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THE FOUR ABSOLUTES

The 12 Steps represent our AA philosophy, the Absolutes: Honesty, Unselfishness, Purity and Love, our objectives in self-help, and the means to attain them. Our consideration of the Absolutes individually leads to a few conclusions. Honesty, being our ceaseless search for truth, is our most difficult, yet the most challenging objective. It is a long road for anyone, but a longer road for us to find the truth. Unselfishness is the stream in which our sober lives must flow; the boulevard down which we march triumphantly, by the Grace of God, ever alert to being sidetracked into some dark, obscure alley along the way. Unselfishness must permeate our whole life, not just deeds for others, for the greatest gift we can bestow on others is the example of our own lives as a whole. Purity is easy to determine. We all know what is right and wrong. Our problem here is an unrelenting desire to do what is right. Love is the medium, the life blood of the good life, which circulates and keeps alive its worth and beauty. It is not only a circulatory system within ourselves, it is the medium of communication with others. The real virtue in striving for these Absolutes is a never ending journey, and our joy and happiness must come each step of the way - not at the end, because it is endless. Ages ago, Cicero said, "If you pursue good with labor, the labor passes and the good remains, but if you court evil through pleasure, the pleasure passes and the evil remains."

Our life is a diary in which we mean to write one story, but usually write another. It is when we compare the two that we have our humblest hour. But do let us compare through self-inventory, and make today a new day. Men who know themselves have at least ceased to be fools. Remember, if you follow the Golden Rule it always is your move. To love what right and true and not to do it is, in reality, not to love it, and we are trying to face reality. The art of living is in truth the very finest of the fine arts, and like any other fine art must be learned slowly and practiced with incessant care. We humbly approach this objective through the Absolutes.

We pray for these things, but sometimes forget that these virtues must be earned. The gates of wisdom and truth are closed to those wise in their own conceit, but are ever open to the humble and teachable. To discover truth and to practice what is good are two of the highest aims in life. If we would be humble, we should not stoop but rather stand to our fullest height - close to our Higher Power. This shows us the smallness of our greatness. Remember these 4 questions: "Is it true or false? Is it right or wrong? How will this affect the other fellow? and Is it beautiful or ugly?" Answering these queries every day with absolute personal integrity, following the dictates of your answers - one day at a time - will surely lead us well onto our journey toward the Absolutes.

Fred M. Weslaco, Texas

EDITOR'S NOTE: Fred M., celebrated his 33rd AA Birthday in March, 1975. We're deeply grateful to him for the above article, and for other information we have of his about the early History of Alcoholics Anonymous. More of Fred's gleanings of wisdom will appear in ensuing issues of the NIGHT CAP. Watch for them - they're great!

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NEW - SPECIAL ITEMS: Key Chains, gold and silver, with Praying Hands and Serenity Prayer (\$1.75).

Pamphlets: My Daily Moral Inventory card and 15 points for an Alcoholic to Consider When Confronted With the Urge to Drink.

If you want tapes on Dr. Norris and Dr. Lechler's talks see Charles K. Club 12.

Many thanks to the volunteers who helped in the CSO telephone 12th stepping, getting the NIGHT CAP ready for mailing and helpful suggestions for a stronger CSO: Whitey M., Gerry O., Bob J., and Gerry O. Jeanne W.

The Central Service Office Committee will meet at Club 12, 102 Thames, August 10 at 7 PM. All GSRs & Committeepersons please take note.

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The Southwest Texas Area Round Robin will be held at Club 12 on August 10, immediately following CSOC 's meeting. Please do attend. The ROBSTOWN GROUP, with Jim McC, who held the VERY FIRST STARR last year, will be Chairman. We're in for a treat! See you there - 8:15 PM.

E. I. C.

LaRee M. and Maizie H. spoke to a Health Class at Lee High School on June 30, 1975. Regina S. Spoke to 28 Students at Lee Hi on July 10, and Jane M., spoke to thirty students at Family Counseling Center on July 18.

On July 13, Pat B. was interviewed on TV, Channel KMOL, on the disease of alcoholism. Arrangements have been made for AA members to participate in a Psychiatric Nursing Institute at UTSA Nursing School, August 11 through 13. Thanks to all volunteers.

Frost U.

A 93-year-old Doctor, retiring from his medical career, gave this secret for long life: "Trust in God, and keep the bowels open."
Right on, Doc!

HOSPITAL COMMITTEE reports that Charlie McM., and Sue W., have replaced Sandy L. as Chairman and Co-chairwoman of the Hospital Committee. Sandy recently resigned for health reasons, and to devote her time to Motherhood. Thank you Sandy for a job well done for A. A.

Charlie urges all who are interested in serving in this worthy cause to contact him at 826-3193. Speakers are needed at Wilford Hall, Villa Rosa and VA Hospital. Suggestions, preferably in the form of person-power, are welcomed. Charlie Mc

DOWNTOWN GROUP'S REGULAR MONTHLY DINNER will be August 3, 6:30 PM, 809 E. Euclid. Open Speakers Meeting - 7:45 PM. Come! Sunday, August 17, GOLIAD GROUP, BARGEQUE-1004 Avondale, 6:00 PM. Open Speakers at 7:30 PM. Regular Sunday meetings 8:15 PM. GROUP 12, 102 Thames, Saturday, August 30, 7:00 PM. Dinner \$2.00 and \$1.25. Games Party afterwards.

24-HOUR GROUP, 1203 Fredericksburg Rd., Dinner Sunday, August 31, 1:00 PM. Followed with games party.

3RD CHISOIM TRAIL ROUND-UP, August 15-17. A weekend of fun, sports, fellowship for THE WHOLE FAMILY at the CAMP ON THE LAKE, Paleface LCRA Park, 45 miles northwest of Austin, off Highway 71, West to FM 2322. Bring Kids, cots, tents, food, campers, boats, fishing gear, etc. and join others on the West Bank of Lake Travis. For more information call Austin - 453-9300.

SOUTHWEST TEXAS AREA CONFERENCE, COMING UP, October 10-12, QUALITY INN SOUTH, Austin, Texas, 78704. 72-hours of Western-style, swinging fellowship. Come "fill your bucket" at our fountain of Love. \$15 covers all AA activities. Send checks to STAC, 2809 Northland Dr., Austin 78731. Rooms Direct - (512) 444-0561. More later.

4TH LONE STAR ROUNDUP, August 15 - 17, Dallas, Texas, NORTH PARK INN. Dance and Registration \$5.00. Send checks to LSR, P.O. Box 20070, Dallas 75220. Rooms, P.O. Box 31448. HURRY! TIME'S GETTING SHORT!

TODAY is that tomorrow you worried about yesterday. If we don't take that 1st drink today, we'll never take it, because it is always TODAY. REMEMBER? "Look well therefore unto this day."

GRATITUDE and FELLOWSHIP

I am grateful to the NIGHT CAP for the privilege of writing a little about my life and gratitude to A. A. and Al-Anon, and to my Sponsors, Audrey B., George K Jack A., and Mable K. Without their faith and patience none of this could be written. I also have to give credit to Club and Group 12, because I rebuilt my shattered life there.

My sobriety reminds me often of the wreck of humanity I brought to A. A. Nothing left, a sick mind and body. A sick soul, too, I later learned. No self-respect, no hope. Full of every known and unknown fear one could imagine. A.A.'s reached out their hands in love and led me to peace of mind, serenity, and love of a God of my understanding. Because I had been a daily drinker, I was grateful to have a place to spend my days. You taught me how not to drink- one minute- one hour- and then one day at a time. At night, I made meetings at other groups, learning the 12 Steps and principles of A.A., and a new way of life. I stayed under the protective wings of Group 12 for about two years.

Having finally experienced an ego deflation of depth, I slowly began to rebuild by broken life and marriage. My husband and I had completely destroyed our marriage with booze. A.A. had taught me to go to any lengths for sobriety, so I listened to Mable K. when she told me I needed Al-Anon. My Al-Anon friends taught me many things, like first, keeping my big mouth shut. My taking a good look at myself as a wife, in the 4th Step, hurt. I didn't like what I saw. I became aware of how selfish I was. When I'd finished the action steps, I felt like getting down on my knees and thanking this man for staying with me. I started what for me would become a "normal" way of life, holding A.A. in one hand and the church in the other, a gradual thing for me: having many lover's quarrels with both A.A. and the Church along the way.

Simple, but wonderful, things I have learned over the years have contributed to the love and respect my husband and I have for each other today. My friends, Helen F., Dottie T., and Avis D., who started the Monday morning Ala-Non Group, have now passed on, but they left me their legacy of love to share with many others. I am grateful to be lovingly called an "Alk-Anon."

Today, I have a conscious contact with a God of my understanding, turning my living problems over to God each morning, as you taught me to do with my drinking problem- one day at a time. I am responsible to myself and to my fellowman, and when anyone, anywhere, reaches out for help, I want the hand of A.A. always to be there- and the doors to Group 12 always to be open. Gratefully,
Margaret W.

CROWDS????

With the God of my understanding, there is no crowd-only individuals. At times, when I am distracted by the crowd around me, I forget that God deals with me as a person. My own individuality, and that of my fellowman diminishes in exact proportion that I allow these distractions, or lack of awareness, to become habit. A precious truth is dimmed: the fact that He loves me and you- and you- and you- individually. My fears, doubts, and discouragement might be justified if I, or you, had achieved sobriety or its maintenance on our own merit- alone. But we did not, and we are not- alone. He asks me to look more to Him than to myself and, when I do, there is peace of mind and strength of soul in spite of my self-doubt, and I am better able to see you. I am no longer lost in the crowd, because there is no such thing with the God of my understanding.

Nancy McC.

Every alcoholic eventually takes a last drink. Some of us live to tell about it. For those of us who find sobriety and recovery, a call to A. A. was the beginning of a new life.

NOTICIAS de GRUPOS en ESPAÑOL

Esta seccion del periodico official NIGHT CAP de A. A. en el area del Sur- Oeste de Texas tiene por objeto ayndar a los Grupos de habla Hispana para que todos se enteren de sus actividades. Si su grupo tuvo o va a celebrar un aniversario, o sencillamente tiene algunas noticias de cambios de direccion o de cambios de sesiones, llame a la Oficina Central en San Antonio, o a Raul M. al 344-9657.

This section of the NIGHT CAP for the Spanish speaking AA groups is trying to help in their development by writing up all the different activities, anniversaries, etc. If your group has something coming up you wish to have published, please contact Central Service Office - 226-2523 - in San Antonio, or call Raul M., at 344-9657.

GRUPO UNIDAD, 3210 W. Commerce, celebrara su 3er Aniversario el 23 de Agosto de 1975, a los 8:15 PM, con una sesion especial con oradores de fueras de San Antonio, despues habra una cena con comida Mexicana. Todos estan invitados.

GRUPO UNIDAD, 3210 W. Commerce, will celebrate its 3rd Anniversary on August 23, at 8:15 PM with a special meeting, out-of-town Spanish speakers, followed by a Mexican dinner. Everybody is invited.

GRUPO SERENIDAD, en Austin, Texas, es un grupo nuevo que sesiona los Domingos en la Iglesia de Santa Cecilia (Lyons & Tillery), a las 8:00 PM. Hace 2 semanas tuvimos gusto en participar en una sesion de discusion muy interesante. Tambien sesionan las Al-Anon alle mismo. Si anda Ud, por esos rumbos un Domingo, no deje de ir a visitarlos.

GRUPO SERENIDAD, in Austin, Texas, meets on Sundays at 8:00 PM. We were happy to have participated 2 weeks ago in their discussion meeting. Al-Anon meets there at the same time. Drop by if you are in town. They have many new members and are having very rewarding discussion meetings.

GRUPO SANTA FE: Sesiona los Martes y Viernes con juntas de discusion a las 8:15 PM en 1108 Brunswick. Se acerca el 16 de Septiembre, fecha que celebramos en este Grupo con una comida Mexicana y musica con Mariachis. Este pendiente de la fecha.

GRUPO SANTA FE, BI-LINGUAL - meets every Tuesday and Friday at 8:15 PM. Very good discussion meetings. Our annual 16th de Septiembre celebration is coming up soon, with Mexican food and Mariachis. Plan to attend and enjoy your sobriety - fun and dancing - without booze.

GRUPO FLORESVILLE, BI-LINGUAL - Sesiona los Miercoles a las 8:15 PM en el Hospital Memorial (sotano) en 1301 Hospital Boulevard. Este Grupo acaba de comenzar y necesita el apoyo de todos.

GRUPO FLORESVILLE, (BI-LINGUAL), meets Wednesdays at 8:15 PM in the basement of Memorial Hospital, 1301 Hospital Blvd., a NEW group, it needs all the help it can get. Please come and support it.

GRUPO MONTANA, en Seguin. Sesiona los Jueves a las 8:00 PM, "La Casita" - (casa de rehabilitacion), celebra su primer Aniversario el 3 de Agosto de '75, a las 2 de la tarde con una sesion especial de oradores, seguida de una Barbacoa y musica y baile. Vengan todos y ayirdenos a celebrar.

"LA CASITA", half-way house at 732 E. Mountain, Seguin, sponsored by the MONTANT GROUP, invites you to come help celebrate its 1st Anniversary August 3. There will be a speakers meeting at 2:00 PM, followed by a Barbeque, music and dancing.

GRUPO IDEAL, meeting night has changed. Now meets on Wednesdays, 8:15 PM, at the Allenwoods Apartments Library, San Marcos.

LOCKHART GROUP, meets Tuesdays at 8:15 PM in St. Mary's Parish Hall. Mary Alice V. is their GSR, Ceta F. Secretary.

GRUPO NAVARRO, Corpus Christi, meets at Our Lady of Guadalupe Church Social Center, Lockheed and Virginia Streets, 8:00 PM Wednesdays. When you're in town, drop by and join us.

An Al-Anon Group meets same place as the GRUPO IDEAL in San Marcos, Weds. 11:00 AM.

WHO GOD IS TO ME - AN ALCOHOLIC

What do the three letters -G O D- mean to you? To me, a recovering alcoholic, they stand up to be counted as this: GRACE

ONLY

DAILEY,

REMINING ME EACH TIME that I read, see or hear the word GOD that my sobriety is granted me daily, every 24-hours, by my readmitting to HIM, myself, and others that I am an alcoholic, powerless over alcohol and that only by following, and applying and giving away the A. A. Program am I able to continue my sobriety for today.

The "Man Upstairs," as I call Him, is with me always. He is my inner-self: my thoughts, emotions, strife and joy. He Is- I am. Being only human, I have the never-ending curiosity and questioning mind, always asking 'WHY'? But may I say that to question why is to show your doubting thoughts of yourself and others.

Acceptance means to ACCEPT, no matter what may arise. Believe, respect and love thyself, then you can give to all others in need. Therefore, able to love yourself through God's love, you are able to look into yourself and help give the Grace of Daily Sobriety to those who need the love and understanding of the A. A. Program. Keep sober- give your love and serenity away.

Wendy M.

Austin

LET GO AND LET - WHO?

When I came to A. A. I was, as you say, bankrupt in every department. However, I now can recognize that "soul sickness" has been the area in which my recovery was most difficult. In the beginning, I was sent into orbit by the mere mention of the word GOD. Spirituality ran a close second. Thanks to a couple of very patient sponsors, who literally spent hours going over the "God Concept" with me, the superficial fear was relieved. The "God- Spiritual" issue became less controversial, at least less openly controversial. However the question in my mind still remained: Is there a God?

As time passed, and my life became even more unmanageable, the fear of not having a "Higher Power" took over. Up to now, the Group had served well as my Higher Power: they were a power I could understand. Now-what to do? While in a state of fear and panic, I was reminded that any transition I had undergone in my thinking had come about through pretending it was true. I knew this, for many good things had come into my life when I never believed they could really happen to me. The answer was obvious. Taking your priceless advice, I must begin to ACT like there was a God.

Over the years, asking only for His will for me and the power to carry that out has become a very natural, comfortable, prayer for me. He IS God to me. A loving, forgiving Power that has enabled me to step back from the grave. He gave me life through you. You, in turn, gave me Him. I cannot say that I understood Him, but I am, at least for now, comfortable with this belief- and now is all that I have.

Many things are indelibly written on my mind, about Recovery, Unity and Service- the Three Legacies you've given to me in trust. I pray that I may remain able to serve. But the treasure I would have written upon your heart is There is a God for you. A short quote from the "Big Book" of A.A.- First Edition: "Although he came to scoff, he may remain to pray." In love and Service.

Sandy L.

Faith means believing what is incredible, or it is no virtue at all. Hope means hoping when things are hopeless, or it is no virtue at all. And Charity means pardoning what is unpardonable, or it is no virtue at all.

G. K. Chesterton

SOUTHWEST TEXAS AREA GROUP NEWS

THE FRONTIER GROUP will sponsor a Labor Day Bar-B-Que at the ARC on September 1, following a Special Meeting at 3:00 P.M., with Jack and Pat C., Austin, as Speakers. Eat all our usual good food at \$2.50 and \$1.50 a plate, meet and greet old friends and new in fellowship. Come on! Elvis S.

NORTH SAN PEDRO GROUP -(NEW) August 14, at 8:15 PM, we will hold our FIRST MEETING at San Pedro Presbyterian Church, 1605 Timber Oaks (across from Hill Country Village Store) and each Thursday thereafter. Open Discussion. Dr. Gene S., conducting our first meeting. Please come. Fred H.

YOAKUM GROUP, Yoakum, Texas, (NEW) meets Tuesdays, 8:00 PM at the Methodist Church-Highway 111 (Edna Hwy.). Everybody WELCOME.

AMISTAD GROUP, Luling, Texas, (NEW). Meets Mondays at 8:15 PM - Methodist Church on Bowie and Magnolia Streets. Come see us.

CUERO GROUP, Cuero, Texas, (NEW), meets at 8:00 PM Fridays in Proctor Hall, Episcopal Church on Live Oak Street. Visit us!

24-HOUR SERVICE CENTER, 1203 Fredericksburg Rd., will mark its 10th ANNIVERSARY with its 2nd Annual Picnic at Max Starkey Park, Seguin, on August 10, 1975. Please come - bring a covered dish and enjoy swimming and games for all. (Please mark your food containers). See you there (directly across from the swimming pool and rest - rooms). P.S. THINK SUNSHINE! Sandy L.

We are also pleased to announce that we're now open 24-hours, around-the-clock, for hot coffee and fellowship of the AA Community. Our NEW MEETINGS: BEGINNERS on Tuesdays, 12-Steps, Thursdays at 8:15 PM. Young People's at 6:30 PM on Sundays.

GUIDANCE GROUP, meets Wednesdays, 8:15 PM, 1042 Social Actions Bldg., Lackland AFB. Closed discussion, except 3rd Wednesday - Open Speakers. AA visitors will receive passes at the Main Gate. Bonnie P.

TRADITIONS GROUP - Has a NURSERY for little ones, so that Al-Anons may also attend the meetings at 8:15 PM Fridays, St. Vincent de Paul Church, 403 Cedarhurst, Valley-Hi. Get your whole family together and come to our next Friday night meeting. Maryanne S

GROUP 12 - Will sponsor a "Taxi Dance" on August 16 at Club 12, 8:00 P.M. 'til ??? 10¢ a dance - buy your ticket - dance with the "girls." Old-fashioned ballroom, Jitterbug, etc. We'll also have "Kissing Booths" - one for men, one for the women, 10¢ a kiss. Come join us Guys and Gals - let's have fun!

Also, on September 13, we'll take the old River Boat down to New Orleans for a gala Mardi Gras costume party. Games, dancing food: Catfish & Hushpuppies. And don't dare miss our FIRST ANNUAL (Unofficial) San Antonio AA BEAUTY PAGEANT! or see our PRIZED new 19-inch Sony colored TV. Gala is from 8:00 PM 'til ? Club 12.

THE BAREFOOT GROUP now meets Monday thru Saturday at Club 12, 11:00 AM. And don't forget - LADIES GROUP meets here every Thursday at 10:30 A. M. - in the back room. Mae M.

ALANON FAMILY GROUP - Meets Wednesdays at Calvary Missionary Church, 1518 Steves, at 8:15 PM.

SITTING ON YOUR HELPING HANDS???? VILLA ROSA GROUP still needs volunteers for a Treasurer, Program Chairman, GSR and Alternate GSR. Gladys J. has graciously consented to be our Secretary. This APPEAL is being made City-wide for YOUR help in keeping this Group active. Attendance is great, groups throughout San Antonio are bringing wonderful AA messages to patient and fellow members alike on Tuesdays at 8:15 PM in Villa Rosa's Snack Bar. Do help us by volunteering for one of these offices - Terms are for six months, except for GSR and Alternate which are 2-yrs. Please contact Jean W.'s CSO:226-2523... HELP US AND YOURSELF! Bill R.

ALAMO HEIGHTS GROUP - Big 19th ANNIVERSARY plans are underway for our October 13 Celebration at St. Luke's Episcopal Church, 11 St. Luke's Lane. Mucho food - fun - fellowship. Mark October 13 on your AA calendar - right NOW! Y'all Come. Winn M.

KERRVILLE VA HOSPITAL GROUP'S Meetings have been changed to Tuesdays at 6:30 PM. AA attendance and patient participation is way up. Administration & Staff seems more of AA's help. Come join us! Hal F.

GROUP NEWS - CONTINUED....

PRIDE GROUP - Meets at The Kerper House, 1639 W. Mistletoe - Open Discussion - on Mondays at 8:15 PM. MOTTO: PRIDE THROUGH SOBRIETY, and their Group's name was suggested by Willie A., a resident of Kerper House. Slate of Officers of this new AA Group is: Charlene D., GSR, Norman K., Alternate GSR, Marion B. Sec'y-Treasurer, Gladys H., Program Chairman, and L. L. H. Group Coordinator. Any person with the desire to stop drinking is welcome at the PRIDE GROUP. We need you. Norman K.

ALATEEN WORKS!

A panel - 3 boys and 3 girls - shared their experience, strength and hope with the Al-Anon Group on Monday morning, July 21. The achieved maturity of these young people through participation in the Alateen Program is most gratifying to those of us whose responsibility is to guide and support them in this program. We're looking forward to holding an OPEN ALATEEN meeting in the near future, with an invitation to everyone of you. Watch for announcement of date! Maymie H.

KERRVILLE GROUP - will celebrate their AA SILVER ANNIVERSARY with a BANQUET, August 2, at 6:30 PM - HOLIDAY INN - Speaker is Val C., Midland. Tickets \$4.00. Make reservations by calling (512) 896-9983.

HILL COUNTRY GROUP'S AA WEEKEND is moved up to Sunday, August 3, meeting at La Hacienda at 10:30 A. M. Speaker: Martin W., Austin. For overnight accommodations call (512) 238-4222, or George K. 344-4007. Hal

At GROUP 12's regular Friday night meeting on July 11, Guest Speaker was Raliegth D. ("Bake") B., a retired military officer who settled in West Germany after World War II and was instrumental in starting AA there. "Bake", who lives in Wiesbaden, told of his losing Battle of the Jug, and of making a decision to go to any lengths to get sober, "including giving up drinking." He stated the U. S. General Accounting Dep't reports there are 150,000 active alkiees in our Military Service, and of all AA meetings in Germany about 99% are military. 12th Stepping starts early there, as after about 3-months sobriety most of them are sent back to the States. "Don't be down in

the mouth if at first you do not believe in God," Bake admonished new AA members, "just say 'I'm a person of no faith,' and then work to acquire faith."

"14 people must recommend a man for membership in the Elks, but in AA nothing is needed but a desire to stop drinking," he said. "Reach out - not down - to help a fellow alcoholic," Bake told us, and in closing quoted Bill Wilson's last words at the Conference in Miami: "May God bless and keep you until we meet again."

THE NORTHWEST GROUP deeply regrets that, for lack of advance notice, many Area AAs missed a rare treat at our Monday night meeting at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church on July 7. Dr. John Norris, Special Chairman, GSO Board of Trustees, New York, told how 30-years ago he was introduced by an alcoholic patient to AA, and although not an alcoholic himself was so impressed that he soon became involved as a friend of AA. He knew many of the very first AA members, and gave details on a formulation of the 12 Traditions, particularly the 2nd Tradition.

Dr. Walter Lechler, Member of the Board of Trustees, West Germany Area, a native German, though he is not an alcoholic, told how important the principles of AA and his constant use of them had been to his public and private life. He was most impressed while attending the International Convention at the amount of laughter in American AA meetings. The enthusiasm and dedication of Dr. Lechler as well as Dr. Norris was an inspiration to all of us.

Both were introduced by Dr. Paul McDonough, formerly Director of the Air Force Alcoholism Program in Wiesbaden, Germany, now Director of LaHacienda Treatment Center, Hunt, Texas. Also present was his former Assistant in Germany, "Bake" B., presently Director of an Alcoholic Treatment Center in Wiesbaden. (See previous article. ed).

Our heartfelt thanks to Dr. McDonough and other AAs who persuaded our distinguished visitors to detour via San Antonio on their way home from the International Convention in Denver.

Bobbie S.

CENTRAL SERVICE OFFICE
FINANCIAL CORNER

GROUP	JUNE A/CUNT	TO DATE	GROUP	JUNE A/CUNT	TO DATE
Alamo Heights	\$ 15.00	\$ 90.00	Northwood	\$ 45.00	\$ 90.00
Audubon	10.00	60.00	Open Door	-0-	30.00
Amistad	3.00	7.00	Pilgrim	3.00	53.00
*Boerne	36.00	36.00	Portland	-0-	15.00
Brees	-0*	50.00	Reality	10.00	60.00
Bridge	10.00	60.00	Reliance	-0-	-0-
Broadway	-0-	50.00	Robstown	-0-	15.00
Downtown	-0-	20.00	St. Agnes	-0-	10.00
El Carmen	-0-	-0-	SASH	-0-	-0-
**Pt Sam Houston	-0-	55.00	Santa Fe	30.00	60.00
Frontier	20.00	120.00	Seguine	5.00	30.00
**Goliad	15.00	100.00	Serenity	5.00	30.00
Group 12	50.00	300.00	Sharing	-0-	-0-
*Guidance	-0-	-0-	STARR(intergroup)	44.62	226.40
Happy Hour	10.00	50.00	Stepping Stones	12.50	75.00
Harmony	-0-	-0-	Sunset	15.00	90.00
Highlands	20.00	120.00	The Haven	-0-	20.00
Hill Countryy	-0-	12.00	**Traditions	-0-	58.35
Hope	-0-	10.00	Trinity	-0-	20.00
Kerrville	12.00	72.00	Twenty-four Hour	-0-	22.50
Women's Serenity	6.00	36.00	Grupo Unidad	-0-	7.00
Killeen	6.00	18.00	Unity(Lonterrey)	20.00	40.00
**King William	-0-	20.00	Universal City	5.00	30.00
Laurel heights	5.00	65.00	Valley High	15.00	90.00
Lytle	-0-	-0-	**Villa Rosa	75.00	175.00
Grupo Montana	8.00	33.00	Wesley	-0-	10.00
Luling	-0-	6.00	Windcrest	30.00	160.00
New Braunfels	-0-	12.00	Woodlawn Heights	-0-	-0-
Northeast	20.00	70.00	VA Hospital	10.00	20.00
Northwest	25.00	150.00			

* Welcome to these new Groups to our AA community

** Contributions for purchase of the timeograph machine are not included in the above figures.

The Finance Committee Chairman thanks all groups for their continuous support. He requests that secretaries of their respective groups check to see if their group contributions are in accordance with the group conscience authorization. GSR help in this matter would also be appreciated.

CENTRAL OFFICES' PUNCH IS YOUR BUCK * OF * THE * MONTH

Many thanks to Gladys J., for helping cut stencils for this issue of the NIGHT CAP, and to all who contributed articles and fillers, etc. Also, thanks to Jeanne W., for writing up last month's issue while I was on vacation, and to Imogene U., and LaRee M., for assisting her with the mailing of it. ed.