food at this event, March 27-29

**Board Financial Report:**

Don

- Profit/Loss numbers are always available at CSO
- Group contributions are up
- There was a $1,000.00 memorial contribution
- Weekend in SA was successful; we will be ok to not have said weekend in 2020

Motion to approve Financial Report: Mary moved to approve and Paula second it
Reports:

SA Interservice: Kathleen

The picnic that was announced in January has a location: Lady Bird Johnson Park Pavilion

The event is called Leap into Service Picnic  March 7, 2020 11:00-2:00pm flyers distributed to reps

A subcommittee is being formed for those interested in participating: Do we need an accessibilities committee?

Achieves Committee: Doug

The Achieves Committee meets the first Thursday of every month at Club 12

The Achieves Committee belongs to CSO; its purpose is to preserve the history of AA in SA

Feedback and information about this committee is in The Nightcap

There will be a Spring Fling in April (flyer): there will be speakers and they will explain what the Achieves Committee does

Helpline: Kris J.

All shifts are filled on after hours

But, a Chairperson/Coordinator position is available and needs to be filled soon; one year of sobriety and a “home” group is required to fill the position

Grapevine: Chris

Grapevine Writing Workshop flyer was given to reps: Saturday, March 14 12:00-3:00 pm

Hispanic Liaison: Rosie

Hospitality volunteers are needed for the Area 68 Assembly

CSO: Jim B

Phone service was changed but it did not work out so it was changed back to ATT

The focus right now is on updating/improving the website, getting the spam issue with Google resolved

CSO has new books—come check them out!

Old Business: none

New Business: none

Closed: Lord’s Prayer

Thank you for letting me serve tonight. Laura S. HALT on Tezel
## GROUP CONTRIBUTIONS

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Check out the Flyers on our website: aasanantonio.org or in the What's Happening

### March 2020

#### Mar 4th & 18th
- Intergroupal Hispana - en español - 7pm - San Antonio (the first & third Wednesday of each month)

#### Mar 5th
- **Archives Committee Meeting** - 6:00pm - Club 12

#### Mar 7th
- San Antonio Inter-Service Picnic - Lady Bird Johnson Park - San Antonio
- Serendipity Group Big Book Study - Joe McQ & Charlie P - CDs recorded in Sacramento, 1999 - San Antonio

#### Mar 8th
- District 28 Meeting - 2nd Sunday at 11am
- District 12 Meeting
- District 1E Meeting
- District 2 Meeting

#### Mar 9th
- Service Manual Study Meeting - 2nd Monday - San Antonio

#### Mar 12th & 26th
- District 1F Meeting - 2nd & last Thursday - 8pm

#### Mar 12th
- **Central Service Office Board Meeting** - 6pm  (Central Service Office)

#### Mar 16th
- **Central Service Office Representative (CSOR) Meeting** – 6pm

#### Mar 15th
- District 18 Meeting - Kirby Group - 2pm (Contact Michelle R district18@aa-swta.org)

#### Mar 21st
- Hope Group VIII Anniversary - San Antonio

#### Mar 22nd
- San Antonio Inter Service Committee Meeting - 3:15pm
- San Antonio Inter Service Correction Facility Committee - 12:30pm
- San Antonio Inter Service Communication Committee - 1pm
- San Antonio Inter Service Treatment Facilities Committee - 1pm
- San Antonio Inter Service Public Information & Cooperation with Professional Community Committee - 12:30pm
- San Antonio Inter Service Grapevine Committee - 1pm
- District 1A Meeting - 2pm - St Francis Episcopal Church
- District 16 Meeting - 2pm - St Francis Episcopal Church
- District 17 Meeting - 2pm - St Francis Episcopal Church

#### Mar 27th
- Area 68 Pre-General Service Conference Assembly - San Antonio

#### Mar 28th
- Group Twelve @ Club 12 - Drag Karaoke Contest

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### 2020 San Antonio Future Events

#### Apr 4th
- Dist 18 - 7th Tradition Workshop - San Antonio

#### Apr 25th
- CSO Archives Spring Fling - San Antonio

#### May 15th
- Grupo Sante Fe 51st Anniversary - San Antonio

#### May 23rd
- Turning Point Group 20th Anniversary - San Antonio
WANT TO HELP ANOTHER ALCOHOLIC?

GRAPEVINE WRITING WORKSHOP

Learn how to submit articles, photos, and cartoons. Refreshments Served!
Saturday, March 14th, 2020
12:00-3:00 pm
Hosted by the Acceptance Group at Schertz United Methodist Church
3460 Roy Richard Drive
For information contact carterchris1@outlook.com
Without question, my most fulfilling AA meetings have been those we've held in local prisons. The guys who attend are usually very hungry to "get the program and the new life" so they won't have to repeat the process and return to jail. The energy level and enthusiasm is normally very high. I often return home floating on the clouds. Yes, it's that good.

We see guys taking the Steps, sponsoring each other and finally inviting other guys to the AA meetings. By the way, I've been going for 4 years, and it's perfectly safe. No problems at all. And the guards love us because, we are told, the men are more respectful after attending meetings.

Almost anyone can qualify, yes ex-felons too. All you have to do is sit through a 4 hour class, usually on a Saturday. Here are some local future dates:

2020 TDCJ Volunteer Local Training

03-26-2020 Dominguez Prison 6535 Cagnon Rd., SA 78252
    Call 210-675-6620

05-16-2020 Hondo Call Paxton 210-550-9487 or Greg 210-843-6522

07-28-2020 Dominguez Prison 6535 Cagnon Rd., SA 78252
    Call 210-675-6620

08-15-2020 Hondo Call Paxton 210-550-9487 or Greg 210-843-6522

10-17-2020 St. Marks Catholic Church – 1602 Thousand Oaks, SA 78232 Saturday 8 am to 12 Noon.

11-12-2020 Hondo Call Paxton 210-550-9487 or Greg 210-843-6522

Thanks, Greg S.
Seeking Service Opportunities?

**PI/CPC**
The Public Information/Cooperating with Professionals Committee has many opportunities for members to be the hand of A.A. and reach the still suffering alcoholic.

Our outreach includes DWI Court, Drug Court, presentations to professionals, distribution and maintenance of literature racks and workshops.

We are currently seeking volunteers for several upcoming health fairs. If you would like to be of service, we encourage you to attend our monthly meeting on February 23, 2020 at 12:30, at St. Francis Episcopal located at 4242 Bluemel, SATX. For more information email our committee chair at cmte.picpc@gmail.com

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It must never be forgotten that the purpose of Alcoholics Anonymous is to sober up alcoholics.

**BILL W.**

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**GET INVOLVED IN SERVICE IN SAN ANTONIO**

Accessibilities, cooperation with the professional community, Grapevine, La Vina, communications, corrections, public information, treatment facilities

3:15 pm on the 4th Sunday of the Month

St. Francis Episcopal Church, 4242 Bluemel

San Antonio Inter-Service

SAInterservice@gmail.com
District 16
March 2020 DCM Report

In the Nightcap, [I hope] you will find the 70th General Service Conference committee agenda items. At the General Service Conference in New York, the delegates will break up into these committees to make decisions about A.A. for the coming years. If you want, you can discuss a few or all of these questions with your group members at Group Conscience and get a sense how they think on those issues. Bring those thoughts to the...

SWT Area 68 Pre-General Service conference is coming up in San Antonio on March 27th - 29th!
At the Area conference, we will be breaking into some of these small groups (such as CPC or Corrections) Saturday and discussing some of the committee agenda items coming up at the General Service Conference in April. Our Area delegate Michael P. will be paying attention to how we think in these small group sessions and may get some ideas to take with him to New York in April.

If we go through this exercise, we should remember that we all are trusted servants and our groups do not “tell us what to do” at the next level of service. There’s always more to learn at different levels of the service structure. So our group members may think their service leader should vote a certain way, and the leader learns at the next level more information that could change our opinion on that issue. The 3rd Concept describes this as the “Right of Decision”. It’s very much connected to the 9th Tradition where we are trusted servants, and are responsible to those we serve.

The process of decision-making in A.A. is a fascinating, unique study in organization issue management. You and your group can learn more about how this happens by participating at the group and Area levels in the discussion of the GSC 2020 issues.

District 16 is a very active district serving 36 groups in near north central San Antonio. Our next meeting will be March 22nd, 2pm at 4242 Bluemer, near Wurzbach and IH10.
Anyone is welcome to join us, but only district 16 GSRs or their Alternates can vote.

We have a new PO Box to send district 16 contributions. Make checks payable to A.A. District 16 and mailed to: PO Box 781122, San Antonio, Texas 78278.

If you have questions, please reach out to district16@aa-swta.org
70th General Service Conference Committees

Agenda Items

These are a sampling of the agenda items at this year’s General Service Conference. For a full list please visit www.aa-swta.org or email me at csosa1285@att.net and I will email you a copy.


Grapevine-Consider the list of suggested AA Grapevine book topics for 2021 or later.

Public Information- Discuss a progress report on the A.A.W.S Meeting Guide app. And Discuss a request ‘to create a new form of communication’ to address anonymity on social media.

Cooperation with the Professional Community-Consider a request to create a pamphlet for mental health professionals.

SERVICE

A.A. is more than a set of principles; it is a society of alcoholics in action. We must carry the message, else we ourselves can wither and those who haven’t been given the truth die.

Service Manual p. S1

Faith is more than our greatest gift; its sharing with others is our greatest responsibility. May we of A.A. continually seek the wisdom and the willingness by which we may well fulfill that immense trust which the Giver of all perfect gifts has placed in our hands.

Grapevine, April 1961

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Area 68 Pre-General Service Conference Assembly

“A.A. -Experience, Strength and Hope”
March 27, 28, & 29 2020

Hotel Doubletree By Hilton
37 NE 410
San Antonio, TX 78216

Reservation Information:
Via Telephone
210-366-2424
Code: SWTA68

Via Internet:
Bit.ly/PreGen2020

Room rate is $115.00 plus taxes per night

Host District 1F
SWTA 68 Summer Workshop

“We Have A Way Out”

July 31st - August 2nd

Location:
Marble Falls Lakeside Pavilion
307 Buena Vista
Marble Falls, TX 78654

Accommodations:
Hampton Inn
704 1st St, Marble Falls, TX 78654

Room Rates
City View - $139 + tax
Lake View - $195 + tax

Visit www.area68district13.org For Other Hotel Options

SWTA 68 Taller De Verano

“Tenemos Una Salida”

31 De Julio - 2 De Agosto

Ubicación:
Marble Falls Lakeside Pavilion
307 Buena Vista
Marble Falls, TX 78654

Alojamiento:
Hampton Inn
704 1st St, Marble Falls, TX 78654

Precios De Cuartos
City View - $139 + tax
Lake View - $195 + tax

Visitar www.area68district13.org Otras Opciones De Hotel

1940 AA PREAMBLE
Alcoholics Anonymous

We are gathered here because we are faced with the fact that we are powerless over alcohol and unable to do anything about it without the help of a Power greater than ourselves.

We feel that each person's religious views, if any, are his own affair. The simple purpose of the program of Alcoholics Anonymous is to show what may be done to enlist the aid of a Power greater than ourselves regardless of what our individual conception of that Power may be.

In order to form a habit of depending upon and referring all we do to that Power, we must at first apply ourselves with some diligence. By often repeating these acts, they become habitual and the help rendered becomes natural to us.

We have all come to know that as alcoholics we are suffering from a serious illness for which medicine has no cure.
REPORT ON THE HISPANIC INTERGROUP MEETING OF FEBRUARY 5, 2020

- Radio Station segments have continued, been aired in three radio stations of ALFA Group at 95.7 FM and 720 AM.
- On 01/28/2020, two Intergroup members held a 15 minutes talk show dialogue at the Radio Station.
- On 02/13/2020, other committee Members are holding an interview dialogue at the Radio Station Jalapeno, KEDA 1540 at 11:30 AM.
- St. Vincent de Paul Church is reviewing our petition to permit meetings at their location. Their address is 4222 SW Loop 410, San Antonio, TX 78227
- The St. Vincent de Paul Church called to invite us to make a brief presentation during their 2 PM Spanish service on Sunday, 02/09/2020.
- The Embassy of Mexico invited us to participate in their Health Fair event from 9 A.M. to 12 P.M. on 02/22/2020 at 3865 Culebra Road, San Antonio, TX 78228
- On 02/26/2020, we are also holding an informational booth at the Mexican Consulate between 9 A.M. and 11 A.M.
- SIGUEN EN ROTACION LOS SPOTS DE RADIO DE ALCOHOLICOS ANONIMOS EN 3 ESTACIONES DEL GRUPO RADIAL ALFA 104.1 FM 95.7 FM Y 720 AM., POR CIERTO EL SR. FLORES ME DIO QUE LE GUSTARIA QUE YA CAMBIARAMOS LA ENTREVISTA QUE SE PASA LOS DOMINGOS A LAS 6:00 A.M., ME VA A NOTIFICAR CUANDO NOS PUEDE RECIBIR.

- JUEVES 06 DE FEBRERO
HOY NOS VISITO EL PADRE JUAN CARLOS S. DE LA ARQUIDIOCESI DE SAN ANTONIO, LE DIMOS INFORMACION GENERAL DE A.A. Y NOS DIO UNA CITA PARA EL 13 DE FEBRERO EN LA IGLESIA DE LA RESURRECCION.

- DOMINCO 09 DE FEBRERO
HOY FUIMOS A LA IGLESIA ST. VINCENT DE PAUL A DAR INFORMACION SOBRE ALCOHOLICOS ANONIMOS, REPARTIR FOLLETOS Y TARJETAS DE LA INTERGRUPAL, NOS DIeron UNOS MINUTOS AL TERMINAR LA MISA Y A LA SALIDA LE DIMOS INFORMACION A LA GENTE QUE SE ACERCÓ A NOSOTROS, PARTICIPAMOS LA COMPAÑERA ADRIANA, REYNALDO, GENARO ALEJANDRO DEL GRUPO GRATITUD Y UN SERVIDOR.

- JUEVES 13 DE FEBRERO
HOY FUIMOS A LA REUNION CON LOS PADRES DE LAS IGLESIAS DEL WEST SIDE, LES DEJAMOS TARJETAS, DIRECTORIOS FOLLETOS E INFORMACION DE ALCOHOLICOS ANONIMOS.

- MIERCOLES 19 DE FEBRERO.
HOY FUIMOS A LA RADIO "RADIO JALAPENO" LAMENTABLEMENTE VENDIERON EL TIEMPO QUE NOS HABIAN DESTINADO Y NOS CAMBIARON LA CITA PARA EL 9 DE MARZO A LAS 11:00 A.M.

- EL SABADO 22 DE FEBRERO TENDREMOS UNA FERIA DE SALUD EN UNA IGLESIA CRISTIANA DE LA CALLE CULEBRA, ES POR PARTE DEL CONSULADO DE MEXICO Y LA ORGANIZACIÓN YWCW SERA DE LAS 9:00 A.M A LAS 12:00 DEL MEDIODIA.
Events Out of Town

Mar 6th  
29th Annual Chisholm Trail Convention - Georgetown

Mar 14th  
Grapevine Writing Workshop - Schertz

May 22nd  
34th Annual Gathering of Eagles - Dallas

Jun 12th  
74th Annual Texas State Convention - Fort Worth

July 31st  
SWTA 68 Summer Workshop - Marble Falls