The Nightcap

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

Drop by the office and pick up flyers for all of the following events listed in this newsletter

Young & Done

10th Anniversary July 11th

6:30 to 11pm lasagna dinner speaker panel dance

Church of Reconcilliation 8900 Starcrest San Antonio, TX 78217



Woman's Big Book Group

22nd Anniversary July 9th

7pm

Alamo Heights United Methodist Church 825 E. Basse Rd, San Antonio, TX 78209

> Speaker: Michael P. Area 68 Grapevine Chair

7th Tradition basket goes to support SWRAASA 2014

babysitting available men are welcome

celebrate sobriety

Chicago Group Anniversary

An Open Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting
Saturday, July 19th

Dinner at 5:30pm

speakers

AA: Josh K (Dallas, TX)

Al-Anon: Charlotte K. (Dallas, TX)

Shavano Baptist Church

5047 DeZavala Rd

San Antonio, TX 78249

Goliad Group Annual Sobriety Fest

July 19th

Start time: 2pm-11pm

Fun, Food And Fellowship

Silent Auction, 50/50 Raffle Tickets, hot dogs, and other food at reasonable prices...

Bring your family and Recovery friends

Speakers: 4pm Will B. (Young & Done Group)

7pm Bill H. (CFC Chair)

Dance: DJ at 8pm

Phone Volunteers for the
Office and After-hours Helpline
Call CSO 210-821-6325 for individuals or
groups that wish to volunteer time.

Telephone Training In the Office for the Helpline.

Call Virginia B., 210-821-6325, make appointment.

May

Telephone calls in our office on the helpline

Calls—326 Emails-23

CSO is looking for back-up volunteers to answer the helpline during Office hours. A volunteer answers the telephone for 4 hours.

Back-up volunteers are called when a regular volunteer takes a vacation or cannot make their usual commitment.

The Frontier Group is looking for:



Groups that will sign up and commit to providing an AA Speaker for the Saturday Night meeting at the Frontier Group. A one time commitment for a month.

8:15pm Speaker Meeting

10290 Southton Rd., San Antonio, TX 78223

The Frontier Group meets at the facility on the Southside that was called "The Arc" and is now called "Lifetime Recovery."

This is "special" Group service work to provide a speaker for the meeting. This must be a "commitment." The men at the facility will depend on the Group's commitment.

The contact person is Jeff R. - Call CSO For Jeff's telephone number.

Things we cannot change

Jose L, co-founder of Colonies North Group passed away this past month. Jose will be missed.

Request for a new AA Group

A well established church on the Northeast side of town, in the area of Walzem Rd, East of IH35 has offered their facility for a AA Group.

For information regarding this facility, contact the Office at 210-828-6325 and we will give you the information.



The Grapevine Daily Quote Book - GV32

This pocket-sized book captures the first 365 days of the Grapevine Daily Quote, which first appeared in June 2012. The quotes—contributed by AA members, with many written by AA's co-founders—were selected by the Grapevine staff. All of these passages first appeared in the pages of Grapevine as part of members' stories and other submissions, and many of them can now be found in Grapevine's themed book anthologies. Each page offers an inspiring passage of experience, strength and hope to bring into your daily life

\$12.50

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Tradition Seven (long form)



The A.A. groups themselves ought to be fully supported by the voluntary contributions of their own members. We think that each group should soon achieve this ideal; that any public solicitation of funds using the name of Alcoholics Anonymous is highly dangerous, whether by groups, clubs, hospitals, or other outside agencies; that acceptance of large gifts from any source, or of contributions carrying any obligation whatever, is unwise. Then too, we view with much concern those A.A. treasuries which continue, beyond prudent reserves, to accumulate funds for no stated A.A. purpose. Experience has often warned us that nothing can so surely destroy our spiritual heritage as futile disputes over property, money, and authority.

Registration Forms for 2015 Convention

Registration forms for the 2015 International Convention, in Atlanta, Georgia, July 2-5, will be mailed around the world in August. You can get your form from your G.S.R., your area structure, your local intergroup/central office, from your G.S.O., and, of course, on G.S.O.'s A.A. website, www.aa.org. You may also register online starting September 3. The preregistration fee is \$100 USD; after May 12, 2015, registration will be \$110.00 USD. Your registration badge entitles you to attend all Convention events, including the Thursday night Party in the Park; the Stadium meetings on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday in the Georgia Dome; and all of the marathons, panels, workshops, and topic, special interest and other meetings at the Georgia World Congress Center and nearby hotels.

Housing reservation information, including the Housing Bureau's contact information, will be included with your registration confirmation. Similar to the 2010 Convention, housing for the 2015 International Convention will be on a first-come, first-served basis. However, you must be registered for the Convention before you can make your reservations.

Once your registration form and payment have been received, you will receive housing information by the same method you sent in your registration. If online, a link to the Housing Reservation website will be sent to your email address along with your registration confirmation. You will then be able to complete your hotel reservation online. If you register by mail or fax, housing information will be sent to you by postal mail. Complete your housing and deposit information and send it to the address indicated on the Housing Reservation Form. Your hotel reservation will be processed and a confirmation mailed to you. As at other International Conventions, many A.A.s will be accompanied by Al-Anons and Alateens (check appropriate badge box on form), and Al-Anon and Alateen have scheduled a variety of daytime activities, including meetings and workshops at the Marriott Marquis. Of course, Al-Anons and Alateens may join in the festivities at the Party in the Park, the Big Meetings and more. Reprint from Box 4-5-9, Summer 2014, permission of AA World Services, Inc.

Weekend in SA Golf Tournament

If you missed this event, sign up next year to participate. It is understood that beginner golfers have as much fun as well as those who tend to be pros.

Thanks from the Weekend in SA Committee for your participation, and thank you from the Central Service Office for your participation in our annual fundraising event.

Thanks Tom for sharing this picture!



July 9th

Presentation to Professionals

10:30 to noon

Fellowship Room

8802 Tradeway, San Antonio, TX 78217

This presentation is being offered by the Public Information/ Cooperation with the Professional Community Committee of the San Antonio Metropolitan Service Organization (SAMSO) of Alcoholics Anonymous. The purpose of this committee is to provide accuinformation about AA to those who have contact with alcoholics through their profession.

This is open to all members who have this interest and to professionals. If you have knowledge of a professional that you believe would benefit in this information please invite that person to R.S.V.P. for a specific date by calling 821-6325.

This is an information presentation that allows for questions at the end of the presentation-great for HR, counselors, doctors, law-yers, probation officers, parole officers, dentists, business owners, and more.



Sobriety Under The Bridge Church Under The Bridge 724 Chestnut, San Antonio, TX 78202

Wednesday at 6pm - Open Discussion

This meeting is in the downtown area. Parking is secured. This meeting can use some AA members to visit and support the Group.



Group Forum Page

Canyon Lake Group



Cranes Mill Baptist Church 10215 FM 2673

Canyon Lake, TX 78133

meets only on Saturday & Sunday

8pm

open discussion

Open discussion Meeting
Wednesday - 7pm
Laurel Heights United Methodist Church - Rm 313B
227 W Woodlawn Ave
San Antonio, TX 78212

Rule 62 Group Devine, TX

Invites you to attend their anniversary meeting on August 14th

open meeting

Dinner 6pm meat provided side dishes appreciated

call up speaker meeting

Speaker Heeting

The Rush Hour Group

At The Center

8607 Wurzbach - Bldg. P San Antonio, TX 78240

Speaker Meeting 1st & 3rd Saturday of each month at 5:30pm

July Speakers

5th Stacey P. 19th Vangie H.

To submit your Speaker Meeting and who your speaker will be, contact the CSO office at: csosa@dslextreme.com



NEW

Turning Point Group

St. Thomas Episcopal Church 1416 N Loop 1604 E

Tuesday - 6:30pm open discussion

Saturday - 5:30pm open Big Book



Rule 62 San Antonio
A new Group in town

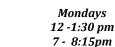
University United Methodist Church 5084 DeZavala Rd. San Antonio, TX 78249

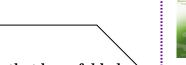
> Tuesday at 7:30pm Closed Big Book

Two New Meetings

The Solution Group (San Antonio)

Community Bible Church 2477 Loop 1604 E enter Admin bldg. and ask directions





Groups that have folded

Legacy Group



Bookmarks Group Meets at 5:30pm Tuesdays

Fellowship Room

8802 Tradeway, San Antonio 78217

This Group is a closed AA meeting, open to all AA members.

The purpose of this Group is to study the AA pamphlets and Grapevine literature, reading and discussing. We are currently reading the pamphlet "The AA Group"

Beginners Meeting

New Vision Group

The Center @ San Antonio NW 8607 Wurzbach Bldg P San Antonio, TX 78240

> 2pm Saturday open discussion

pamphlets and the Home Group

















The pamphlets and guidelines are good references to the AA program .

Available at the Central Service by request.

Service Material from the General Service Office that is available

A.A. FACT SHEET - facts about Alcoholics Anonymous

CONFERENCE-APPROVED LITERATURE "Conference-approved" — What It Means to You"

SHARING EXPERIENCE ON COPING WITH INFLUX OF NEW MEMBERS—new people referred to A.A. by treatment facilities.

Relationship Between A.A. and Al-Anon

District 1A and SAMSO

Present a round table discussion

The Home Group

What is it?
Do I need one?
How can I help?
Saturday, July 19th from 2-4pm

H.A.L.T. meeting facility Northwest Hills Methodist Church

Educational Building (behind the church) 7575 Tezel Rd, San Antonio, TX

Our facilitators:

Virginia B - San Antonio CSO Administrative Asst

Jere J - current SAMSO chair

Jim B - past delegate SWTA 68 panel 42

SAMSO - committee chairs



13th Annual

A DAY IN RECOVERY w/Carla & Doug R (Tujunga, CA)

"A DESIGN FOR LIVING"

Date: Saturday, September 27, 2014

Location: St George Episcopal Church, 6904 West Ave, Fellowship Hall

For additional information: Josef at josefpanvini@gmail.com or Char.

For registration flyer contact sbocajk@gmail.com

Contact information is available by calling the Central Service Office

The Service Manual Meeting

8231 Callaghan Rd San Antonio, TX 78230

Hosted by: Callaghan Rd. Group

7pm to 8:30 pm July 14th

Service manuals available at bookstore



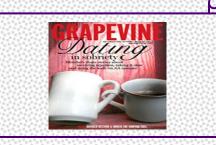


Bus ride to Atlanta

Would you be interested in this as a means of transportation to the 2015 International Convention?

The A.A. Preamble, essays on the Twelve Traditions; the Slogans and many other items, first appeared in the Grapevine magazine?

Grapevine is celebrating their 70th year



10% off during July

on all Grapevine books purchased in The Central Service Office Bookstore

We are celebrating the Grapevine's 70th Anniversary at the CSO Office & Bookstore in July!

CSOR Meeting is the Third Monday of each month at 6:00 pm at CSO

Fellowship Room - 8802-8804 Tradeway, San Antonio, TX 78217

On the agenda in July
Board Report
Managers Report
Telephone Committee Report
Weekend in SA Financial Report
Archives Committee Report
SAMSO Liasion Report

Each AA group elects a Central Service Office Representative who attends a monthly meeting. The purpose of this meeting is to keep the groups informed of the Central Service Office activities, to allow the Central Service Office Rep to voice the opinion(s) and/or inquiries of his/her group, and to be involved in outreach activities as desired. Does your group have a CSOR?

Central Service Office Representatives Minutes

May 19, 2014

Opening: Steven K. With a Moment of Silence and the Serenity Prayer

12 Traditions: (waived due to not having a book) Introduction of all CSO Representatives

Announcements:

New meeting at Laurel Heights Methodist Church: Wednesday night @ 7 PM

Young and Done Anniversary: June 14

Introduction of Guests

Erica not present

Minutes: Read and Reviewed: motion was made by Clay and seconded by Conrad to accept

Board Liaison Report: made by Sydney

Financial Report: made by Tom C.

12,300 Sales are up Profit of 10.068

Expenses under budget by 8,462

Office Manager Report: made by Steven K.

History in AA: 1.00 a book

Still in need of telephone volunteers for backup

Committee Reports: None made

Old Business:

Calle is no longer able to be the CSOR secretary: Nominations for Secretary

Sydney nominated Chesney and motion to accept by Clay; Chesney Accepted: Alternate Secretary: Conrad

New Business:

Robert requested information for area 68; website information was given for him to obtain

Lack of CSOR participation from groups: need for promotion

7th Tradition Basket passed Closing: Lord's Prayer

Officers:

Chairperson: Stephen K Oasis Group Alternate Chairperson: Nelson W. Southwest Loop Group

Secretary: Chesney (First Things First Group) Alternate Secretary: Conrad.

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Spellbound By AA: An Interview With Nell Wing—June 1994

Continued from the June Nightcap

What was your first acquaintance with alcoholics or AA?

My dad was a teacher and a justice of the peace in our small town. I learned about alcoholics very early on because the state police would often drag guys over at three in the morning, rapping on our door. And many of these drunks were professional people in our town or nearby towns, and perhaps good friends of my dad's. Occasionally he'd pay their fines for them--when you've been out drinking until three A.M., who has any money left to pay fines with?

I read about AA in the September *Liberty* magazine--sitting in my college dorm--in 1939. So when I first came to work at AA, I knew about it, and I also knew that a drunk was not always a "Bowery bum."

You worked with Bill W. for twenty years. Tell us more about him.

As I said, he could be adamant about what he knew had to be accomplished. He had the vision to see ahead what was needed in order to preserve the Fellowship. But everybody liked to argue with Bill, and he liked to argue, too!

Listening to Bill was some experience. When Bill would be talking, say at a banquet, many in the audience would be very moved and even weeping at what and how he shared. He could touch you in ways that were really remarkable.

Generally, he could learn from experience. Like for example when he was advised to set the tone and tense for the text of the Big Book: Don't say you must do it this way. Just say, Look, this is what we do. He was a teacher but not a preacher!

What's amazing is that he listened.

I always think how Bill was so much like the philosopher and writer William James. Both Bill and James were spiritual, though not necessarily deeply religious; they were also both pragmatic New Englanders. Bill had a way of talking about a deep faith inside himself the way James did. Bill liked to read about different interpretations of what God was like. He was very philosophical, and James's *The Varieties of Religious Experience* was very meaningful to him, as it was to many AAs both in those early years and since.

How were Bill and Dr. Bob different from each other? Was Bill the greater risk taker?

I think so. Dr. Bob, as a doctor, believed in being cautious and advising people how to evaluate ideas and solutions, to weigh them carefully--have everyone in agreement before taking action. Bill believed in putting the goal forward and aiming for it. No matter who liked it or who didn't like it: Aim for that goal. Bill always thought way ahead. Dr. Bob was the monitor, evaluator, the ground level, the supporter of Bill's ideas, even perhaps not always agreeing with the timing of an idea. Another miracle! A perfect match! A wonderful partnership, indeed. Yes, Dr. Bob was the right person to balance Bill. His view was, Keep it simple. Bill had vision--that was one of his gifts--he could see the road ahead.

Where do you think he got this?

I don't know. He simply was of that character. He had a need to think ahead to the next step, a sense of direction, an ability to judge what the needs were, and a great ability to bring different streams of thought together. But he took time to think things through. People said that up at Stepping Stones, Lois was the one who did the yardwork, the plumbing, and the daily things that husbands usually do. It was true. Bill would be walking a lot, just thinking, contemplating ahead.

Continued in the August Issue of the Nightcap

Group Contributions to CSO

May 2014



Group Contribution for the year 2014 \$17,666.82

A Work in Progress Group	50.00
Boerne Hwy Group	30.00
County Line Group	60.00
Cypress Group Bandera	100.00
Generic Group	150.00
Goliad Group	50.00
Grupo Paz Y Sobriedad	10.00
Grupo Santa Fe	20.00
Grupo Soledad	15.00
Helotes Nooner Group	250.00
Into Action Group (Lockhart)	20.00
Laurel Heights Group	25.00
Oasis Group	150.00
River Group	25.00
Road of Happy Destiny	30.00
Saturday Night Live Group	34.43
Schertz/Cibolo Group	493.39
Survivors Group	102.00
Total	1,614.82

A Work in Progress Group	100.00	Hope Group SA	15.00
Acceptance Group	79.43	Into Action Group (Lockhart)	60.00
Alamo Heights Group	125.00	Jourdanton AA	21.22
Amistad Group	50.00	Keep It Simple Group	500.00
Big Book Sunday Study Group	74.00	Kirby Group	188.00
Boerne Hwy Group	120.00	Lambda Group	1,500.00
Boerne Noon Group	280.00	Last Call Group	140.00
Boerne Sunday Nite	300.00	Laurel Heights Group	122.00
Broadway Group	600.00	Legacy Group	25.00
Buda 2nd Chance	34.00	Love & Laughter Ladies Group	60.00
Buda Big Book Grp	77.50	Medical Professions Group	30.00
Canyon Lake South Group	20.00	Morning After Group	150.00
Chicago Group	143.25	New Braunfels Group	748.50
Coffee Pot	266.98	North San Pedro Group	143.11
Colonies North Group	240.00	Oasis Group	505.00
Community Group	75.00	River Group	150.00
Cork In The Jug Group	36.00	Road of Happy Destiny	60.00
County Line Group	60.00	Rosedale Group	100.00
Cuarta De Dimension	357.15	Rule 62-Devine Group	61.00
Cypress Group Bandera	200.00	San Antonio Women's North	80.00
District 12	75.00	Saturday Night Live Group	34.43
First One Today Group	85.00	Schertz/Cibolo Group	893.39
First Things First Group	3,400.00	Seguin Primary Purpose Group	20.00
Free at Last Group	50.00	Sisters in Sobriety	51.26
Freedom Group	300.00	Solutions Group/Canyon Lake	35.00
Generic Group	250.00	Spring Branch Group	246.00
Goliad Group	250.00	Starlight Group	30.00
Gruene Road Grp.	404.24	Stay in the Solution Group	778.70
Grupo Paz Y Sobriedad	50.00	Survivors Group	102.00
Grupo Primer Vez	29.70	Tuesday Nite Big Book Study	496.20
Grupo Santa Fe	45.00	Turning Point Group	1,506.00
Grupo Soledad	15.00	Unity Group	10.00
Grupo Unidad	75.36	Universal City Group	146.90
Grupo Volver A Vivir	30.00	Woman's Big Book	35.50
Halt @ Tezel Road Group	60.00	Young & Golden Years Group	10.00
Helotes Nooner Group	250.00	Young and Done	5.00

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Individual Contributions \$ 4.00

Fellowship Room 174.00

\$ 178.00

New shelving for the Archives

The Archives committee purchased storage shelving that will allow the San Antonio Archives to organize the collection that is on the premises and to allow room for a future expansion of the collection.

This is the archives budget at work.

If you are interested in becoming involved with preserving our AA history in San Antonio Texas join us on the second

Financials are given at the monthly CSOR Meeting on the 3rd Monday of the month. We encourage our Groups to send a representative from their Group to hear the financials read, to hear what is happening across the city, and ask questions. It is nice to have CSOR's that come each month on a regular basis to support the operations of the office and The Bookstore. Currently there are about 22 Groups participating monthly. This is good. However, your group can send a representative without their being a CSOR. The representative can sit in on meetings and does not have to come each month.



July Events in San Antonio

July 9th Woman's Big Book Anniversary - San Antonio Presentation to the Professionals- San Antonio

District 16 Meeting

Treatment Facility Committee Meeting – San Antonio

July 6th District 2 Meeting

July 16th

District 12 Meeting

District 01F Meeting

July 11th Young & Done Group Anniversary – San Antonio

July 15th District 28 Meeting

July 14th Archives Meeting (San Antonio Archives Committee)

Service Manual Meeting

July 17th Central Service Office Board Meeting

July 19th District 1A & SAMSO presents – San Antonio

Chicago Group Anniversary - San Antonio

Goliad Soberfest - San Antonio

July 20th SAMSO (general membership) Meeting

> District 17 Meeting District 1A Meeting District 18 Meeting

Email or call us at the Office

About your Groups Anniversary or special event.

Flyers for all Group events can be found in the Fellowship Room.

Future Events Out Of Town

Flyers for these events are available at the Central Service Office Fellowship Room

2014

July 11th Southwest Texas Area 68 - Summer Workshop - Victoria TX

Aug 8th Brady AA's 67th Anniversary - Brady TX

Aug 15th Capital of Texas Conference - Austin TX

Aug 22nd Hill Country RoundUp-Kerrville

Oct 10th SWRAASA Corpus Christi TX

Oct 24th SWTX Area 68 Fall Voting Conference, Killeen, TX

The San Antonio Metropolitan Service Organization (SAMSO)

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The purpose of the San Antonio Metropolitan Service Organization (SAMSO) is to carry the AA message through coordination of service activities among the districts in the metropolitan service area in accordance with the Traditions and Concepts for World Service of Alcoholics Anonymous.

MEMBERSHIP

San Antonio DCMs (District Committee Members), the GSRs (General Service Representatives) or Group Representative (in lieu of GSR), and the standing Service Committee Chairs, or their alternates. Former DCMs and former GSRs remain non-voting members of SAMSO.

Send your Group to SAMSO and learn about service work in the city.

Monthly meeting is held the 2nd Sunday of the month, 4pm at 8802 Tradeway, San Antonio, TX 78217. Members include DCMs, Alt. DCMs, Committee Chairs, GSRs and all alternates. All AA members are invited to attend.

http://www.samsoaa.com

telephone information for chairperson is available by calling CSO at 821-6325.

CFC: Bill H. - Chairperson - hollawayenterprise@sbcglobal.net

Meets every other month at 5:30pm: February - April - June - August - October - December

8802 Tradeway - Fellowship Room, San Antonio, TX 78217

Contributions Mailing address: PO Box 33866, San Antonio, TX 78265

Grapevine: Catarino C. - Chairperson - cjimenez013@satx.rr.com

Meets the 1st Sunday of every month at 3:15pm, 8607 Wurzbach, Bldg.P, San Antonio, TX 78240

PI/CPC: Louise L. - lluther@att.net

Meets the 4th Sunday of every month at 1pm, 8802 Tradeway, San Antonio, TX 78217

Treatment: Mark Z. - mfzoller@gmail.com

Meets the 1st Sunday of the month (quarterly) at 5pm: April - July - October

8802 Tradeway, San Antonio, TX 78217

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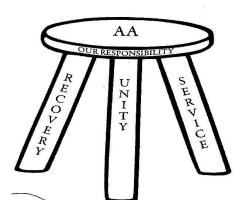
Webmaster Jennifer M.

Interested AA members may attend any committee meeting on this schedule.

GSR's and service committee members are encouraged to attend the SAMSO monthly meeting and participate in local service activities.

Summer Workshop

Southwest Texas Area
July 11th - July 13



Hilton Garden Inn

361-573-0303

123 Huvar St., Victoria, Texas 77904

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