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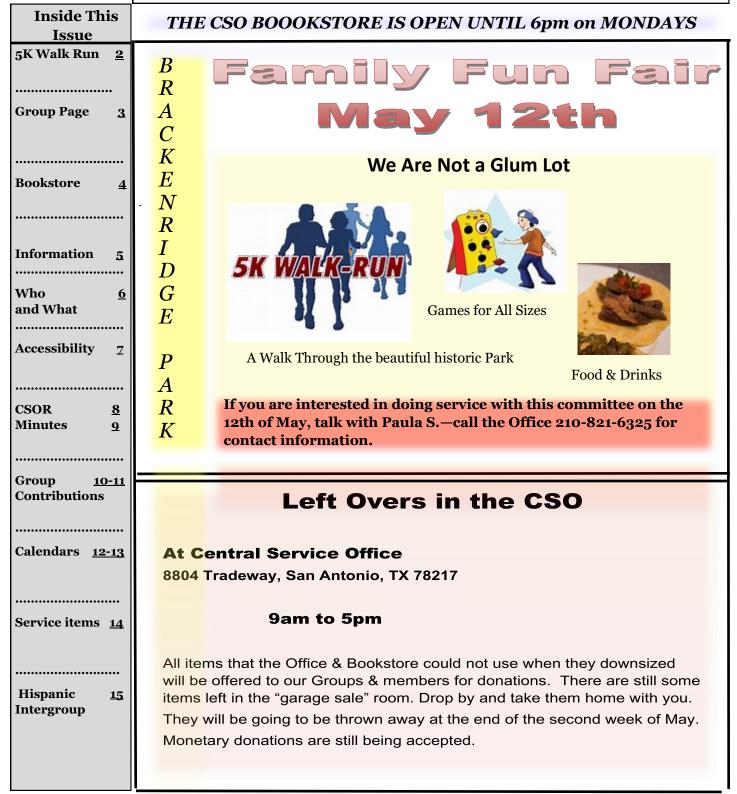
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The Nightcap

May



For complete information on events please check out 'Events' at www.aasanantonio.org



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2018 Family Fun Fair 5K REGISTRATION FORM

\$20.00 includes early adult registration & T-Shirt; Children 10 years old & younger are \$5.00 with an adult registration; T-shirts are only guaranteed if you register by May 1st.

 Registration is \$25.00, T-shirt not guaranteed**

 First Name:
 Last Name:

 Phone #
 Home Group (if applicable):

 Email (for race information ONLY):
 Age:

 Donation for Scholarships: \$
 Additional Donation to CSO: \$

 No Refunds - RUN RAIN OR SHINE

REGISTRATIONS MAY BE TAKEN TO CENTRAL SERVICE OFFICE CASH-CHECK-CREDIT CARD

Credit card payment: at CSO (210-821-6325 / 8804 Thadeway, San Antonio, TX 78217)

5K Fun Run

Saturday, May 12, 2018

Check-in at 8:00am Late Registration at 8:00am

Race Starts at 8:30am Koehler Park Pavilion at Brackenridge (ACROSS FROM ZOO)

Park prize for the home group with the most registrations. Bring the family! cheer on your friends!

Questions? Ask Regan: AAFunRun@yahoo.com





What's Happening at Groups

Send your Groups information and let other members know what's happening in San Antonio A.A.

Sober Over Sixty Group

Shearer Hills Baptist Church 12615 San Pedro - 78216 2nd Floor—Room 105

Meets Tuesday & Friday At 10:30 am

Open Discussion Tuesday Open Big Book Friday

Evandale Road Group Chapel Hill United Methodist Church

4114 SW Loop 410 San Antonio, TX 78227 Community Center—Room 8 Enter at front door

> Monday at 7pm Closed Book Study

Southwest Loop Group

St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church Parish Hall—Room 5 4222 SW Loop 410 San Antonio, TX 78227

> Friday at 8:15pm Closed discussion

Airport Group Christ Lutheran Church 6720 Broadway, San Antonio, 78209 enter at parking lot Wednesday at 8pm Book Study

MEETING SPACE AVAILABLE

Alamo Center Education & Treatment Services 5018 San Pedro, San Antonio, TX 78212 Space available on Wednesdays at 7pm

Interested contact the Central Service Office for facility contact person's name and phone number.

Beginners & Newcomers Group St. Pius X Catholic Church 3303 Urban Crest Dr Room 210 Enter Family Center through

5:30pm—Friday open discussion

Robin Rest St. behind the church

Leon Springs Group

Cross Mountain Church 24891 Boerne Stage Rd. San Antonio, TX 78255 Student Center Activity Room Meets Sunday at 6pm Open discussion

Rush Hour Group The Center 8607 Wurzbach #p

Speaker Meeting 5:30pm 2nd Wednesday monthly

Speakers May: Jere J.

<u>Chicago Group</u>

Shavano Baptist Church 5047 De Zavala San Antonio, TX 78249 Speaker Meeting Saturday at 7pm June

2nd. - Bill S. Tuesday Big Book 16th. - Wendy G. Freedom Group

<u>Golden Ticket Group</u>

Ruble Center 419 E. Magnolia San Antonio, TX 78209 Open beginners Thursday at 7pm

Keep It Simple Group

St Francis Episcopal Church 4242 Bluemel Rd **2pm—all meetings are open**

Monday-Wednesday-Friday discussion

> **Tuesday** Big Book

Thursday Twelve & Twelve

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Bookstore & Office

Central Service Office - 8804 Tradeway, San Antonio, TX 78217 (off Loop 410 & Broadway) 210-821-6325 - Staff: Tomi & Virginia Bookstore Hours: Monday 9am to 6pm—Tuesday through Friday 9am to 5pm

Book Review "Living Sober"

This practical 90-page booklet demonstrates through simple example how A.A. members throughout the world live and stay sober one day at a time.

B-7 \$6





Location:8804 Tradeway, San Antonio, TX 78217

OPENINGS - SEVERAL



In the Central Service Office Volunteer Desk Answering the helpline

Call: 210-821-6325 and speak with Virginia to find out what hours are open.

This is a weekly commitment at a specific time each week.



Save! Buy your desire Chips in a roll. \$9 For 25 chips. The Central Service Office After Hours Telephone Help Line

currently has a volunteer shift opening

Saturday 10:00pm – Sunday 9:00am



This shift can be regularly covered by an individual or a group

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

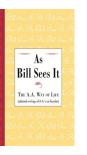
Please contact Kris J

kristina_jacobs@yahoo.com

Or call 210-821-6325 for Kris Telephone #



Came to Believe

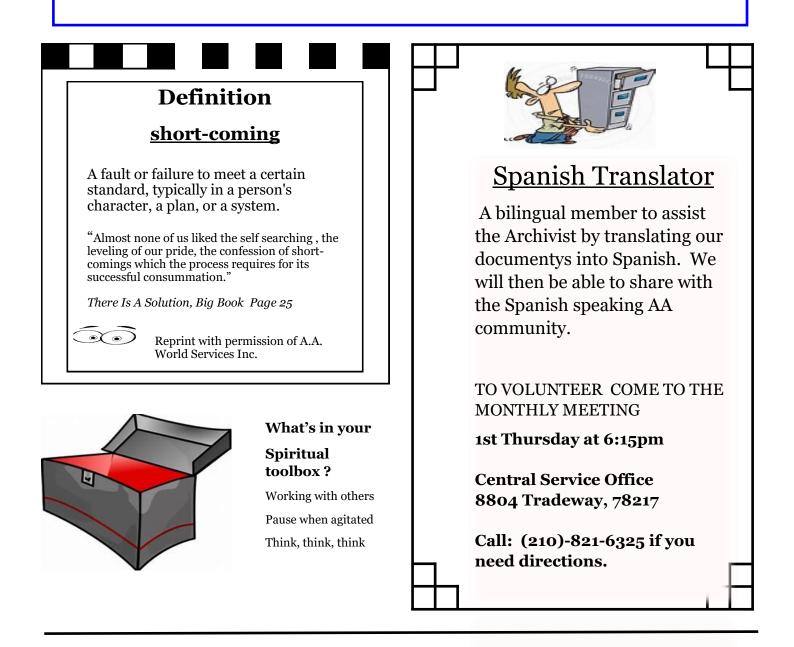




Call your Group's book order into the CSO Bookstore. Have it ready for pick up. 210-821-6325.

Things We Cannot Change

Colleen K. (Cookie) P. - Passed away on Thursday, April 5th. Cookie was an active member of the Winner's Club. Cookie celebrated 27 years of sobriety. She will be missed by her friends at Winner's Club.



Tradition Five (long form)

Each Alcoholics Anonymous group ought to be a spiritual entity having but one primary purpose — that of carrying its message to the alcoholic who still suffers.

Who and What

This is a reprint from the San Antonio Archives handbook.

What is Group History?

History provides accounts of the past through memory folklore, pictures, documents, artifacts and monuments. Events and stories from the past help provide perspectives that allow for thoughtful decision making today. However, memory is fallible, and if significant events or stories are not captured, we can lose parts of the past.

If you are interested in collecting your home groups AA history, below you will find questions to explore as you write down the history. The San Antonio Archives would like to collect and print your group's history. You may email that to the Archives.

Questions to explore:

- How was this group formed? Was the group meant to fill the needs of a specific segment of the fellowship?
- What segment of the fellowship is currently represented? (old-timers, newcomers, young, seniors, men, women)?
- Who are the original members who still attend the meetings?
- How many members did the group start with and how many does it currently have?
- Describe any "unusual" or "unforgettable" members associated with the group.
- Do members of this group also attend other groups together or take meetings to treatment facilities? If so, where?

Continued

- What service activities does the group or members of the group engage in? (birthday celebrations, potlucks, service work with inner district or area, 12 step calls, workshops, holiday events, dances, conventions, outside speakers, etc.)
- How does this group celebrate group anniversaries?
- Is a chip system used to celebrate member sobriety birthdays?
- Provide information about current and previous group meeting formats.
- What makes this group unique? Describe group qualities.
- How does this group solve controversies among members?
- What other interesting events or thoughts would you like to add about this group?
- Does this group have regular group conscience meetings?



Taking care of the history of A.A. in San Antonio.

We meet monthly at 6:15pm on the first Monday of each month. 8802 Tradeway, San Antonio, TX 78217 Interested A.A. members are invited to visit

Accessibility to A.A. Meetings A Series of Articles of Interest About Access to Our Meetings

A.A.® Guidelines

Serving Alcoholics With Special Needs

from G.S.O., Box 459, Grand Central Station, New York, NY 10163

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Suggestions for Working With Parents or Other Caregivers

Getting to meetings and participating in other service-related A.A. activities can be difficult for parents with primary childcare responsibilities or those who have other caregiving responsibilities, such as taking care of a sick parent or family member. Accessibilities Committees can support such A.A. members in a number of ways:

- Organize and conduct local workshops on childcare at meetings;
- Research any legal issue that might be involved in setting up child-friendly meetings;
- Work with the local intergroup/central office to develop a list of meetings where kids are welcome or child-care is available;
- Develop a list of A.A. members willing to participate in phone meetings with parents/ caregivers who cannot attend meetings in person;
- Provide single parents or other caregivers with a list of internet meetings.

Shared Experience From an A.A. Member

on Childcare at Meetings

"As a newcomer, I was showered with love, attention, and mottos about 'keep coming back, no matter what!' I grew, matured, leveled out, and loved back while becoming a devoted member of my home group...

"When my baby was born, and my need for meetings was even greater, I began to run into a problem: children aren't always welcome in Alcoholics Anonymous meetings. That includes women's groups!

"Financially and practically speaking, there are conditions to being a parent that are not unique to me that can challenge a meeting schedule. Childcare, for one, is very expensive. Many newly sober mothers have husbands who are in the program as well and have meeting schedule problems of their own. Still others are single parents with tight budgets...

"I decided to take positive action! I began a meeting we call Mothers in Sobriety. It is a closed, nonsmoking meeting of Alcoholics Anonymous. We have everything every other meeting has, including the Twelve Steps, Traditions, coffee, and lots of love. We also have anywhere from two to twelve kids running around the room at any given time...

"Our format is simple. After the Steps are read, prayers prayed, announcements made, we pass out a basket of toys, paper, coloring books, crayons, cookies, and kisses for all. If things get too loud or crazy during the meeting someone takes the offending party for a walk, a hug, a visit to the powder room...

"We even have a rather special meeting time: 10:00 AM. We found that this is a good time for mothers and children alike. We are fresher and calmer at this time than at the usual meeting times."

[AA Grapevine, September 1987]

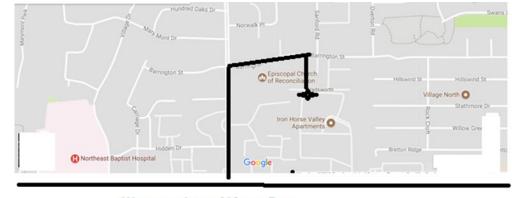
Monthly Genera	Service Office Representatives I Membership Meeting (CSOR Meeting) on Monday, May 21st . at 6pm
Officers	(January through June 2018)
Chairperson: Co-Chairperson: Secretary: Alt Secretary Greeter:	Mike S Friday Night Fix Group Susan H Serendipity Group Justin B Golden Ticket Group Rachel A Acceptance Group Kevin G Northwood Group
Board Liaison:	Mike S Friday Night Fix Group

Central Service Office Representatives (CSORs) NEW Meeting Location

The Youth Barracks 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. The Youth Barracks is to the left of the church building all the way to the rear of the church property. There is parking by the Youth Barracks and there is church parking on the corner of Starcrest and Barrington.



West - Loop 410 - East

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, across the playground with swing sets and there is the Youth Barracks. You have arrived !

Central Service Office Representatives - Meeting Minutes

Monday, March 19, 2018

Opening: Serenity Prayer

12 Traditions- Tradition 3 Read Introductions: New CSO Reps & all CSO Reps each rep tells something about their Group

New reps this month: Matthew- Coffee Pot, Frank- 1st Things First, Neil- Turning Point, Sarah- Alternate CSOR for Turning Point, Miranda- Acceptance Group

Reminders: CSOR sign up and information wall, check your information on signup sheet. Flyers and information in the fellowship room are for CSORs to take to group and post for their group

Minutes of previous meeting in February: Approved.

Board Liaison report: Bailey (For Anita) – Tim R. spoke re: meeting guide App, needs permission from CSO office. Nothing decided at this point.

Archives have moved into the CSO office, reworking handbook **Financial Report:** Regan- currently under budget, will increase savings after Fellowship room closes.

Office Manager's report: Tomi BA – New home has been found for Airport Group (formerly housed in CSO Fellowship room) as well as Sober Over Sixty., Will be holding a garage sale- items will be for sale by donation, CSO will have a table at Family Fun Fair

Guests:

Lamanda- Family Fun Fair

Saturday May 12, 10-4

Groups can contribute by sponsoring a booth (130-160\$), by money contributions, or by volunteers. Needs \$3,000 to support costs. Currently 6 groups have committed. Several food booths Available

Ned- Correctional Facilities Committee

Brings 14 meetings per week to area prisons (15,000 prisoners served) with currently under 100 volunteers. Needs help for Cotulla, Dilley, Dominguez, Hondo. Sobriety requirements; have worked all steps with 1 year sobriety (flexible). April 14th training at St Marks, call for reservations

Sydney- Interdistrict

Read statement of purpose, spoke regarding meetings and committees. Every committee needs members. Sydney will be serving as Interdistrict Liason

Committee Reports:

Archives Committee: Spring Fling to be held in April 28, needs volunteers. Needs group historian. Looking for new

location for archives events such as minor Big Book Repair.

Communications Committee: No Report

Telephone Committee: No report

Hispanic Intergroup: No Report

Nominating Committee: No report

Old Business- None

New Business – None

7th Tradition Basket Close with the Lord's Prayer Respectfully submitted, Justin B.

Group contributions

March \$ 2,473.60

Beginner's & Newcomers Group	50.00
Boerne Noon Group	500.00
Colonies North Group	393.36
First One Today Group	33.00
Goliad Group	50.00
Grupo Paz Y Sobriedad	10.00
Helotes Nooner Group	250.00
Laurel Heights Group	30.00
LaVernia Group	120.00
New Hope Group (SA)	366.00
Northwood Group	70.00
Primary Purpose Group (San Antonio)	150.00
River Group	25.00
Schertz/Cibolo Group	100.00
Serendipity Group	246.24
Work in Progress Group	80.00

Thank You for your support ! By Joining the Birthday Club !

We have started-up an old tradition!

Birthday Club Sign Up

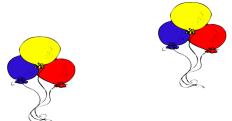
Show your support for CSO and help keep the Big Book and Twelve & Twelve at the same low price.

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

Keeping the price of the Big Book down !

Grateful For My Sobriety

January to March



\$1,476.66



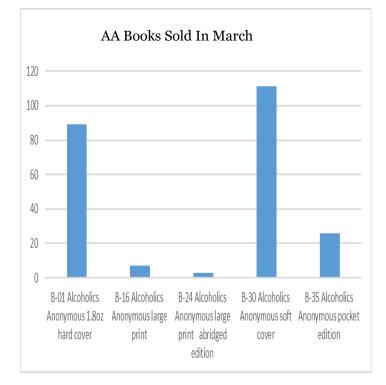
Gratitude is just about the finest attribute we can have, and how deeply we of A.A. realize this...

Together, we count and ponder our blessings of life, of service, of love.

Bill W.

December 1970

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January-March \$ 8,206.48

Abundance Happy Hour Group	15.00	LaVernia Group	120.00
Acceptance Group	100.00	Legal Professions Group	200.00
Airport Group (San Antonio)	40.00	Love & Laughter Ladies Group	60.00
Beginner's & Newcomers Group	50.00	Marymont Group	150.00
Boerne Hwy Group	60.00	Mostly Agnostics Group	100.00
Boerne Noon Group	500.00	New Braunfels Group	73.19
Broadway Group	525.00	New Hope Group (SA)	366.00
Buda 2nd Chance Group	14.75	New Vision Group	50.00
Buda Big Book Group	170.42	Northwood Group	70.00
Colonies North Group	393.36	Primary Purpose Group (San Antonio)	475.00
First One Today Group	33.00	River Group	75.00
Freedom Group	200.00	Schertz/Cibolo Group	250.00
Friday Big Book Study Group	100.00	Serendipity Group	246.24
Garden Ridge Monday Women's	93.00	Sisters in Sobriety Group	35.79
Goliad Group	150.00	Sober Over Sixty Group	99.52
Gruene Road Group	325.50	Soledad Group	8.00
Grupo Paz Y Sobriedad	30.00	Spring Branch Group	105.00
Grupo Unidad	30.00	Starlite Group- Callaghan Rd	100.00
Guilbeau Group	50.00	Stay in the Solution Group	471.26
Helotes Nooner Group	250.00	The Solutions Group (Canyon Lake)	50.00
Hope Group (San Antonio)	15.00	Tuesday Nite Big Book Study Group	147.78
Into Action Group (Lockhart)	70.00	Turning Point Group	823.50
Keep It Simple Group	200.00	Universal City Group	120.00
Kirby Group	150.00	Utopia AA Group	8.89
Last Call Group	86.28	Women of Wonder Group	200.00
Laurel Heights Group	70.00	Work in Progress Group	80.00

The San Antonio Archives has moved to the front of the Bookstore. Stop by and see the new location.

The Bookstore and the Office are almost completely moved into 8804 Tradeway.

There will be a few more tweaks and we should be complete. A giant thank you to all those that have helped out this past month. Come by and visit and see all of the changes.

We have not given up any services and our Bookstore is efficient and cozy.

With a grateful heart

Tomi



Email: csosa@dslextreme.com

Flyers are available on the website: www.aasanantonio.org

We would like to have your groups special events on website and in the calendar, and in the handout "What's Happening"..easy to do..send a word or pdf. Document to csosa@dslextreme.com

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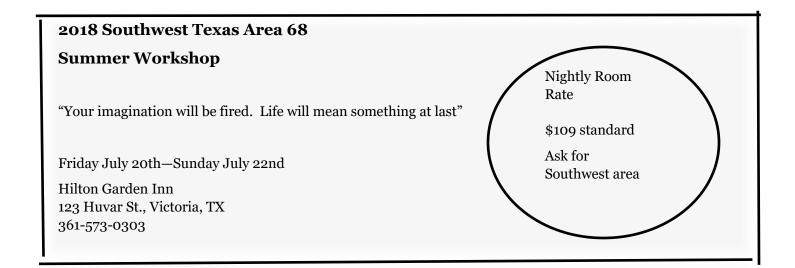
May 2nd & 16th	Intergrupal Hispana - en espa ${ m \widetilde{n}ol}$ - 7pm - San Antonio (the first & third Wednesday of the month)
May 3rd	Archives Committee Meeting - 6:15pm - 8804 Tradeway - Bookstore
May 10th & 31st	District 1F Meeting-2nd & last Thu- 8pm
May 12th	Family Fun Fair - Brackenridge Park - San Antonio
May 13th	District 28 Meeting - 2nd Sun 11am
	District 12 Meeting
	District 1E Meeting
	District 2 Meeting
May 14th	Service Manual Meeting – Emmanuel Presbyterian Church- 713 Division Ave- 7pm
May 17th	Central Service Office Board Meeting - 6pm (Central Service Office)
May 21st	Central Service Office Representative (CSOR) Meeting – 6pm Youth Barracks -
	Episcopal Church of Reconciliation - 8900 Starcrest (off Loop 410 E)
May 26th	Delegate Report - Sponsored by District 16 - San Antonio
May 27th	San Antonio Inter-District 3:15pm - St. Francis Episcopal Church
	District 1A Meeting - 2pm
	District 16 Meeting - 2pm
	District 17 Meeting - 2pm
	District 18 Meeting - 2pm
	Grapevine Committee Meeting (San Antonio Interdistrict) - 1pm on even months only
	Communication Committee Meeting (San Antonio Interdistrict) -1pm
	Treatment Facilities Committee (San Antonio Interdistrict)
	Correctional Facilities Committee meets at 12:30pm on even months only
	2018 San Antonio

June 4th thru June 8th HAPPY BIRTHDAY Grapvine & AA - Celebration in the Bookstore - see flyer		
Sept 7th & 8th	Southwest Texas Area PI/CPC Workshop - San Antonio	
Sept 22nd	A Day in Recovery - San Antonio - Alamo Heights United Methodist Church-see Flyer	
Sept 28th-29th	Weekend in SA - San Antonio Shrine Auditorium	



Events Out of Town

May 25th	32nd Annual Gathering of Eagles- Dallas
June 7th	74th Birthday of Grapevine
June 10	83rd Birthday of Alcoholics Anonymous- (6-10-1935)
June 22nd	Texas State Convention - Dallas
July 20th	Southwest Texas Area 68 Summer Workshop- Victoria
Aug 17th	43rd Annual Hill Country Roundup- Kerrville
Sept 13th	The National A.A. Technology Workshop - Round Rock
Oct 5th	Southwest Reginal AA Service Assembly (SWRAASA) Branson Mo
Nov 2nd	Southwest Texas Area 68 Fall Conference and Assembly- Austin
June 7th	Texas State Convention - Houston 2019





Q. What is an Open Meeting

A. Open meetings are available to anyone interested in Alcoholics Anonymous program of recovery from alcoholism. Nonalcoholic may attend open meetings as observers.
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SA Inter-District exists ONLY to support our service committees:

Public Information/Cooperation with the Professional Community (PI/CPC) cmte.picpc@gmail.com

Treatment Facilities (TFC) cmte.tfc@gmail.com

Grapevine (GV) cmte.grapevine@gmail.com

Correctional Facilities (CFC)

cmte.cfc@gmail.com

Step 12

Having had a spiritual experience as the result of these steps, we tried to carry this message to others, and practice these principles in all our affairs. <u>Come to our next</u> <u>meetings</u> May 27th

Sundays 3:15-4:30pm 4242 Bluemel San Antonio

Subscribe to Your Service Newsletter at... <u>cmte.commu@gmail.co</u> www.SAInterdistrict.com (website)

Events to save the dates for - San Antonio Interdistrict service committees present...

District 16 presents "The Delegates's Report"

Jonathan S., Panel 68 Delegates Southwest Texas Area 68

"AA-A solution for All Generations" Potluck and Fellowship with Jonathan S., your Delegate

He shares his experience from this year's 2018 General Service Conference.

Bring a dish and a new comer May 26th 11am to 1pm

Alamo Heights United Methodist Church, 825 E. Basse Road, San Antonio, TX 78209 Contact: <u>trueltp@yhoo.com</u> for more iformation

District 17 is hosting the SWRA 68 2018 PI/CPC Conference. Hold the date on your calendar, September 7th and 8th. Spanish translaton provided.

St. Francis Episcopal Church, 4242 Bluemel, San Antonio, TX 78240

For more information contact: JimBisGrateful@gmail.com or phone contact information call the Central Service Office.

Oficina Intergrupal Hispana 3814 S. Flores St.-Ste A2 San Antonio, TX 78214 210-533-9770 línea de ayuda:210-409-8524

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

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 Libertad Grupo Volver A Vivir Grupo Nuevo Leon Grupo Tres Legados Grupo Un Paso Hacia Adelante



Southwest Texas Zona 68

Taller de Verabo "Tu imaginacion sera despedido. La vida Significa algo en el pasado"

Viernes 20 de julio - domingo 22 de julio Hilton Garden Inn 123 Huvar St., Victoria TX 36`-573-0303

Para obtener mas informacion: Fred 361-484-0823

Tarifa de la habitacion: 4109–Estandar / \$139–Suite Pedir Zon SUDOESTE

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SABADO

12 de Mayo

Feria de diversion de familia 5K 2018

Brackenridge Park

\$20 incluye registro temprano y Camiseta; Ninos de 10 anos o menor \$5 con registro de adulto

Family Fun Fair

2018