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July 10th Coffee Pot Group 15th Anniversary



Join us for "Food and Fellowship" and a gratitude meeting! At: The Center 8607 Wurzbach San Antonio, TX 78240

Group will supply the food. Just come and enjoy

Woman's Big Book Group celebrates 24 years Wednesday, July 13th at 7pm Location: Alamo Heighs United Methodist Church 825 E. Bassee Rd, San Antonio, TX 78209



Speaker: Madeline A.—Fredericksburg, TX All are welcome—Babysitting Available

7th Tradition basket to support the CFC green can



### Bookstore & Office Central Service Office 8804 Tradeway, San Antonio, TX 78217 (off Loop 410 & Broadway)



210-821-6325 Tomi or Virginia

CDs of the Weekend in SA Speakers available at the Bookstore. \$7 per CD.

Good news

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Found

at Weekend in SA

Your Prescription Sunglasses!

Come to the Bookstore if they are yours!

The Telephone Committee meets in a sharing session each month.

Time: 5:15pm Place: Archives Room at Central Service Office (prior to the CSOR Meeting)

- A time to share experience and assist each other. Lucy (Chairperson) meets with any volunteers that come to the meeting. Each month there is a picked topic to talk about.
- Pick up a new directory and 12 step lists.

Thank you to the Volunteers that stepped up and signed up for the



Open shifts. We are currently signing up back-up Volunteers for the summer vacation time.

A back-up or substitute only works one 4 hour shift Call the office: 210\*821\*6325

### **Things We Cannot Change**

Tom M. member of the Rush Hour Group passed away on Sunday June 5th.

Tom was an active member of his home group.

Lorna Kelly has spoken in San Antonio many times. Lorna passed away on June 21st Her inspiring message will be missed by many.

### Church wants AA meeting

Windcrest United Methodist Church 8101 Midcrown San Antonio, TX 78239 Midcrown and Walzem Rd

Call Office for contact information

### VOLUNTEER DAY EVERY WEDNESDAY

### **9AM TO 4PM**



### **Program Details**

You or your Group may pick up a rack at the CSO Bookstore for a \$10 fee Fill out the paperwork and leave it for the PI Committee or take it with you and fill out later.

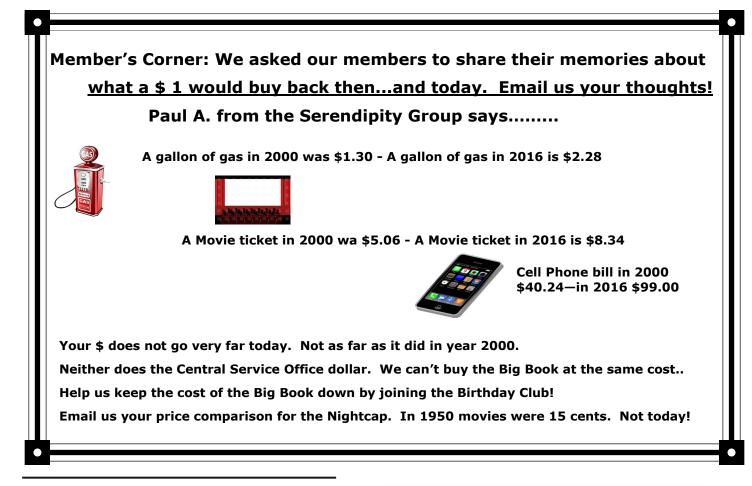
There are hundreds of locations around San Antonio where we can let AA literature carry the message to the alcoholic who is still suffering:

Doctor's offices Church clergy offices Libraries Counseling centers

Medical and nursing schools School counselors Hospitals VA facilities

Treatment centers Shelters , Crisis Centers, Hotels

Information paperwork available at the Central Service Office Bookstore. This is a PI/ CPC Program.



### **The San Antonio Archives**

A special fund has been set-up for the San Antonio Archives to purchase a stained glass art piece for the entry of the Archives Room.

The stained glass artisian will work with Board member Sheila S. and the Archives Committee to determine the layout for the artwork.

The special fund was created by AA members who wished to participate in this project financially. All monies received will be kept in an account as designated funding for this project.

If you are interested in participating, you may contact Sheila S. or call the Bookstore or Office and talk with Tomi.

To view the artists work drop by the Bookstore, we have one piece at the jewelry counter. This work of art is by Eddie C.. Eddie has donated his artwork to Weekend in SA Art Auction in the past. This is an ongoing project.

#### Register today !



### BOOKSTORE NEWS CSO BOOKSTORE

### 8804 Tradeway - San Antonio

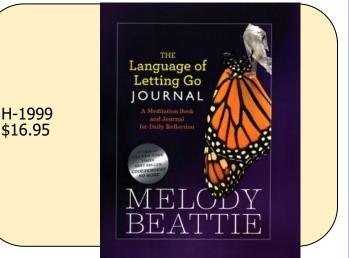


### New Items

\$1.50

30 DAYS





### The Language of Letting Go Journal

A meditaton book and journal for daily reflection. Each day of the year has a different topic. Each day has a space to write down your thoughts

Author: Melody Beattie



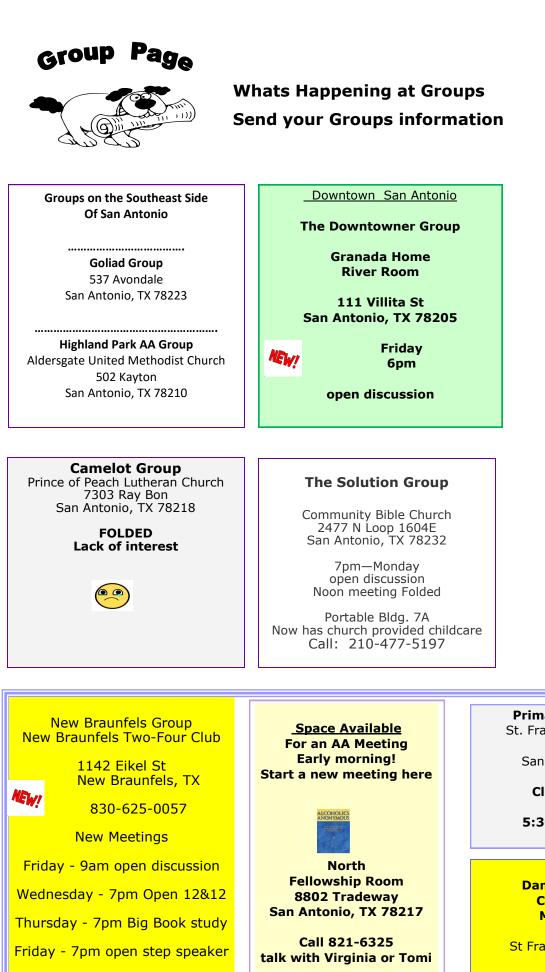
Medallions of all years





Grapevine Books





### Evandale Rd Group

4114 SW Loop 410 Bldg. 8 San Antonio, TX 78227 Monday - 7pm closed book study Enter Evandale Rd door

### **Castle Hills Group**

Covenent Presbyterian Church Library 211 Roleto Dr San Antonio, TX 78213

Monday 7:30pm open - beginners

### FRIDAY NIGHT LIGHTS GROUP

### 10pm Friday

The Winners Club 5723 Kenwick San Antonio, TX 78238

> Big Book Study closed

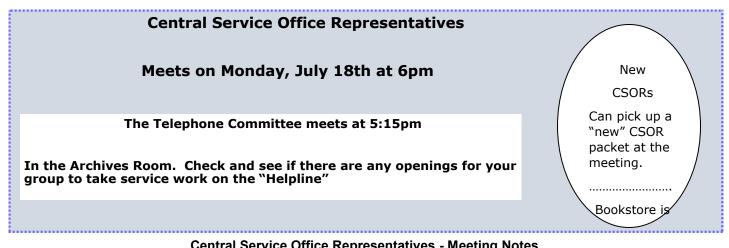


**Primary Purpose Group** St. Francis Episcopal Church 4242 Bluemel San Antonio, TX 78240

> Closed discussion Big Book 5:30pm on Saturday

Dam River Group Canyon Lake Monday at noon

St Francis Episcopal Church 13250 FM306



### <u>Central Service Office Representatives - Meeting Notes</u> <u>Monday, May 16, 2016</u>

#### Opening: Serenity Prayer 12 Traditions Introductions: new CSO Reps & all CSO Reps Reviewed reminders – CSR sign up and information wall, check your information on signup sheet Introduction of Guests:

- Billy S. AA in SA outreach. Detailed packets have been delivered to all groups. Please make announcements and talk up the details at all meetings you attend. Scholarships are available.
- Jimmy Announcement will be made at AA in SA to invite all groups to send a CSO Rep to meetings. Flyer will be handed out to inform of computer conferencing to interested groups.
- Lucy J. Help Line Chairperson. Looking for people for after hours backup volunteers; 1 year sobriety, home group and active in AA. Can get training at CSO. Lucy's phone #210-310-0860.
- Tami S. Archives. Don't Drink Don't Die event in May was a huge success, SRO. Your group can host an archives event call Tami 210-316-0147. Still need Chairperson for Archives Committee. Only displaying at AA in SA on Saturday, still need volunteers for 2 hour shifts.
- Gustavo Spanish Interdistrict Rep. AA in SA Spanish speakers and topic meetings from 1pm-9pm in the Salon at the Auditorium. Flyer is available.

#### Minutes for April meeting approved. Board Liaison report:

Paul A.- (Board Trustee) - Financials are on track per budget for the year.

### Office Manager's report:

Tomi – Each CSOR will get the most current meeting directory at every CSOR meeting. Directories are now produced in house on a daily basis (15) based on current information. Changes are made immediately to website and directory. Inner cover reflects recent changes and date of print. 3 steps are required by CSO before they remove a group from the list based on third party information.

### Inter-District report:

Stephen S. - still need Newsletter Editor and Sergeant at Arms. Picnic went great!

### **Committee Reports:**

- Eric Q. Communications Committee. CSO/CSOR pamphlet is being translated into Spanish. Committee meets after CSOR meeting.
- John T. Technology Committee. John is rotating out in July or so. Flyer /poll will be at AA in SA about interest in computer conferencing.

Old Business - None

New Business – Tami – Nominating committee for Board of Trustees turnover should be under review.

7<sup>th</sup> Tradition Basket Close with the Lord's Prayer

### Anonymity

In Alcoholics Anonymous we talk a lot about anonymity. In the next three issues of the Nightcap we will share with our members a writing that Bill W. did for the January 1946 Grapevine. This is a long article and we will present the entire article in a three-part series. Please note that all Grapevine articles require permission to reprint.

### A Tradition Born of Our Anonymity

AA's Traditions, Bill wrote, were "hammered out on the anvil of experience." Here, from an early Grapevine, Bill shares some of the experience that led to the adoption of our two anonymity Traditions - From the January 1946 Grapevine

### Continued from the June Nightcap

Alcoholics Anonymous and what it has done for us. We also wish to lose the fear of admitting that we are alcoholics. Though we earnestly request reporters not to disclose our identities, we frequently speak before semipublic gatherings under our right names. We wish to impress audiences that our alcoholism is a sickness we no longer fear to discuss before anyone. So far, so good.

If, however, we venture beyond this limit, we shall surely lose the principle of anonymity forever. If every AA felt free to publish his own name, picture, and story, we would soon be launched upon a vast orgy of personal publicity which obviously could have no limit whatever. Isn't this where, by the strongest kind of attraction, we must draw the line?

If I were asked to outline a tradition for anonymity, it might run as follows:

1. It should be the privilege of each individual AA to cloak himself with as much personal anonymity as he desires. His fellow AAs should respect his wishes and help guard whatever status he wants to assume.

2. Conversely, the individual AA ought to respect the feeling of his local group as to their anonymity. If his group wishes to be more anonymous than he does, he ought to go along with them until they change their views.

3. With very rare exceptions, it ought to be a national tradition that no member of Alcoholics Anonymous shall ever feel free to publish his name or picture (in connection with his Alcoholics Anonymous activities) in any medium of public circulation, or by radio. Of course, this should not restrict the free use of his name in other public activities, provided he does not disclose his AA connection.

If, for some extraordinary reason, for the good of AA as a whole, a member thinks it desirable to completely drop his anonymity, he should do so only after consulting the older members of his local group. If he is to make a nationwide public appearance as an AA, the matter ought to be referred to our Central Office.<sup>[2]</sup>

Of course, I am not for a moment thinking of these statements as rules or regulations; they merely suggest what would seem to be sound tradition for the future. In the last analysis, every AA will have to search his own conscience.

If we are going to evolve a clear-cut tradition about anonymity, we shall do it only through our usual process, viz:--trial and error, much discussion, collective judgment, and common consent. That we shall eventually come up with the right answers, I can have no doubt.

Today, there are more than 25,000 AA groups worldwide.

Now known as the AA General Service Office. Later AA experience led to the conclusion--which Bill summed up in Tradition Eleven--than public anonymity breaks are never desirable, for any reason.

Bill W.

The end of this article...Thank you Bill for sharing.

### **Group Contributions**

January–June 2016

\$19,406.07

Acceptance Group	114.76	Laurel Heights Group	170.00
Airport Group SA	133.00	Live & Let Live Group	90.00
Alamo Heights Group	150.00	Love & Laughter Ladies Group	60.00
Boerne Hwy Group	150.00	Lytle Group	22.00
Boerne Noon Group	500.00	Marymont Group	356.00
Boerne Womens Group	134.10	Midtown Noon Group	147.30
Broadway Group	200.00	Monte Vista Group	165.00
Buda 2nd Chance	89.50	Morning After Group	150.00
Buda Big Book Grp	198.00	New Beginnings Group (SA)	141.26
Change or Die Group	90.30	New Braunfels Group	1,202.39
Coffee Pot	650.00	Northeast Group	50.00
Colonies North Group	312.50	Northwood Group	100.00
Community Group	75.00	Oasis Group	250.00
Cork In The Jug Group	150.00	Primary Purpose Group (San Antonio)	529.45
County Line Group	139.00	River Group	150.00
Cuarta De Dimension	250.00	Road of Happy Destiny	180.00
District 12	60.00	Rule 62 Group (San Antonio)	40.72
First One Today Group	413.46	Rule 62-Devine Group	73.00
First Things First Group	2,745.00	Schertz/Cibolo Group	367.05
Freedom Group	290.69	Seguin Primary Purpose Group	20.00
Friday Night Fix Group	124.00	Serendipity Group	397.25
Goliad Group	200.00	Share The Light Group	85.13
Gruene Road Grp.	336.23	Shook Big Book	37.00
Grupo 3 Legados	59.29	Spring Branch Group	335.32
Grupo Paz Y Sobriedad	60.00	Stahl Road Group	115.18
Guilbeau Group	20.00	Stay in the Solution Group	1,455.88
Halt @ Tezel Road Group	2,055.39	Survivors Group	142.26
Helotes Nooner Group	250.00	The Solution Group (San Antonio)	50.00
Highland Group	84.10	Turning Point Group	963.39
Hope Group SA	40.00	Unity Group	30.00
Into Action Group	460.00		0.00
(Lockhart)	160.00	Universal City Group	8.03
Keep It Simple Group	150.00	Universal City/Sunday Group	30.00
Keystone Group	49.00	Woman's Big Book	90.39
Kirby Group	240.00	Woman's Big Book (Kerrville)	2.00
Lambda Group	500.00	Women's Solution-NB	2.25
Last Call Group	196.49	Work in Progress Group	8.01
		Young & Golden Years Group	20.00

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### June 2016 - \$2,436.68

56.00	Keystone Group	49.00
150.00	Laurel Heights Group	25.00
78.00	Northeast Group	50.00
080.00	Primary Purpose Group (SA)	46.00
124.00	River Group	25.00
50.00	Road of Happy Destiny	60.00
10.00	Share The Light Group	62.13
250.00	Stay in the Solution Group	161.91
15.00	Woman's Big Book	90.39
50.00	Woman's Big Book (Kerrville)	2.00
	Women's Solution-NB	2.25



#### We have started-up an old tradition!

**Birthday Club Sign Up** Show your support for CSO and help keep the Big Book and Twelve & Twelve at the same low price.

A donation of only one dollar for every year of your sobriety is all it takes.

See the Club section of the 'what's Happening' in San Antonio !

Your sobriety is worth *celebrating*!

Celebrate your friends anniversary by sending a contribution in their name, with their sobriety"

### What's

Happening In San Antonio & Birthday Club July - August 2016 Send your Groups events to: csosa@dslextreme.com For next months events" "We are not a glum

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### What's happening at your group?

### Email events to the following address: Email: csosa@dslextreme.com



### Check out flyers for these events on our website: aasanantonio.org

July 3rd	Treatment Facilities Committee (San Antonio Interdistrcit) Meeting - 5pm - Fellowship Room
July 6th & 20th	Intergrupal Hispana - en espa ${f \hat{n}}$ ol - 7pm - San Antonio (the first & third Wednesday of each month)
July 14th & 28th	District 28 Meeting-2nd & last Thursday - 8pm
July 10th	Coffee Pot Anniversary - San Antonio
	District 12 Meeting
	District 1E Meeting
July 11th	District 2 Meeting - 2pm - at The River Group
	District 01F Meeting - 2nd Sunday at 10am
	Service Manual Meeting – San Antonio
July 13th	Woman's Big Book Group Anniverdary - San Antonio
July 14th	Central Service Office Board Meeting - 6:30pm Fellowship Room
July 16th	Goliad Sofbriety Fest 2016 - San Antonio
July 18th	Central Service Office Representative (CSOR) Meeting – 6pm
	After Hours Telephone Committee Meeting - 5:15pm - Fellowship Room
July 23rd	PI Workshop - District 16 - Fellowship Room - San Antonio
July 24th	San Antonio Inter-District - 3:15pm - St Francis Episcopal Church
	District 1A Meeting - 2 pm - St Francis Episcopal Church
	District 16 Meeting - 2 pm - St Francis Episcopal Church
	District 17 Meeting - 2 pm - St Francis Episcopal Church
	District 18 Meeting - 2 pm - St Francis Episcopal Church
	PI/CPC Committee Meeting (San Antonio Interdistrict) - 1pm
	Grapevine Committee Meeting (San Antonio Interdistrict) - 1pm
	Communication Committee Meeting (San Antonio Interdistrict) - 1pm
July 30th	Sponsorship Wokrshop - District 17 - Serendipity Group - San Antonio
	2016
August 6th	Grapevine Writing Workshop - Turning Point Group - San Antonio
Sept 2nd	San Antonio Roundup 2016 - San Antonio
Sept 24th	A Day in Recovery - San Antonio
Oct 7th	Southwest Texas Area 68 Fall Assembly - Corpus Christi
Oct 15th	Family Fun Fair - San Antonio
Nov 5th	Schertz-Cibolo Anniversary - Universal City
	2017
March	Club Twelve Anniversary - 1st weekend

June 9-11 Texas State Convention - San Antonio - 2017



### **Events Out Of Town**



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

### <u>2016</u>

July 8th	Southwest Texas Area 68 Summer Workshop - Round Rock
Aug 12th	Capital of Texas Conference - Austin TX
Aug 19th	Hill Country Round-Up - Kerrville TX
	Convention: "The Results of These Steps" District 19 Convention - Beaumont TX
Sept 9th	Southwest Texas Area 68 PI/CPC Conference - Victoria
Oct 24th	SWRAASA - Roger Arkansas
Nov 18th	Brazos Conferenece 39th - Navasota TX
	2017
Jan 20th	Coastal Bend Jamboree - Corpus Christi

## **Cans For Literature**

Green Can is CFC's Can Correctional Facilities Committee Literature for those in jail or prison



Yellow Can is Treatment Facilities Can Literature for those in Treatment

iterature

### 66th Annual General Service Conference Denise T. , Delegate Southwest Texas Area 68, Panel 66

mailto:altdelegate@aa-swta.org

### **Highlights:**

- The draft of a new Corrections video titled 'A New Freedom' was accepted.
- The idea for a plain language Big Book did not make it out of committee
- The A.A. Service Manual & Twelve Concepts for World Service is going to an every other year publishing schedule.
- The "Twelve Traditions Illustrated" pamphlet is going to be updated.
- Public Information policy of not showing faces even of actors in our video productions will continue.
- "Three Talks to Medical Societies" pamphlet will not be discontinued.
- Introductory paragraph for professionals will be added to the pamphlet "Problems Other Than Alcohol" that clarifies that while the language in this pamphlet may be dated, the issues are still prevalent today. A draft of this pamphlet will be brought back to the 2017 Conference.
- The theme of the 2017 general service conference is 'Supporting Our Future'.

Denise will be giving a Delegates Report at the Summer Workshop.

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### SAN ANTONIO'S

### SERVICE MANUAL STUDY MEETING

Monthly meetings are held on the second Monday

Hosted by the Shook Ave Group

LOCATION: University Presbyterian Church 300 Bushnell, San Antonio, TX 78212

TIME:7pm

Date: Monday, 11th.

Concept Seven Guest Speakers James H.– Past Delegate, Southwest Texas Area, Panel 64

Chapter Seven Guest Speaker Cathy H.-Alternate Chair, Southwest Texas Area, Panel 66

### Tradition Seven (long form)



A.A. SERVICE MANUAL

TWELVE CONCEPTS for WORLD SERVICE

ly Bill W.

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.

Oficina Intergrupal Hispana 3814 S. Flores St.-Ste A2 San Antonio, TX 78214 210-533-9770

### Anivesario de companeros

La companera Lody del Grupo Gratitude se festejara sus 43 anos el 02 de julio del 2016 a las 8:00pm

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El companero Victor el dia 07 de julio 6 anos

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Para El Grupo Libro Grande, los companeros:

Rigo, Chuy M, Ricardo el dia 30 de julio del reente los esperamos.

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### <u>Tendremos la asamblea del sur</u> <u>de texas</u>

04,05,Y 06 estan invitados, sera en El Hotel Hilton que esta en el 410 cerca del 281. Registractiones en su grupo.

### 2017 Libertad de la Esclavitud

3 a 5 feb, 2017 Organizada por los distritos de San Antonio San Antonio Marriott Northwest 3233 NW Loop 410 San Antonio, TX 78213

Contacto informacion: Bill H

### Anuncios

en mes de Julio

En los Grupos Hispanos

### <u>Oficina Intergrupal</u>

Hispana de Alcoholicos Anonimos De San Antonio 3814 S. Flores Ste #2

\_\_\_\_\_\_ Grupo en San Antonio Grupo Doce Pasos Grupo El Libro Grande Grupo El Mensaje #2 Grupo Esperanza Grupo Gozo y Paz Grupo Gratitud Grupo Nuevo Sendero Grupo Paz y Sobriedad Grupo Primera Vez Grupo Resurreccion Grupo Santa Fe Grupo Soledad Grupo Volver A Vivir Grupo Nuevo Leon Grupo Tres Legados Grupo Un Paso Hacia Adelante Grupo Unidad Grupo Rayo de Luz Grupo Nuevo Amanecer

### Reunions En Español Grupose en San Antonio

<u>aasanantonio.org</u>



### **Eventos**

### El Grupo Rayo De Luz

Celebrara su XI aniversario el 23 de julio

En iglesia St. Peter & Paul,

346 N. Castell Ave., New Braunfels, TX 78130 .

Semana de unidad del 17 al 22 de julio.

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### Grupo Unidad

en septiembre 24 cumpliendo

Sus XLIV anos se llevara a cabo en el 314 Merida.

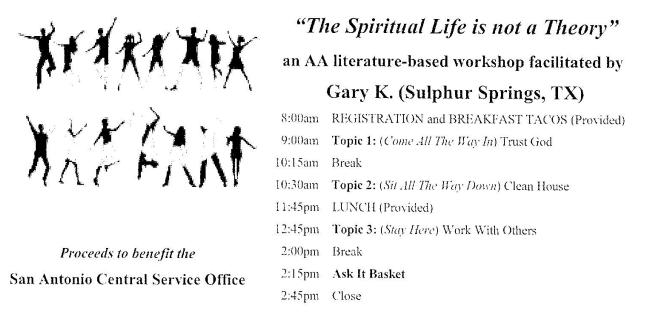
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### **Grupo Esperanza**

Esta trabajando en las mesas de trabajo que se llevaran a cabo el 17 de julio a las 11:00am am las registraciones, sera con oradores especificos y de preguntas y respuestas

visitar el archivo de San Antonio

### 15<sup>th</sup> Annual A DAY IN RECOVERY Saturday, 24<sup>th</sup> of September, 2016



### Location: St George Episcopal Church, 6904 West Ave, 78213

For additional information, please contact Josef (josefpanvini/a gmail.com, 210-837-0408) or Rob (210-551-1141)

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Pre-registrations and don	ations are greatly appreciated.	
NAME:	- Pre-registration - \$20.00 per person: (Door registration is \$25.00 per person)	\$
NAME:	Donations:	\$
ADDRESS:	<b>TOTAL</b> (Check)* or (Credit Card);	\$
CITY:STATE:ZIP:	Credit Card. (VISA) (MC) (Zıp Code	
PHONE #:		
E-MAIL:	Card Member Name (Please Print or type)	an a a
*Please make checks payable to: "A Day In Recovery"	Card Number (Please Print or type)	Exp. Date

Register on-line at: aasanantonio.org