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Home of the 2010 International A.A. Convention

UPCOMING EVENTS

For complete information on events around the country and Canada, please check out 'Events' at www.aasanantonio.org.

2009

Feb 6-8: Trinity, TX
25th Yellow Rose Conf, 1011 Potts Rd, Humble, TX 77338—
yellowroseconference@yahoo.com or
www.yellowroseconference.org

Feb 12-15: Salt Lake City, UT
45th International Women's Conf.
www.internationalwomensconference.org

Feb 13-15: El Paso, TX
47th Sobriety on the Border. For registration forms see www.aael Paso.org

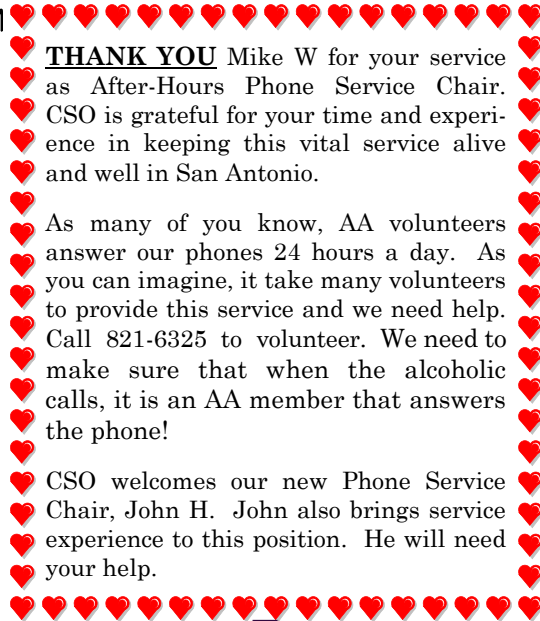
Feb 13-15: Amarillo, TX
63rd Anniversary Top of Texas Group, 1301 S Taylor, Amarillo, TX 79101.
email:campbek5@sbcglobal.net

Feb 20-22: Kingsville, TX
SWTA Corrections Conf. For registration form see 'AA Events' under www.aasanantonio.org

March 27-29: Georgetown, TX
18th Chisholm Trail Convention, Georgetown Community Center, San Gabriel Park, 445 E Morrow St

April 3-5: San Antonio, TX
Weekend in SA w/AA. For registration form see 'AA Events' under www.aasanantonio.org

June 12-14: Austin, TX
64th Texas State AA Convention.
www.texasaaconvention.com



THANK YOU Mike W for your service as After-Hours Phone Service Chair. CSO is grateful for your time and experience in keeping this vital service alive and well in San Antonio.

As many of you know, AA volunteers answer our phones 24 hours a day. As you can imagine, it take many volunteers to provide this service and we need help. Call 821-6325 to volunteer. We need to make sure that when the alcoholic calls, it is an AA member that answers the phone!

CSO welcomes our new Phone Service Chair, John H. John also brings service experience to this position. He will need your help.



SAMSO Workshop

New SAMSO website: www.samsoaa.org

WHERE: CSO, 8802 Tradeway, San Antonio, 78217 (next to CSO). Phone Joe at 421-8665 for further info or email: tailgate5014@msn.com.

WHEN: Saturday, February 28

TIME: 1-4pm

Learn about carrying the message through our local service committees.

Local service committee chair speakers, light refreshments and great fellowship!

The Hospital & Institutions Committee (Treatment) is now conducting monthly meetings at 8802 Tradeway the first Sunday each month at 4:30pm (next to CSO). For further information about this committee, phone the chairperson, Rosemary at 422-3520.

Southwest Texas Area Correctional Facilities 2008 Conference

"Freedom from Bondage"



Kingsville, Texas
February 20-22, 2009

Super 8 Motel
361 592-6471 or 866 810-8488
105 South 77 Bypass
Kingsville, Texas 78363

Speakers and panels to be announced.

Registration \$7.50

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____

(Circle One): AA Al-Anon Alateen

Make checks payable to:

SWTA 68 CFC Conference
PO Box 248
Kingsville, TX 78364

For additional information,:
Linda K 361 522-1542

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HELP WANTED!!!!!!



CSO is seeking A.A members for an excellent and rewarding career. **Answering the 24 hr. help line at the Central Service Office and after hours, with excellent benefits and pay.**

Pay starting at 100% Sobriety, 100% help to the still suffering alcoholic. Daily bonus: When anyone, anywhere, reaches out for help, I want the hand of A.A. always to be there and for that: I am responsible.

Qualifications: at least 1yr sobriety.

You may apply by phone or in person

By phone call Vicky at 210-821-6325

Or in person at 8804 Tradeway

San Antonio, TX 78217



Group Conscience Meetings

Acceptance	Last Sunday	6:00pm
Colonies North...	1st Monday.....	7:00pm
Goliad...	2nd Sunday.....	11:15am
Group 12...	1st Tuesday.....	6:45pm
Freedom...	3rd Monday.....	7:15pm
Grupo Paz y Sobriedad	3rd Wednesday...	TBA
Highland...	As Needed	
Keep It Simple	Last weekday each month	
Lackland Pyramid...	As Needed	
New Downtown...	1st Saturday...	1:30pm
Rush Hour...	1st Wednesday...	6:45pm
Sane and Sober...	As Needed	
Schertz/Cibolo...	Last Saturday...	1:15pm
Seeds of Grace	As Needed	
Serendipity...	Last Monday...	6:30pm
Stay in the Solution	Last Saturday	1:10pm
Universal City...	2nd Monday	8:00pm
Walzem Road...	As Needed	
Woman's Big Book...	Quarterly-Last Wed.	6:30pm
Young and Done...	1st Thursday....	9:30pm
Young and Golden Yrs...	As Needed	

Your Central Service Office

Board of Trustees—2009

-serving in love and service:



Bill McG, Carolyn F, Chuck K, Linda R, Matt M, Suzanne McR, and Terri W

MEETING ROOM SPACE AVAILABLE

Looking for meeting space to start a new AA Group or need some place for your AA service committee to meet? Call your Central Office today (821-6325) and schedule a time. Space is available anytime and holds up to 30-35 people. No rent, 7th Tradition only.

NEW GROUPS/MEETINGS:

The **Turning Point Group** has added a new meeting at 8:00am on Saturdays. It is a closed-literature meeting. They meet at St Thomas Episcopal Church, Classroom East of Sanctuary, 1416 N Loop1604 East, 1/2 Mi. West of 281, inside1604 access road, 78232.

GROUP CHANGES/CLOSINGS:

There are two Spanish speaking meetings at the **River Group** in San Marcos, TX: One meets on Saturday at 6:45pm, and the second Spanish meeting has been moved to 7:00pm on Tuesdays. The English speaking 10:00pm Friday night meeting has been cancelled. The River Group meets at 208 West San Antonio St, San Marcos, TX.

↑ *The above additions and changes in group information are not listed in the new orange meeting directory, as they came in after the printing. Please make appropriate changes to your current directories.* ↑

NEW MEETING SPACE

The Northwest Church of Christ, 9681 West Loop 1604 North, San Antonio, TX 78254, has meeting space available for an AA meeting.

If interested, please call Al Young at 219-6530.

Needed

Alcoholics Anonymous members to volunteer to sign for the deaf at AA meetings.

If you can help with this much needed service, please call the Central Service Office to volunteer. 210-821-6325

Group Forum Page

SPANISH HELP LINE

533-9770

Mon-Fri

Noon-5pm

CLUB/GROUP 12

102 Thames / 344-8981

February Schedule



01 Super Bowl Party
4pm Bring a covered dish.

10 Group Conscience 6:45pm

14 **PANCAKE BREAKFAST** 7am
MARKET DAYS-Get your Valentine a gift of flowers, candy, and/or jewelry.
VALENTINE DANCE

23 Board of Directors Mtg 6:45pm

26 Birthday Night 7:30pm

NOTICE

It is our intent to publish an informative and timely newsletter. To do so, we need all newsletter items into the Central Service Office **before the 10th** of the previous month. (Example: February's Nightcap items are due before January 10th).
Thank you for your cooperation.

Winner's Club

5723 Kenwick, 680-5496

February Schedule

First Friday of the month is Game Night
Bingo/Dominoes/Board Games
8:00pm-11:00pm

Winner's Club has meeting spaces available. Please call 680-5496 and ask for Kevin.

February Sale at CSO



Came to Believe

\$3.75 reg—\$4.25 lg print

December 2008 CONTRIBUTIONS TO CSO

See insert for group contributions.

Birthday:	Alan A	\$26.00
	Total Birthday	\$26.00
Individual:	8802/Rent (PI/CPC)	\$15.00
	Office Kitty	\$ 3.00
	Board Meeting	\$ 9.00
	Jim & Becky S	\$40.00
	Anonymous	\$10.00
	Mary H	\$10.00
	Total Individual	\$87.00
Memorial:	Total Memorial	\$0.00

At 3 am a desk clerk at a hotel gets a call from a drunk guy asking what time the bar opens. "It opens at noon" answers the clerk.

About an hour later he gets a call from the same guy, sounding even drunker. "what time does the bar open?" He asks.

"Same time as before...Noon." Replies the clerk.

Another hour passes and he calls again, plastered "What do you say the bar opens at?"

The clerk then answers, "it opens at noon, but if you can't wait, I can have room service send something up to you."

"No...I don't wanna get in...Ah wanna get OUT!!!"

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

Central Office/Intergroup Reps:

Telephone After-Hours Service Committee: Coordinator: John H (387-1866).
Alternate Coordinator: VACANT

Outreach Committee: Chair: Debbie H (440-1559).

CSO Archives Chair: VACANT - Work has begun on preserving the documents at CSO, removing staples, making copies, preserving paper. The committee also needs individuals interested in making displays, carpenters who can make enclosed book cases, those interested in bulletin board displays, etc. Part of this committee is dedicated to interviewing our old-timers and digitally preserving those histories. Please contact CSO at 821-6325.

INTERDISTRICT/SAMSO:

The Interdistrict meetings are held the first Sunday of the month, 6:30pm, 8600 Wurzbach, #702. Members include DCMs, Committee Chairs, GSRs and all alternates. New website: www.samsaaa.org

Archives: Chuck K (492-3129) or cpkautz@gmail.com

CFC: John C-S (508-6039) shanahanj@yahoo.com

Grapevine: VACANT

PI/CPC: Jim L (695-5117) or jblarkin@swbell.net

Treatment: Rosemary M (422-3520) Meets at 8802 Tradeway, the first Sunday each month at 4:30pm (next to CSO).

Bi-Lingual: Laura G (625-0056)

Newsletter: Karen I (602-0788) or karennursekaren@gmail.com

Special Needs: Regan F (422-2315)

Treasurer: SAMSO, PO Box 17953, San Antonio, TX 78217

District Meetings

SAN ANTONIO DISTRICTS

District 01A: DCM-Pat S (834-9024)

Monthly meeting is held at 8600 Wurzbach, #702, Creekview Office Complex, the 2nd Sunday, 4:00pm.

District 16: DCM-Carie C (887-6649)

Monthly meeting is held at 8802 Tradeway, the first Sunday at 3pm (next to CSO).

District 17: DCM-Regan F (422-2315)

Monthly meeting is held at the Serendipity Group location, 10929 Nacogdoches, #5, the second Saturday of each month at 8:30am.

District 18: DCM-Joe L (421-8665) or tailgate5014@msn.com. District meets the 2nd Tuesday each month, 6:15pm. Meetings rotate location so please call for location info.

SAN ANTONIO SPANISH DISTRICTS

District 01E: DCM-Joe P (639-0997)

Monthly meeting is held at 3814 S. Flores, #2, the 2nd Sunday, 1:00pm, en espanol.

District 28: DCM-Anastacio E (334-0503) Monthly meetings are held at 935 New Laredo Hwy, #2 San Antonio, TX 78211, the 2nd and last Thursday, 7:00pm, en espanol.

SURROUNDING DISTRICTS

District 01E: DCM-Jonathan S (490-4852) Rotating monthly meeting on the 3rd Saturday. Call for location.

District 02: DCM-Patty H (512-357-6649)

Monthly meeting is held at 2pm the second Sunday of each month at the River Group, 208 W San Antonio, San Marcos, TX.

Correctional Facilities in the local San Antonio Area

**SAF II—Substance Abuse Treatment Facility-Bexar County Offender
Men & Women's Facility**
Goyen Hall-State Hospital-711 S New Braunfels-South San Antonio

TX Dept of Criminal Justice Parole Division-Parolees Mtg
Men & Women Facility
2902 NE Loop 410 (near Perrin Beitel) by Rialto Theatre
Men & Women-6 months sobriety
Tuesday 6:45 (meeting 7:00pm) Room #115
Groups invited to take the meeting.

Bexar County Jail Annex-Women's Mtg
Woman's Facility
200 N Comal St
Women only
Friday, 10:30am
Contact for information-Ardyn C, 264-4900

Dominquez State Jail
Men's Facility
6535 Cagnon Rd-South of IH 90 on Loop 1604
Men & Women
Monday night 7:00pm and Thursday night 7:00pm
Mondays call Tom B
Thursdays call Greg S 637-7203/Frank O 830-534-7522/Jeff M 630-9707



"He doesn't drink at all; he's got that stupid job back; he's paying off all his lousy debts; he goes to one or two revival meetings a week; he's back home with his wife and those brats; he's not only saving money, he's investing some; he's home every night at six, and he's cut out most of his old pals. Now what the hell kind of life is that!"
Grapevine Feb/1960

Central Service Office Representatives Meeting

Approved Minutes

Monday, November 17, 2008, 6:00 P.M.

Opening: Donna L. opened with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer. 12 Traditions read.

Introductions: New CORs: Peter from the Young & Done Group, and David from the Freedom Group.

Approve Previous Month's Minutes: Approved as written.

New Business: CSO Board of Trustees elections:

There are three vacancies on the Board. Donna reviewed the nominations, ballots and voting eligibility. Each nominee gave a short presentation. Ballots were cast.

Nominees:

Ben C. (Group 12)

Bill M. (Castle Hills) **Elected**

Carolyn F. (Sane & Sober) **Elected**

Donald R. (Goliad Group)

Harry H. (River Group)

Suzanne M. (Group 12) **Elected**

Nominations and election for new COR chair, assistant chair and secretary next month.

Announcements: Debbie announced there is a CSO open house going on concurrent with the CSO meeting.

Financial Report: In Linda's absence, Char reported a good month – in the black due to group contributions as it was the end of a quarter. Gross profit is up \$3,500 from the projected budget. Communication is up due to paying three months at a time. Postage was \$216.45 mainly due to sending out the gratitude boxes, but is worth it since it brought in over \$2,000 last year. Volunteer recognition was up because of gifts for Christmas. \$\$ also came in from Family Fun Fair & Weekend in SA registrations.

CSO Board Liaison Report: In Linda's absence, Char reported the CSO would be closed the 27th and 28th for the Thanksgiving holiday, and would only be open until 1:00 PM on Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve, and closed Christmas Day.

Art and Daniel are adding SAMSO information to the website. It will contain the same information given out over the phone to the public at the CSO. There has been a computer donated for the volunteer's desk that will help them be more efficient when answering questions over the phone. Online store is up and running.

Al-Anon will not allow CSO to be a distributor of literature, but CSO will still carry the literature purchased at retail. Big Book price will increase one or two dollars in the near future.

Telephone Service Report: No report given.

Archives Committee Report: Paul reported there will be a meeting in December. There are now eight or nine volunteers for the archives committee.

Outreach Committee Report: Debbie reported things are operating as usual. They will have a table at the SAMSO workshop at the Goliad Group. More events in January.

Old Business: None

Passed the Seventh Tradition basket. Closed with the Lord's Prayer.

THINGS WE CANNOT CHANGE

Gloria M passed in December 2008. She was an active member of Grupo Unidad, and celebrated 35 years of sobriety. Gloria also regularly attended Grupo Esperanza and Grupo Santa Fe. She introduced her daughter to the fellowship. Gloria will be missed.

Is your group represented at the Central Service Office?

The Central Office Representatives (CORs) meet on the 3rd Monday of each month.

A.A. is a "we" program, and the Central Office Rep (COR) position provides a way for your group to connect with other groups and A.A. as a whole; also, it provides a service opportunity that can lead to more service options for your group.

"Elect a COR to attend." We need your group's voice at CSO. You do that through your COR. Otherwise a few groups get to decide for us all.

WEEKEND IN SA WITH AA FUNDRAISING SCHEDULE

- February 14: Pancake Breakfast & Market Days
 Club 12—102 Thames/78216
 Pancake Breakfast 7:00-11:00am \$3 or \$4 with bacon
 Market Days (Valentine gifts including flower arrangements) 7:00am—5:00pm.
- February 28: Young & Done Lasagna Dinner & Karaoke Night
 Church of Reconciliation
 8900 Starcrest Drive
 Dinner 6:00pm
 Karaoke 7:00pm—10:00pm (Bid to make someone sing!)
 \$5 donation
- March 14: Talent Show Auditions & Dinner
 St George's Episcopal Church
 6904 West Ave
 Dinner 6:00pm
 Talent Show auditions 7:00-10:00pm
 \$5.00 donation



WEEKEND IN SA ACTIVITIES

(April 3-5)

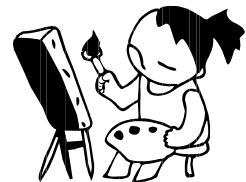
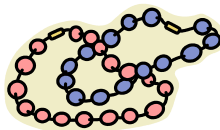
Golf Tournament (April 2) more to be revealed

Art Show & Auction—See below

Talent Show (April 4) at the Conference

CALL OUT TO ALL ARTISTS!

SIXTH ANNUAL AA IN SA ART SHOW AND SILENT AUCTION



Artist, we are asking that you begin ASAP to create your original art in your chosen medium to be part of our annual silent auction at Weekend in SA with AA.

We are aware that your art donation is indeed a gift of yourself and we value your creativity, time and money.

For information call Liz: 210 273-4650 or email: LLentzPainting@satx.rr.com or fax 210 496-8029

February Birthdays



**THE
NIGHTCAP
IS 40
YEARS
OLD THIS
YEAR!**

Alamo Heights:

James—1yr
Barbara Q—2yrs
Razor D—10yrs
Ron R—12yrs

Colonies North:

Chauncey P—4yrs
Catherine McN—
18yrs
Maria O—25yrs

Community:

James L—1yr
Barbara Q—2yrs
Gretchen S—4yrs
Razor D—10yrs

Group Twelve:

1 year

Zeke G
Kristy C
Don D
Linda S
Laurie B
Leonard R
Brian M
Beth A

2 years

Christine V
Brad P
Christine B
Shawn
Susan S
Molly L
Larry A
Saundra F
Pamela W
Robert R

3 years

Henry W
Claude M
Victor R
Victor P

4 years

Eleanor A
Jane P
Clint B
Michael A
Hamilton B
Michael B
Raven P
Gary S
Louis H
Kermit M
Mike D
Eric G

Group Twelve

(cont)

5 years

Bill G
Kellie D
Hohn J
Anne M
Scottie K
Joe M
Bobby H
Dale F

6 years

Pete L
Bret M
Carl B

Francisco J

James O
Michael O
Lance H

7 years

Nicki T
David S
Holly K
Thurman L
Steven M
Bret G
David S
Daniel H
Daniel h

8 years

Eric Y
Kathy C
Gary E
Kevin O
Debbie G
Jeff P
Mike S
Roland A
Billie M
R. F
Chris S
Eddy M
David A
Betty B

9 years

Ron M
Ruth F
Frank A
Susan D
Teresa R
Mike A
C.A. A
Jean D
Joe C
Lara M
Kim A

Christopher B

Katherine L
Archie G
Doug C
Kurt P
Carlos P
John O
David L
Deborah S
Pat S
William D

Group Twelve (cont)

10 years

Mary Ann M
Richard G
Christine R
Dan F
C.R. D
Nan H

11 years

Phillip K

12 years

Richard R
Pat T

13 years

Marcy S
Steve S
O. Lew S

14 years

Don C
Mario P Jim J
Don T
Larry F
Jeff A

15 years

Hope S
Jack F

16 years

Michael S
Alex B
Marilyn M

17 years

Ned S

18 years

Allan D
Jim W

19 years

James M
Tom K
Marcelino M
Milton G

20 years

Linda M
Flavio H
Lawrence H
Peter S
Betsy P

21 years

Suzy C
Linda S-P
Barb L
Harold C

Group Twelve (cont)

22 years

Lorenzo W
Jodie B
Steve L

23 years

Nancy W
Jeanie G

25 years

Noel M
Mary V
Bill T
Maria B
Hampus R

26 years

Jerry M
Ned T
Katie M

28 years

Virgina W

29 years

Larry M

30 years

Vivian P

31 years

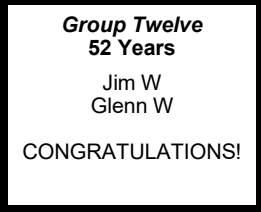
Patti T

33 years

Barry V

34 years

Tommie D



Kirby:

Ron R—12yrs

Oasis:

Jim G—3yrs
Vivian P—30yrs

Schertz/Cibolo:

Eugene T—1yr
Chuck D—1yr
Paul P—2yrs
John R—2yrs
Ernesto F—4yrs
Dee E—5yrs
Gary M—14yrs

Universal City Sunday:

Jerry S—24yrs

Woman's Big Book:

Sarah T—1yr
Alexa B—4yrs
Gracy P—4yrs
Dee E—5yrs
Nan H—10yrs
Linda McG—20yrs
Suzy C—21yrs
Sherry M—23yrs



GROUP BIRTHDAY NIGHTS

- Last Sunday:** Free at Last (Pot luck)
- Last Monday:** Alamo Heights, Freedom, Young and Golden Years (O-Spk)
- First Tuesday:** New Downtown (O-Spk) 7:30-9pm
- Last Tuesday:** Valley Hi, Windcrest, Santa Fe, New Acceptance, Life Support, La Vernia
- Last Wednesday :** Oblate, Woman's Big Book, Northwood, Stay in the Solution
- Last Thursday:** Goliad, Ft. Sam, North San Pedro, Stahl Rd, Acceptance, Universal City, Sane and Sober (Open)
- Last Friday:** Pearsall (Come As You Are), Colonies North, El Libro Grande, Rush Hour, Group 12, Marymont, HALT @ Tezel Road, SW Loop (4th Friday), Hondo, Seeds of Grace (open mtg-last Fri)
- Last Saturday:** Schertz-Cibolo, Lambda, Winners Club, Serendipity, Pleasanton

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