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# DISTRICT #40 NEWSLETTER

UNITY - RECOVERY - SERVICE

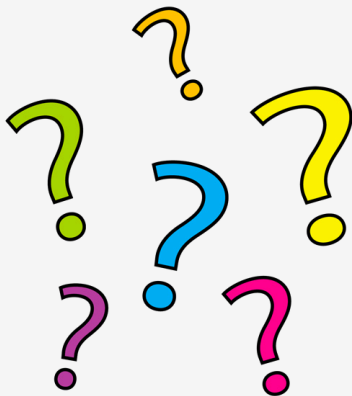
## How do I get my idea to the General Service Conference?

**Jackie S., District 40 DCM**

**G**SRs may have ideas, even some from their home group. When your home group thinks that an idea is important to the future of Alcoholics Anonymous, or thinks of a request for change to Conference-approved literature, please shoot me an email describing the idea or request. You will want to have

already discussed it in your group conscience and voted to bring it to District where we can vote on it as well. I would then send it to the Area Chair and ask that we take a look at it there. And if our Area votes to keep going with it, we

can ask our Delegate, Kris H, to write to the Conference Coordinator with the submission. If you are interested in more details of this process, look in The A.A. Service Manual Chapter 6. The new modernized service manual is so easy to understand. I love it!



### Step 4

Made a searching and fearless moral inventory of ourselves.

### Tradition 4

Each group should be autonomous except in matters effecting other groups or A.A. as a whole

### Concept 4

At all responsible levels, we ought to maintain a traditional, "right of participation," allowing a voting representation in reasonable proportion to the responsibility that each must discharge.

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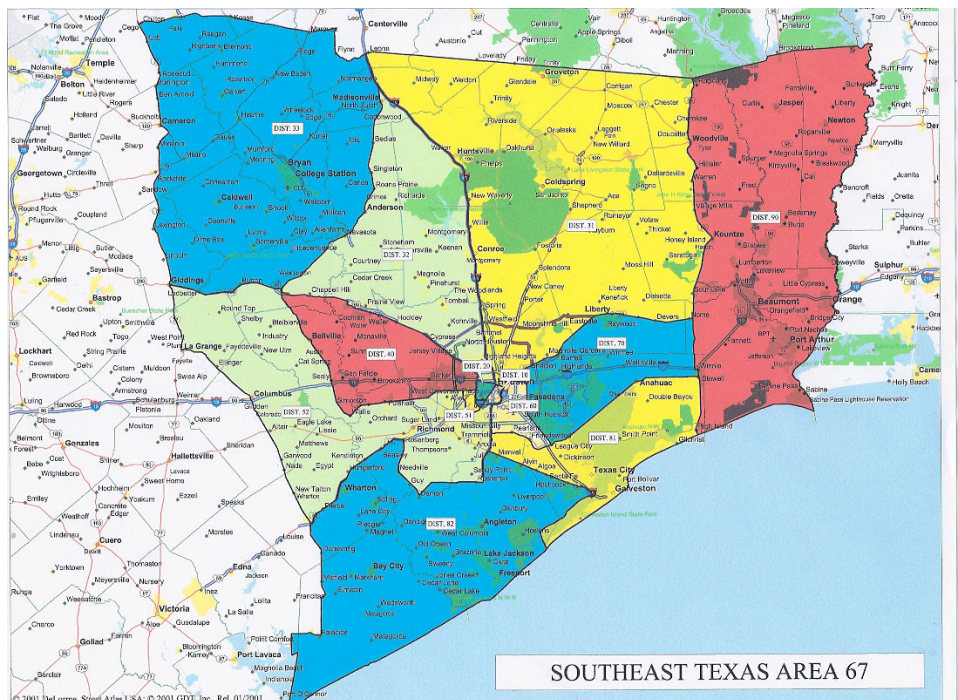
Wouldn't that be exciting to be able to see an Agenda Item start in our district and go all the way to the General Service Conference!

## Meeting at Round Tables

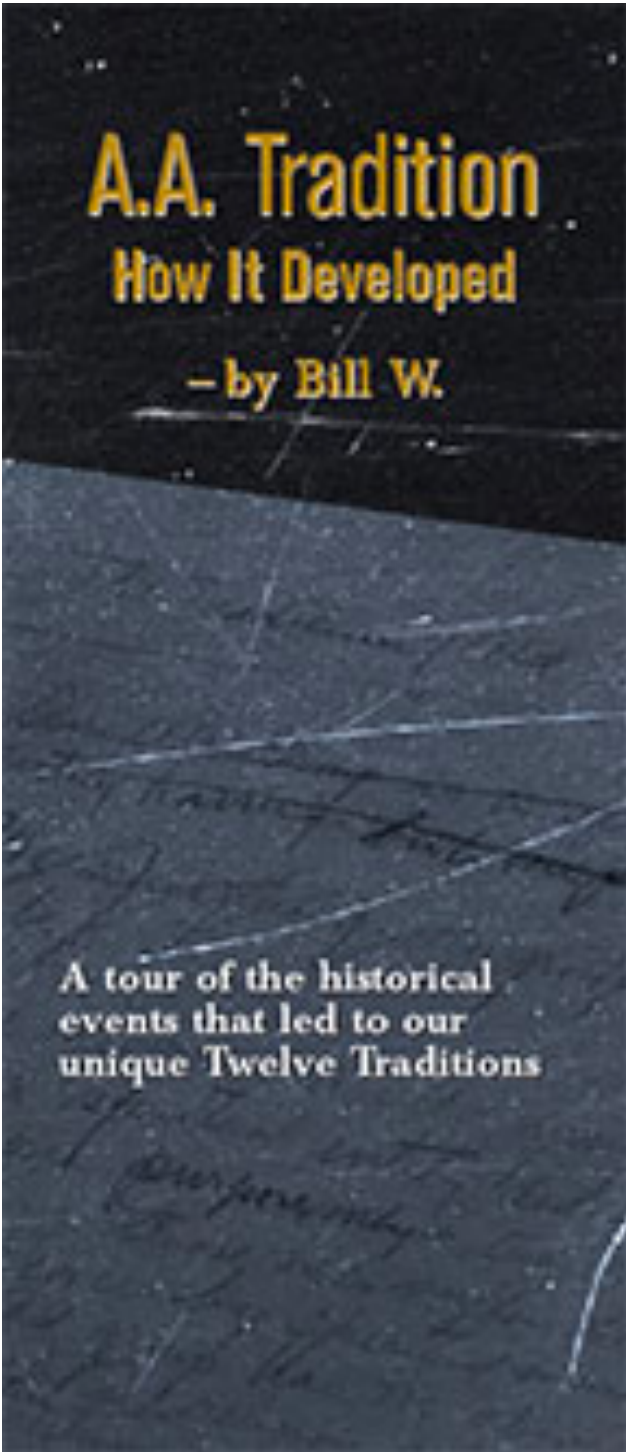
### Doug D., District 40 ALT- DCM

It is time again for the April assembly and the round table discussions. If you have never been part of this in the past, I do recommend you attend either in person or virtually. Both formats will have their round tables. I remember the first one I ever attended and saw the whole process work. It was amazing how a room full of people could have different opinions but come to a census together on what is best for AA. It showed me how I should use the principles of this program on listening to others and their point of view. I need this because at times, I might want it MY way but another may have a different way of reaching the same conclusion. That is what we are here for, the conclusion that helps AA.

Hope to see you there



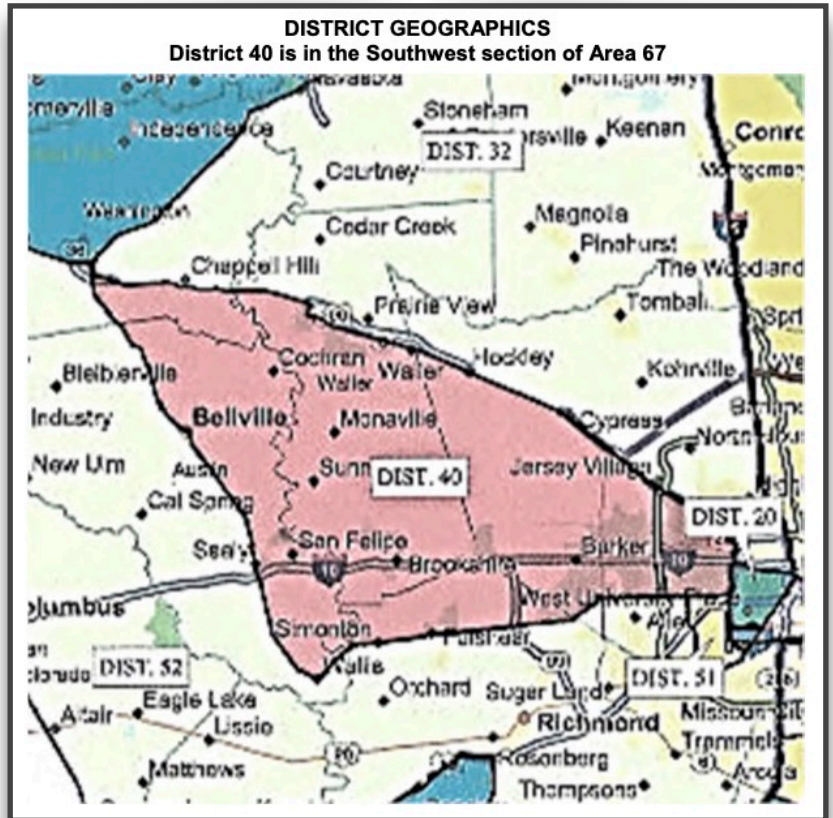
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Pamphlet of the Month - March

A.A. Tradition - How it Developed

Scan the QR code or [click here](#)



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**February Treasurer's Report  
for District 40**



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**AA District 40 – Southeast Texas Area 67  
February 2022 Treasurer's Report  
Regular Business Meeting  
March 8, 2022**

To: AA District 40 General Services Board

From: Scott B. – Treasurer

Our beginning bank balance for this month was \$2,653.33. During the month of February 2022, group contributions totaled \$785.66. The following groups sent contributions.

- Chapelwood Tuesday 8:00 PM
- Copperfield Willingness Group
- Four Horsemen Group
- Fry Road Group
- Friends of Bill W. (Post Oak)
- Journey Group
- Katy 12 & 12
- Sage-Piney Point Group
- Saturday Solutions Group
- Working with Others Group

Expenses incurred for the month of January 2022 totaled \$17.00 and consisted of the following expenditures.

- Amegy Bank Statement Fee
- AA Southeast Texas Area 67 – Zoom hosting

Our total budget for the year is \$8,614.04 with \$1,651.57 spent to date, leaving an unspent portion of the budget of \$6,962.43. Our ending balance is \$3,421.99

Respectfully submitted,

Scott B.

AA District 40, Southeast Texas Area 67 – Treasurer

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SETA DISTRICT 40 --- EXPENSE BY MONTH & TOTAL FOR 2022														
	Budget	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total YTD
DCM	\$ 925	\$ 269.10												\$ 269.10
Alt. DCM	\$ 900	\$ 269.10												\$ 269.10
Secretary / Copying	\$ 50													\$ -
Treasurer	\$ 75	\$ 2.00	\$ 2.00											\$ 4.00
Newsletter	\$ -													\$ -
Zoom Meeting Hosting	\$ 180	\$ 15.00	\$ 15.00											\$ 30.00
PO Box	\$ 95													\$ -
Literature Committee	\$ 175													\$ -
PI	\$ 1,839													\$ -
Grapevine	\$ 50													\$ -
CFC	\$ 300													\$ -
TFC	\$ 75													\$ -
Archives Committee	\$ 100													\$ -
Intergroup Donation/Contribution	\$ -													\$ -
Intergroup Liaison	\$ -													\$ -
IT Committee	\$ 50													\$ -
Miscellaneous	\$ -													\$ -
Gratitude Dinner - Donation	\$ -													\$ -
Gratitude Dinner - Food	\$ -													\$ -
Fellowship Fest	\$ -													\$ -
Traditions Dinner	\$ 1,300													\$ -
Service Workshop	\$ 300													\$ -
SWRAASA (Even Years)	\$ 1,900													\$ -
The Forum (Odd Years) See Note	\$ -													\$ -
Delegate Report Meeting	\$ -													\$ -
State Convention Hospitality Suite	\$ -													\$ -
SETA Assembly Host District	\$ -													\$ -
SETA - 2022 Hospitality Suite	\$ 300	\$ 1,078.37												\$ 1,078.37
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$8,614.04</b>	<b>\$ 1,633.57</b>	<b>\$ 17.00</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 1,650.57</b>

SETA District 40 Monthly Financial Report -- February 2022							
EXPENSES	Approved Budget	Approved Budget Changes	Approved Budget	Expense This Month	Year to Date	% This Month	% Year to Date
DCM	\$ 925		\$ 925.00	\$ -	\$ 269.10		29%
Alt. DCM	\$ 900		\$ 900.00	\$ -	\$ 269.10		30%
Secretary / Copying	\$ 50		\$ 50.00	\$ -	\$ -		
Treasurer	\$ 75		\$ 75.00	\$ 2.00	\$ 4.00	5%	5%
Newsletter	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		
Zoom Meeting Hosting	\$ 180		\$ 180.00	\$ 15.00	\$ 30.00	17%	17%
PO Box	\$ 95		\$ 95.00	\$ -	\$ -		
Literature Committee	\$ 175		\$ 175.00	\$ -	\$ -		
PI	\$ 1,839		\$ 1,839.04	\$ -	\$ -		
Grapevine	\$ 50		\$ 50.00	\$ -	\$ -		
CFC	\$ 300		\$ 300.00	\$ -	\$ -		
TFC	\$ 75		\$ 75.00	\$ -	\$ -		
Archives Committee	\$ 100		\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ -		
Intergroup Donation/Contribution	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		
Intergroup Liaison	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		
IT Committee	\$ 50		\$ 50.00	\$ -	\$ -		
Miscellaneous	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		
Gratitude Dinner - Donation	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		
Gratitude Dinner - Food	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		
Fellowship Fest	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		
Traditions Dinner	\$ 1,300		\$ 1,300.00	\$ -	\$ -		
Service Workshop	\$ 300		\$ 300.00	\$ -	\$ -		
SWRAASA (Even Years)	\$ 1,900		\$ 1,900.00	\$ -	\$ -		
The Forum (Odd Years) See Note	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		
Delegate Report Meeting	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		
State Convention Hospitality Suite	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		
SETA Assembly Host District	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		
SETA - 2022 Hospitality Suite	\$ 300		\$ 300.00	\$ -	\$ 1,078.37		359%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$8,614</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$8,614</b>	<b>\$17</b>	<b>\$1,651</b>	<b>19%</b>	<b>19%</b>

INCOME	
Group Name	Receipts This Month
Chapelwood Tues 8pm	90.45
Copperfield Willingness Group	147.00
Four Horsemen Group	58.00
Fry Road Group	80.00
Friends of Bill W. (Post Oak)	100.00
Journey Group	14.24
Katy 12 & 12	52.19
Sage-Piney Point	8.78
Saturday Solutions Group	35.00
Working With Others	200.00
<b>TOTAL INCOME THIS MONTH:</b>	<b>\$785.66</b>

<b>Beginning Bank Balance</b>	\$ 2,653.33
<b>Total Expenses this Month</b>	\$ 17.00
<b>Total Income this Month</b>	\$ 785.66
<b>Outstanding checks cashed this month</b>	
Prudent Reserve (0.25 x Budget)	\$ 2,153.51
Held for Setra Hospitality	\$ -
<b>Unrestricted Funds</b>	\$ 1,268.48
<b>Ending Balance / Total Funds</b>	<b>\$ 3,421.99</b>
Unspent Portion of Budget	\$ 6,963.47

NOTES:  
1. Ending balance shown above agrees with bank statement after deposit of this month's receipts.

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## Group Contributions 2022

SETA DISTRICT 40 -- GROUP CONTRIBUTIONS FOR 2022													
District 40 Groups	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	YEAR
Another Chance Group													0.00
Bear Creek Fellowship													0.00
Beginners Group													0.00
Broad Highway Group													0.00
Bunkerhill Tuesday A.A. Group													0.00
Chapelwood Tues 8pm		90.45											90.45
Colors of Change Group													0.00
Copperfield Willingness Group		147.00											147.00
Daily Reflections Group													0.00
Drifter's Group (000606304)													0.00
Everything is "Alright Already"													0.00
First Light Group													0.00
Four Horsemen Group		58.00											58.00
Fourth Promise Group													0.00
Fry Road Group		80.00											80.00
Friends of Bill W. (Post Oak)	50.00	100.00											150.00
Friends of Bill W. (West Houston CC)													0.00
Fulshear Group													0.00
God Meeting Group													0.00
Good Morning Open Book Study Group													0.00
High Hopes													0.00
Hockley Group	45.00												45.00
Houston Young People													0.00
Journey Group		14.24											14.24
Just For Today	120.80												120.80
Just The Black Print Group													0.00
Katy 12 & 12	134.31	52.19											186.50
Katy 164 Group													0.00
Katy Big Book													0.00
Katy Crossroads Group	25.80												25.80
Katy Primary Purpose Group													0.00
Kingsland Group													0.00
Living Now Group													0.00
Memorial Going Home Group	43.35												43.35
Memorial West Group													0.00
Men's Supper/Step Study Group													0.00
Monaville Group													0.00
New Beginnings group													0.00
New Oxford Group													0.00
Our Common Journey Group													0.00
Outpost Group (Men's)													0.00
Peek Road Group													0.00
Rooted in Love Group													0.00
Rosewood Thursday Night Group													0.00
Rule 62 Group	49.00												49.00
Sage-Piney Point		8.78											8.78
Sage-Piney Point Noon Tuesday													0.00
Saturday Solutions Group		35.00											35.00
Simply AA													0.00
Sisters in Serenity	25.00												25.00
Sober in Brookshire													0.00
Spring Branch Memorial Club													0.00
Spring Shadows Group													0.00
Stepping Stones in Recovery Katy													0.00
Steps in Sobriety													0.00
Taking Care of Business													0.00
Tuesday Night Step Study													0.00
There is a Solution Group													0.00
36 Principles Group													0.00
Wednesday Reflections													0.00
West Memorial													0.00
Wild West Group	22.87												22.87
Working With Others		200.00											200.00
White Oak													0.00
Unknown/Misc													0.00
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>516.13</b>	<b>785.66</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1301.79</b>

## DISTRICT 40 OFFICIAL MEETING MINUTES

### Meeting Location:

ZOOM

Meeting ID: 824 4810 5482

Passcode: 072830

[jackie.s@aa-seta.org](mailto:jackie.s@aa-seta.org) DCM

[doug.d@aa-seta.org](mailto:doug.d@aa-seta.org) Alt. DCM

[natalie.a@aa-seta.org](mailto:natalie.a@aa-seta.org) Secretary

[scott.b@aa-seta.org](mailto:scott.b@aa-seta.org) Treasurer

### Mailing Address:

District 40

PO Box 19085

Houston, Tx. 77024-9085

**Date:** February 8, 2022

**Time:** 7:00 – 9:00 PM

**Attendees:** 32

**Call to Order** – 7:00 pm, Jackie S. – Serenity Prayer

**PRE-AMBLE** – Dennis K

**UNITY DECLARATION** - Marti B

**INTRODUCTIONS** – Name/Home Group/Service Position

**TRADITION/CONCEPT** – Tradition II – Kevin B. /Concept II – Theresa S.– Thank you both!

Next month – Tradition III – Bree C /Concept III – Mike B.

**District Inventory Question 13: “How well are our groups informed about what is happening in A.A. worldwide?”**

- Answered by Kate C.
- Bree C. – There are 24/7 meetings around the world on Zoom. Example – Marathon Meeting ID:2923712604
- Mike B. – GSR should be informed about the number of meetings worldwide. The Zoom meetings have really connected AA groups internationally. So we are probably more connected now than ever
- Peter H – Not sure how well informed meetings are, but we as GSRs are partly responsible, but there is a lot of information available online

### DISTRICT OFFICER REPORTS

**Secretary’s Report** – Natalie A., (Alt. Ed S.)

Peter H Motioned, Denis K 2<sup>nd</sup> - accepted

**Treasurer’s Report** – Scott B. accepted

Doug D motioned, Bill B 2<sup>nd</sup> - accepted

- Beginning Balance 3770.77
- Revenues 516.13
- Expense 3422.61
- Ending balance 2653.33

**D40 DCM Report** - Jackie S. - January 2022

Please read the newsletters for a complete summary

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Area Assembly is Double Tree Hotel by IA. The topics for voting are available for review. AA group members can review the topics and provide their input so that they can inform (not direct) our delegates

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## Alt DCM report – Doug D.

- It was good to see a lot of yall at the SETA convention. I forgot how much fun they are in person. I would like to point out the play the young people put on Friday night did make my day, it hit home on a few things in my own home group's , group conscience.
- My next task of being your alt DCM of District 40 is to put on the traditions dinner this year. If you ae new to D40, we have a tradition dinner each year. Its purpose is for fellowshipping and going over the traditions in a new and fun way each year. Tonight we will start to discuss and decide on a lot of the topics as best as we can with time allotted. The main things will be the date, time, main food, type of presentation for the traditions.
  - Date: waiting for GSRs to come back next month with the dates that will work with their home groups.
  - Dates blocked due to AA events:
    - June 17-19 State convention
    - July 9-10 area assembly
  - Time will reserved from 4 to 7pm
  - Main food: will decide in later after date and time is chosen
  - Group donation signup sheet will be made for side items and drinks
  - Flier -- Fernando will make when we have the date and time locked down.
- So ask your home group on what Saturdays in June and July that will work for yall and what weekend will not work also. Ask about how many people might attend and any questions that yall may have. We are kicking off the planning for the D40 Traditions Dinner. Please get feedback from your group

## PI Rep – Theresa S.

- See presentation
- Print option
  - We have a PSA in Jan/Feb/Mar in Katy & Cyfair in the community impact newsletter
  - Proposal for Memorial Examiner (part of the Chronicle)

Houston Chronicle  
Memorial Examiner  
Community  
Newspaper  
Goes out every Wednesday to  
73,827 readers  
1/4 of the readers are  
subscribers  
1/4 get it delivered randomly for  
3 months (marketing tool)



- 1/8 ad, \$100 per week, min 3 months or \$1200
- Alternate Katy, Cyfair, Spring Branch Memorial for \$200 a week
- Social Media option: (facebook / instagram, \$300/month, min 150 click-through)
- Targeted Display ads: Can target for \$500 (chron suggests low income / high crime areas)
- Discussion:
  - Seems like a better deal to wait 3 months and do print for broader market (less expensive than the community impact newsletter)
  - Digital ads may be less expensive and can be tracked – need to understand where the ads show up and how they work



## DISTRICT COMMITTEE REPORTS:

### Archives Rep – Mike B.

- Mike B is now temporary Alt Chair for the Area Archives Committee

### CFC Rep – Marcus S

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### CPC Rep – Bill A.

### Grapevine Rep – Gary S.

- Gary S is now temporary Alt Chair for the Grapevine Rep
- Goal 1: Get more GV reps in the area
- Goal 2: Workshops to help people to write GV articles

### IT Rep – Bree C.

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### Houston Intergroup Liaison – Mitch A.

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### Literature Rep – Dan K.

- Next meeting is 2/15
- Pamphlet of the month is P-83 Access to A.A.: Members share on Overcoming Barriers
  - <https://www.aa.org/access-aa-members-share-overcoming-barriers>
- GSO checklist for accessibility for use by Groups
  - <https://www.aa.org/accessibilities-checklist-meetings-and-groups>

### Newsletter Editor: Fernando B./ see attached newsletter

- Exploring a use of a D40 Google Calendar
- Looking for group members interesting in writing an article

### TFC Rep – Matt G

- Area meeting was 2/7

## OLD BUSINESS: none

## NEW BUSINESS:

### TFG guest speaker - Kendyl W. – Area 67 TFC Chair

- If a person leaves treatment and does not go to a meeting in the first 72 hours, there is close to a 100% relaps rate
- Bridge the Gap Matches people coming out of treatment with AA members in the community where they will initially reside
- The Area is our connection to Bridge the Gap Worldwide

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- [www.btgww.org](http://www.btgww.org) allows people to request a local connection when they are coming out of Treatment.
- **What we can do.**
  - When the Area gets a notice that someone is going to be in D40 after they get out of treatment, they will reach out to us for a contact
  - If you are interested in being a contact – reach out to Matt G
  - If you work with a treatment facility know that this is available

**RESPONSIBILITY STATEMENT:** Jackie S

**ADJOURN:** 9:00pm

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**District 40 Officers and Committee  
Representatives**

<u>Position</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Email</u>
DCM	Jackie S.	<a href="mailto:jackie.s@aa-seta.org">jackie.s@aa-seta.org</a>
Alt DCM	Doug D.	<a href="mailto:doug.d@aa-seta.org">doug.d@aa-seta.org</a>
Secretary	Natalie A.	<a href="mailto:natalie.a@aa-seta.org">natalie.a@aa-seta.org</a>
Alt Secretary	Ed S.	<a href="mailto:ed.s@aa-seta.org">ed.s@aa-seta.org</a>
Treasurer	Scott B.	<a href="mailto:treasurer-40@aa-seta.org">treasurer-40@aa-seta.org</a>
Alt Treasurer	Ronnie H.	<a href="mailto:ronnie.h@aa-seta.org">ronnie.h@aa-seta.org</a>
Archives	Mike B.	<a href="mailto:mike.b@aa-seta.org">mike.b@aa-seta.org</a>
Newsletter Editor	Fernando B.	<a href="mailto:fernando.b@aa-seta.org">fernando.b@aa-seta.org</a>
Grapevine Rep	Gary S.	
IT Rep	Bree C.	<a href="mailto:brianne.c@aa-seta.org">brianne.c@aa-seta.org</a>
Literature Rep	Dan K.	<a href="mailto:daniel.k@aa-seta.org">daniel.k@aa-seta.org</a>
CFC Rep	Marcus S.	<a href="mailto:marcus.s@aa-seta.org">marcus.s@aa-seta.org</a>
Intergroup Rep	Mitch A.	
CPC Rep	Bill A.	
PI Rep	Theresa S.	<a href="mailto:theresa.s@aa-seta.org">theresa.s@aa-seta.org</a>
TFC	Matt G.	<a href="mailto:matt.g@aa-seta.org">matt.g@aa-seta.org</a>

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## Area 67 Committee Meetings

Committee	Meeting Date and Time	Location
<b>Archives</b>	2nd Sunday of the Month 1:00 pm	Zoom ID - 858 6157 6627 Passcode - 423970 Houston Intergroup 5151 Mitchelldale St. Houston, Tx 77092 Conference Room
<b>Cooperation with the Professional Community (CPC)</b>	1st Monday of the Month 7:00 pm	Spring Branch Memorial Club 1200 Blalock Suite 378 Houston, TX 77055 Zoom ID - 632 634 860 Passcode - 153379
<b>Correctional Facilities (CFC)</b>	3rd Wednesday of the Month 7:30 pm	Houston Intergroup 5151 Mitchelldale St. Houston, Tx 77092 Conference Room Zoom ID - 477 254 9035 Passcode - heartbeat
<b>Grapevine</b>	3rd Thursday of every other Month, 7:30 pm	Zoom Password - 114 207 273 Passcode - 610793
<b>Intergroup (Delegate's Meeting)</b>	3rd Thursday of every other Month, 8:00 pm	Currently on Zoom Call (713) 686-6300 for more info
<b>Internet Technologies (IT)</b>	4th Saturday of the Month 10:00 am	Google Meet ID - nqm-vypy-yso
<b>Literature</b>	3rd Tuesday of the Month 8:30 pm	Zoom ID - 257 198 925 Passcode - 443980
<b>Multi-Lingual</b>	1st Thursday of the Month 7:30 pm	District 66 4800 5645 Hillcroft Suite 410 Houston, TX 77036
<b>Public Information (PI)</b>	4th Tuesday of the Month 7:30 pm	Zoom ID - 330 417 285 Passcode - 153379
<b>Treatment Facility Committee (TFC)</b>	2nd Monday of the Month, 7:00 pm	Zoom ID - 552 569 731 Passcode - 169753