



Houston Intergroup Association, Inc.

The Link News Letter

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Hello Fellowship - The Board of Trustees and Staff wish you a Happy 2023. We hope that all is well with you and your families, friends and groups!

We are excited to present the first "Link Newsletter" of 2023. We are so grateful for your continual support. We have over 9500 email addresses on our newsletter distribution list. WOW! Thank you!

We encourage suggestions and comments on contents and/or articles in "The Link". Please email intergroup@aahouston.org.

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BOT & Delegates Monthly Meeting



February 16, 2023
****Correction****

BOT Meeting @ 7pm
IG Delegates Meeting @8pm

The Board of Trustees meets every 3rd Thursday of the month at 7pm.

The Intergroup Delegates meet every other month beginning in February at 8pm.

- **December** BOT and IG Delegates is on the 2nd Thursday of the month.

Delegates meetings are Hybrid (in person and on Zoom). Details will be sent to Delegates prior to the meeting along with the Delegate Packet.

Please consider being an Intergroup Delegate for your group - your representation is important to us.

Bookstore will be open late for your shopping Convenience.

Welcome New Delegates! Please Complete Form.

[New Delegate Form](#)

[Delegate Welcome Packet](#)



We are accepting nominations for two (2) open replacement position for Houston Intergroup Board of Trustees, to be voted by the Intergroup Delegates on February 19, 2023. One replacement nominee will fill vacant position until December 2023 and the other replacement nominee will fill position until December 2024.

Please click link for Description of BOT Position and application form. If you have any questions, please contact us at 713-686-6300 or email at intergroup@aaahouston.org.

[Board of Trustee Application](#)

Bookstore Hours

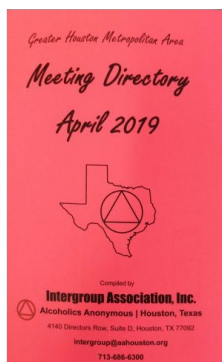
Monday - Friday

**** 9:00am to 5:00pm ****

For large quantity purchases, please call the Bookstore for stock status, prior to your visit. Our Vendors, including AAWS have been hit with the current supply/demand shortage.



[Intergroup Online Bookstore](#)



Coming Soon 2023 Meeting Directory In Print

Please help us keep your meetings schedule up-to-date. Meeting changes can be made by phone 713-686-6300, email to intergroup@aaahouston.org or on [website](#).

We are in the process of verifying online meetings. Please let us know if your online meeting has changed information or disbanded. **[Click here for letter from member of fellowship.](#)**



Visit aa-seta.org for Area 67 website and information.

76th Texas State Convention 2022 Flyer

GRAPEVINE News *Pass it on!*

What's New For February 2023

Check out what is new and available:

- 2023 Carry The Message Project: Want To Help Another Alcoholic? [Learn How Here!](#)
- Willingness: [New YouTube Playlist "Willingness"](#) Check it out here!
- Grapevine's Podcast Season 4 is now available. [Click here!](#)

IMPORTANT UPDATES

More News:

- We're collecting stories from the Fellowship in the form of audio recordings and we'd love to hear yours! [Click here.](#)
- Do You Have an Event to Share? Tell us about it! Visit www.aagrapevine.org/submit-calendar-event
- Grapevine and La Villa on Instagram! To follow us, use these addresses: [@aalcoholicsanonymous_gv](https://www.instagram.com/aalcoholicsanonymous_gv) [@aalcoholicsanonymous_lv](https://www.instagram.com/aalcoholicsanonymous_lv)
- The app for both Grapevine and La Villa will be a hard-hat control center for all things. Take a look at our list of ideas — we want your input and ideas too. [Click here.](#)

Vacancy for Non-trustee Director of AA Grapevine Board in 2023

The AA Grapevine Corporate Board is actively seeking candidates to fill a vacancy for the position of non-trustee Director at the General Service Conference in April 2023. [Learn more here!](#)

Step 2

This step is about **HOPE**. Despite their alcoholism recovery IS possible.

If ego can be laid aside and allow for someone or something greater than you, it is possible to be guided in the right direction.

"CAME to believe THAT A POWER GREATER THAN OURSELVES could restore us to sanity."

Printable Grapevine & Your Group

It must never be forgotten that the purpose of Alcoholics Anonymous is to sober up alcoholics. There is no religious or spiritual requirement for membership. No demands are made on anyone. An experience is offered which members may accept or reject. That is up to them.

— Bill W. —

AZ QUOTES



As of February 1, 2023 there are

- 1889 Meetings
- 539 Groups
- 291 Locations

In the Houston Metropolitan Area

Chip Sales

2022 Chip Sales

2020 vs 2021 Chip Sales

Big Book, *Bedevelments*, page 52

We had to ask ourselves why we shouldn't apply to our human problems this same readiness to change our point of view. We were having trouble with personal relationships, we couldn't control our emotional natures, we were a prey to



misery and depression, we couldn't make a living, we had a feeling of uselessness, we were full of fear, we were unhappy, we couldn't seem to be of real help to other people — was not a basic solution of these bedevilmments more important than whether we should see newsreels of lunar flight? Of course it was.

When we saw others solve their problems by a simple reliance upon the Spirit of the Universe, we had to stop doubting the power of God. Our ideas did not work. But the God idea did.

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2022 Phone Stats

2021 vs 2022 Phone Stats



THANK YOU PHONE
VOLUNTEERS!
WE APPRECIATE YOU!



AREA 67 ARCHIVES WORKDAY

FEBRUARY 11 AND 12TH

10:00AM – 6:00PM

HOUSTON INTERGROUP

5151b Mitchelldale St Suite B10, Houston, TX 77092

COME ON OUT AND HELP AREA ARCHIVES RESET
THE ARCHIVES REPOSITORY

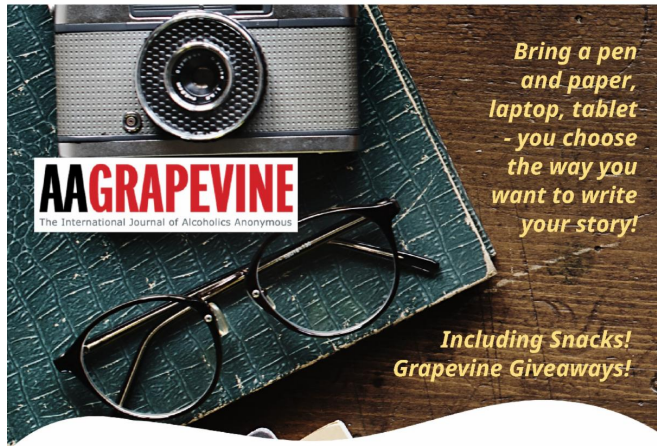
GREAT OPPORTUNITY TO LEARN MORE ABOUT
ARCHIVES AND DO SOME SERVICE WORK



CONTACT DEBORAH T. FOR MORE INFO.

214-394-3579

Tri-Cities Group
WORKSHOP
2ND Step
2ND Tradition
February 11, 2023 | 3pm - 4:30pm
Guest Speakers
In-Person 2425 FM 1092 Rd,
Missouri City, TX 77459



AA GRAPEVINE
The International Journal of Alcoholics Anonymous

*Bring a pen
and paper,
laptop, tablet
- you choose
the way you
want to write
your story!*

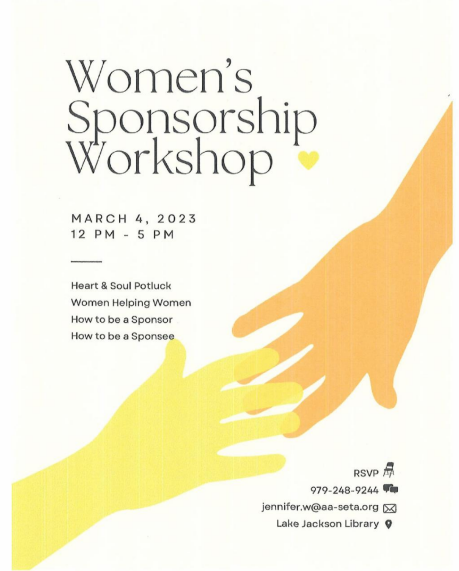
*Including Snacks!
Grapevine Giveaways!*

SETA Area 67
District 31 / Spring Group Presents
**AA GRAPEVINE
WRITING WORKSHOP**

Sunday, February 12, 2023
12pm - 3pm
24307 Aldine Westfield Rd
Spring, TX 77373

For further info contact leslie.s@aa-seta.org

*Learn how you can share your experience, strength
and hope through writing stories that you can
submit to AA Grapevine (our "Meeting in Print")*



Women's
Sponsorship
Workshop ♥

MARCH 4, 2023
12 PM - 5 PM

Heart & Soul Potluck
Women Helping Women
How to be a Sponsor
How to be a Sponsee

RSVP 📅
979-248-9244 📞
jennifer.w@aa-seta.org ✉️
Lake Jackson Library 📍

27th Annual Mouth of the Brazos Conference

"Have you a sufficient substitute?"

Friday, May 5th, 2023 - Sunday, May 7th, 2023

| Friday, May 5th, 2023 | Location |
|-------------------------------------|---|
| 5:00 pm Registration Opens | Lake Jackson Civic Center |
| 5:00 - 7:30 pm Food & Fellowship | 333 Highway 332 |
| 7:30 - 8:00 pm Welcome | Lake Jackson, Texas 77566 |
| Pre-Registration Door Prizes | (979) 415-2600 |
| Mini Raffle | |
| 8:00 - 9:00 pm AA Speaker | |
| Tracie J., Dallas, TX | |
| 10:00 - 11:00 pm Discussion Meeting | |
| | Hospitality Room |
| | Friday: 5:00 pm – 11:30 pm |
| | Saturday: 8:00 am – 11:00 pm |
| | Sunday: 8:00 am – 12:00 pm |
| | Hospitality Room will be closed during all Speaker Meetings & Workshop |
| | Nearby Hotels |
| | Comfort Suites (979) 297-5545 |
| | Townplace Suites (979) 288-9300 |
| | Quality Inn (979) 265-8460 |
| | Texas Inn & Suites (979) 266-7774 |
| | Registration |
| | AA / Al-Anon Pre-Registration \$20.00 |
| | AA / Al-Anon On-Site Registration \$25.00 |
| | Al-A Teen On-Site Registration \$ 5.00 |
| | Pre-Registration Cutoff Date: 5/01/2023 |
| | For further information e-mail: |
| | Corey.c@aa-seta.org |

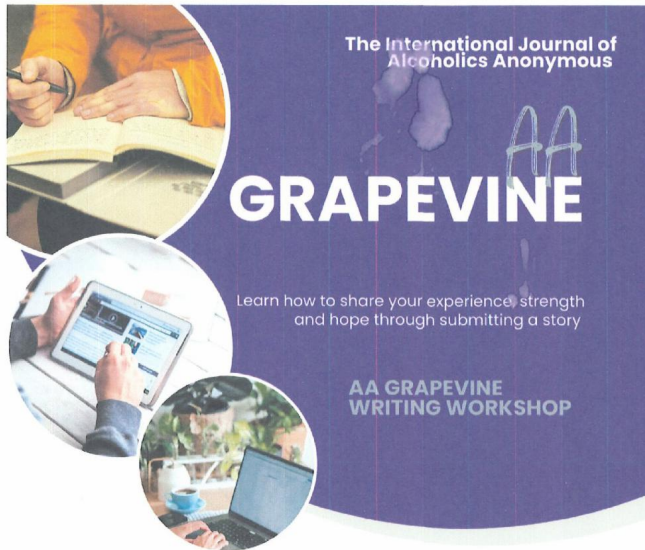
| Saturday, May 6th, 2023 |
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| 8:00 am Registration Opens, Breakfast |
| 8:30 - 9:30 am Early Bird Meeting |
| 10:00 - 11:30 am Workshop-Friendships in AA |
| 11:45 - 1:00 pm Lunch |
| 1:00 - 1:45 pm Al-Anon meeting |
| 2:00 - 3:00 pm Al-Anon Speaker |
| Cindy K., Fort Worth, Tx |
| 4:00 - 5:00 pm Old Timer's Meeting (25+ years) |
| 5:00 - 6:30 pm Food & Fellowship |
| 6:40 - 7:00 pm Skit |
| 7:00 - 8:00 pm Raffle, Sobriety Countdown |
| 8:00 - 9:00 pm AA Speaker |
| Georgia B., Los Angeles, CA |
| 9:15 - 9:45 pm Ice Cream Social |
| 10:00 - 11:00 pm Discussion Meeting |

| Sunday, May 22, 2022 |
|-----------------------------------|
| 8:00 am Breakfast |
| 8:30 - 9:30 am Early Bird Meeting |
| 10:00 - 11:00 am AA Speaker |
| Gary K., Sulphur Spring, TX |
| 12:00 pm Closing |

Pre-Registration Mail-In Form

| | |
|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| Name: _____ | Name: _____ |
| Badge Name: _____ | Badge Name: _____ |
| Address: _____ | Address: _____ |
| City: _____ | City: _____ |
| State: _____ Zip: _____ | State: _____ Zip: _____ |
| HOME GROUP: _____ | HOME GROUP: _____ |
| () AA, \$20.00 | () AA, \$20.00 |
| () Al-Anon, \$20.00 | () Al-Anon, \$20.00 |

Make Checks Payable to: Mouth of the Brazos Conference
P.O. Box 1641 Clute, TX 77531



The International Journal of Alcoholics Anonymous

GRAPEVINE

Learn how to share your experience, strength and hope through submitting a story

AA GRAPEVINE WRITING WORKSHOP

PRESENTED BY:

District 82

Saturday, March 25, 2023

TIME: 1 - 3 PM

Brazosport Area Club

147 Brazosport Blvd N

Clute, TX, 77531

"MEETING IN PRINT"

You may bring pen, paper, tablet or laptop if you wish.

Writing & mailing materials will be provided.

PLEASE RSVP TO RECEIVE PREPARATION INFO. @

corey.c@aa-seta.org

WORKING WITH OTHERS
MAY 19-20, 2023
AN EXPERIENCE YOU MUST NOT MISS

Mens Sponsorship Workshop

| | | |
|--|--|---|
| Friday May 19 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6:00-7:00 Food & Fellowship OB S. 7:30-9:00 Sponsorship Panel Paul M | | Location Dunbar Park Pavilion 803 FM 2004 Lake Jackson, TX 77566 |
| Saturday May 20 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 7:30 Breakfast Jim Ed 8:30-9:30 Spiritual Discussion Curtis 9:45-10:45 Ask It Basket Rick M 11:00-12:00 BB Prayers Jim Ed 12:00-12:45 Lunch Rick M 12:50 - 2:30 BB Prayer discussion Jim Ed 2:45-4:30 St. Francis Prayer Fred & Gary 4:30 - 4:55 Welcome Families 4:55 - 6:00 Family Afterward Ron & Karen 6:30 - 8:00 Family Dinner Jim | | |
| Registration Name: _____ Phone: _____ Email: _____ Home Group: _____ | | Bring your favorite <i>Chair, snacks, towel, sunscreen, Coat & blanket, flashlight, mosquito spray, etc.</i> |
| | | Weekend Fee: \$40.00 Please RSVP and pay your weekend fee ASAP Weekend fee will cover food for the weekend and facility fee. If you cannot afford the registration fee, please get with your sponsor so arrangements can be made. We want you to attend! RSVP to Andy H andy_harr@yahoo.com Steve C scsalife59@gmail.com |

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS
2023 BRIDGING THE GAP
 Workshop Weekend
 TEMPORARY CONTACTS
September 8th - 10th 2023
 Sheraton North Houston
 15700 John F Kennedy Blvd Houston TX 77032

Hosted by Area 67 Southeast Texas
 For hotel reservations call Reservations at 1-281-442-5100
 Refer to Group BTGWW for special workshop rate of **\$89 plus tax**

The Annual Bridging the Gap Workshop Weekend consists of presentations, discussions, shared experiences, and breakout sessions on BTG topics. **Go to btgww.org for online registration** and more information about Bridging the Gap and the workshop

\$35 Early Bird Registration only **\$40 Registration only after July 31st**

\$90 \$85 Registration & Banquet *Banquet Registrations must be received by August 20th*

Total Submitted: \$ _____ I am interested in purchasing recordings

Name _____ Phone _____
 Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Area #: _____
 Email: _____

I am willing to give a presentation on the following topic:

Accommodations-Special Needs? _____
 Return registration form and check to: BTGWW, 2107 Watson Ave St. Paul MN 55116

Any questions contact Laura S. at (612) 309-8385 or email coordinator@btgww.

6th Annual National Corrections Conference

Nov. 10-12, 2023 Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

The purpose of this weekend is for A.A. members interested in corrections to come together, share experience, exchange information and hear from other trusted servants.



We Hope to inspire A.A. members everywhere to get involved in this important and rewarding service.
Speaker: **Bob D. Las Vegas**

The Location will be:
Embassy Suites by Hilton Oklahoma City Northwest
3233 Northwest Expy Oklahoma City, Ok 73112 (405) 842-6633

Registration - \$35 // Scholarship - \$35 // Zoom - \$20 // Saturday Lunch - \$ 25 // Hospitality Room - \$5 // Ice Cream Social - \$15 // Banquet - \$49

For more information contact: **Norman** Phone:(405) 615-5650 Email: racingnorm@aol.com or
Thornton S. Phone:(405) 880-0739 Email: tshackelford2013@gmail.com

Registration

Name: _____
Address: _____
Area: _____ Badge Name: _____
Service Position: _____

Make your checks out to: National Corrections Conference 22 Armstrong Drive Mustang, OK 73064

[Click On Flyers For PDF](#)

What's In Your Toolbox Article

My name is Rod B. and I am an alcoholic.
My sober birthdate is 10/27/18. My 18-month mark was just about the time of the COVID start-up. I have always suffered...

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Group Donations

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We could not continue to provide the essential services needed to carry the message without the continual support of the Groups, the Area (including the Districts and Committees), and the Individual A.A. members. We are so grateful for your continuous support to the Houston Intergroup Office, especially during the last year.

