The Nightcap

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UPCOMING

EVENTS

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

2010

<u>Sept 3-5</u>: Houston, TX 25th Spirit of Houston Conf, Box 228, Spring, TX 77373. www.spiritofhouston.org

<u>Sept 10-12</u>: Burnet, TX 28th Bill W Roundup Conf, PO Box 1581, Burnet, TX 78611.

<u>Sept 11</u>: Dallas, TX 63rd Intergroup Anniversary Celebration. 5-9pm, Fellowship Church, 9330 N Central Expwy, 75231.

<u>Sept 17-19</u>: RoundRock, TX SW Texas Area 68 PI/CPC Conf. "Anonymous, Not Invisible" See www.aa-swta.org for flier.

<u>Sept 24-26</u>: St Louis, MO Central Office/Intergroup/AAWS/ AA Grapevine Seminar. Call 210 821-6325 for details.

Oct 8-10: Denver, CO SWRAASA. See www.swraasa.org.

Oct 8-10: Concan, TX Woman's Journey—For information see www.womansjourneysa.com

Oct 15-17: Austin, TX SWTA 68 Conference/Voting Assembly. See www.aa-swta.org for flier.

All photos in this issue taken from the Akron InterGroup News. Thank you.

FOREVER IN OUR HEARTS



DISTRICT 16 SERVICE EVENT &

DELEGATE'S REPORT

Creekview Office Complex 8600 Wurzbach, #702 San Antonio, TX 78240

Saturday, September 11, 2010 1:30-4:00pm

Please come and join us for refreshments, great fellowship, and to hear our delegate's report. This is your opportunity as a group and individual member to experience AA as a whole. Find out about what is going on in AA and how it affects you.

To volunteer, please contact DCM, Mike D at 210-632-3364.

Everyone welcome!!!

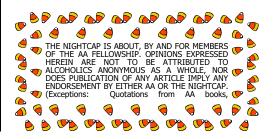
The San Antonio Roundup 2010

September 3-5

El Tropicano Hotel San Antonio Riverwalk 110 Lexington Ave

"The Fellowship You Crave"

www.sanantonioroundup.org



A LONG TALL TEXAN GREETER

Howdy Y'all,

I have to tell y'all about being a "Long Tall Texan Greeter" for the Delegate/Trustee Luncheon. This has to be one of the highlights of my experience at the 75th A.A. International Convention!!!

Brother Harry asked me to be a greeter for a luncheon for past and present delegates and trustees. I was told, "Be sure to dress as a "Cowboy" and be at the Buckhorn Museum at 10:30 Saturday morning". Other than that, I had no idea what I was getting into.

By the time Saturday rolled around, I had already put in two shifts of greeting at the convention center, attended meetings, and of course, the Friday Night Dome Meeting. I was feeling the Tiredness. Well, here I go, all dressed as "Mister Long Tall Texan," had my wife drive me around, and I saw no sign of Harry??? I was kind of getting that resentment feeling; you guys know what I mean. Anyway, I got out, went to the Buckhorn promptly at 10:30. Guess what??? Patty and Harry were right there. Along with Harry, I was the first line of "defense," meeting and greeting.

What I really learned from this was that all these delegates/trustees are just people, like you and me. You see, I was a little fearful, like these people are the "A.A. GODS". Again, they all were just normal folks. It is really funny how this drunk builds mountains out of molehills.

One of our delegates shared a funny story with me as I greeted her. She said, "My cab driver said the tip of the day was NOT to hug any ugly cowboys!" She then gave me a big hug and stated, "You don't fit that category!"

Everything I experienced at the A.A. International was moving and strengthening! Being a "Long Tall Texan Greeter" for the delegates/trustees was TOP of the convention. After all, where can you go and meet all the "A.A. GODS"!

Yours in Service,

Theron W of Spring Branch, TX

THE MIRACLE IN MY LIFE

Dear Friends:

I want to share some great news from my wife and me, announcing the birth of our daughter. She is the answer to many, many prayers, and our evidence of a power much greater than us working in our lives. Our little girl arrived on May 11, 2010, weighing in at 8lbs. 9oz. While she is a miracle, our journey to her birth is miraculous as well.

My wife and I have tried for many years to have a baby. To the extent you can think of some beyond the norm process to have a baby, we have done it, with varying degrees of humiliation, financial expense and acceptance. Several months ago, and very unexpectedly, we were picked by a remarkable young lady to be adoptive parents for the baby which she was expecting. In the instant that we were selected, I witnessed our higher power reignite the pilot light of my wife's beautiful soul. It was one of the most overwhelming and incredible experiences of my life. Since that moment, we lived in varying states of amber, red and white hot plasma alert until our little girl was born. From the moment we laid eyes on her, there was that instant connection. She was our daughter.

What other folks chose to do with their bodies isn't my business. Impossible decisions are made every day, and I am not competent to judge any of them. From my standpoint, though, I can attest that the decision to make a baby available for adoption can be the most incredible of gifts, as it has been for my wife and me. Our gratitude and joy fill our home, and elsewhere. And, of course, none of this would be going on in my life if I was left to my own strategies and devices, which basically end up with me drunk, irresponsible and consumed with fear and ego. The legacies of our steps, traditions, and a bit of service are where the magic is found for me

THANK YOU! Don M—Louisiana

NEW GROUPS/MEETINGS:

The **Stone Sober Group** is a new meeting at the Winner's Club, 5723 Kenwick, 78238, 210 680-5496. They are biker friendly and meet on Mondays at 8:30pm, open discussion.

GROUP CHANGES/CLOSINGS:

The **<u>Night Owl</u>** 10pm meeting at the Winner's Club has folded.

The **Wincrest Group** that met at St Pius Catholic Church on Harry Wurzbach on Tuesday nights has folded.

The Thursday night 8pm meeting of the Bandera <u>Cypress Street Group</u> is a "closed" discussion meeting.

The <u>Tivy Road Group</u> meets at the 720 Club in Kerrville, 12:30pm on Sundays only.

The <u>Carry the Message Group</u> that met on Wednesdays at the 720 Club in Kerrville has folded.

The Saturday meeting of the <u>Lakehills Solutions Group</u>, Lakehills, TX, has folded.

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

CENTRAL SERVICE OFFICE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

A labor of love for our Central Service Office and the San Antonio fellowship.



2010

Suzanne McR, Bill McG, Pat J, Carolyn F, David C, June V, Stacy S

New at CSO

International Convention Souvenir books.

"AA Comes of Age" \$9.00

Commemorative
Grapevine
"75 Years of AA History"
\$5.50

Group Foru か Page

SPANISH

Intergrupal

210 533-9770

Mon-Fri / Noon-5pm

SPANISH Help-line

210 409-8524 24 hours a day 7 days a week

CLUB/GROUP 12

102 Thames/344-8981

September Schedule

14—Group Conscience

24—Birthday Night

27—Board Meeting

Winner's Club

5723 Kenwick, 680-5496

September Schedule

The Winner's Club will now be staying open until midnight on Friday nights during the summer months of July, August and September.

Be watching for the Winner's Club 27th Anniversary Celebration October 21, 2010.

THE

CENTRAL SERVICE OFFICE

WILL BE

CLOSED,

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, IN OBSERVANCE OF LABOR DAY

District Meetings

SAN ANTONIO DISTRICTS

<u>District 01A:</u> DCM-Joni W (210 674-6523) Monthly meeting is held at 8600 Wurzbach, #702, Creekview Office Complex, the 2nd Sunday, 3:00pm.

<u>District 16</u>: DCM-Mike D (210 632-3364) Monthly meeting is held at 8802 Tradeway, the first Sunday at 3pm (next to CSO).

<u>District 17</u>: DCM-Robert P (210 241-8421) Monthly meeting is held at the Serendipity Group location, 10929 Nacogdoches, #5, the third Saturday of each month at 9:00am.

<u>District</u> 18: DCM-Jerry S (210 590-4832) District meets the 2nd Sunday each month, 3:00pm, 8600 Wurzbach, #702.

SAN ANTONIO SPANISH DISTRICTS

<u>District 01F</u>: DCM-Tomas R (385-7817) Monthly meeting is held at 3814 S. Flores, #2, the 2nd Sunday, 1:00pm, en espanol.

<u>District 28</u>: DCM-Carlos C (508-0229) Monthly meetings are held at 935 New Laredo, #2 San Antonio, TX 78211, the 2nd and last Thursday, 7:00pm, en espanol.

SURROUNDING DISTRICTS

<u>District 01E</u>: DCM-Mike P (210 520-2849) Rotating monthly meeting on the 3rd Saturday. Call for location.

District 02: DCM-John B (721 467-2141) or jbourgeois67@yahoo.com. Monthly meeting is held at 2pm the second Sunday of each month. They meet at the River Grp location, 208 W San Antonio St, San Marcos, TX.

<u>District 12</u>: DCM-Tommy F (830-456-0233) Monthly meeting rotates on the 2nd Sunday each month, and is held at 2pm. Call for location and directions.

WHERE TO SEND DISTRICT CONTRIBUTIONS

District **01A** PO Box 29594 San Antonio,



Treasurer

TX 78229

District 16 Call Mike D for address (210 632-3364)

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District **01E**Call Mike P for address (210 520-2849)

District 17
Call Robert P for address (210 241-8421)

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25th Anniversary

St Margaret's Episcopal Church 5310 Stahl Rd 78247

Saturday, September 25, 2010 6:00pm

Guest Speaker: Kevin H

BBQ & Beans Provided

Sides and Beverages Accepted

RSVP to

Dewey: dsmith1945@satx.rr.com

Ron: ronvaldez54@yahoo.com



XXXVIII Aniversario De Alcohólicos Anónimos Grupo Unidad

3210 W Commerce, San Antonio, TX 78207 210 432-9107

Saturday, October 2, 2010



2-4pm-Public Information 4:30pm- Mariachis & Dinner 6-10pm-Dance

TREATMENT FACILITY **MEETINGS**

Chair: Rosemary M (422-3520) (maysews@yahoo.com) (tfcsatexas@gmail.com)

LAUREL RIDGE

Daily 7-8pm

Kathv H-563-0339

VILLA SERENA (VA)

Thursday 7-8pm call Charles F - 825-2989

THE SALVATION ARMY

Friday 7-8pm call Eli E - 277-9467

BAPTIST MEDICAL CENTER (BEHAVIORIAL UNIT—5th floor)

Tuesday 7-8pm call Rosemary M-422-3520

METHODIST HOSPITAL

Wednesday 7-8pmcall Charles F - 825-2989

SAMMinistries

Transitional Living & learning

Monday 7-8pm

VOLUNTEERS OF AMERICA 6487 Whitby

6:30-7:30pm

Thursday -call Rosemary M - 422-3520

Sunday

-call Belinda M - 837-9921

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

Central Service Office Reps:

Telephone After-Hours Service Committee: Coordinator: Carolyn M (288-

2699). Alternate Coordinator: Christi B (213-7239)

Outreach Committee: Chair: Vacant

CSO Archives Chair: Sylvia O - (821-6325)

INTERDISTRICT/SAMSO:

The Interdistrict meetings are held the 2nd Sunday of the month, 4:00pm, 8600 Wurzbach, #702. Members include DCMs, Committee Chairs, GSRs and all alternates.

Archives: Pat S

CFC: Ingrid G (326-4932) imgamble@yahoo.com

Grapevine: Margaret R (382-1920) margrice0721@aol.com Meets the first

Saturday of the month at 8802 Tradeway, next to CSO, 2:00pm.

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

Treatment: Rosemary M (422-3520) (maysews@yahoo.com) Meets at 8802

Tradeway, the first Sunday each month at 5:00pm (next to CSO).

Bi-Lingual: Art C (978-4726) hablosamso@gmail.com Newsletter: Tomi B-A (newssamso@gmail.com)

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

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-(across the street from main Jail)

Men & Woman's Facility

200 N Comal St (Commerce & Comal)

Men and women can chair both meetings

(Thursday—10:30am—Women) and (Thursday—11:30am—Men)

Contact for information-Ardyn C, 264-4900

Dominguez 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

Guadalupe County Jail

Women's Meeting

Wednesdays at 5:15pm

Contact Shirley M @ 210 257-5205

CENTRAL SERVICE OFFICE REPRESENTATIVES

Approved Minutes For Monday, July 19, 2010 at 6:00 PM

OPENING: All participants signed in and Sydney C. led the group in the Serenity Prayer. The 7th Tradition was read.

INTRODUCTIONS: New COR's – Don is the new Alt. COR from Spring Branch. Each COR shared their name, group being represented and their sobriety date.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Ray made the motion that minutes from previous meeting be accepted with revisions. Dave seconded the motion. Passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS: None

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Club 12 Anniversary August 27 thru 29, 2010; Pancake Breakfast at Club 12 8 am, July 31, 2010; August 20-22TQCYPPA Frio at Neal's Lodges in Concan; 52nd ICYPAA August 26 to 29 in New York City. The Acceptance Group moved to a new location, the church behind Sonic, on Saturday at 7:30pm. This meeting was changed from Friday to Saturday.

FINANCIAL REPORT: None

TELEPHONE SERVICE REPORT: None ARCHIVES COMMITTEE REPORT: None

CSO BOARD LIAISON REPORT:

The Online Bookstore will be shut down for one month (the dates for the shutdown will be forthcoming). Inventory will be ongoing at CSO. The final count for the International Convention was 53,000. The A/C unit were replaced and a request needs to be made to lease was extended. The Board is voted in and is in place to run the CSO office. The meeting minutes are available to review by contacting the CSO office and going there to review. The minutes are treated as a corporation minutes and are not available for distribution.

NEW OUTREACH CHAIRPERSON: A new Outreach Chairperson will be elected next meeting. A description as to the duties of the Chairperson will be researched and emailed to all in attendance.

Acceptance

Woman's Big Book...

Young and Golden Yrs...As Needed

Young and Done...

OLD BUSINESS: None

7TH STEP TRADITION: The 7th Tradition basket was passed.

CLOSING: Sydney lead the group in the closing prayer and the meeting was adjourned.

July 2010 CONTRIBUTIONS TO CSO

See insert for group contributions.

THANK YOU

Birthday:	Eleanor S Total Birthday	\$25.00 \$25.00
Individual:	Office Kitty CSO Rep Mtg 2010 Host Committee Board Mtg Total Individual	\$ 30.36 \$ 13.46 \$300.00 <u>\$ 7.00</u> \$350.82
Memorial:	Total Memorial	\$0

ricceptance	Last Saliday	0.00pm
Colonies North	1st Monday	7:00pm
Goliad	2 nd Sunday	11:15am
Group 12	1st Tuesday	6:45pm
Free at Last	As Needed	
Freedom	3 rd 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	

1st Wednesday.

1st Thursday....

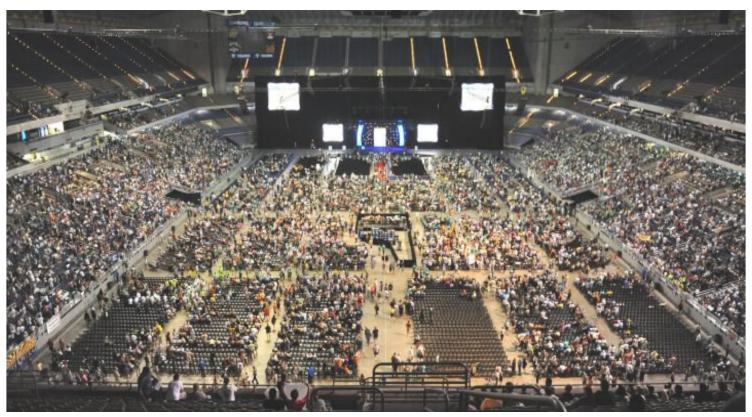
Group Conscience Meetings

Last Sunday

6:00pm

8:00pm

9:30pm



MESSAGES ABOUT THE CONVENTION

THE FOLLOWING ARE SOME OF THE EMAILS AND COMMENTS RECEIVED ABOUT THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION HELD IN SAN ANTONIO OVER THE 4TH OF JULY WEEKEND.

Hey Char ~

I was at the luncheon. It was a great event. You were VERY busy, so I tiptoed out without a hug. As you know, I wanted to stay under the radar. The people at my table were so knowledgeable and helpful. I didn't read the full history book, but truly enjoyed what I did read. I prayed a hug your way! Thank you for the hospitality your city gave to all. It was only my second International, but EVERYONE I talked to from cab drivers to police officers was amazing. My husband and I spent Sunday and Monday soaking up the River Walk and enjoying the awesome food you all serve. What a great time! (Jodi—Minnesota)

Just wanted to let you know how much we appreciate your hard work. What a wonderful, well organized event. Pat yourself on the back, it was very well attended and I did not hear one bad thing about the event. Thank you

I was one of the fortunate ones who was able to attend this convention in San Antonio - and what a great time we had - and the volunteers were just wonderful -

Has there been an official registration count or attendance count for the convention - thanx—Wayne S

I attended and I want to commend the efforts of all who volunteered to make the convention such a success. It was an enormous job and well done by all. Hope to see you in five years in Atlanta. Thanks again. Toni

Many thank you from AA in Canada...I personally had a great time, SA is a great town and the hospitality was wonderful everywhere....thank you, Glenn Miles-Courtenay, BC, Canada

....I am also told that the local San Antonio AA office was well and truly on the ball, in that I had ordered some AA material via the San Antonio AA CSO Office and sure enough when John went to pick it up, it was ready, again no hassles, even though they would have been under enormous never before experienced work load from an influx of so many AA Visitors. John R-Australia

Hi, I'm Jürgen a Belgian AA. At the beginning of this month I took part in the AA convention at the Henry B. Gonzales Center & in the Alamo Dome. I just have ONE question: how many people have been there? It was so marvelous, such a unique experience, I'll never forget...Thousand thanks to all of you to make such an event possible, wow Jürgen M. European delegate for Belgium (French speaking part)

ber Birthda\

Birthdays posted in the August issue of the Nightcap were August Birthdays.

Abundance Happy Hour

Mary Ellen H-4yrs Rick C—12 yrs

Group Twelve:

1 year

Amy R Teresa S Carolyn M Jack M Kenneth E

3 years

Carol H

4 years

Trudy M Freddy O Rosanne P

6 years

Rustv M Brandon W

7 years

Sybil W David P

8 years

Fred S

10 years

Alisa H

12 years

Ashley P

Group Twelve (cont)

16 years

Benny S

19 years

Bill H

20 years

Debbie L

21 years

Jim M

23 years

Philip P Diane L

24 years

Gerry E

26 years

Jerry W

27 years

Sylvia O

36 years

Paul R

48 years

Roger D



Schertz/Cibolo:

Mary Q-1yr Jon G—1yr Stacey A—2yrs Kay—3yrs Todd C—3yrs Jeff S—3yrs Heather P-4yrs Nate J-4yrs Fred S—4yrs Bill K—4yrs Joseph Ś—8yrs Jennifer T—11yrs Ron L-31yrs



REMINDER

The meeting room at the Central Service Office is available for:

• 5th Steps

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- District Functions
- Committee meetings
- Any AA related activity

Call Char, Vicky, or Virginia for more info: 210 821-6325

Serendipity:

Gilbert A—1yr Darlene—3yrs Robert R-3yrs Karen S—6yrs Hope G—10yrs John T—11yrs Tom T—13yrs Clyde L—17yrs Dick D—24yrs Dee D-26yrs

Woman's Big Book:

Jennifer P-3yrs Janet H—5yrs Bonnie E-6yrs Catherine B-7yrs

Young and Done:

James L—1vr Nathan O—1yr Marcus D-1yr Dinero A-1yr JT M-1yr Brandon W—6yrs Sybil W—7yrs Catherine B—7yrs Chuck K-23yrs

Young & Golden Yrs:

Danelle C-26yrs Jimmy R-27yrs

> So sorry to have missed your June & August birthday \otimes

Young & Golden Years:

Paul C-45yrs

***** GOLIAD'S 46th ANNIVERSARY

537 Avondale 210 534-3937

October 16 & 17

★ SATURDAY: 3:00 Speaker

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4:30 Dinner 7:00 Speaker

8:30 Music

SUNDAY:

9:00 Taco Breakfast

10:00 Speaker

Come as your favorite Hollywood star. *****

GROUP BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS

Last Sunday: Free at Last (Pot luck)

Last Monday: Alamo Heights, Freedom, Young and Golden Years (O-

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

Last Thursday: Goliad, Ft. Sam, North San Pedro, Stahl Rd, Acceptance, Universal City, Sane and Sober (Open)

<u>Last Friday:</u> 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), Keep It Simple

Last Saturday: Schertz-Cibolo, Lambda, Winners Club, Serendipity,

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