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FIRST DELEGATES' REUNION

- FEB 13-16: 22nd National AA Women's Conference, Philadelphia, PA.
 - FEB 14-16: 24th Jamboree in El Paso; Roadway Inn, El Paso, TX.
 - FEB 14-16: 38th Quarterly Young People's Conference, Lake Whitney, TX.
 - FEB 21-23: 12th Asamblea Estatal Hispana de Texas, Dallas, TX.
 - FEB 28, MAR 1-2: 7th Annual All Texas Al-Anon Conference, San Antonio, TX.
 - MAR 7-9: 32nd Coastal Bend Jamboree, Corpus Christi, TX.
 - MAR 21-23: AA Spring Conference, Irving, TX.
 - JUN 26-29: Texas State AA Convention, San Antonio, TX.
- (For more information on the above, please contact the Central Service Office.)

The First Delegates' Reunion, which was held on January 17, 18, 19, in Arlington, Virginia, was attended by Elves S. He reports that the theme of the reunion was "Old Friends Sharing New Experiences." He said that he had a wonderful time and that 172 past delegates registered. They voted to meet in mid-January of each year and will meet in all nine regions before doubling back. The conference meetings will be unstructured and each city, where the reunion is held, will have a site-seeing trip.

Elves said that he was the only past delegate from our area to attend. One of the highlights of the reunion was that Tom W. gave a review of all General Service Conferences that have been held beginning with number one through number twenty-one.

The statement of purpose for this reunion was:

"A sharing experience from our common bond of experiences as Delegates to the General Service Conference.

The Delegates' Reunion--A meeting of old friends who have shared a unique experience--to relate experiences, strength, and hope since last we met--to generally celebrate our sobriety with those who have shared so much in it's enrichment.

Families do it--Old Grads do it--
Now Delegates do it!!!"

Elves also got to visit with Ed C., formerly of San Antonio. He is looking forward to attending the 1987 reunion which is to be held in Chicago.

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HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY!



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31ST ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

NEW GROUPS--NEW MEETINGS

The members of the PLEASANTON GROUP of Alcoholics Anonymous invite you to the 31st Anniversary of the found of their group to be held on SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22ND, at 8 p.m., in the Junior High Cafeteria in Pleasanton.

Wilson A. is the anniversary chairman and the speaker will be Aubrey W. from Austin.

Y'ALL COME FOR SOME GOOD OLD COUNTRY-STYLE AA!! Everyone is welcome!

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WINNERS CLUB
COUNTRY WESTERN VALENTINE'S
DANCE

On February 15th, from 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m., the Winners Club will have a Country Western Valentine's Dance.

Music will be by "Black Market" Band; cost is \$5.00 per person.

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SOUTHWEST AREA WORKSHOP

There will be a Southwest Area Workshop on February 1 and 2 (Saturday & Sunday) in Corpus Christi at the La Quinta Royale Motel on Water Street.

All GSRs and Alternates are urged to attend. (Sorry, we didn't have this information for the January issue.)

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TEXAS STATE AA CONVENTION NEWS

The first flyers for the State Convention to be held here in San Antonio, June 26-29, have been sent out. You should be receiving it any day--check with your group secretary or GSR.

The Convention Chairman says--please pre-register early to help us out!

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DILEMMA: (Version 1) My wife ran off with my sponsor and I really miss him!
(Version 2) My wife ran off with my sponsor--this Program really works if you'll let it!

New Group--for AA nurses, meets on Mondays at 8 p.m. in the Rectory of the Christ Lutheran Church, 6720 Broadway.

New Group--Open discussion. Name is Louis Pasteur Group and meets at 7342 Oak Manor, Suite 114C. Time: Noon, Monday through Friday. For more information call Sonny H. 341-3573.

New Group--for AA Hispanics (bilingual), meets on Tuesdays at 8:15 p.m. at the Unity Club, 3210 W. Commerce. Group name is La Vida Nueva and it is a Step Meeting. For more information call 432-9107.

New Group--(Near Boerne) is in the process of getting started. First meeting was held on Monday, January 20, at 11 a.m. at the Ranger Creek Club House. No name has been selected as yet. Baby-sitting service will be available. Ranger Creek is located just off of I-10 West, Johns Road Exit. For more information, call Barbara at 249-9251.

New Group--The Saturday Night Live AA Group is taking the place of the Weekend Winners Group, which has been deleted. This is a speaker's meeting, held on Saturdays at 8:15, at the Winners Club. GSR is Gary B.

New Meeting--for AA teenagers and young people will be held at 7 p.m. on Mondays. This new meeting is held at 120 West Ashby.

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MEETING CANCELLED: According to the Detox Staff, the Saturday, 8:15 p.m. meeting has been cancelled at that facility--1217 N. Frio & Poplar.

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In Memoriam

Max G. passed away in January. He was a member of Group 12 and will be missed.

TO THE FAMILIES AND FRIENDS, WE EXTEND SINCERE SYMPATHY AND OUR PRAYERS THAT THEIR BEREAVEMENT MAY BE TEMPERED BY REFLECTIVE THOUGHT UPON THE HAPPINESS SHARED.

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GSR Meeting Minutes

CENTRAL SERVICE OFFICE COMMITTEE MEETING
Club 12, January 19, 1986

The meeting was called to order at 7 p.m. by chairman, Donna T. New GSRs were introduced and are as follows: Charlie L., Hillcountry Road Runners, Boerne; Wayne B., Laurel Heights; Paula, Oblate; Barry B., Northwest Group; Bill W., Eisenhower Group; J. B., Alamo Heights Group. Rudy F., the new DCM for District 1F, was also introduced.

The minutes from the last meeting were read and approved. The Twelve Traditions were read.

Administrative Board reports were conducted by Dave S. and are as follows:

Financial: The need for the 60-30-10 plan was stressed to the GSRs. Hospitals and Institutions: Sylvia O. reported another institution has requested speakers--the SAMM Shelter.

In fact, many meetings are being requested. Any group that would like to carry the message by taking meetings can participate simply by contacting Sylvia O. personally, or by their GSR attending the monthly GSR meeting. Approximately 20 groups are trying to serve the hospitals and institutions in this area, when there are approximately 80 groups who could be growing spiritually in this endeavor. Public Information: It was reported in absentia for Terri McC. that a volunteer is needed to cover the media for the CSO. Editorial: It was reported that the coupon special will run again to increase visibility and viability in the AA community. Mailing: It was reported that mailing costs are, indeed, going up.

Notify the CSO of your change of address as it will cost the NIGHTCAP 25¢ each for returned copies. Penal: Don S. reported that a financial crisis is in progress due to the increase in coffee costs. Currently, it is costing about \$100 per month for coffee for 18 meetings a week. Don needs help. Groups were asked to contribute either by placing a can on the table or passing the basket a second time. Contributions collected can be sent to Don at Substance Abuse Program, 218 S. Laredo, San Antonio, or sent to the Central Service Office, or brought to the monthly GSR meeting. Don, also needs used GRAPEVINES; hard cover books cannot be used due to security reasons.

Old Business: Resolved.

New Business: The Administrative Board has voted to send \$25 per month for 3 months to the SAMM Shelter for literature acquisitions. The new AA meeting directories are available at CSO.

DCM Reports:

- 1A--Bob B. present, no report.
- 1B--Absent, no report.
- 1C--Fred D. present, no report.
- 1D--Fred D. present, no report.
- 1E--Jim present, no report.
- 1F--Rudy F. reported a new Step meeting is starting up.

FEBRUARY AFTER-HOURS TELEPHONE ANSWERING SERVICE

Feb. 03-10: Lambda Group Feb. 11-17: Eisenhower Group
Feb. 18-24: Barefoot NonSmokers Group Feb 25-Mar 3: Oblate Group

FEBRUARY HOSPITALS AND INSTITUTIONS MEETINGS

State Chest Hospital--District 1E Haven--Valley Hi Group
House of Yuki--Northwest Group State Hospital--Southside & Smooth Sailing Groups
Monday Detox--Unity Group Thursday Detox--Abundance Happy Hour Group
Saturday Detox--Goliad Group Casa del Sol--Santa Fe Group
Calvation Army--Barefoot NonSmokers Group Brookwood--Laurel Heights Group
AC--Alamo Heights Group SAMM Shelter--Lambda Group
Horizon--Freedom Group

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m. Respectfully submitted, Denny K., Secretary

The following letter was received and is quoted below:

"Editor: Regarding the recent quotes in the Nightcap concerning nonalcoholics and AA membership: Does our region have a problem in this area? If we do not, I think it is a very unfriendly sort of thing to be making the argument that nonalcoholic addicts should not be allowed to have AA membership.

"I doubt the wisdom of preaching about the issue. Some people have mentioned in my presence that it makes them wonder if they are welcome because they are dually-addicted and originally denied their alcoholism.

"I am one of the many members who would still be drinking if it had been required that I recognize my alcoholism when I attended my first meetings. (signed, John S.)

Dear John: Apparently there is a problem regarding this, hence, the article published in the November issue from AA World Services, Inc., pamphlet entitled "Information on AA." To quote a sentence from this article, "Dually or multiply addicted people are eligible for AA membership only if one of their addictions is to alcohol." Also, the Third Tradition, "The only requirement for AA membership is a desire to stop drinking" was pointed out to me at my very first meeting. In nearly every prologue (if not every) it is stated that the only requirement for membership is a desire to stop drinking (it does not say to stop pilling out or shooting up).

There is a great tape in the Central Office Library by Larry K. from Oklahoma, that was made at the Saturday AA in SA 1984 get-together. I think you would enjoy and get a real good explanation regarding dually-addicted AA members from this tape.

Thanks for your letter, John, will be looking forward to hearing from you again.

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NEW ITEM AT CENTRAL SERVICE OFFICE

Gold plated AA Anniversary Medallions are now available, by SPECIAL ORDER ONLY, for \$8.00 each. Contact Janis for more information regarding these.

The folks at the 24-Hour Group say they are having a hard time meeting basic expenses because of low attendance and support. In fact they are threatened with having to close the place down. Let's rally to keep the 24-Hour Group open so it may continue to carry the message to the alcoholic who still suffers.

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STAFF CHANGES AT CENTRAL OFFICE

Richard P. has left CSO for a slightly more lucrative position! He is greatly missed! Filling his 20-hour per week shift is Alice C., already a CSO employee (the "bubbly one" among us at CSO, as one visitor to the office put it).

The new face at Central Service Office is that of Steve S., a guitar-pickin', song-writin' AA fellow who also has a "real" job making semi-conductors on the midnight shift. His AA homes are the Goliad Group and the Winners Club. Steve fills Alice's previous 13-hour-per-week shift.

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Our Ailing Friends

George B., from the Brookwood Group, has been hospitalized for surgery.

Bob W., from Group 12, is home from the hospital as of January 21, and is doing well. Bob had triple-bypass surgery.

Let's all say some extra prayers for George and Bob.

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SAN JOSE RETREAT

A Retreat will be held for AA and Al-Anon women on May 16, 17, and 18, 1986, at 127 Oblate, San Antonio. The retreat will begin on Friday at 7 p.m. and end on Sunday at 1 p.m.

Cost is \$50.00 per person--\$20 for registration and \$30 for lodging; dress will be casual.

For more information, please call 349-4170

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February Birthdays

(These are the ones reported to CSO by various AA Groups-- if yours isn't here, and should be, complain to your Group Secretary!)

40 Years

Arthur C.

34 Years

Sunny M.

30 Years

Nina R.

29 Years

Woody B.

Glen W.

Jim W.

28 Years

Dennis B.

26 Years

Roberta M.

25 Years

John C.

Bill C.

24 Years

Bud A.

23 Years

Dorothy C.

22 Years

Chester A.

19 Years

Garnet I.

18 Years

Sue C.

17 Years

Rodger W.

16 Years

George B.

A. J. F.

14 Years

Vivian C.

Herbert P.

13 Years

Trinidad S.

11 Years

Tommie D.

J. Lawton S.

Jim W.

Mary W.

10 Years

Darlene B.

Jay D.

9 Years

Richard B.

Mary Y.

8 Years

David B.

Tom H.

Carol M.

John Q.

Patti T.

7 Years

Susan C.

Rivas

William W.

6 Years

Stephen M.

5 Years

James T.

4 Years

Beverly A.

Karen H.

Jerry L.

Jake P.

Antonio S.

3 Years

Larry C.

J. D. F.

Arn G.

Katie H.

Robert J.

Ray S.

H. R. S.

Ned T.

Deborah W.

2 Years

Mary B.

Marydean B.

Gene F.

George H.

Rod K.

Valerie M.

Mary Ruth

Tonia M.

Rusty M.

Paul N.

Judy R.

H. R. S.

Bill T.

Christopher T.

Mary Lee V.

1 Year

Di C.

Claire C.

Elmo G.

Bonnie K.

Robert M.

David M.

Michael M.

Chris M.

David O.

Ben P.

Arlene S.



Happy Birthday

Feliz Cumpleaños

CONGRATULATIONS

TO YOU ALL!

Your Central Service Office sells all kinds of appropriate items to give as birthday gifts.

Birthday Cards, Medallions, Keychains, Big Books, and many other items. Come by today and pick up an AA present for your AA Birthday friends!

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February is the month of LOVE; remember that we don't have to like everyone in AA, but we do have to LOVE them!

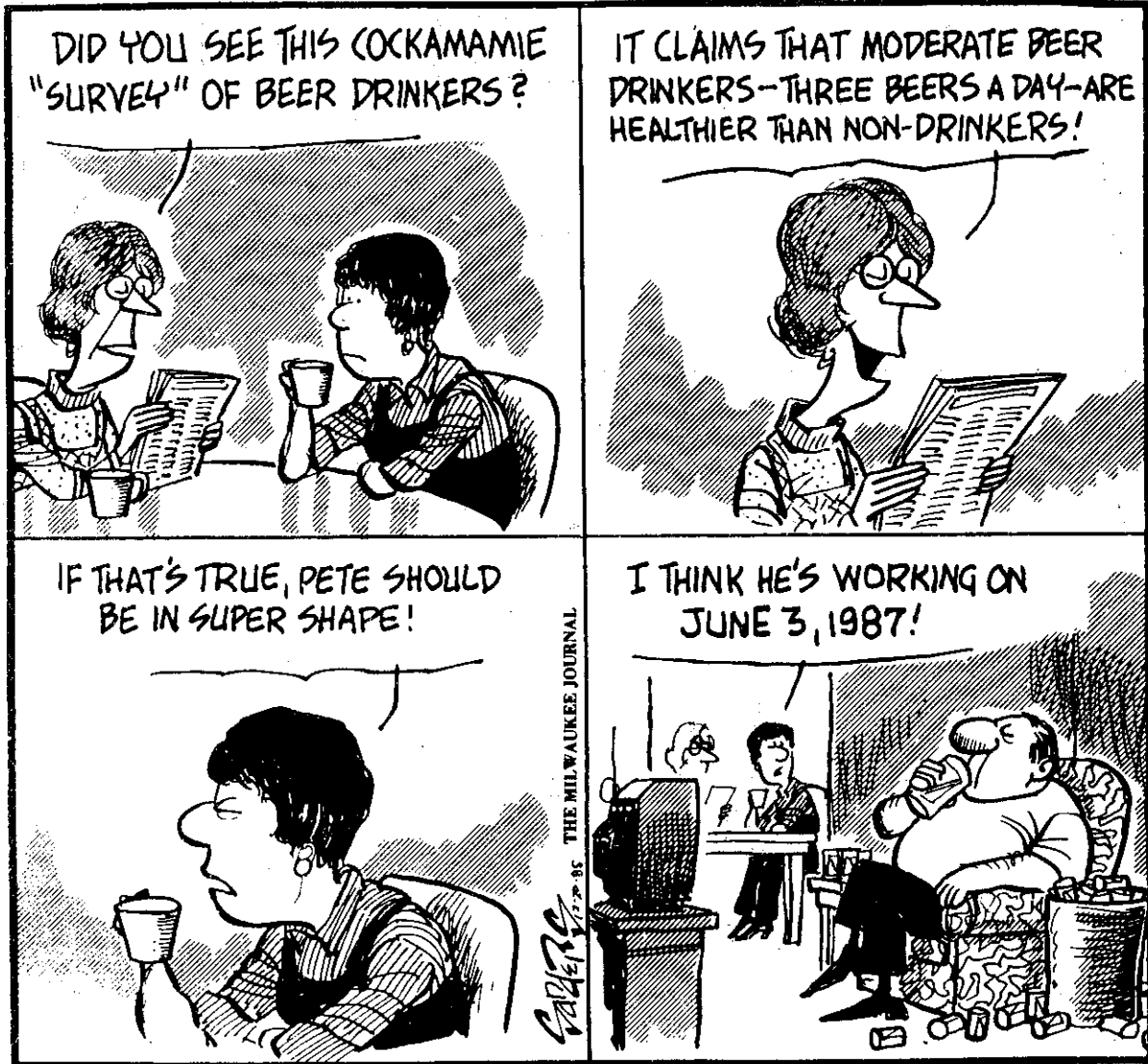
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PLEASE REMEMBER TO REPORT MARCH BIRTHDAYS TO THE NIGHTCAP BY FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 21!

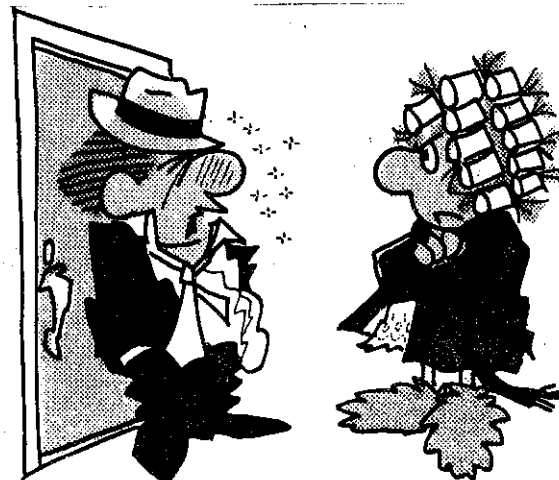
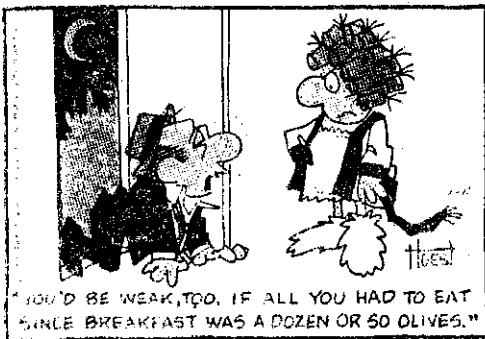
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APOLOGIES TO COLONIAL HILLS
The Monday, 8:15 p.m. "Over 50" open meeting was inadvertently left out of the new directory! Please accept our apologies--
CSO Staff

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THE LOCKHORNS



"RESPECT FOR YOUR LOFTY SPIRITUAL NATURE PRECLUDES MY RECOUNTING THE SORDID DETAILS OF MY EVENING'S REVELS."

FEBRUARY 1986

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>JANUARY 1986</p> <p>S M T W T F S</p> <p>1 2 3 4</p> <p>5 6 7 8 9 10 11</p> <p>12 13 14 15 16 17 18</p> <p>19 20 21 22 23 24 25</p> <p>26 27 28 29 30 31</p>	<p>MARCH 1986</p> <p>S M T W T F S</p> <p>1</p> <p>2 3 4 5 6 7 8</p> <p>9 10 11 12 13 14 15</p> <p>16 17 18 19 20 21 22</p> <p>23 24 25 26 27 28 29</p> <p>30 31</p>					<p>1</p> <p>Starlite Birthdays</p>
2	3	4	5 Bluel Oak Cover- ed Dish--7 p.m.; speakers at 8:15	6	7	8 Unity Club Games Night
9	10	11 CSO Admin. Board meeting 7 p.m.	12 ASH WEDNESDAY LINCOLN'S BIRTHDAY	13	14 VALENTINES DAY	15 District 10 Breakfast Valentine's Dance at Winners Club
16 GSR Meeting, Club 12, 7 p.m.	17 WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY (Observed)	18	19	20	21 DEADLINE DATE FOR MARCH NIGHTCAP	22 Club 12 Games Night; Winners Club Birthdays; Lambda Potluck pleasanton's 31st Anniversary
23 24-Hour Club Dinner	24 Alamo Group and Alamo Heights Group Birthdays	25 Marymont, Valley- Hi, Windcrest Grps Birthdays; Potluck at Marymont	26 Park North, North- wood, 24-Hour Grps Birthdays	27 North San Pedro Group Birthdays	28 Downtown, Freedom, Southwest Loop, Colonies North, & Group 12 Birthdays Brookhollow Birthdays	

GROUP CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED DEC 31, 1985-JAN 27, 1986

<u>GROUP</u>	<u>DISTRICT 1A</u>	<u>MO</u>	<u>YTD</u>
W ABUNDANCE HAPPY HR		197.50	197.50
W FRI-SAT NIGHT OWLS		41.35	41.35
W GENERIC		34.00	34.00
W MOBUD BIG BOOK		9.25	9.25
W MOBUD ROUND TABLE		11.85	11.85
W MORNING AFTER		89.00	89.00
W SIESTA LADIES		10.00	10.00

MANY THANKS TO THOSE INDIVIDUAL SUPPORTING MEMBERS WHO DONATED DURING THE MONTH OF JANUARY:

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 Myrl H.
 Howard F.
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 K. O. P.
 Ellis W., Jr.
 Arthur C.
 Raul M.
 Alec G.
 Roger W.
 Judith R.

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AUDUBON		25.00	25.00
BANDERA		49.20	49.20
CALLAGHAN ROAD		60.00	60.00
COLONIAL HILLS		50.00	50.00
COLONIES NORTH		21.25	21.25
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TWELVE		120.00	120.00

DISTRICT 1C

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