

The Nightcap

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Home of the 2010 International A.A. Convention

UPCOMING EVENTS

2007

October 4-7: Oklahoma City, OK
22nd Intergroup/Central Office/AAWS
Seminar. Contact CSO at 210-821-
6325 for more info.

Oct 5-7: Blanco, TX
22nd Blanco Spiritual Retreat, 141 Lea
Lane, Wimberly, TX 78676 or
blitz1201@msn.com.

Oct 5-7: Lake Livingston, TX
Spirit of the Pines.
www.spiritofthepines.org.

Oct 12-14: Denver, CO
SW Regional Forum. Info at
www.aa.org.

Oct 12-14: Bastrop, TX
23rd Fellowship in the Pines, 2799
Hwy 21 E, Paige, TX 78659.

Oct 19-21: Killeen, TX
SWTA 68 Fall Voting Assembly. Flier
at www.aa-swta.org.

Oct 26-28: Latham Springs, TX
30th Brazos Riverside Conf., and
Journey Through the Steps. Box
5624, Laguna Park, TX 75644 or
www.brazosconf.org.

Oct 26-28: Dallas TX
27th Texas State Conf of Young
People in AA (TXSCYPAA)
www.txscypaa.org

Nov 10-11: Irving, TX
NETA 65 Corrections Conference,
1516 Sarah Brooks Dr, Keller, TX
76248.

Nov 23-25: Navasota, TX
Pine Forest Retreat,
www.pineforestretreat.org.

*2008 Weekend in SA w/AA
activities—See page 7 & 8.*

Annual Elections for Central Service Office Board of Trustees

Three positions to serve!

Monday, November 19, 2007

ELECTIONS

Nominating Ballots are available
at the office or email request
to csosa@stic.net.

**All ballots need to be turned into
the Central Service Office by
October 31, 2007**

There is a nominating committee
that will also be distributing forms.
If you have questions, please call
Matt at 219-2142.



Please Help if You Can

The Central Service Office is badly
in need of office furniture, a confer-
ence table with chairs, and bookcas-
es. We have a
problem opening
some of the draw-
ers to the desks we
now have, not to
mention wobbly conditions. We
hope to expand our office space soon,
so if you know of anyone down-sizing
their office, or someone that would
like to contribute these items, please
let us know. As we are often the
first contact for not only the alcohol-
ic, but also for the public, we think it
important to look our best.



Goliad 43rd Anniversary

537 Avondale/78223/532-0371

“Let’s Luau”



October 20-21

Saturday: 3pm Speaker—Patty C
5pm Dinner
7pm Speaker—Dalton C
8:30-? Dance
Sunday: 9am Taco Breakfast
10am Old-timer Speaker—
Shorty

Anniversary Party @ Acceptance Group

Saturday, October 13, 2007

6:00pm Food and entertainment
7:00pm Al-Anon Speaker (Liz S)
8:00pm AA Speaker (Rocky)

*King of Kings Lutheran Church, 13888
Dreamwood (south of Judson Road off of
Nacogdoches Road)*

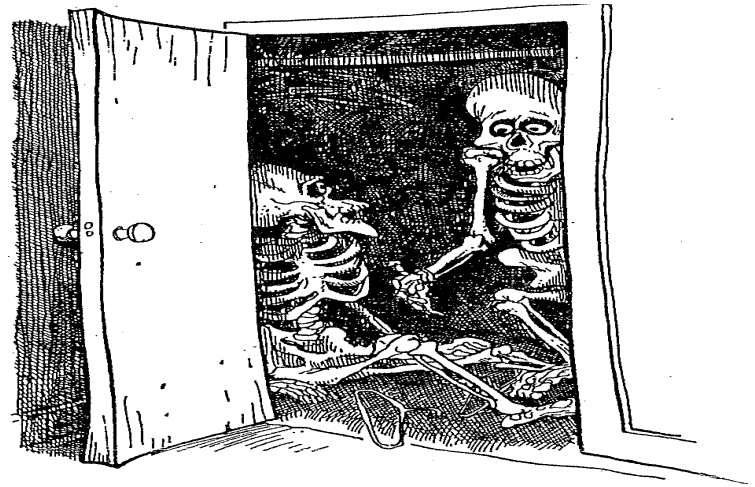
We hope everyone can join us in celebrat-
ing the gifts we have been given. For
more information, call Doug @ 508-7682.

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THE AA FELLOWSHIP. OPINIONS EXPRESSED HEREIN
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SKELETONS IN THE CLOSET

We families of Alcoholics Anonymous keep few skeletons in the closet. Everyone knows about the others' alcoholic troubles. There is a condition which, in ordinary life, would produce untold grief; there might be scandalous gossip, laughter at the expense of other people, and a tendency to take advantage of intimate information. Among us, these are rare occurrences. We do talk about each other a great deal, but we -almost invariably temper such talk by a spirit of love and tolerance.

Alcoholics Anonymous, 4th Edition "The Family Afterward," page 125



The two skeletons in the corner closet were grumbling about the heat, the dust, the boredom.

"What are we staying here for any-how?" one asked.

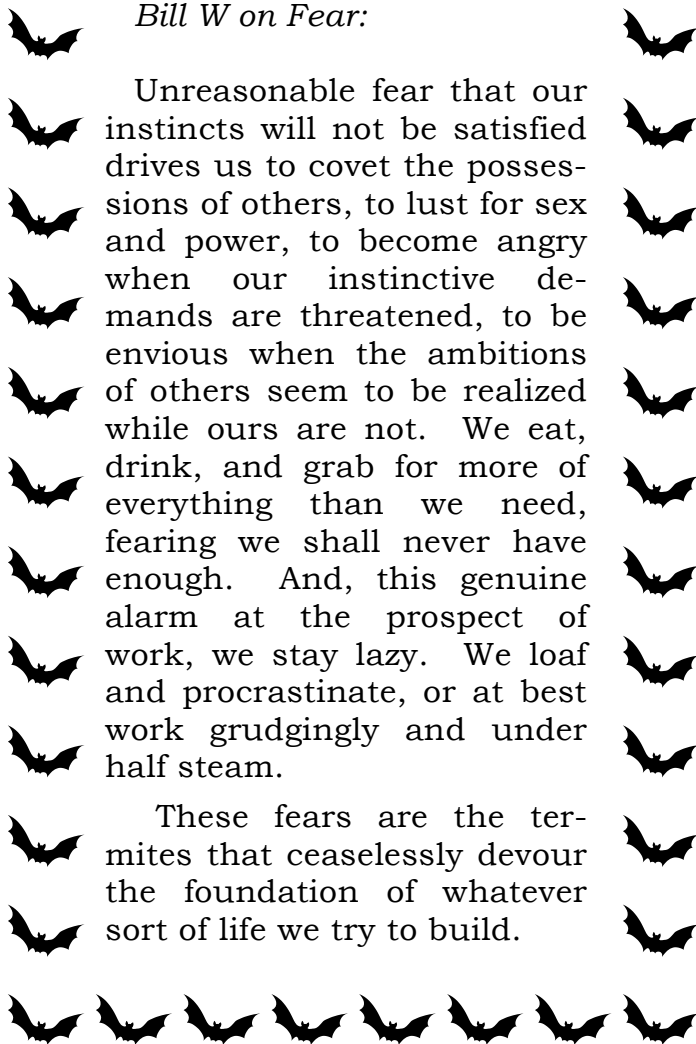
"Damned if I know," the second skeleton answered. "I'd leave in a minute if I had any guts."



Bill W on Fear:

Unreasonable fear that our instincts will not be satisfied drives us to covet the possessions of others, to lust for sex and power, to become angry when our instinctive demands are threatened, to be envious when the ambitions of others seem to be realized while ours are not. We eat, drink, and grab for more of everything than we need, fearing we shall never have enough. And, this genuine alarm at the prospect of work, we stay lazy. We loaf and procrastinate, or at best work grudgingly and under half steam.

These fears are the termites that ceaselessly devour the foundation of whatever sort of life we try to build.



THE SPONSOR

A man in a hot air balloon realized he was lost. He descended a bit more and shouted to a man on the ground, "Excuse me, can you help me? I promised a friend I would meet him an hour ago, but I don't know where I am."

The man on the ground below replied, "You're in a hot air balloon hovering approximately 30 feet above the ground. You're between 40 and 41 degrees north latitude and between 50 and 60 degrees west longitude." "You must be a sponsor," said the balloonist. "I am," replied the man, "how did you know?"

"Well," answered the balloonist, "everything you told me is, I believe, technically correct, but I've no idea what to make of your information and the fact is I'm still lost. Frankly, you've not been much help at all. If anything, you've probably delayed my trip."

The man below responded, "you must be a Sponsee. "I am," replied the balloonist, "but how did you know?"

"Well," said the man, "you don't know where you are or where you're going. You have risen to where your are due to a large quantity of hot air. You made a promise, which you've no idea how to keep, and you expect other people to solve your problems. The fact is you are in exactly the same position you were before we met, but now, somehow, it's my fault!"

NEW GROUPS/MEETINGS:

None reported

GROUP CHANGES/CLOSINGS:

None reported

CLUB/GROUP 12

102 Thames/344-8981

October Activities

9/29/07 Saturday 6:30-7:30pm-Freedom Room-FREE DANCE LESSON. See page 6 for full dance lesson schedule.

10/09/07 Tuesday, Grp Conscience 6:45pm

10/13/07 Saturday 8-Midnight-Dance-\$4-\$5.

10/26/07 Friday-Birthday Night-7:30pm

10/29/07 Tuesday-Board of Directors-6:45pm

10/27/07 Halloween Dance. See page 6 for details.

Group Forum Page

RUSH HOUR SPEAKER MEETING

The Center @ San Antonio
8607 Wurzbach, Bldg P

1st and 3rd Saturday

5:30pm

October Speakers:

10/6—Benny S

10/20—Wendy S

11/3—Jim Z

WEBSITES TO CHECK OUT...

www.aasanantonio.org

www.aa-swta.org

www.aagrapevine.org

www.aa.org

WINNER'S CLUB

5723 Kenwick, 680-5496

The last Saturday of the month is a Pot Luck Dinner at 7:00pm, and Birthday Celebration @ 8:15pm.

Reminder...

All information for The Nightcap must be turned into the Central Service Office by the 10th of the previous month. Quite often there are many activities going on at the beginning of the month, and this is the only way we can assure you will receive information in a timely manner. It takes more than a week to put the newsletter together, get it proofed, printed, and have our mailing committee come in to prepare it for bulk rate mailing. Additionally the post office can hold bulk rate mail for up to ten days. Your cooperation is appreciated.

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

SPANISH HELP LINE
533-9770
Mon-Fri 1pm-5pm

HOLIDAY CLOSINGS

For those of you who like to plan ahead, CSO will be closed the following days:

November 22-23, 2007

December 24-25, 2007

December 31, 2007- January 1, 2008



"It keeps the meetings to an hour and wakes the sleepers for the Lord's Prayer." Reprinted w/permission AA Grapevine

Courage isn't feeling free from fear: courage is facing the fear you feel.

August 2007 CONTRIBUTIONS TO CSO

See insert for group contributions.

Birthday:	Total Birthday	\$0.00
Individual:	Anonymous	\$15.00
	Office Kitty	\$53.00
	Greg G	\$15.40
	Board	\$16.00
	COR	<u>\$16.00</u>
	Total Individual	\$115.40
Moving Fund (Individual Income):		\$0
Memorial:	Total Memorial	\$0.00

District Meetings

District 01A: DCM-Jere J (372-9205)
 Monthly meeting is held at 8600 Wurzbach, #702, Creekview Office Complex, the 2nd Sunday, 4:00pm. There is a mini-workshop at 3pm.

District 01E: Contact: Donald V (830-569-2994). No district meeting information available at this time.

District 01F: DCM-Carlos F (223-6243)
 Monthly meeting is held at 3814 S. Flores, #2, the 2nd Sunday, 1:00pm, en espanol.

District 16: DCM-Kim C (885-1383)
 Monthly meeting is held at Club 12, the first Sunday at 3pm. Meeting in front room.

District 17: DCM-Doug F (650-0618)
 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@yahoo.com. District meets the 2nd Tuesday each month, 6:15pm. Meetings rotate location so please call for location info.

District 19: DCM-Karen I (602-0788)
 Monthly meeting is held the first Sunday each month at Denney's Restaurant, IH-10 and Wurzbach, at 5:30pm.

District 28: DCM-Tony G (710-6243) Monthly meetings are held at 935 New Laredo Hwy, #2 San Antonio, TX 78211, the 2nd and last Sunday, 1-4pm, en espanol.

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

Central Office/Intergroup Reps:

Telephone After-Hours Service Committee: Coordinator: Mike W (677-0259). Alternate Coordinator: Jimmy T (661-7918).

Outreach Committee: Chair: Margaret R (568-8000 ext. 1054) or margrice0721@aol.com.

CSO Archives Chair: Paul B (826-2571) 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. Please contact CSO or Paul at the above #.

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.

Archives: Chuck K (492-3129) or ckautz@satx.rr.com.

CFC: Tomi B-A (364-1108) (For 'Sponsor By Mail' - Correctional Facilities, PO Box 33866, San Antonio, TX 78265). Meets the last Sunday of each quarter (July, Oct, Jan, & April) at the Serendipity Group location. Sponsor by Mail contact: Elliot at 666-4126. **Next quarterly mtg is Sunday 5:30pm at Serendipity on Oct 28.**

Grapevine: Mary S (690-7550). Committee meets quarterly on Thursdays at 6:30pm.

PI/CPC: Vicki S (219-9981) or vsparks2@satx.rr.com.

Treatment: Co-Chairs: Cynthia V (422-7248) & Trudi C (999-5665).

Bi-Lingual: Al A (268-7393)

Newsletter: Robin S (584-4119) robinjosha@yahoo.com

DISTRICT EVENTS:

District 16

Picnic/Workshop

St Brigid's Catholic Church, 6907 Kitchener Rd, drive to west side of church.

"Gratitude in Action"

Saturday, October 27
 1-3pm

BBQ, Speakers, Afternoon of fellowship

You are welcome to bring a covered dish.

District 01A Picnic

Saturday, October 6th
 1:00pm-3:00pm

8818 London Heights

Hamburgers, Hotdogs, Drinks & Treats

Come hear about our district's exciting new service project....

For more info phone Jere @ 372-9205

SAMSO EVENTS:

PI/CPC: Next meeting October 7, 4:30pm, Colonies North Grp.

CFC: Correctional Facilities Committee Meeting will be Sunday, October 28, 5:30pm at the Serendipity Group Meeting House, 10929 Nacogdoches Rd, Unit #5. (See page 6 for further info about CFC)

Treatment: Next meeting will be November 4, at 5:00pm at Jim's on IH-10 at Huebner. We are collecting Bridging the Gap 12-Step Volunteers. Please call CSO (821-6325) if you wish to volunteer.

Grapevine: Next meeting October 18 at 6:30pm, Colonies North.

SAMSO Newsletter: TBA

TREATMENT FACILITIES COORDINATORS

Co-Chairs:
 Cynthia V 422-7248 & Trudi C 999-5665

TUESDAY

Laurel Ridge-Cyndi 422-7248
 17720 Corporate Woods Dr
 7:00pm

WEDNESDAY

Mission Vista-Danny 625-2755 or Brad 364-0554
 14747 Jones Maltsberger
 7:00pm

University Hospital
 Project Hope-6:00pm
 4502 Medical Drive, Fl #9
 Charles W. 884-3440

Transplant Hospital
 8026 Floyd Curl—8:00pm
 Floyd L—872-0664

17720 Corporate Woods Dr
 7:00pm

Mission Vista-Joni 831-4606
 14747 Jones Maltsberger
 7:30pm

Transplant Hospital
 8026 Floyd Curl—8:00pm
 Jim L 695-5117

Audie Murphy VA Hospital
 Banton D 882-7321
 Villa Serena-4455 Horizon
 Hill 7:00pm

SATURDAY

ARC—Ed B 849-2425
 10290 Southton Road
 8:15pm

We continue to seek members of the Fellowship that wish to Carry the Message. Please share our phone #s and email addresses with any member who needs to discuss service work through the Treatment Facilities Committee.

THURSDAY

Laurel Ridge-Cyndi 422-7248

Minutes from the August 20th, 2007 COR Meeting

Meeting opened with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer
Casey B. led the meeting
12 Traditions were read

New CORs: Cheryl from Love and Laughter and Nelson from SW Loop Group

Announcements: Bill from Young and Done apprised the group of AA events going on in and around San Antonio. To view a list of events, please visit the CSO website at <http://www.aasanantonio.org/>.

Approve previous month's minutes: The following corrections were made to the July minutes:
Casey D to Casey B
In telephone service report – “presenty” to present
In outreach committee report – space inserted between “Chair” and “and”
In Archives report – “will be getting with SAMSO to discuss” to “Gave a presentation to the CORs that addressed”

Financial Report: Linda R. gave report. The only out of ordinary expense was for \$250 in tuition assistance money for a Central Service Office employee. Linda is working on putting together a set of standard operating procedures (SOPs) that will outline CSO's financial policies.

CSO Board Liaison Report: - The board is currently considering new locations to move the CSO. Char will be attending a conference/workshop later this year.

Telephone Service Report: - Chairperson not present

Outreach Committee Report: Margaret reported the committee is up and running now. She currently has three members, but would like 5-10.

Archives Committee Report: Paul will be attending a workshop for archivists later this year.

Old Business: None

New Business:

Jennifer from HALT brought up the possibility of participating in a charitable fundraiser with San Antonio Water Systems. This item was tabled until the September meeting.

Passed the 7th Tradition Basket

Closed with the Lord's Prayer

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 month 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
Tuesday, 5:00pm
Contact for information-Ardyn C 297-4900

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 Cindy R 387-1228/Greg S 637-7203
Frank O 830-534-7522/Jeff M 630-9707



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	
Lackland Pyramid...	As Needed	
New Downtown...	1st Thursday...	6:45pm
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	7:30pm
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	

CLUB/GROUP TWELVE HAS A BUSY FALL CALENDAR

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OCTOBER 27: HALLOWEEN DANCE-8pm to midnight. \$4-\$5.



COSTUME CONTEST

\$75.00 1st place
\$50.00 2nd place
\$25.00 3rd place

FREE DANCE LESSONS



SEPTEMBER 29: Saturday, 6:30pm-7:30pm, Freedom Room.

OCTOBER 20: Saturday, 6:30pm-7:30pm, Freedom Room.

Come if you know how to dance and help us, come if you don't know how to dance and learn. Lots of fun! October dance lesson will be the waltz. There will be regular free dance lessons.

GROUP TWELVE SUNDAY SPEAKERS

11:00am



OCTOBER 07: June V

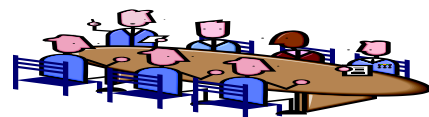
OCTOBER 14: Sal R

OCTOBER 21: Ron (Al-Anon)
Peter H (AA)

OCTOBER 28: Sam K

Your Central Service Office Board of Trustees—2007

-serving in love and service:



Brian K, Cary B, Kevin H, Linda R, Pat B, Sylvia O, and Vangie H

Three Board members will be rotating off this year. It is time to start asking around your group for interested members. A business background is helpful, not necessary. However, a working understanding of the Twelve Traditions is of the utmost importance. Contact CSO (821-6325) for a nominating ballot.

October Birthdays

Colonies North:

Theresa H—1yr
 Sylvia W—1yr
 Jesse C—1yr
 Mike W—5yrs
 Michael C—7yrs
 Regina F—9yrs
 Cookie P—17yrs
 Randy S—21yrs

Group Twelve:

1 year

Eleanor A
 Michael McG
 Jeffrey H
 Michael R
 James P
 Gilbert N
 Matt S
 Will R

2 years

Daniel D
 Robin H
 Lance K
 James I
 Bradley F
 Michael McC
 Susan A
 Aaron C

3 years

Bill H
 Adam S
 Karen R
 Steven S
 Katherine V
 Angela C
 Terri G
 Thomas B
 David McC
 Briggs R
 Michelle B
 Robert B

4 years

Victoria R
 Stewart B
 Ivan B

5 years

Mike B
 Joseph E
 Ashley P
 Damien A
 John B

Group Twelve (cont)

6 years

James L
 James S
 Mike B
 Caroline H
 Mike W
 Carolyn H
 Harry A
 Tom G
 Pete B
 Michael W
 Clarence H

7 years

Kevin G
 Jay G
 Tammy DeG
 Robert K
 Gregory G
 Claude H
 Carlos F
 Richard B
 Reggie P
 Raquel R
 Kim S
 John W
 Donna N
 Diane M-J
 Karen B
 Audra S
 Sal R
 Shannon L

8 years

Steve K
 Royce S
 David G
 Claire A
 Brain R
 Michael G
 Annie C
 Jesus M
 Thomas W
 Danny R
 Jack H
 Roy H
 Eugene B
 Sam M
 Summer R
 Charles D

9 years

Regina I
 Ralph Quinn W
 Lloyd
 Oscar R
 Ronnie A

10 years

Gwen K
 Wendy S
 Guavino P
 Delfina H
 Don S
 Wesley Y
 Amy P
 Steven M

Group Twelve (cont)

12 years

Lenzie C
 Audrey Z
 Darrell T
 Donald M

13 years

Ralph Q
 Nicholas B
 Trey S
 Keith W
 Barbara H
 Michael H

14 years

Valerie P
 Terry B

15 years

Fred M
 Kirsten P
 Bill W

16 years

Carole J

17 years

Cheryl H

18 years

Norman L
 Mary P
 Joseph R
 Sam K
 Narce D

19 years

Linda K

20 years

Fred S
 Gene W

21 years

David G
 Norman G
 Judy K
 Larry H

22 years

Patrick L
 Humberto C

23 years

Alan A
 Ronnie M
 Julie M

25 years

John H
 Ollie S

Group Twelve (cont)

26 years

Maxine E
 Pat B

27 years

Ann G
 Sherry F

30 years

June V
 Carl C

31 years

Al A

32 years

J.B. B

33 years

Chuck S

Woman's Big Book:

Susan A—2yrs
 Anita A—6yrs
 Cathy W—16yrs

Young & Golden Years:

Sylvia—1yr
 Kathy K—10yrs

**WE
 HAVE
 LOTS
 OF
 ROOM
 FOR
 YOUR
 GROUP'S
 BIRTHDAYS.**



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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