



DISTRICT 29 NEWSLETTER

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Alcoholism is known as a three part disease which effects the Mind, Body and Spirit.

Step 6: *We're entirely ready to have God remove all these defects of character.*

Tradition 6: *An A.A. group ought never endorse, finance, or lend the A.A. name to any related facility or outside enterprise, lest problems of money,*

Concept 6: *The Conference recognizes that the chief initiative and active responsibility in most world service matters should be exercised by the trustee members of the Conference acting as the General Service Board.*

Promise 6: *That feeling of uselessness and self-pity will disappear.*

Happenings in District 29

Fellowship in the Pines

Set your course for the fourth dimension of existence, save the dates October 5th - 7th, 2018 to attend the 34th annual Fellowship in the Pines. With a theme of "We have been rocketed into a fourth dimension of existence..." this year's event is shaping up to help propel you to new heights in sobriety. Reverse your ticket to the fourth dimension, by requesting registration information from Rob and Holly via e-mail at hollyrob-fitps@gmail.com.

Thanks all who braved the arctic temperatures at the inaugural planning meeting in April, the planning effort will be heating up. If you would like to be of service as part of Mission Control, join us at the next planning meeting Saturday June, 2nd at 9 a.m. at Fisherman's Park in Bastrop. There are plenty of opportunities to be of service helping on the various committees. Current committee members and chairs should bring you committee budget ideas to the meeting. For more information contact the Mission Commanders (err.. Committee Co-Chairs) Brooke at brookeginsberg@yahoo.com or Kim at crazyaboutlife2@gmail.com.

Various groups in the area hold fundraisers to fuel Fellowship in the Pines. The first will be a Pancake Breakfast hosted by Sunday Morning Sidewalk Group. They will have a speaker that is TBA and

bring the family for great fellowship and fuel up on all you care to eat pancakes and sausage. There is a suggested donation of \$5.00 and the proceeds will fuel conference attendees with breakfast tacos to attendees of the conference. Join us on July 8th starting at noon at Mina Lodge, 601 Main St, Bastrop, TX 78602. More to come, let's get rocketing...

District 29 Picnic

While we may have ceased fighting anything and anyone – even alcohol, nothing says fun like a little good natured AA Family Feud! Join us at the District 29 Picnic. It is tentatively scheduled for the second Saturday in August this year.

There will be a District Committee Meeting held that day prior to the Picnic. At the Picnic we will have a Correctional Facility Committee Big Book Buy Back and an AA Family Feud event based on the popular TV Game show plus more you will not want to miss. If you would like to be part of, "survey says..." fill out your answers to the survey questions on the last page and return them in person or by e-mail to Sunny T.

(Sunnynoah@hotmail.com) who is the Chairperson for the District Picnic/Alternate District Committee Member or Debbie M (dmcDaniell17@austin.rr.com) our District Committee Member.

Be a part of... Future Newsletters!

If you have events you would like highlighted in or would like to contribute an article to the District 29 Newsletter, contact Theol J. by e-mail at theol_jackman@hotmail.com.

Events In and Around District 29

- June 2**—Speaker Mtg 8pm at On The Colorado (OTC), Smithville
- June 9**—Speaker Mtg 7pm Lost Pines Grp, Bastrop
- June 10**—District Mtg Noon hosted by Sunday Morning Sidewalk Group, Bastrop
Delegate Jonathan S will give Report after District Mtg
- June 15**—Speaker Mtg at Elgin Group Hot Dogs 6pm Meet 7pm, Elgin
- June 19**—Service Study Mtg 7:30pm at Timberline Church, Bastrop
- June 26**—Speaker Mtg. 7pm at A Way Out Group (AWOG), Bastrop
- June 27**—Sober Dance 7pm hosted by Hope Floats Group, Smithville
- June 30**—Area Birthday hosted by Giddings Group, Giddings

Events Coming Up

- July 8** Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser
- July 8**—Grapevine Workshop
- July 20-22**—Area 68 Summer Workshop at Hilton Garden Inn, Victoria, TX

June 2018 DCM Report

Debbie M, DCM District 29, Panel 68

Hi Everyone!!! Well it has been 5 months since I started this wonderful journey as your District 29 DCM. Time has been flying by so fast; when I just want time to slow down so I could take it all in and smell the flowers (a.k.a. watch the growth in our District flourish like flowers) just as “Ferdinand”, the bull.

So far I/we have visited 11 out of the 17 groups we have in our District. District 29 is spread out spanning 6 cities including Bastrop, Elgin, Giddings, La Grange, Manor and Smithville. On a personal note, I have been to La Grange for our area birthday celebration and district meetings but never to attend a meeting. Recently I attended the Colorado Valley Study Group which meets on Wednesday nights at 8pm at 156 Monroe St. in La Grange. When you pull up to the meeting you are greeted with a smile and “How do you do” and shown where they meet; opening the door, the first thing that hit me besides the smell of coffee brewing was a room that looked like a Swiss chalet. Such a beautiful building and all this before the meeting even started. It is a well supported Big Book Study meeting. A good meeting to attend, if you are in LaGrange on a Wednesday evening.

Your District 29 Officers and Committee Chairs are such a joy and they are thrilled to be of service to the District. We have some very new faces in service which is so thrilling. They have such great ideas and voices. We are all here to help the still suffering alcoholic and to support the Groups/Fellowship in our District. We hope to have email addresses of Group contacts for all the Groups to keep them informed on what is going on around the District and AA as a whole. We would love to have all the Groups represented at the District meeting but totally understand if you cannot. I send out the agenda, minutes, Calendar and soon the Newsletter to everyone so they are included and never excluded.

The summer is going to be a busy place for District 29. First June 10th, we have the pleasure of our Area 68 Delegate, Jonathan S. attending our District 29 meeting which is hosted by Sunday Morning Sidewalk Group at 601 Main Street, Bastrop, TX. He will be filling us all in on what is going at GSO and AA as a whole. Jonathan S. attended the General Service Conference in New York, the first part of April, 2018. So he will have a bunch of information to share with us. Next in July we are having our Area 68 Grapevine Chair Jenna C. do a workshop on writing a Grapevine article or proposal; anything really. This will take place on July 8 after the District meeting which is hosted by the Lost Pines Group at 1:30. That same day there will be a Pancake Breakfast for Fellowship in the Pines at 10:30am hosted by Sunday Morning Sidewalk Group. July 20-22 in Victoria, TX the Area 68 Summer Workshop will be held at the Hilton Garden Inn. The theme of the workshop is “Your imagination will be fired. Life will mean something at last.” And rounding out in August will be our District 29 Picnic. More details will be coming but for sure there will be food, fun and fellowship. We will also be having a Big Book Buy Back for CFC and AA Family Feud (get those survey answers in). All should be fun.

It is a honor and privilege to be your District 29 DCM. I have grown so much and still have so much more growing to do. I have made some mistakes and have learned and grown from them. Thank you again for giving me this opportunity to serve you and our District 29.

Grapevine Daily Quotes

February 28, 2018

“What profiteth it a man if he has gained sobriety and lost his sense of humor?”

May 1950 “Grape Vignettes,” AA Grapevine

October 14, 2017

“The laughter in AA is what attracted me from the very beginning. The restorative power of laughter should never be underestimated ... I have come to believe that I’m being restored to sanity when my sense of humor is restored and I cease to take myself so seriously.”

Open District Committee Chair Descriptions

These positions are open as of May 25, 2018. Some may be filled at the district meeting , but it is always good to have a description of the District Committee Chairs and what they do. All Committee Chairs attend District 29 monthly meetings and are encouraged to attend SWTA 68 Area Assemblies and other General Service activities to learn what other Service Committee Chairs are doing in their Districts and Groups.

[Archives](#)

Maintains the repository of A.A. related materials primarily relating to the origin and development of A.A. in District 29. Duties include but are not limited to: receives, sorts, indexes and preserves all A.A. related materials pertaining to District 29. Maintains and updates District 29 Group Histories for inclusion in the Archives. Conducts and maintains Oral Interviews of “Old-timers” in District 29.

[Public Information/Cooperation with the Professional Community \(PI/CPC\)](#)

Distributes A.A. literature/information to the general public and professionals who are in contact with alcoholics. Should be thoroughly familiar with the A.A. program and able to provide consistent and accurate information about the Fellowship. Visits might include schools, local businesses, church and civic groups, clergy, health care providers, lawyers and teachers.

When I simply want to shout,
Screaming out, "What's this about?!"

I see the path I chose towards the angst,
Taking actions my better judgement,
against!

Now thusly knowing what is true,
I know in future what NOT to do!

I ask G-d, help me find my peace,
Move forward with patience, not disbelief.

For in each triumph and pitfall,
There is a lesson in them all.

Every experience a puzzle piece,
Complete life's picture, one filled with
peace.

By, Theol J,

District Committee

DCM Debbie M
Alt DCM Sunny T
Secretary Kathleen P
Treasurer David M
Webmaster Jorde M
Intergroup Dan C
Newsletter Theol J
Literature Katie H
Grapevine Holly H
CFC Mike G
Treatment Zach G
PICPC **Open**
Archives **Open**

Area Birthday Locations By Month

Jan.-Phelan Road Group
Feb.-LaGrange Gratitude Group
Mar.-Friday Night Group
April-Lost Pines Group
May-Smithville Group
June-Giddings
July-On The Colorado (OTC)
Aug.-LaGrange Colorado Valley
Sept.-Sunday Morning Sidewalk
Oct.-The Elgin Group
Nov.-Smithville Group
Dec. - Legacies Group

Meeting Place in Elgin, TX



Elgin Group

124 Fisher Street Elgin, TX 78621
Phone 512-593-2152

Sunday 5:00 PM O BB
 Monday 7:00 PM O STEP
 Tuesday 5:30 PM OD W, 7:00 PM OD
 Wednesday 7:00 PM O TRAD
 Thursday 7:00 PM O Meditation
 Friday 7:00 PM OD

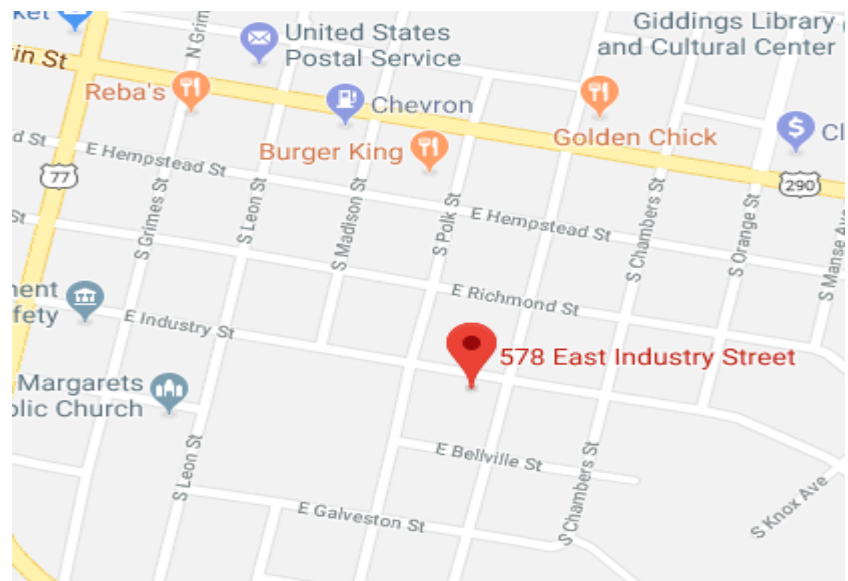


Giddings AA Group Beacon of Hope

578 East Industry Giddings, TX 78942
Phone 512-718-8216

Monday 6:00 PM O
 Thursday 12:00 PM OD WA,
 6:00 PM O WA

Meeting Places in Elgin, TX



12x12=Step/Trad BB=Big Book BD=Birthday BG=Beginner C=Closed CL=Candlelight D=Discussion ES=Espanol
 GLBT=GLBT GV=Grapevine M=Men's O=Open S=Smoking SP=Speaker STEP=Step TRAD=Traditions
 W=Women's WA=Wheelchair Accessible

Need to Share a special event or meeting going on at your Home Group?

Never fear your District Website is here!!!

If you have a flyer or event that you would like to add to our District calendar, please send the information or flyer to our Newsletter Chair Theol J. at Theol_Jackman@hotmail.com

Check out our District 29 website, www.district29aa.org. It is very user friendly and informative.

AA Family Feud Survey questions

1. Name an influential person in AA other than Bill W. or Dr. Bob?
2. What AA Step is the hardest to do?
3. What AA Literature is the most popular to purchase most other than The Alcoholics Anonymous Big Book?
4. Name a common "Character Defect"?
5. Name a state that has hosted the AA International Convention.
6. The AA Big Book has been written/translated in many language name one other than English.
7. Name your favorite AA Slogan.
8. Name your favorite AA Promise.
9. What do you think is one of the "hardest "times to stop drinking"?
10. Name your favorite AA Grapevine literature.
11. Name a favorite chapter in AA Big Book.
12. Name your favorite AA service opportunity.
13. Name a way someone could find out where an AA meeting is at?
14. Which of the 12 Steps do you find yourself using most often?
15. How many sponsors did you have in your first year of sobriety?
16. Name something you see when you walk into an AA meeting.

Deliver answers in person or send by e-mail to:

- Sunny T. — Sunnynoah@hotmail.com or
- Debbie M dmcDaniel17@austin.rr.com