

What's Happening In San Antonio and surrounding towns

& Birthday Club

Feburary - 2024

Central Service Office

@CSOSA2020



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Send your Group's events to manager@asaanantonio.org

"We are not a glum lot"

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CSOR INFORMATION

PLEASE READ AND SHARE WITH YOUR GROUP.

Our next meeting is Monday, February 19, 2024. The time is 6:30PM and the location is Alamo Heights United Methodist Church, 825 E. Basse Road and on Zoom.

Zoom codes are listed below.

Enter the west end door, facing Treeline Blvd, Room # W100.

We will email CSOR packets a few days before the meeting. We will have hard copies available at the CSOR meeting. If you are attending via Zoom and want a hard copy, please come to CSO, 8804 Tradeway, SA, Tx 78217 to pick one up.

Yours
Jim

THESE ARE NEW CODES!!!!!!!!!!

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Login: 819 0794 7289

Passcode: 885431

“More Will Be Revealed” EVENING GRACE WORKSHOP

ZOOM WEDESDAY 7 PM UNTIL 8PM

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/864679931?pwd=N0gxRHNTK2NvVIBKSml0Y1hyTUlmZz09>

Meeting ID: 864 679 931

We encourage attendance to Big Book and Twelve & Twelve Study meeting prior to venturing into other AA related literature to include books, pamphlets and workbooks. Our goal in this meeting is to seek, review and discuss other literature that provides alcoholics with insights to the founding, development and maturity of Alcoholic Anonymous. Further, the purpose of this Workshop is to provide support to the programs of individual Alcoholics by reviewing and sharing the experience of our founders, old-timers, and current observations and viewpoints. Then we discuss the topic by responding with our own experience, strength and hope so as to share and solve our common problem and help others to recover from alcoholism.

IF ONE LOOKS AT OUR PAST Meeting TOPICSs THEY MAY SEE OUR PRESENT DIRECTION AND A CLIMPSE OF A FUTURE TO BE

Past Evening Grace Zoom Meeting Topics

12 Steps and 12 Principles, Dr. Bob’s Humility definition plaque, Bill W’s Washington Post Obituary, Dr. Bob’s Last Major Talk, *Detroit Michigan December 1948*, Dr. Bob’s Farewell Address, *AA 1st International Convention Cleveland Ohio, 7/30/1950*, Traditions Checklist from AA Grapevine *our guides for individual do’s & don’ts for 12 AA Traditions*, Four Oxford Group Absolutes – “*Honesty, Unselfishness, Purity & Love*”

Examples of Future “More Will Be Revealed” Workshop Topics

Pass It On – Bill W’s Story

Dr. Bob *and the Good Oldtimers*

Alcoholics Anonymous *Comes of Age*

The Twelve Concepts of World Service

The AA Service Manual Our Great Responsibility – *Bill W’s General Service Conference Talks*

A New Pair of Glasses by Chuck “C” Drop the Rock – *Removing Character defects* – steps 6 & 7

Come to Believe – *Higher Power & Spiritual Awakening* Experience Strength and Hope – *36 Stories of First 3 Editions of Big Book*

Note, the above is a Listing of possible Future “More Will Be Revealed” Topics. Our Meeting Group conscience on a monthly basis discusses and decides on the next months topics.

YOU ARE INVITED TO

Highlands 73rd

Anniversary

**Speaker
Kathleen S
SATURDAY**

FEB

17

6:30PM

SAINT GEORGE CHURCH
6904 WEST AVE
SAN ANTONIO, TX 78213

6:30PM ENCHILADA DINNER
7:30PM SPEAKER

Chicago Group

Shavano Baptist Church
5047 De Zavala Road

SATURDAY 7PM
OPEN SPEAKER

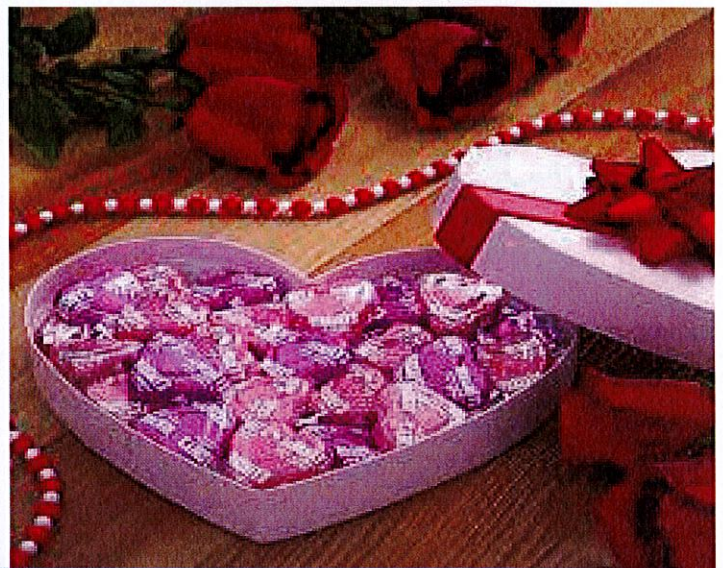
FEBURARY SPEAKERS

<i>2/3</i>	<i>Sandra B.</i>	<i>Group 12</i>
<i>2/10</i>	<i>Ryan S.</i>	<i>Leon Springs</i>
<i>2/17</i>	<i>Frank E.</i>	<i>F.T.F.</i>
<i>2/24</i>	<i>Joshua A.</i>	<i>Halt</i>

Goliad Group
February, 2024
Saturday Speaker Mtgs.

@ 6:15pm

537 Avondale; San Antonio, TX 78223
(210)549-4081



Speaker Line-Up

- 2/3: Amanda B. W/14yrs. – N.E. Sunrise Group
- 2/10: Cynthia S. W/1yr. – The Hope Group
- 2/17: Dan C. W/47yrs. – The Goliad Group



GSR WORKSHOP



HOSTED BY DISTRICT 22

www.district22-swta68.org

Contact Jason I. with any questions
(jasonistrudgin@gmail.com or 512-633-1230)

*When: Saturday, February 24th
2:00pm – 4:30pm*

*Where: Georgetown Group
2409 Dawn Dr, Georgetown, Tx*

- Panel and Presenters include Past Delegate, DCM and GSRs
- Food and Beverage Provided
- Not a Part of District 22 or Not a GSR? Not a Problem! All Those Interested in Service are Welcome!

*What is a Delegate
and what do they do?*

*My group elected me
GSR... Now What!?!*

*What does GSR,
DCM, and SWTA68
Stand For?!*

*Do I get to meet AAs
from other parts of
Texas?*

AGENDA

- Welcome: Fellowship & Food 2:00pm
- GSR: An Introduction 2:15pm
- GSR: Service to Your Group 2:25pm
- GSR: Participation at Area 2:35pm
- Break: Fellowship & Food 2:45pm
- General Service Conference & The Service Manual 3:00pm
- Panel: Ask-It-Basket, Q&A, Fellowship 3:15pm
- Close Workshop 4:30pm

Childcare Will be Provided at This Event

SAVE THE DATE

32ND CHISHOLM
TRAIL CONVENTION

What:



"Half measures availed us nothing."

-Page 59, Alcoholic Anonymous

When:

March 1-3, 2024

Who:

AA and AFG Speakers

to be Announced

Georgetown Community Center

Where:

445E Morrow St., Georgetown, TX 78626

WWW.CHISHOLMTRAILCONVENTION.COM

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SPEAKER MEETING MAR. 9TH @7:00PM

JUSTICE S.



Grace Northridge Church
2659 Eisenhower Rd.
San Antonio Texas 78209

**Entrance is in the back parking lot of the church.
AA signs are posted.**



**SHOOK
BIG BOOK GROUP
ANNIVERSARY**

EST. APRIL 1st, 2011

Celebrating on April 5th, 2024
Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church

**6pm Potluck Followed By Our
Speaker Stacy S.**



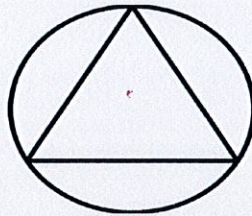
308 Mt Calvary



SEGUIN GROUP

77th ANNIVERSARY & CHILI COOK-OFF

04-20-2024



5pm - 11pm

SPEAKER JOHN HENRY

SPRING INTO RECOVERY

Hot Prizes for the 3 best chili's!

2365 Huber Rd Seguin Tx, 78155
Contact David P. 830-534-6136 or
Brian H. 830-243-8934



Doors open 4pm
COOK-OFF 5:30pm

SPEAKER 7pm

RAFFLE and COOK-OFF

WINNERS 8pm

Dance 9pm

\$10

TO ENTER
CHILLI
CONTEST

**RAFFLE
PRIZES!**

Please preregister ahead for cookoff. All cooking is outside and must be done by gas or electric.

SMF GROUP

2024 Men's Spring AA 12 Step Weekend

April 26th – April 28th, 2024

Our Lady of Corpus Christi Retreat Center

OLCC- Corpus Christi is at 1200 Lantana, very near I-37.
(Take exit 4B from north and exit 3B from south.)

The Men's Twelve Step Weekend focuses on the 12 Steps of Alcoholics Anonymous while enjoying the camaraderie of friends and good food in a relaxing atmosphere.

Total Cost:

\$175 - Single Room

\$145 per person - Double Room

\$115 per person - 3 person room

All prices include 2 nights and 5 meals.

Reserve your room early!

All rooms have 2 or 3 beds and attached bathroom.
Towels and bedding are provided.

Pre-Registration only!

DO NOT call OLCC. Contact SMF Group.

Registration: **Make checks payable to "SMF GROUP" and mail to:**
Harold Bjella 5414 Sugar Creek Dr. Corpus Christi Tx 78413

What to Bring:

12 & 12, Personal toiletries, comfortable clothing

For Further Information Contact:

Harold Bjella
361-765-8979
bjellaagency@yahoo.com

Patrick Mata
930-257-5256
pjata57@yahoo.com



Spirit of the Pines Weekend Retreat

When: **April 19-21, 2024**
(4pm 4/19 - 12pm 4/21)

Where: Camp Olympia in
Trinity, TX

Cost: **\$140*** includes cabins and all meals

*A \$5 discount is available for mail-in registrations,
which are printable from the web site

Registration opens
March 1, 2024 at

www.spiritofthepines.org

For more information contact:
Angela P. 972-672-2965

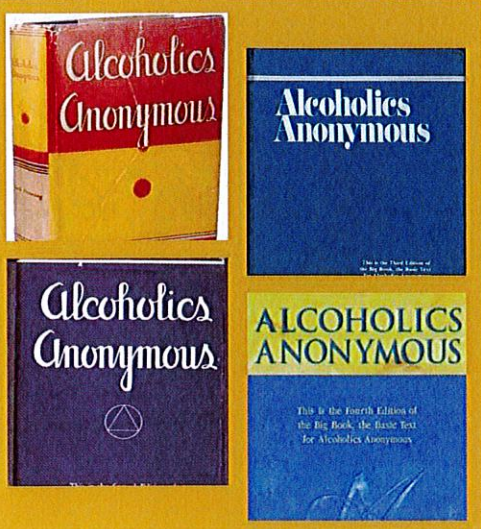
Additional info:

- A/C & heated cabins
- Foam mattress in bunks
- Showers, sinks, paper towels available
- Ice, water, coffee, tea, lemonade
- Cabins are men only and women only
- Retreat is "open"
- No childcare available
- Pets not allowed
- Smoking in designated area only

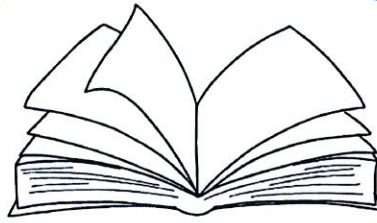
Available Activities:

Meetings: Big Book, Al-Anon, Meditation, Birthday, Bonfire & more

Outdoor: Zip line, Kayaking, Giant Swing, Mini Golf, Fishing (all dependent on number of registrants)



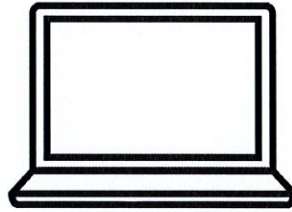
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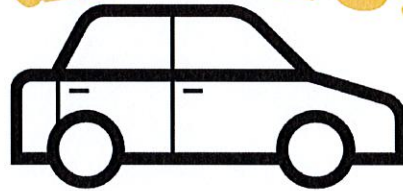
ARE YOU ABLE TO HEAR THE SPEAKERS?



ARE YOU ABLE TO SIGN INTO ZOOM?



ARE YOU ABLE TO DRIVE?



ARE YOU MEDICALLY ABLE
TO MAKE MEETINGS?



***Accessibilities is more than ramps
Meetings are the fourth Sunday of the
month at 2pm***

***Zoom Meeting ID: 836 7071 4994 Passcode: SAIS
St. Francis Episcopal Church
4242 Bluemel Rd. San Antonio, TX 78240***

Frequently Asked Questions About the 2025 International Convention & Travel to Canada

1. When and where will the 2025 International Convention take place?

The 90th anniversary of Alcoholics Anonymous will be celebrated at the 2025 International Convention in Vancouver, BC, Canada, July 3 – 6, 2025.

2. What is the theme of the 2025 International Convention?

The theme of the 2025 International Convention is “90 Years – Language of the Heart.”

3. Have A.A. International Conventions been held in Canada before?

Yes. There have been International Conventions in Toronto (1965), Montreal (1985), and Toronto (2005). As you may know, the Responsibility Statement was adopted at the 1965 International Convention in Toronto.

4. Are there any restrictions or regulations affecting travel to Canada in 2025?

Yes. The U.S. and Canada each have restrictions and regulations that apply to citizens and visitors who travel from one country to the other. Border crossing into Canada has significantly changed, particularly in the last two years. (For more information: access links to Canada Border Services Agency website (CBSA) provided below question #6)

5. Who will have to process forms and applications to gain admission to Canada?

It is suggested that those who believe they have some past legal incident, such as a DUI or felony that could inhibit their attendance at the 2025 International Convention, seek assistance/information by accessing the CBSA links provided below question #6.

6. What Canadian travel information is currently available?

The International Convention assignment at GSO is not yet up-and-running. However, below is a resource to aid members in making plans to attend the 2025 International Convention (most questions can be answered by connecting to the links below). Also, a good travel book on Canada will provide valuable information on needed documents and border crossing requirements, as well as vacation tips.

Information for those who may have entry issues due to past criminal history:

<https://www.canada.ca/en/immigration-refugees-citizenship/services/immigrate-canada/inadmissibility/overcome-criminal-convictions.htm>

<https://www.canada.ca/en/immigration-refugees-citizenship/corporate/contact-ircc/offices/international-visa-offices.html>

For general information members may also access <https://www.cbsa-asfc.gc.ca/menu-eng.html> or contact the Border Information Service (BIS) at CBSA by calling:

Within Canada

Toll-free

1-800-461-9999

TTY (for those with hearing or speech impairments)

1-866-335-3237

Outside Canada

Long distance charges apply

1-204-983-3500

1-506-636-5064

Press "0" to speak to an officer during regular business hours – Monday to Friday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. (local time) excluding holidays.

7. When will registration and hotel information be available?

General registration and housing information will be available on the International Convention webpage in early 2024. Actual registration site links, forms, and hotel booking links will be communicated to the Fellowship in August/September 2024.

8. If travel to Canada is difficult for some U.S. members, why are we holding an International Convention in Vancouver?

The Fellowship of the United States and Canada makes up the General Service Structure of Alcoholics Anonymous in North America, and functions as one entity in spirit and in service to the Fellowship. As this event rotates through the regions of A.A., there will be times when it takes place in the U.S., and other times when it is held in Canada. Laws and other circumstances may impede some members from traveling from one country to the other. For instance, some Canadians could not attend the 2000 International Convention in Minneapolis because of the difference in value of the Canadian dollar and U.S. dollar. Rotation of International Conventions provides accessibility for all members. The Vancouver Visitors and Convention Bureau has assured A.A. that Canada will do whatever is possible to welcome and cooperate with members for the 2025 International Convention in Vancouver.

SOUTHWEST REGIONAL A.A. SERVICE ASSEMBLY

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Region

Service: Vital To Our Growth

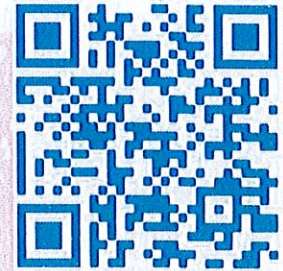
Hosted by
Northeast Texas, Area 65
October 11th, 12th, 13th
\$20 Registration

Visit us at:

www.swraasa2024.org

For Questions: Registration@swraasa2024.org

REGISTER HERE



SCAN ME

RICHARDSON, TEXAS

renaissance Dallas Richardson Hotel
 100 E Lookout Drive
 richardson, TX 75082
 (972) 367.2000
 hotel block opens November 2023

Registration Cut Off Date: 09/27/2024

Mail to: PO Box 863582, Plano, TX 75086

Print Neatly

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

E-mail: _____ Phone: _____

Scholarship Contribution: _____

Make Checks Payable To: Northeast TX Area SWRAASA 2024



---Save the Date!---

SWTA68 Annual 2024 PI/CPC CONFERENCE

Public Information & Cooperation with the Professional Community

August 9–10, 2024

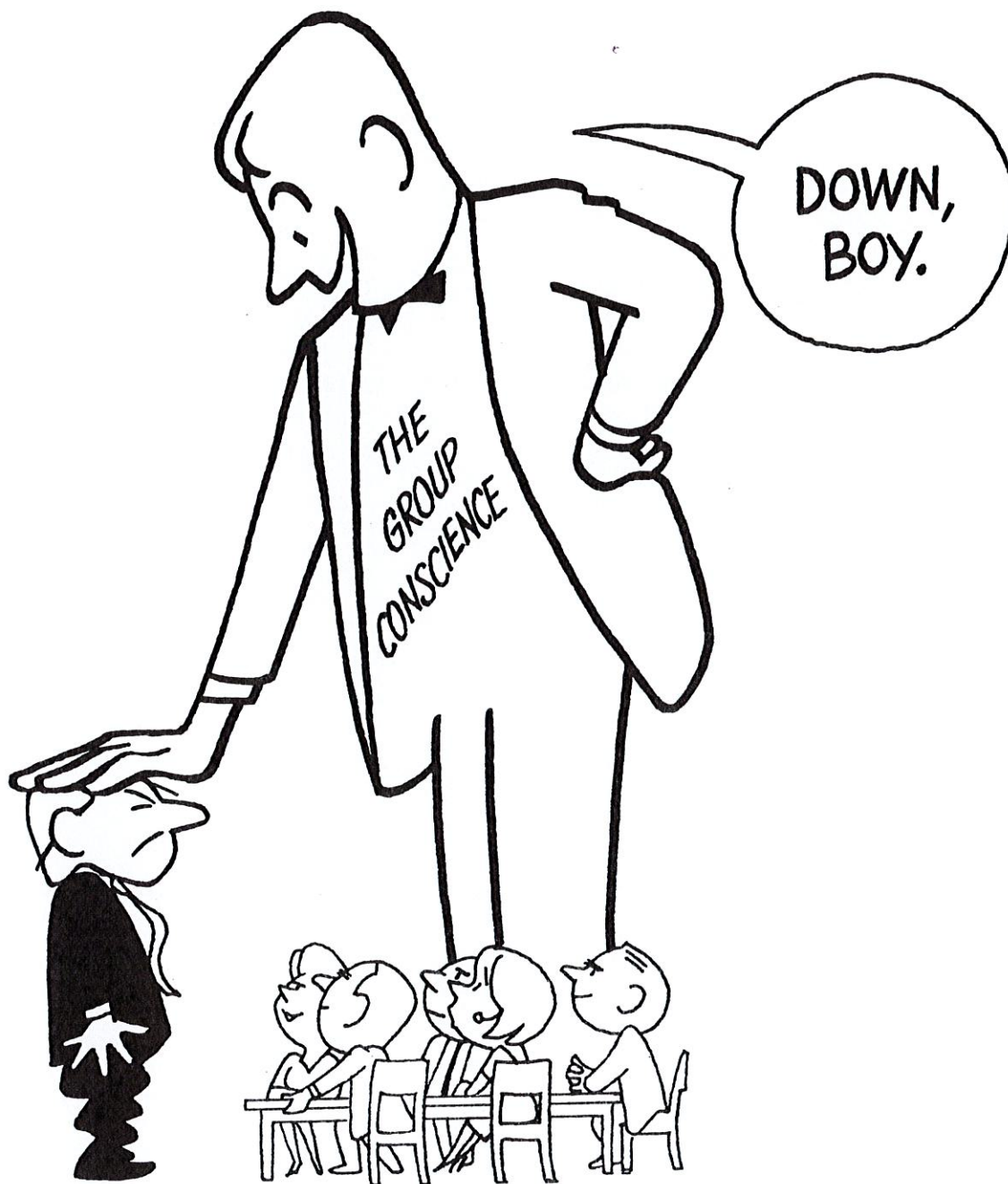
**Wingate by Wyndham Hotel
Williamson Conference Center
1209 N IH-35
Round Rock, TX 78664**

Hosted by District 22 – Round Rock, TX
Carolyn B, Host Chair: 512-771-8276
Donnie G, District 22 PI/CPC Chair: 512-945-9222



SECOND TRADITION

For our group purpose there is but one ultimate authority... a loving God as He may express Himself in our group conscience. Our leaders are but trusted servants...they do not govern.



Central Service Office of San Antonio



Dear Group Members:

RE: **Birthday Club**

We need your help getting this letter to your Group members, Live and Virtual.

We have a tradition that has occurred in San Antonio AA for many years.

The idea of contributing a dollar (\$1) a year on our A.A. Birthday. A celebration of our sobriety! Others may give a penny or a nickel a day for each day of their sobriety.

Members can fill out this form and submit their birthday contribution to CSO, call in with a credit card or go to our website. Birthday contributions may be given in honor of one's own Birthday or an AA Friend's birthday.

Contributions may be listed, with your permission, in one of the Central Service Office publications:

- ***The "What's Happening in San Antonio"*** a publication of events around town and in Groups. We have added a special section called **"The Birthday Club"** at the end of the publication.

These contributions have helped us keep the AA Literature at the same price. Please call me if you have any questions regarding the **Birthday Club** program or anything involving the Office or Bookstore.

With a grateful heart,

Jim Burke
CSO Manager

Grateful For My Sobriety



Name: _____ My Sobriety Date: _____

Home Group: _____

I want my contributions to be noted in the following:

- The Nightcap: ___ yes ___ no Please include my Home Group Name ___ Yes ___ no
- The Birthday Club in the "What's Happening" ___ Yes ___ no
- Letter of receipt: ___ yes ___ no (over \$20)

Mailing Address: _____ City _____ St _____ Zip Code _____

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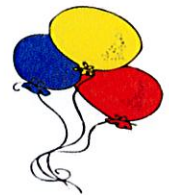
Birthday Club 2024

Jan-24

Paul S	Gruene Rd Group	48 yrs
Chuck H	Gruene Rd Group	44 yrs
Mary H-P_	S.A. Womens North	27 yrs
Doreen T.	Share the Light Group	22 yrs

Mar-24

Suzanne McR	Group Twelve	41 yrs
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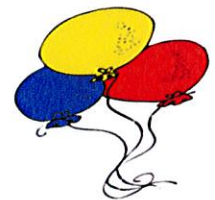
Birthday Club Sign-Up

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 sobriety is all it takes.

Be featured in the special Birthday Club section of the

"What's Happening in San Antonio." our sobriety is worth celebrating!



February 2024

Check out Flyers @ aasanantonio.org/"NightCap" or in "What's Happening"



- February 17 Highland 73 rd Anniversary-St. George Episcopal Church, 6904 West Avenue 6:30 PM
- February 19 CSOR Meeting-In person and online-See Nightcap for details
- February 24 Chairing with Love workshop, Club 12 12:39-2:30
- February 25 SAIS - 3 PM - St Francis Episcopal Church 4242 Bluemel- Hybrid 836 7071 4994/ PW SAIS
- " Accessibilities Committee- 2:00pm St Francis Episcopal Church 4242 Bluemel-Hybrid Option 836 7071 4994- PW SAIS
- " Correction Facilities Committee - 12:15 pm Odd #'d months - SAinterservice@gmail.com for information
- " Grapevine Committee - 2:15pm - Sinterservice@gmail.com for information
- " Public Information / Cooperation w/Professional Community - 1pm- cmte.pipcp@gmail.com
- " Treatment Facility Committee - *** TBD - No Chairperson @ this time ***
- Contact DCM for Info Dist 1A Mtg - DCM-district1a@aa-swta.org; Dist 16 Mtg- DCM-district16@aa-swta.org
- Contact DCM for Info Dist 17 Mtg-DCM-district17@aa-swta.org; Dist 18 Mtg-DCM district18@swta.org
- Contact DCM for Info Dist 1F Mtg- DCM- 210-365-1524 Dist 28 Mtg- DCM-210-665-4493
- Contact DCM for Info Dist 1E- DCM- daupllar@yahoo.com Dist 2- DCM- district02@aa-swta.org
- Contact DCM for Info Dist 12- DCM- district12@aa-swta.org; Intergrupala Hispana - en español- 210-533-9770
- February 29 Acceptance Group Birthday Night-See Nightcap for details

2024 San Antonio Future Events

- 5-Apr Shook Big Book Anniversary, Mr. Calvary Lutheran Church, 308 Mt Calvary 6PM
- 20-Apr Seguin Group-77th Anniversary & Chili Cook Off 5-11 pm, See Nightcap for details.

2024 Events Out of Town

- February 24 GSR Workshop-Georgetown Group, 2409 Dawn Drive, Georgetown, TX
- February 24 Costal Ben Jamboree-See Nightcap for details.
- March 1-3 Chisholm Trail Convention, Georgetown, TX-See Nightcap for details.
- March 15-17 SWTA Pre-General Service Conference-See NightCap for Details.
- 19-Apr Spirit of the Pines Weekend Retreat, Trinity, TX See Nightcap for details.
- August 9-10 SWTA PI/CPC Conference Round Rock, TX See Nightcap for details
- October 11-13 SWRAASA-Plano, TX-See Nightcap for Details

