

SOUTH EAST TEXAS AREA

QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER

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DELEGATE



Hello South East
Texas Area 67!!

I originally wrote this for the Txcsypaa Convention in Houston in October. The program chair texted me and said it was tradition for the Area Delegate to give a short five-minute presentation on the General Service Conference at the speaker meeting on Saturday night. I had never been to a YPAA Convention before so I was extremely excited about the opportunity. I did a write up and was prepared to speak on Saturday night. After arriving I soon realized that the speech I had written did not fit the audience. It was a Halloween weekend and everyone was in costume. Maybe it was when the DJ started playing music that I didn't recognize, or maybe it was when the twerking began. But I definitely knew when the girl (in the bacon costume) started break dancing that my speech could not be presented. So I proceeded to ad lib and luckily I survived the experience with a few jokes, a very general presentation and dancing with Troy, luckily what happens at Txcsypaa stays at Txcsypaa. But I hated to waste this excellent summary of the 2017 General Service Conference. So here it is as a Newsletter article.

The General Service conference was started in 1950 as a five-year experiment that allowed the Groups to manage themselves. This experiment was a success and for seven days every April, 93 Delegates from 93 Areas in the US and Canada gather in New York to participate in the General Service Conference. These Delegates along with Trustees, Directors and staff from the General Service

Office have a voice and a vote on the administration of Alcoholic Anonymous. The theme for the 67th General Service Conference was "Supporting our Future"

There are currently thirteen Delegate's Committees and thirteen Trustee's Committees within the General Service Conference structure. It is within these Committee's that Agenda items submitted by the fellowship are discussed and considered. These considerations are presented to the entire General Service Conference where they are voted on if a two third majority agrees with the considerations they become advisory actions that must be implemented by the General Service Board. I had the honor of serving on the Delegate's Committee for Trustees. This is the Committee that reviews candidates for the position of Trustee prior to the General Service Conference voting on the candidates. At the 2017 convention five new Trustees were selected, Two Regional Trustees, Two General Service Trustees and one US Regional Trustee at Large. It is always amazing to me how many alcoholics are ready and willing to volunteer to serve as Trustees.

Some of the advisory actions from the 67th General Service Conference are

Archives — that a draft or progress report of the work in progress, Unity in Action: Bill W.'s General Service Conference Talks, 1951–1970, be brought back to the 2018 Conference Committee on Archives for review.

Literature — that text about young people’s conferences be added to the pamphlet “Young People and A.A.”;

Young people’s conferences are held in the United States and Canada and around the world. For information, consult your local A.A. area, intergroup office, or search online for YPAA. That “The A.A. Group” pamphlet be revised to include text from the service piece “Safety and A.A.: Our Common Welfare”; and that the trustees’ Literature Committee develop language regarding safety for current and new recovery literature, where appropriate.

Policy/Admissions — that the 2018 General Service Conference move ahead with electronic voting; that an anonymity-protected, digital Final Conference Report be published in addition to the current print version. The Committee took no action to establish a Conference subcommittee for YPAA however they stated in Additional Considerations that “The Committee recognized that YPAAs are A.A. entities comprised of members of Alcoholics Anonymous and encourage young people to continue their participation at all levels of service.

Public Information — that a new video public service announcement be developed; that A.A. World Services, Inc. create a Google for Nonprofits account, with use of the account limited to the YouTube Nonprofit Program.

Floor Actions — that in the spirit of unity and inclusiveness, the General Service Office strive to provide Conference background materials in English by February 15 and Spanish and French by the first week in March, beginning with the 68th General Service Conference; that the pamphlet “Too Young?” be revised to reflect more current collective experiences of young alcoholics and their welcome to A.A.; and that A.A. Grapevine create a Google for Nonprofits account, with use of the account limited to

the YouTube Nonprofit Program.

David M also reported that the fellowships contributions for 2016 increased by 11% from 2015. Profits from literature sales combined to give A.A. a positive income for 2016. Currently in 2017 the trend of increased contributions from the fellowship has continued. So keep up the great work.

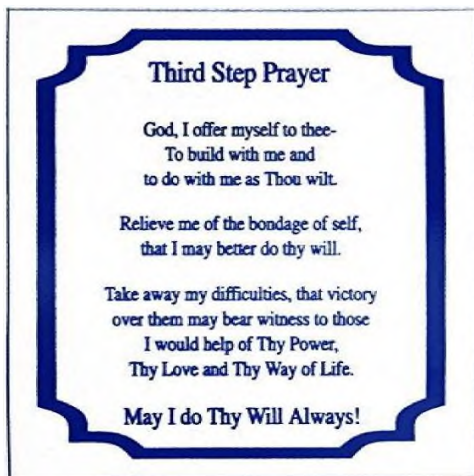
I personally found the General Service Conference experience to be one of my greatest spiritual highlights on my journey of recovery. To spend seven days working with a 131 people who love Alcoholics Anonymous as much or more than I do was truly uplifting. The General Service Conference structure of management is not perfect. At times decisions seem rushed while at other times it appears we may be doing the same thing over and over again expecting different results. It also lacks at times a fully informed group conscience not only in terms of translations available to all members of the fellowship but also in terms of complete transparency of the General Service Board, the restraining order concerning the publishers copy of the Big Book being an example of this. But I feel that the solutions we will find for the General Service Conference structure lies in working within the General Service Conference Structure.

An Alcoholic was walking along the beach when he discovered an old lamp. He rubbed the lamp and out popped a Genie. The Genie told him that he had been trapped in the lamp so long that he only had enough power left to grant one wish. The alcoholic said “ok I have always wanted to see Hawaii but I am afraid to fly. So what I would like is a highway to Hawaii so that I could load up the family and drive there. The Genie started shaking his head. “No. He told the alcoholic you need to think of another wish. A highway to Hawaii is almost impossible to

build. The amount of engineering and construction material alone that would be needed would make the task extremely difficult. No you have to think of another wish. The Alcoholic thought a moment before finally saying, "ok I recently attended my first General Service Conference as a Panel 67 Delegate from Area 67 so many things are still confusing about the process. So what I wish is to understand how the General Service Structure works. I want to understand the General Service Board, Class A and Class B Trustees job responsibilities, How Final Agenda items are chosen and most especially how Advisory actions are put into effect. The Genie was silent for a few minutes before finally answering. That highway to Hawaii, do you want those two lanes or four?

Thank you for my opportunity to serve

Ron C
Delegate
Panel 67 Area 67 Southeast Texas Area



ALTERNATE DELEGATE

In March, I was privileged to attend the Southwest Regional Delegates Assembly (SWRDA) in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. For those of you who are not aware of what this event is let me explain. Forty-four years ago our Region's Past Delegates decided to set aside one weekend in March to gather together and train our newly elected Delegates before they arrive at the General Service Conference. This weekend our Past Delegates come together to share their experience, strength and hope with their area's current Delegates and Alternates. They spend time, like you will at the April Assembly, participating in a round table discussion (using an agenda item from a past conference, as to not bias the delegates with opinions).

Last year, I walked into the meeting as nervous as I have ever been in any AA gathering. I was taken by how many of our past delegates told me how lucky I was to be in attendance. To be honest, I was not sure I felt all that lucky but I smiled and agreed. On that Saturday afternoon some of the past delegates gave presentations on such topics as carrying the message in the digital age, I was blown away by these shares. Then we did the roundtable discussions and again I was in awe of the shares and discussion around the agenda items. I walked away understanding a bit more about why I was so lucky to be given the opportunity to attend.

This year, one of the past trustees shared on how much our groups, districts and areas have invested in us as trusted servants. I was really struck by that idea. I admit, I am well aware of how much I have invested in being of service to the program but I have never stopped to consider how much you have invested in me. One thing that I forgot to mention when I was describing SWRDA is that none of the Past Delegates get financial support to attend the weekend. Each of them travel to Oklahoma, pay for a room for the weekend simply to support and prepare the Delegates. It is very humbling to realize again how much I owe to this program and those that come before me. I have grown in my service experience not only as a trusted servant to the program but in all my affairs. I am a better husband, family member, employee and friend.

I know that I have been given a great opportunity and I thank you for trusting me to be of service. I know that not all of you reading this will be given that

same opportunity and I am also certain some of you will be in this position soon. Regardless of how far down the ladder your service experience takes you, I pray that you remember how much others are investing in you. So, continue to suit up and show up and always be willing to humble yourself enough to be of service to someone else.

Best,
Troy

Troy B-D.
Alternate Delegate
Area 67 Panel 67



CHAIR

Here I sit, half-way through my rotation as Area Chair, writing my first Newsletter article. The sad fact is that I was supposed to submit articles during my time as Alternate Chair, and although it is not part of the Treasurer's job description, I was encouraged to submit them during that term as well. As a DCM, I sidestepped writing articles by delegating the job to my alternate. I can't tell you how many times I've heard our Newsletter Editor beg and plead for submissions from the entire Area, and yet I'm only now fulfilling my commitment. I've even attended a workshop on Newsletter article writing, where I believe the take away was: "Reports are for facts, Articles are for feelings". I've got a decent record reporting the facts, but for some reason, although I don't think I have a problem sharing my feelings, I do seem to have a problem putting them on paper. It could be because I find feelings to be so ephemeral. By the time I put it on paper, I feel different than when I started writing. My sobriety date is December 21st, the winter solstice, which is commonly thought of as the shortest day of the year. I had about 18 months sober when I realized this, and although I didn't pick the day, I realized that it was probably appropriate for an underachiever like me to get sober on the shortest day (my actual experience is that every day is 24 hours, and the night time hours are hardest and darkest, but I like the symbolism). I'm grateful that I got sober in a large, diverse group with plenty of opportunities for service, other than run my mouth at meetings (something I was loath to do for the first few years). I'm also grateful that I had a sponsor who insisted that I sign up to chair meetings at my home group as soon as I had the minimum required sobriety, which at that group was 30 days. I'm also grateful that he and some of the other old-timers insisted that once I signed up, I was committed to fulfilling that obligation and that I should not make a habit of saying no to AA, when other opportunities arose. Words like responsibility, commitment and obligation were somewhat distasteful at first, it sounded like my mom put you people up to this. I can say that my original plan for AA absolutely did not include standing in front of 100 people or more with a microphone in front of me, and actual words coming out of my mouth. If this article even has a topic, it is about the fundamental importance I have found in having a home group and how it has helped me realize one of the truths I've found in Alcoholics Anonymous, which is basically that there is no greater freedom than doing what I'm supposed to do because I want to do it. At some point, I came to think of the 12th Step as more of a promise than a direction. Sure, it started with my sponsor, none too lovingly telling me to "quit your whining and do the deal-find yourself a wet one and try to help him (and by the way, stay in the Big Book and keep that psychobabble to yourself)". But as I tried to do this within the relative safety of my home group, with lots of mentors to help me, I started to grasp more of the significance of the Steps I had taken, and carrying the message became something I wanted to do. At one year sober, my home group elected me to be an Intergroup Delegate, and I went to the bimonthly meetings and reported back at the monthly group conscience meeting. I remember being stunned to find that each group could have two delegates and at that time there were like 400 groups served by Houston Intergroup, but only 40 people were in the Intergroup meetings. This same phenomenon has been apparent throughout my service career. My home District is D40, and of the 80+ registered groups in that District, GSRs from 20 of those groups at the monthly meeting



REGISTRAR

Greetings Fellow SETA AA Members,

First I would like to express my gratitude to Annette for stepping up to be of service and fill the Newsletter Chair position. Thank you Annette, your service is greatly appreciated and will be an asset to our Area.

Next, I would like to discuss and point out a few "Registrar related topics." If you are a GSR, do you know if the current information for your group is up to date in the GSO data base? This is especially pertinent if you are a new or relatively new GSR. If you filled out a *Group Change Form* you should have received a GSR Kit from our General Service Office. If you did not, maybe a change form is in order. It is important that your group information be up to date so that GSO can keep you up to date on important happenings and other news. Also, when new meeting directories are produced, your group contact information will be correct. If you don't know or you are not sure about this, feel free to fill out a *Group Change Form*. If the information turns out to be up to date, there's no harm done, so if in doubt either fill one out or just e-mail and ask me to check it out. The forms are available at www.aa-seta.org on the Registrar page. You can also obtain one at the next assembly at the registration table. They can be returned to me at the assembly, scanned and e-mailed to me or snail mailed to me. DCM's, do you know how many active groups you have in your District? Well, if you don't or you are not sure, I can provide a spreadsheet of the currently listed active and/or inactive groups in your District. All you have to do is send me a request. This will allow you to visit or reach out to the groups in your District who don't participate in your District Committee.

Finally, if you are the holder of an Area Service position, a few weeks ago you received a loving invitation from me to review your job description. In the second year of each rotation, each job description specifies that the position holder review said job description for completeness, correctness, and necessary revisions. So far, I only received a few responses to that e-mail. For those of you have responded, thank you for your service. For those haven't gotten "around to it" please do so whenever you can. Even if your particular job description does not need any revisions, please let me know that this is case. This will be discussed further at the April Assembly. In love and service,

Rick M.

SETA Registrar

registrar@aa-seta.org



PUBLIC INFORMATION

Adopt a Literature Rack

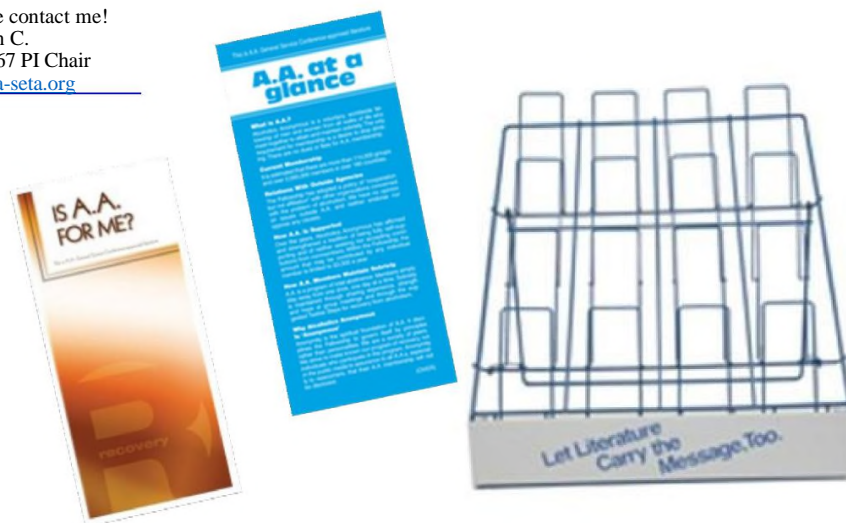
One of the important tasks of the Public Information Committee is to make sure that the general public knows what AA is and what AA isn't. When people are familiar with AA, they are more likely to recommend it to their friends or family. Literature can be a great way to spread this information and the committee has developed an idea that we feel will be helpful. The Area PI Committee is asking that you (a group, a district, an individual) adopt a small 4-slot literature rack.

The Committee will provide you with the rack and the initial pamphlets to fill it. The pamphlets will be Is AA for Me? in English and Spanish and A.A. at a Glance in English and Spanish.

What the committee is asking you to do is find an appropriate place for the rack. After you have received permission to place the rack somewhere let the committee know its location so that we can share your idea with other groups interested in our "adopt a rack program". Some Ideas are, but not limited to, an emergency clinic, a laundromat, a school or a library. It will be your job to check back *frequently* and refill the rack. We will place information on the rack about how to reach the area committee for presentations about AA and the information about who is in charge of refilling the rack.

We could really use your help with this project! The committee is small and Area 67 is very large, but if each one of us decides to become a part of spreading the word, we can reach many still-suffering alcoholics.

Please contact me!
Edwin C.
Area 67 PI Chair
pi@aa-seta.org



COOPERATION WITH PROFESSIONAL COMMUNITY

Let the clergy in your place of worship know that AA can help drunks!

Reach out to clergy and let them know what Alcoholics Anonymous is, and how it's helped you to find sobriety, and how it might be able to help some of his/her congregation who might have a drinking problem

Take them some pamphlets like "Members of the Clergy ask about Alcoholics Anonymous" and "If you are a Professional..."

Ask if they'd be willing to let you put some pamphlets or Grapevine magazines in their library or other location. If they say yes, consider using an "Adopt-a-Rack" literature rack for this, you can contact the PI Chair to get one [at pi@aa-seta.org](mailto:pi@aa-seta.org), or if that doesn't work try the CPC chair [at cpc@aa-seta.org](mailto:cpc@aa-seta.org). You could also just order a subscription to the grapevine and place one in the waiting room each month.

Let the clergy person know he/she can refer people to the local intergroup number for meeting information, that you'd be willing to be a contact as well (if you are), and that the CPC committee can be reached [at cpc@aa-seta.org](mailto:cpc@aa-seta.org) to put on presentations about AA for his/her staff or peers. Our website for professionals is <http://cpc.aa-seta.org>. If you could do any or all of these things, you are carrying the message through CPC service!

Q: What's CPC?

A: CPC stands for Cooperation with the Professional Community; it's a standing committee at the Area level

and often in Districts as well. Individuals can do CPC work with simple but important activities like the one above.

CPC Committee Purpose – *"Members of C.P.C. committees inform professionals and future professionals about A.A.— what we are, where we are, what we can do, and what we cannot do. They attempt to establish better communication between A.A.s and professionals, and to find simple, effective ways of cooperating without affiliating."* – reprinted from *Cooperation with the Professional Community Workbook, page 5, with permission from A.A. World Services, Inc.*

Professionals are: Basically, anyone that comes into contact with an alcoholic through their professional work, some examples include: Doctors, lawyers, judges, cops, therapists, counselors, nurses, probation and parole officers, clergy, social workers, etc....

There's a whole bunch of professionals in South East Texas Area, far more than the few active members of the SETA CPC committee can reach by themselves, so consider helping by taking the actions suggested above, or if you're willing, come to the SETA CPC Committee meeting: We meet the first Monday of each month at 7:30pm at the Spring Branch Memorial Club, 1200 Blalock Rd, Suite #378, Houston, 77055; or you can join via GoToMeeting: <https://www.gotomeeting.com/meeting/join-meeting>, meeting ID: 444 - 753 - 277

For more information or to help, please contact us [at cpc-chair@aa-seta.org](mailto:cpc-chair@aa-seta.org)
In Service,
Vern P. – SETA Area 67, Cooperation with Professional Community (CPC) Committee Chairperson



TREATMENT FACILITIES

THE NEW 12TH STEP CALL

Many people remember hearing of someone going out on a “12 step” call, or going out on “12 step” call themselves. Being able to bring a solution of recovery to that trembling, frightened, and lost individual was always the aim of our fellowships. It seems we don’t hear of 12 calls that often anymore. We tend to wait till the newcomer comes to us. With all the technology and more people familiar with AA, we think they’ll find us, or will they?

Bill W. and Dr. Bob didn’t wait for alcoholics to come to them. They knew that carrying the message of recovery to struggling alcoholics was vital to their own recovery. From their own experience’s they knew they could find alcoholics in hospitals and from information from local clergy. So where are we to find the struggling alcoholic today? A 2014 A.A. Membership Survey shows that 32% of A.A. members were introduced to the program via a treatment facility. It might surprise you that many people are not familiar with the A.A. program of recovery and probably will not until alcohol becomes a problem in their lives or the lives of someone close to them.

Are treatment facilities...the new 12 step call? Possibly. This is a great opportunity to carry the A.A. message to those hopeless individuals who think they have no way out.

There are many great treatment facilities in our area. Many of them have A.A. meetings where A.A.’s can come and share their experience strength and hope. They can temporarily sponsor or be there to answer questions about the A.A. program of recovery.

Been on a 12 step call lately? Consider making a treatment facility meeting part of your weekly or monthly meeting commitment. They need you....and you can’t make it without them. Now get to steppin’.

In Service to be of Service,
Pam F.
Area 67 TFC Chair



STATE CONVENTION ATTENDANCE PROMOTION-(SCAP)

Greetings from SETA State Convention Attendance Promotion (SCAP) committee. The 72nd Texas State Convention is soon-to-be in Irving, June 22 through June 24, 2018 at the Westin Hotel. If you want to pre-register with cash or check, members of SCAP Committee will be at April Quarterly, April 14-15, 2018 @ the Sheraton North Houston hotel. As in the recent past, for every five (5) new registrations received, SCAP will have a drawing for one lucky registrant to be reimbursed, AND a special drawing for one room night reimbursed. If you prefer to "git it done", you can register online at txaaconvention.org, then do so and email your confirmation number to enter the online drawing.

The SCAP Committee will arrange to take some SETA Group photos at the State Convention, more details to follow in May and June. Those wishing to be of service as a representative to the SETA SCAP committee, contact me at scapchair@aa-seta.org.

Thank you,

Zasu M.

SCAP Chair



TRADITION FIVE

Each group has but one primary purpose to carry the message to the alcoholic who still suffers. The Spiritual Principle is, *“Primary Purpose.”*

Bill W. states, *“Better do one think supremely well than many badly.”* This is the central theme of this tradition. Tradition five speaks about we as alcoholics have the answer for sufferers of this disease called “alcoholism.”

“Primary purpose” means knowledge of the problem, the solution in the steps, and actively working through all twelve steps. Therefore, our work depends on the answer or solution for all sufferers of this baffling disease. Our part as alcoholics is to devote ourselves solely to the relief of alcoholism.

So why alcoholics to solve the riddle of alcoholism?

- a. We have the unique ability at identification of the problem.
- b. We bring on going discovery of the design for living to the newcomer.
- c. We don't carry extracurricular degrees, certifications nor licensure of the alcoholic program. Only by sharing our experience, strength and hope one can experience a way out.

Tradition five depends on this one simple factor, that he/she is an alcoholic who has found the key to sobriety and willing to carry the message to any and all alcoholics who are still suffering. It is the Primary purpose that guides us in the single-mindedness or great paradox where we can seldom keep the precious gift of sobriety unless we give it away

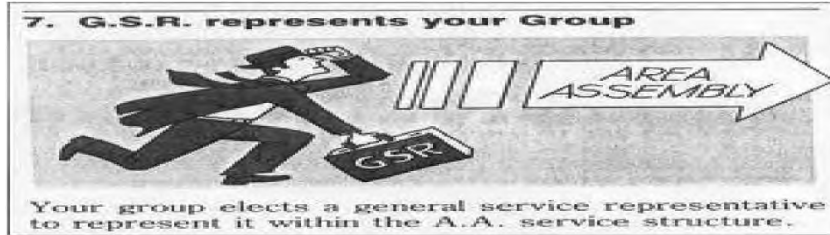
Bill W. writes, *“If we neglect those who are sick - there is unremitting danger to our lives and sanity.”* Tradition five is about we have a mission to carry the AA message to those who don't know a way out.

The Twelve Traditions of A.A.

- **During its first decade, A.A. as a fellowship accumulated substantial experience which indicated that certain group attitudes and principles were particularly valuable in assuring survival of the informal structure of the Fellowship. In 1946, in the Fellowship's international journal, the A.A. Grapevine, these principles were reduced to writing by the founders and early members as the Twelve Traditions of Alcoholics Anonymous. They were accepted and endorsed by the membership as a whole at the International Convention of A.A., at Cleveland, Ohio, in 1950.**
- **Tradition 3 states: *The only requirement for A.A. membership is a desire to stop drinking.***
- **Tradition 5 states: *Each group has but one primary purpose—to carry its message to the alcoholic who still suffers.***



GSR's



Service Work at its best...become a GSR for your group!!! You are needed...

“Into Action”

37th Annual District 90 Convention
August 17-19, 2018
MCM Elegante Hotel & Conference Center
[1-888-217-1426](tel:1-888-217-1426)
www.aadistrict90.org



True Fellowship

If asked 5 years ago if there was a difference between AA Fellowship and the AA Buddy System, I would have probably said no. The two seemed to mean the same thing. That was before working all 12 Steps, having a spiritual awakening and growing up!

In the beginning, the way I socialized in meetings and outside the rooms with AA members was in the same manner I socialized with people in the bars, the only difference in the bars was the presence of alcohol. I acted the same way, talked the same way and pretended the same way. Pretended that I was happy, joyous and free and working an actual program. I needed to impress people because I felt less than, insecure and lonely. Rejection was just looming around the corner, so I had to work hard to make others accept me. How exhausting!!! I had no idea how to be myself. I had no idea what true kinship really meant.

Fast forward to the present, I understand what true AA Fellowship means. It means I belong because of what I put into it rather than what I am always trying to get out of it. Because I stopped trying to impress others by trying to be different. Today I'm just one of; I'm no better or no less. I understand that being part of the fellowship is a spiritual connection. Strangers that I know everything and nothing about are now family. I'm either liked or not, I don't have to impress, I'm just me, the true me that was screaming to come out but was crippled with fear. I am the person that I was always meant to be. Sober and Serving the fellowship that saved my life!

In service,
Deborah G.
D40 DCM



NEWSLETTERCHAIR

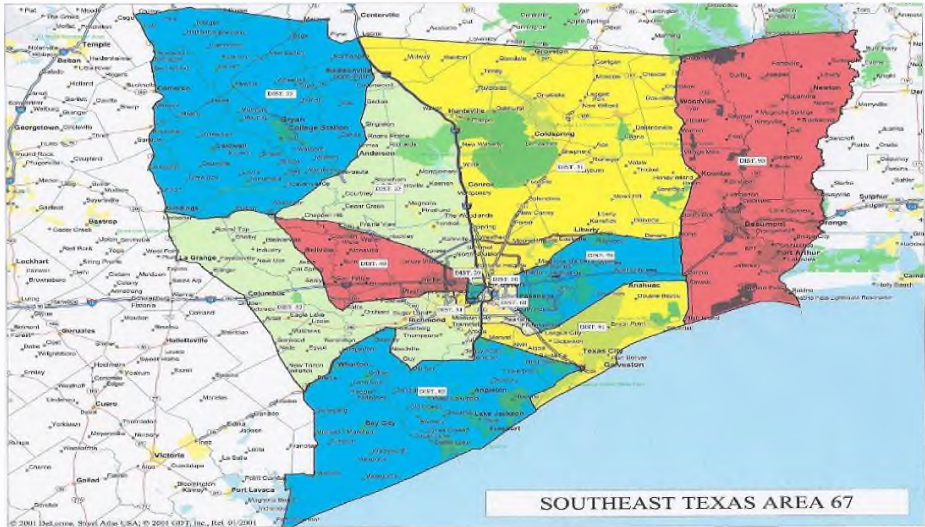
There is a solution

Almost none of us liked the self-searching, the leveling of our pride, the confession of short-comings which the process requires for its successful consummation. But we saw that it really worked in others, and we had come to believe in the hopelessness and futility of life as we had been living it. When therefore we were approached by those in whom the problem had been solved, there was nothing left for us but to pick up the simple spiritual tools laid at our feet. We have found much of heaven and we have been rocketed into a fourth dimension of existence of which we had not even dreamed.



Alcoholics Anonymous

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District 10 DCM – Tracy W.
District 10 Alt DCM – **Olga J.**

District 20 DCM – **Rachel R.**
District 20 Alt DCM – **Jean P.**

District 31 DCM – Tammy Z.
District 31 Alt DCM – **Patricia H.**

District 32 DCM – **Brian D.**
District 32 Alt DCM – **Adam F.**

District 33 DCM – **Francia C.**
District 33 Alt DCM – **OPEN**

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District 40 Alt DCM – **Cindy M.**

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District 51 Alt DCM – **Connie R.**

District 52 DCM – **Diana S.**
District 52 Alt DCM – **Meece T.**

District 60 DCM – **Jann J.**
District 60 Alt DCM – **OPEN**

District 62 DCM- **OPEN**
District 62 Alt. DCM- **Open**

District 63 DCM- **Alicia M**
District 63 Alt. DCM- **Jose P.**

District 64 DCM- **Armando H.**
District 64 **DCM-Severiano M**

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District 66 **DCM- Jesus Z.**
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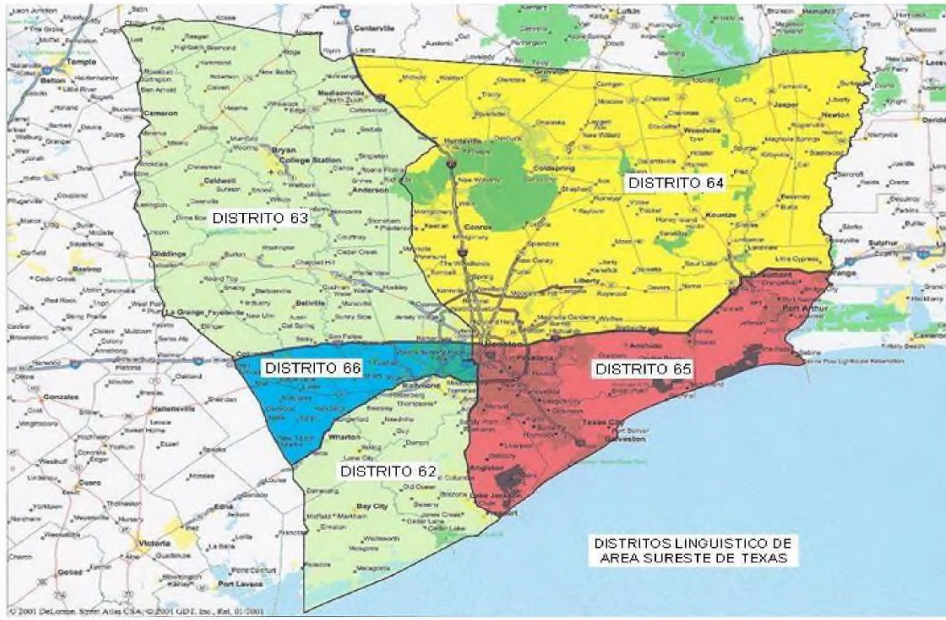
District 70 **DCM-Cynthia B.**
District 70 Alt DCM-Cindy T.

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District 81 Alt DCM-OPEN

District 82 **DCM-Jeanne B.**
District 82 Alt DCM-OPEN

District 90 DCM- **Sal S.**
District 90 Alt **DCM-Bella L.**

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District 62 DCM – OPEN
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District 63 DCM – Alicia M.
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District 65 DCM – Bernardino T.
District 65 Alt DCM – Arnulfo C.

District 66 DCM – Jesus Z.
District 66 Alt DCM – Manual O.



#WATERSHEDCARES

Service Material from the General Service Office

ESTIMATED WORLDWIDE A.A. INDIVIDUAL AND GROUP MEMBERSHIP

YEAR	ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP	GROUPS	YEAR	ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP	GROUPS
1935	2	0	2001	2,215,293	100,131
1940	1,400	50	2002	2,092,460	103,768
1945	12,986	556	2003	2,066,851	104,589
1950	96,475	3,527	2004	2,082,880	105,294
1955	135,905	6,249	2005	1,867,212	106,202
1960	162,037	8,615	2006	1,996,935	106,477
1965	232,105	12,444	2007	2,044,655	113,168
1970	311,450	16,459	2008	2,085,125	116,773
1975	533,590	26,456	2009	2,103,033	115,773
1976	574,318	29,352	20 10	2,057,672	107,976
1977	612,876	31,587	20 11	2,133,842	114,070
1978	627,456	33,241	20 12	2,131,549	114,642
1979	868,171	39,964	2013	2,138,421	115,358
1980	907,575	42,105	2014	2,040,629	115,326
1981	937,705	47,797	2015	2,089,698	117,748
1982	1,065,299	53,576	2016	2,103,184	118,305
1983	1,191,946	58,576			
1984	1,351,793	62,860			
1985	1,445,999	67,019			
1986	1,556,316	73,192			
1987	1,617,296	76,184			
1988	1,734,734	85,270			
1989	1,793,834	87,696			
1990	2,047,469	93,914			
1991	2,148,757	96,500			
1992	2,489,541	89,215			
1993	2,062,380	90,155			
1994	1,790,528	89,239			
1995	1,726,341	86,449			
1996	1,959,829	96,997			
1997	1,967,433	97,568			
1998	1,989,124	98,710			
1999	1,995,804	99,020			
2000	2,160,013	100,766			

Because AA has never attempted to keep formal membership lists, it is extremely difficult to obtain completely accurate figures on total membership at any given time. The information shown here is based on reports given by groups listed with general service offices (G.S.O.s) around the world and does not represent an actual count of those who consider themselves A.A. members. We are aware of A.A. activity in approximately 175 countries, including 61 autonomous G.S.O.s in other lands.

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AREA COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA Saturday April 14, 2018

8:00 PM	Open Meeting — Prayer	Kris H.
	Preamble to SETA Policies & Procedures Manual	Michelle H.
	Area Committee Statement of Purpose	
	ROLL CALL — Area Committee Attendance	Rick M.
	Review & Approve Previous Area Committee Minutes	Corrie H.
	Treasurer's Report Presentation to Area Committee	Christina S.
	Delegate's Introduction & Comments	Ron C.
	Alternate Delegate's Introduction & Comments	Troy B-D
	2018 SETA Convention Chairperson Comments	Ronnie B.
	2019 Future SETA Convention Report	Veronica
	Budget Presentation to Area Committee	Evan K.
	Area Committees' Sharing Session - (Are you ready? <i>What can we do to better serve our Districts?</i>)	Kris H.
	<u>Unfinished Business</u>	
	-Open Positions-	
	Oficina Intergroupa Hispana (D63,64,65) 2020 Convention Chair	
	— Ad Hoc Budget & Finance Update	Michelle IL
	— Ad Hoc Job Descriptions Update	Rick M.
	<u>New Business</u>	
	— District 33-Motion to be removed from SETA Convention Rotation	Francis P.
	— Resignation of Secretary, Alt. Secretary, Multi-Lingual Chair 9 th District Intergroup Liaison and Archives Chair	Kris H.
	— Ad Hoc Hotel Search Committee	Melissa R.
	— 2019 SW Regional Forum Welcome Committee Chair Position Open	
	— Spanish District Request for additional room at Conventions	Bernardino T.
	<u>Announcements</u>	Michelle H.

9:45 PM Close Meeting - Unity Declaration

*This we owe to A.A.'s future; to place our common welfare first; to keep our Fellowship united.
For on A.A. (unit)) depend our lives, and the lives of those to come.*

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All Standing Committees, DCMs, Area Officers, Workshops, & Delegates please submit written reports to the Area Secretary so they are included in the minutes of the Area's meetings. All interested members may attend and participate, but only Area Committee may vote.

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April 14-15, 2018
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October 13-14, 2018
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