



# The Nightcap

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**Thank You, San Antonio!!**  
**CONVENTION REPORT '99**  
**Weekend in SA with AA**  
Attendance: 1509 Approximately  
Scholarships will be calculated soon.  
Dollar amount is undetermined at this time-between \$10,000-\$11,000. Amount will be reported at the next board meeting.  
**IMPORTANT MESSAGE...**  
The Convention Committee wants to thank everyone who participated in the convention, and a special thank you to all the hard working chairmen and the committees. The various group contributions, workers; as well as food contributions was tremendous. The convention would not be a success without the support of all the groups in the metropolitan San Antonio area. It was a privilege to be allowed to serve as the Convention Chairperson for 1999, and I want to thank everyone involved along the way.....THANKS.....Tomi BA

**COMMUNITY GROUP - Sunday, June 27th,** bring a covered dish and a friend! Enjoy a candlelight meeting at 8 pm. 1300 Wiltshire-St. David's Episcopal Church.

**A Great Big Thank You to the Goliad!**  
The Goliad raffled CSO T-shirts before the convention. They did a fantastic job and it was a big help!!

**2nd Annual**  
**4th of July**  
**Sobriety Fest**  
in support of District 18  
**FUN-FOOD-MUSIC**  
**Begins at 3 pm**  
**7431 S Presa**  
**Donation: \$5.00**  
**Dance: featuring Randy Garibay and Cats Don't Sleep. Speaker: Sam K.**  
**Bring your own chairs.**  
**See map on pg 5**

**36th ANNIVERSARY**  
of the **Frontier Group** at the **ARC**  
**Sunday, June 27th, the FRONTIER GROUP** meeting at 10290 Southton Rd., will celebrate this anniversary with a **meeting at 11 am, fun & games, barbecue, and a raffle for \$500. cash and an autographed Spurs basketball.** Raffle tickets are \$1.00. A \$5.00 bill will get you in & get you fed. Whata deal!! For more info or specific directions **call: 633-0201...Come out and kick up your sober heels!!**

**BRIDGING THE GAP**  
**CONFERENCE 1999**  
**Sept 3-4-5**  
**Labor Day Weekend**  
at the  
**Four Points Hotel**  
in downtown San Antonio  
*(old Tropicana behind the Mun. Auditorium)*  
Anyone interested in helping out with this convention is welcome! If you wish, call the chairperson that is listed on page 5 in the area you want to volunteer. **More info next month.**

See pg 5 for **Bridging the Gap Chairpersons** also map to **4th of July Sobriety Fest**

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**COR Meeting -- Minutes (05/16/99)**

**Opening:** David opened with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer. Charles read the Twelve Traditions. Ronnie read the COR Guidelines. The sign-in sheet was passed around. No new CORs present. Beth made motion to accept minutes from the last COR meeting as printed in the Nightcap. Seconded by Burton. Motion carried.

**Convention Report:** Tomi not present, so report given by Virginia. The convention went well. The final numbers will not be in until next month, but there were over 1500 registered (not yet known how many of those were scholarships). All the bills are not yet paid, so the net profit figures will be given next month. No major complaints about the new facilities, except Charles mentioned that several people thought the handicapped access was inadequate. David commented that we reached out to the hearing-impaired community by having speakers translated. Overall, it was a very successful convention and the new facilities seemed to work well.

**Financial Report:** Wayne not present, so report given by David. Expenses for April were up and total deposits down because of the inventory increase and other purchases made for the convention. The income from these expenses will not be posted until May, so although there appears to be a large loss this month, it will be balanced out next month by a large increase in income. There was over \$3800 in sales at the convention, not counting money directly realized by the convention itself. David noted that the months before, during and after a convention usually have lower group contributions and he asked the groups to please remember the Seventh Tradition year round. Mike asked about last year's end of year net profit figures being within a dollar of the budget. David said it was, and that is good since we're a non-profit organization and want a net income of zero at the end of the year. Both total assets and total liabilities are down, but that will change after the convention money comes in next month.

**The Nightcap Committee Report:** Bill reported that the convention was successful for his committee and he had a lot of help with the Nightcap booth. They sold 43 subscriptions at the convention. Since its formation, his committee has sold over 100 subscriptions. Virginia noted that the Nightcap is like our local AA bulletin board and is a useful way to spread around information about local AA events such as anniversary parties, workshops, etc. It only cost \$3/year (25 cents an issue). The cut off date to get information into the next issue of the Nightcap is the 20th of each month. Bill said they planned to have subscription tables at upcoming events at Club 12 and Goliad.

**Telephone Service Committee (TSC) Report:** Kim reported that the new telephone service packets are available. The convention went well. We did phone duty from our booth at the convention and had a good location. We were able to give out information and signed up a few people. The CSO now has a TTY machine which is a modem-like typewriter that will allow us to communicate with hearing-impaired callers. It will be installed and more information will be available on it by next month. Most large cities now have TTY access at their Central Service Offices. May (especially Memorial Day Weekend) and June calendars were passed around. CORs were reminded that signing up for a timeslot or slots means that YOU are responsible to see that the slots you take are filled. If they are not filled, the phone duty falls back to the person who signed up for them. We have a special need for volunteers over the summer months since many people will be on vacation, including some of the regulars and backup volunteers. Please announce to your groups that we have a very real need for volunteers over the summers filling all time slots, especially weekends! Anyone wanting to volunteer to answer the after-hours AA phone can call Kim at 522-0488. We also need more volunteers to be on the Twelfth Step List because the call-down has reduced it quite a bit. Flyers were available on the table with information about being on the Twelfth Step Volunteer list. Anyone wanting to get on this list can call CSO or Kim.

**Old Business:** David reminded us that all Board members now have a listing of every mailing label for all Nightcaps mailed each month so if you did not get yours, we can check your address for you with our lists. David asked if anyone present did not receive their Nightcap this month. No one missed their copy. David noted that when a Nightcap is returned to us because of a bad address, it costs about four times what it cost to mail it out.

**New Business:** Bill noted the low COR attendance at this meeting and asked what might be done to increase COR participation. Beth asked if a call could be made to each COR on the list to remind them of the COR meetings. Burton volunteered to help with these calls. Kim suggested forming a committee to make calls and David suggested calling it the COR Participation Committee. Beth and Burton will co-chair. Kim also suggested having a category in the COR minutes each month listing every COR and their group to let groups know if they were represented at the meeting and to indicate how few CORs are actually participating and making decisions for the entire area. Everyone agreed and this category will now be a part of the minutes. Victor asked about informing the GSR meetings and David answered by saying he does that with his liaison report to the GSRs each month.

**Announcements:** Beth announced that Club 12 is having a dance on the 22nd (Saturday) with a small door charge. There will be a free dance after birthday night at Club 12 on the 28th (Saturday).

**Closing:** David passed the hat. Motion to adjourn made by Charles and seconded by Beth. Motion carried.

**Attendance:**

**CORs:** (7) Charles W (Freedom), Burton C (Colonies North), Louann S (Women's Big Book Study), Beth A (Abundance Happy Hour), Victor R (Fresh Start), Mike G (Oak Hills), Mike G (Ft. Sam Houston)

**Board Members:** (5) David W, Bill H, Virginia B, Ronnie R, Kim C

**Visitors:** none

**Submitted by:** Kim C



**COULD BE ALCHOLIC?**

I listened too quickly. People were still talking when I was finished listening.

I would go to a bar for one drink, and when it came time to order the second, I honestly believed I had just changed my mind..... MAYBE.

**GROUP CHANGES, NEW GROUPS & MORE**

ONE DAY AT A TIME GROUP that met in Devine, Tx on Tuesdays on Briscoe Ave has folded.

PECAN GROVE GROUP (Schertz, Tx) has a new open discussion meeting on Saturdays at 7pm. No Smoking.

FAMILY GROUP is a new group that meets in the portable building in the parking lot of Coker United Methodist Church, 231 East North Loop Road. Tuesdays at 7pm, open discussion, no smoking and wheel chair accessible. For more information, call 599-7270.

For the first year I thought the first three Steps were:  
Get in the car, sit over there, and shut up.

**Things We Cannot Change**

**"RAY" T.**

Clinton "Ray" T., loving husband, father, sponsor and friend passed away Sunday, May 2, 1999. He was 73 years young.

Native Texan, WWII Veteran, firmly believed the only two road blocks to heaven are standing in the way of another's spiritual growth or your own.

He is survived by his loving wife, Sharon, who worked with him for all the years he spent founding and attending the Freedom Group of A.A.

Many, many of us who looked to Ray for guidance, direction and friendship already miss him greatly. We will all have to work somewhat harder to fill the void in our fellowship created by Ray T.'s leaving this world.

**H & I MEETINGS - JUN 1999**

MONDAY			
8pm	O-Disc	Patrician Movement 222 E Mitchell	Marymont
7pm	O-Disc	Drug & Alcohol Center 10975-A Applewhite Rd Zero Tolerance Unit	Goliad
7:30pm	O-Disc	Juvenile Center Bexar County 3621 Farm Road	Open
TUESDAY			
8:15pm	O-Disc	Alpha Home 419 E Magnolia Rubel Center	Freedom
8pm	O-Disc	Salvation Army 1324 S Flores	Twelve
8pm	O-Disc	Community Hospital 8026 Floyd Curl	Colonies North & Fort Sam
7pm	O-Disc	Laurel Ridge 1604 @ Redland Rd Ask for F.A.O.	District 16
WEDNESDAY			
8pm	O-Disc	Baptist Hospital 111 Dallas St 5th Floor--Room 5A	Serendipity
7pm	O-Disc	Drug & Alcohol Center (DAC) 10975-A Applewhite Rd	Men Women SW Loop Open

THURSDAY			
8:15pm	O-Disc	V.A. Hospital 7400 Merton Minter	Committee Member
8pm	O-Disc	Women at the Well 221 Post	Open
8pm	O-Disc	Community Hospital 8026 Floyd Curl	Oblate
7pm	O-Disc	Laurel Ridge 1604 @ Redland Rd Ask for F.A.O.	District 16
SATURDAY			
8:15pm	O-Spk	ARC 10290 Southton Road	Fresh Start
3pm	O-Disc	Patrician Movement 222 E Mitchell	New Life
		(Detox)	

**DAC & Zero Tolerance: Photo I.D. required. Nothing "in" or "out" (Letters, cards, etc.) Proper attire required. Big Book is permitted.**

SHAWN S. - H & I CHAIRMAN - 308-1050  
The H & I Committee holds its regular meetings on the 2nd Saturday of each month at the SERENDIPITY GROUP, 10929 Nacogdoches #5.

Sobriety  
is like  
Magic

**ONLY  
BETTER!**



More ways to carry the message.....  
CSO has received a donation of a

**TTY Machine.**

This machine is a text telephone for the deaf and hearing impaired. It will be connected to the FAX line. The FAX line has the least traffic and calls can be readily received.

The FAX # is 822-4491

# Happy June Birthdays!

**1 YEAR**  
 Lou B  
 Connie C  
 Chris F  
 Mary Jo L  
 Shar L  
 Anita Z M  
 Don H  
 Sherry B  
 Thomas T  
 Ricky C

**2 YEARS**  
 Bill A  
 Stephanie C  
 Nick F  
 Alvin F  
 Carolyn M  
 John R  
 Rose T  
 Tony V  
 Leska H  
 Veronica B

**3 YEARS**  
 Maria D  
 Brian G  
 John H  
 P J J  
 Rodney P  
 Chase R  
 Michael S  
 Bronwyn B  
 Jeff D  
 Jim E  
 Kelli S  
 Doug D

**4 YEARS**  
 Pam M  
 Gilbert N  
 Cinda T  
 Doug L  
 Robin K  
 Mike S

**5 YEARS**  
 Tracy E  
 Laura V  
 Billy W  
 David B

**6 YEARS**  
 Victor F  
 Joe McF  
 Curtis D  
 Carmen R

**7 YEARS**  
 Greg M  
 Rose R

**7 YEARS**  
 Paul R

**8 YEARS**  
 Tracy B  
 Rene C  
 Leeda R

**9 YEARS**  
 Roy B  
 Max M  
 Debbie W

**10 YEARS**  
 Jeanne W

**12 YEARS**  
 Pablo L

**19 YEARS**  
 Mike G  
 John P

**21 YEARS**  
 Jim R

**24 YEARS**  
 Henrietta

**27 YEARS**  
 Klaus D

**29 YEARS**  
 Bill St J  
 Maye A  
 Elaine B

**31 YEARS**  
 Willie R

**35 YEARS**  
 Joan L

**41 YEARS**  
 Abel G

**45 YEARS**  
 Mayme Lou B

**53 YEARS**  
 Cal F



## Laws of Love to Celebrate Anytime (or Move Over Murphy!)

1. If something can go right, It will.
2. Nothing is too good to be true. Only what is good is true.
3. Ease is more effective than struggle.
4. Love is the Law that always works.
5. You are safe now. Danger seems real only in the past and future.
6. Asking for what you want increases your chance of getting it.
7. Idols always fall on those who worship them.
8. No door closes without a wider one opening.
9. Death is but a shadow. Life just keeps finding new and more joyful forms to express itself.
10. Life is good, and it only gets better.

*Don't drink.  
 Clean house.  
 Trust God.*

## Survival Plan for Sobriety

- \* Stay away from that first drink
- \* Get and use a sponsor
- \* Remember where you came from
- \* Call AA friends often
- \* Include God in your life every day
- \* Go to lots of AA meetings
- \* Allow others the right to be wrong
- \* Learn something new about yourself everyday
- \* Be grateful for what you have
- \* Never pass up a chance to grow
- \* Keep an open mind
- \* Remember your priorities & put sobriety first
- \* Hang around positive thinking people
- \* Open your heart & eyes to negative people
- \* Be a friend to yourself as well as others
- \* Remain positive in attitude and behavior
- \* Keep the AA steps and principles in your life daily
- \* Extend your hand to those who need it
- \* Tend to your own inventory, not others



Ooops! Happy Belated Birthday in May to Lisa L.

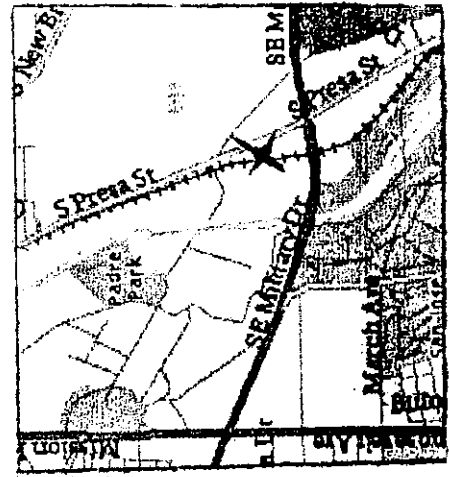
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**BRIDGING THE GAP  
COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS**

Committee	Chairperson	Phone
Coffee	Mike McM	805-8919
Lights/Sound Dance	David A	494-9667
Hotel Coordinator	Rod B	830-866-3652
Decorations	Liz L	490-3442
Silent Auction	David J	824-4628
Greeters	Mary E	534-8717
		work-736-1900x458
	Bill J	657-3191
Group 12 Sales	Madonna	494-7032
Workshops/Marathon	Raymond F	348-9787
Meetings	Francesca	494-8050
Hospitality	Teri/Tracy	738-8286
Registration	Irene/Mary	340-7084
Group Visitation	John S	694-2982
Gift Baskets	Kathy W	496-5993
Voice	Alfred C	566-2789
CSO Sales	Mary H	521-5481
Treasurer	Donna D	824-8611
Chairperson	Rene Z	824-8611

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**Map to 4th of July Sobriety Fest**



If you would like to serve on a committee; contact the appropriate chairperson listed above. More info in the next *Nightcap*.

Job or no job, wife or no wife - here's the deal! Pay your subscription to "The Nightcap" monthly newsletter, and I'll drop the other charges!



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**Central Service Office  
8804 Tradeway  
San Antonio, TX  
78217**



**SAN ANTONIO METROPOLITAN SERVICE ORGANIZATION  
MINUTES OF THE MAY 16, 1999 MEETING**

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**In attendance:**

District 1 A DCM - Ed D.	District 16 DCM - Glenn C. (Secretary)
District 17 DCM - John S. (Chairman)	District 18 DCM - Gil C.
District 19 DCM - Mary Lynn H. (Treasurer)	SAMSO Liaison to Central Service Office - Lynne G.
Hospitals / Institutions Chair - Shawn S.	Central Service Office Liaison to SAMSO - David W.
Cooperation with Professional Community / Public Information Chair - Lin P.	
Grapevine Chair - Mary S.	

**Absent:**

Archives Chair - Mark R.	Corrections Chair - Oscar L.
District 1 E DCM - Ed K.	District 1 F DCM - Joe G.

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Meeting called to order by John S. at 6:30 PM with Moment of Silence and Serenity Prayer.

Liddy S. read the Concepts. New GSR's: Jim of Southside Group, Able of Downtown Group, and Liddy S. of Marymont Group. New DCM's: (None.)

**Announcements:** (None.)

**Central Service Office Liaison to SAMSO - David W.** - A *Nightcap* Committee has been formed, and sold (43) forth-three subscriptions at Weekend in SA. Made note that it is only \$3.00 per year, or .25 cents per month. Had only 5 or 6 Central Office Representatives (CORs) show up at their meeting which was held just prior to the SAMSO Meeting, and this is a very poor turnout considering the number of Groups in San Antonio. The *Nightcap* will have an attendance record of the CORs representing their Groups. The Central Service Office now has a TTY machine for use by the deaf and hearing impaired. Rough estimates for Weekend in SA: 1500 + attended; Sold \$3800 + in supplies and literature; \$10,000 + net proceeds. Final figures will be provided later. Kim C. Telephone Service Committee - With vacations occurring, will need people for telephone duty for the months of June, July, August. Please call her at 522-0488.

**SAMSO Liaison to Central Service Office - Lynne G.** - Many are concerned with the number of "scholarships" versus paid attendees at Weekend in SA. There also seems to be a number of those who still do not understand that this is a Conference, and not just an AA Meeting. It is a fund raiser for the Central Service Office.

Made note that just as the Central Service Office does not supply or sell *The Little Red Big Book* (which contains the first 164 pages of the Big Book) because it is published by an outside entity, competes with the "AA Approved" publication of the 'Big Book,' and, thereby, causes harm to the self support concept of AA as a whole, in keeping with the Traditions the CSO Board voted to no longer sell the book, *A New Pair of Glasses*, as it has now also been revised to attach a copy of the first 164 pages of the 'Big Book' (*Alcoholics Anonymous*). They have an address for individual orders.

**Chairman's Report:** John S. reminded all present to please try to register early for the SWTA Summer Workshop in Corpus Christi (1-800-465-4329), and for the Winter Assembly at South Padre Island (1-800-531-7405) as the meeting rooms are negotiable based upon the number of registrations. Glenn C. has provided additional fliers with detailed maps for the South Padre Island location on the table.

**Secretary's Report - Glenn C.** - Asked for a motion to approve the minutes as printed in the *Nightcap*. Shawn S. made the motion; seconded by Lynne G. All approved. He asked that all please pick up the fliers for the District 12 Workshop which will be held on June 26<sup>TH</sup> from 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM at Mansfield Park in Bandera, and urged all who could to attend as they have done a lot of work in putting it all together, and it should be a great Workshop.

Made mention that there had been some confusion with the reservations being made for Corpus Christi as some had been told that they had no more rooms, and some were told that they only had one or two rooms left. Email inquiries were made to Area Officers and DCMs in Corpus as to the status, and it was found that there ARE still rooms available, but please make your reservations early as this may change.

**Treasurer's Report - Mary Lynn H.** - Copies of the Treasurer's report through May 16<sup>TH</sup> were made available on table. Donations \$216.76 - Expenses \$332.32 - Balance \$3591.24. Motion by Lynne G. and seconded by David W. to approve report. All approved. Said that she had reconciled the \$184.00 + account at CSO, but asked that receipts for any future charges be brought to her.

**Archives - (Mark R. - Not Present - No Report)**

**Correctional Facilities - (Oscar L. - Not Present - No Report)**

**Grapevine - Mary S. -** Had a table at AA in SA which went well. New York is supposed to call her back to straighten out our Grapevine subscriptions, but Myra has not been there to do it. They hold their meetings at Earl Ables on the third Friday of each month.

**Hospitals / Institutions - Shawn S. -** Reported that all but (4) four of the service slots had been filled prior to the meeting. Read the list of service slots, and then indicated the openings. All but (2) were filled. He will be calling the GSRs to fill any open slots.

The problem with Laurel Ridge Hospital not having patients show up when a meeting is taken to their facility is being addressed by asking them to call prior to 3:00 PM to notify if they will have persons in attendance that evening. He has obtained a case of Big Books to begin setting up libraries for facilities. They hold their regular meetings at the Serendipity Group, 10929 Nacogdoches #5, on the second Saturday of each month at 2:00 PM.

**Cooperation with Professional Community / Public Information Chair - Lin P. -** A flier of this month's CPC/PI activities is provided on the table. They hold their meetings on the 2<sup>ND</sup> Wednesday of the month at Jim's at Blanco and Loop 410.

On (Wednesday) June 2<sup>ND</sup> through (Friday) 4<sup>TH</sup> there will be the 57<sup>TH</sup> Annual United States / Mexico Health Association Convention at the Four Points Sheraton Hotel in downtown San Antonio. The General Service Office (New York) will be sending us the booth and literature to cover this event. Glenn C. has been helping to coordinate covering this event, and has been in contact with Joe G., DCM 1F, for assistance from the Spanish speaking District's CPC Committee. Volunteers can reach him at 342-2330.

The first 1000 letters of the mass mail out have gone out to the legal community. We have received no responses yet. There were concerns expressed, and discussion as to prolonging the remainder of the mailings until the Fall of the year due to people going on vacations. Motion made by Lynne G. and seconded by David W. to hold all future mailings until September. **Vote: 16 FOR - 6 AGAINST.** Gil C., DCM 18, expressed the points that these are professional people who take their vacations at various times of the year, and that we might incur further expenses with the bulk mailer having to place these items on hold. Liddy S. called for a point of order, asking if we had not already had discussion and voted upon this. Glenn C. pointed out that the Concepts express that we need to hear the Minority Opinion fully, and that if anyone after having heard the Minority Opinion who had voted in favor of the last motion would now change their vote, that another vote ought to be taken. The question was called, and (3) three people raised their hands indicating that they would now change their vote. **New Vote: 9 FOR - 13 AGAINST.** The mailing will continue as previously approved and scheduled.

**District 1 A - Ed D. -** Nothing to report.

**District 1 E - Ed K. -** (Not Present - No Report)

**District 1 F - Joe G. -** (Not Present - No Report)

**District 16 - Glenn C. -** June 19<sup>TH</sup> Group 12 will be holding a workshop. District Workshop on Saturday, September 11<sup>TH</sup> from 1:00 - 4:30 PM at Club 12. Fliers on the table.

**District 17 - John S. -** Nothing to report.

**District 18 - Gil C. -** Goliad Group Sobriety Fest flier is on the table. Nothing else to report.

**District 19 - Mary Lynn H. -** Community Group covered dish dinner flier is on the table. Nothing else to report.

**Old Business -** (None.)

**New Business -**

**Jack F.,** GSR, announced the Anniversary celebration of the New Life Group to be held on June 13<sup>TH</sup> at 8:00 PM at St. Patricks Catholic Church in the Community Center, 1114 Willow (at New Braunfels).

**Glenn C.** reported that the Austin Groups had approved of the multi-district Fun Day - Workshop to be held in early August in New Braunfels. The DCMs will be getting together to formulate ideas, location, events, etc. and will report back later.

**St Patrick;s Catholic  
Church. I**

**Adjourned -** 7:30 PM with the Lord's Prayer

**Respectfully Submitted:**

**Glenn C. - SAMSO Secretary**

These minutes has been reproduced exactly  
as received at CSO.  
They are not approved.

# June 1999

## Monthly Planner

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday						
<p><b>TURN IT OVER!</b></p>		1	2 7:00 PM CFC mtg Club 12	3 Birthdays- Goliad	4  <table border="1"> <tr><td>TX STATE</td></tr> <tr><td>CONVENTION</td></tr> <tr><td>DALLAS, TX</td></tr> </table>	TX STATE	CONVENTION	DALLAS, TX	5  <table border="1"> <tr><td>TX STATE</td></tr> <tr><td>CONVENTION</td></tr> <tr><td>DALLAS, TX</td></tr> </table>	TX STATE	CONVENTION	DALLAS, TX
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13	14 Birthdays- Goliad	15	16 5:30 PM CSO Board Mtg	17 Birthdays- Goliad & Devine Dist 19 mtg St Davids Church	18 7:30 AM Grap- evine Mtg Earl Abels	19						
20 5:00 PM Dist 17 mtg Jim's 410 & Bandera Dist 1A & 16 mtg St Andrews	21 Birthdays- Goliad  NIGHTCAP DEADLINE	22	23	24 Birthdays- Goliad, Ft Sam & North San Pedro	25 Birthdays- SW Loop, Colonies North, Schertz- Cibolo, El Libro Grande, Rush Hour, Marymont & Twelve	26 Birthdays- Win- ners Club Groups						
27  	28 Birthdays- oliad	29 Birthdays- Valley-Hi, Windcrest, Santa Fe & New Acceptance	30 Birthdays- Oblate, Nort- hwood & Women's Big Book									

By "Corky" S. (7-8-71)

Crazy made sense. Crazy explained almost everything. I could accept crazy. I really did feel better after that. That was a self-diagnosis about 2 years before I got sober in AA.

My problem was that I did not understand why I did the bad things that I did. I thought about why I did what I did a lot. I never did talk to anyone else about it. That would have been too embarrassing.

For many years my wife left me and took the children to New Orleans on a regular basis. I never did understand that. Other people's wives didn't do that. I would have to take off work, go to New Orleans and talk her into coming back home. Then I would have to drive all the way back home with everybody in tow. It got so regular toward the end of my drinking that it was just a process.

Once, she left and took the train from San Antonio to New Orleans. When she got to New Orleans she called her mother and announced that she was at the train station with the kids and could her mom come and get her. Her mom calmly told her to just wait there for a few minutes and she felt that I would be there to get her and take her back to San Antonio.

I worked every day. I have always worked. I still work. I seldom ever miss work. I am seldom late. We moved around quite a bit of the time. Before 1971 we lived in New Orleans Louisiana, Corpus Christi Texas, San Antonio Texas, Shreveport Louisiana, Gretna Louisiana and that doesn't count the time that I was in the Air Force. But Friday was always my night. I can remember one Saturday morning when the sunshine woke me up. I was flat on my back, with vomit all over my chest, laying spread eagle in the middle of my front yard. I guess that either I was passed out or the door was locked and I was too tired to get in another way. I don't ever remember any of my neighbors, anywhere waking up in the morning passed out on their front yard.

Of course the money was mostly gone after my Friday night. They were always cutting off something like water or electricity or the phone. That was every month as I remember. Why didn't other people have all these problems like I did? I never understood that.

Then it dawned on me. I was crazy. I was mentally insane. That was it. That was why I kept doing all the things I was doing. It made sense. It explained everything. Now I understood. The next problem was to keep anyone, especially her, from finding out that I was crazy. Because at the time in Texas a relative could go to a judge and have a crazy person put in an insane asylum. If people ever found out, I was gone to the state mental hospital. So, my new job, in the last 2 years of my drinking, was to keep anyone from finding out that I was crazy. I knew how crazy I was so if they ever got me I would have to spend the rest of my life in an insane asylum. I felt better knowing what was wrong with me but the big job was going to be keeping it a secret.

Gp. Contributions	Apr '99	YTD	Profit & Loss Statement	Apr '99
Alamo Heights		\$ 226.00	4005 Sales	\$5,549.32
Bulverde		\$ 86.00	4006 Cost of Sales	-4,370.72
Community		\$ 16.00	Gross Profit	\$1,178.60
Devine		\$ 20.00		
Entire Abstinence		\$ 20.00	Contributions:	
Ft Sam Houston		\$ 100.16	4010 Nightcap Contributions	\$42.00
Free at Last	\$ 8.00	\$ 18.00	4020 COR Meeting Contributions	10.00
Freedom		\$ 37.50	4030 Group Contributions	962.16
Goliad	\$ 120.00	\$ 120.00	4040 Memorial Contributions	0.00
Grupo El Libro Grande	\$ 10.00	\$ 20.00	4050 Individual Contributions	42.00
Grupo Santa Fe	\$ 10.00	\$ 15.00		
Grupo Unidad	\$ 10.00	\$ 40.00	Total Contributions	\$1,056.16
Hait on Tezel Road	\$ 20.00	\$ 65.00		
Highland	\$ 52.00	\$ 52.00	Other Income:	
La Vernia		\$ 105.00	4110 Interest Income	\$10.05
Lambda		\$ 15.00	4120 Office Kitty	22.82
Last Call		\$ 100.00	4130 AA in SA Net Income	0.00
Legal Professions		\$ 40.00	4315 State Convention	0.00
Losoyo		\$ 10.00	4320 Sales Tax Discount	4.98
North San Pedro		\$ 95.00		
Northwest	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	Total Other Income	\$37.85
Oak Hills	\$ 282.84	\$ 727.72		
Oblate		\$ 18.00	Total Income	\$2,272.61
Rush Hour		\$ 439.75		
S.A. North (Women)	\$ 25.32	\$ 77.38	Wage Related Expenses:	
Schertz-Cibolo	\$ 100.00	\$ 300.00	5010 Salaries	\$4,160.12
Southwest Loop	\$ 25.00	\$ 41.00	5020 Payroll Tax	318.22
Travis Park	\$ 39.00	\$ 273.00	5030 Contract Labor-Clerical	0.00
Twelve		\$ 1,440.00	5035 Contract Labor, Janitorial	50.00
Universal City	\$ 120.00	\$ 240.00	5040 Mileage Reimbursement	50.00
Valley-Hi		\$ 90.00	5050 Employee Training	0.00
Windcrest		\$ 20.00	5060 Miscellaneous	333.85
Womens Big Book	\$ 25.00	\$ 50.00		
Woodlake		\$ 30.00	Total wage related expenses	\$4,912.19
<b>AREA</b>				
New Braunfels		\$ 22.00	Occupancy Expenses:	
Grupo Sempre Verde		\$ 10.00	5110 Rent	\$960.00
Eagle Pass	\$ 20.00	\$ 20.00	5120 Utilities	0.00
Fri Nite Study-Kerrville	\$ 45.00	\$ 45.00	5130 Telephone	0.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	\$ 962.16	\$ 5,094.51	5135 Answering Service	0.00
			5140 Repairs & Maintenance	0.00
<b>BIRTHDAY</b>			5150 Insurance	0.00
Curt L.	\$ 42.00			
			Total Occupancy Expense	960.00
			Other expenses:	
			5210 Office Supplies, Clerical	\$22.05
			5211 Office Supplies, Non-Clerical	0.00
			5215 Postage	89.57
			5216 Freight UPS	0.00
			5225 Equipment Lease & Main	0.00
			5270 SWB Yellow Pages	0.00
			5310 Nightcap Print. & Post.	60.00
			5415 Accounting Service	0.00
			Total Other Expenses	\$171.62
			Total Expenses	\$6,043.81
			Net Income	(\$3,771.20)

**Memo to an A.A. Group Treasurer**

The group treasurer is usually the person responsible for paying the group's routine bills and for keeping accurate records of the group's funds. The treasurer needs to be well informed about how the group's money is spent and should have addresses and mailing information for all A.A. service entities that the group contributes to.

Most groups request a treasurer's report and all relevant documentation at regularly scheduled business meetings. This way, all group members can stay informed about financial health of the group and make group conscience decisions about how the funds should be spent.

Money contributed at A.A. meetings belongs to the group, so that it may serve A.A. as a whole. Group funds are used in a number of ways throughout the Fellowship, always with the aim of making more and better Twelfth Step work possible. From A.A.'s earliest times members have been providing financial support to make sure that newcomers have a way of contacting A.A.

When an A.A. member puts money "in the basket" it helps to ensure that A.A. groups will be able to maintain a meeting space, that telephones will continue to be answered at intergroups and central offices, newcomers will get pamphlets and meeting directories and that professionals interested in alcoholism will get answers to their questions about A.A.

# NIGHTCAP SUBSCRIPTION FORM

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