

No Booze News September 2022

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Welcome to the September *No Booze News*

Central Office Committee elections will be held in October with the nominations presented this month. Make sure your COR (Central Office Representative) attends the meetings!

This month's flyers include:

- ◇ Greater Baton Rouge Central Office Golf Scramble — October 1
- ◇ NOW Group 41st Anniversary Celebration — November 1
- ◇ Southeast Regional Forum — December 2-4 in New Orleans

The Tradition article continues with Tradition 9 on page 3. Meeting changes are listed on page 2 — please let the Central Office know of **all** changes to meetings. We will let you know when a new booklet is printed, meanwhile updates appear here.

We are still on a campaign to update the sobriety anniversary (aka "birthday") lists. Some of the lists are more than 5 years since last update!

Thanks for letting me be of service!

Michael G.

Hotline Schedule

9/5- 9/11	EBR Men's Group
9/12-9/18	Early Birds
9/19- 9/25	Fellowship Group
9/26- 10/2	Free Again to Choose
10/3- 10/9	Freedom of Choice
10/10- 10/16	Galvez Group

Thank you to the groups and individuals that participate in this vital service work.

If your group would like to be included in the hotline rotation, please contact the Central Office.

Responsibility Declaration

I am responsible. When anyone, anywhere, reaches out for help, I want the hand of AA always to be there. And for that, I am responsible.

Greater Baton Rouge AA Central Office Contributions for August 2022

1-12 Unity Group	\$ 25.00
Baton Rouge Young Peoples Group	\$ 0.63
Big Book Study Guide	\$ 25.00
COR (7th Tradition Basket)	\$ 14.00
Defective Characters	\$ 78.00
Freedom of Choice	\$ 83.60
Happy Hour Group	\$ 50.00
In The World Outside	\$ 236.25
Individual AA Members	\$ 296.15
Last Stop	\$ 4.52
No Other Way Group (NOW)	\$ 275.00
Open Heart Meeting	\$ 130.00
Outsiders	\$ 30.00
Paradoxes Of AA	\$ 98.00
Seeking Solutions	\$ 28.00
St Francisville Group	\$ 225.00
Stray Cats	\$ 70.00
WE / ME	\$ 10.00
We Can Stop	\$ 50.00

TOTAL \$ 1,729.15

Individual and group contributions can be made to the Central Office via Venmo (and there are no bank fees for the Office to receive these funds). Use the QR code or Venmo: @aabatonrouge



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Reminder to update your group's Birthday list with the Central Office! Please!

PRINT MEETING LIST AVAILABLE

March 2022 is the cover date of the latest printed meeting list. NOW AVAILABLE at the Central Office!

Remember that your best, most current meeting listings are available online at www.aabatonrouge.org or on the app.

The handy, pocket-sized print meeting schedule is available at the Central Office!

Changes listed are since that printing.

Meeting Type Abbreviations

ABSI = AS BILL SEES IT	O = OPEN
BB = BIG BOOK STUDY	SP = SPEAKER
Beg = BEGINNER'S	ST = STEP
C = CLOSED (Alcoholics ONLY)	Study = Literature Study
D = DISCUSSION	TR = TRADITIONS
ES = Spanish	W = Women Only
MT = Meditation	M = Men Only
	LG = LGBTQIA (Lesbian/Gay/Bi/ Trans friendly)

Correction to printed booklet (Closed meeting not Open meeting)

Tosspots, Tuesday, 7:30 pm, & , Thursday, 7:30 pm, St. Alban's Episcopal Church, 11 Dalrymple Dr., 70802, C/D

Louisiana Area AA Archives

The Archives Repository is available for visitation, research, or for the delivery of materials for inclusion in the archives. The Archives attempts to include a history of AA in Louisiana including individual group histories.

Help is needed to organize material which has been donated.

Tentative Schedule for Work Days: 9/17, 10/29, 11/19, and 12/10.

Please contact the Archives Chairperson and Archivist, John L. to schedule an appointment to access the archives: archives@aa-louisiana.org or by cell phone 225-485-7696.

**Area 27 Archives Repository
8676 Goodwood Blvd., Suite A
Baton Rouge, LA**

THINGS WE CANNOT CHANGE

Whitney Bourgeois died August 18, 2022 at the age of 82. He had 41 years of sobriety. His longtime home group was the Courthouse Group in Denham Springs.

The AA Community offers our sincere condolences to his family and friends.



New Meetings

Fellowship 164, Wednesday 7pm, University Methodist Church
3350 Dalrymple Dr. Baton Rouge 70802 O/BB
Gracie St. Group, Tuesday, 8PM, 2536 Gracie Street, 70802, O/D
Sunlight of the Spirit, Thursday, 7 pm, Red Shoes, 2303
Government Street, Baton Rouge, 70806, O/MT
Trust the Process, Tuesday, 8PM, Grace Baptist Church, 630
Richland Ave, 70806, O/Lit

Reopened

Early Birds, Sunday 7 am, Grace Baptist Church 630 Richland Ave,
70806, O/D
Fordoche Group, Thursday, 7PM, Fordoche Baptist Church,
Fordoche LA, O/D
Innis Group, Tuesday & Saturday, 8PM 6450 LA Hwy 1, Innis LA,
O/D

Reopened & Location Change

Came to Believe, Tuesday, Noon, First United Methodist Church
Room 107 930 North Blvd. Baton Rouge, 70802,
O/D
Came to Believe, Thursday, Noon, First United Methodist Church
Room 107 930 North Blvd. Baton Rouge, 70802,
O/D

Name Change

Seeking Solutions, Monday 6:30 pm, 7742 Office Park Blvd.
Building C Suite 2, 70809 O/BB/W {changed from "Seeking a
Solution"}

Closed for the season

The New Frontier, Sunday, 4PM, City Park 1442 City Park Ave.,
70806, C/Lit

Meetings Cancelled

Agape, Saturday, 2 pm, Club 12
Nooner @ Night, Tuesday, 6pm, Highland Presbyterian Church,
70810, O/D
Rescue from Shipwreck, Sunday, 7PM, Lake Wellness Center 7434
Picardy Ave, 70808, O/ST
Twisted Sisters, Wednesday, 7PM, Highland Presbyterian Church,
70810, W/O/D
You Doin' Good, Thursday, Noon, St. Joseph's Cathedral Hall 423
Main St Baton Rouge, 70802, O/D

Time Change

BYOBig Book, Tuesday, 5:30 PM, Stepping Stones 1027 N
Burnside Ave. Gonzales, 70737, O/W/BB {Time change from
6:30}
New Roads Group, Wednesday, 6PM, Club 12 of New Roads,
3448 Mary Drive, New Roads, O/D 12x12
New Roads Group, Thursday, 7:30PM, Club 12 of New Roads,
3448 Mary Drive, New Roads, O/D/L

Location Changes

Came to Believe, Thursday, Noon, First United Methodist Church,
Room 107, 930 North Blvd. Baton Rouge, 70802, O/D
Outsiders, Wednesday, 7PM, Broadmoor UMC, 10230 Mollylea
Dr., O/D
Paradoxes of AA, Friday, Noon, Francis Asbury UMC 15447 Old
Hammond Hwy, 70816, O/12x12
Saturday Night Speaker Meeting, Saturday, 8PM, St. Johns UMC
230 Renee Dr., 70810, O/SP
Singleness of Purpose, Monday – Saturday, noon, Luke 10:27 536
Centerville St NE Denham Springs, 70726, O/D
You Doin' Good, Monday, Noon, St. Joseph's Cathedral Hall 423
Main St Baton Rouge, 70802, O/D
You Doin' Good, Tuesday, Noon, St. Joseph's Cathedral Hall 423
Main St Baton Rouge, 70802, O/D
You Doin' Good, Wednesday, Noon, St. Joseph's Cathedral Hall
423 Main St Baton Rouge, 70802, O/D
You Doin' Good, Friday, Noon, St. Joseph's Cathedral Hall 423
Main St Baton Rouge, 70802, O/D

The Traditions

Editor's Note: This is the ninth in a series of articles about The Traditions. [With luck, we will get to Tradition 12 at the end of the year!] We have now moved to Tradition Nine. The Traditions are guidelines that we have developed by almost destroying AA. While they are not rules, they are very strong suggestions. We cannot tell you that you "must". But we can tell you that we did that, and it's not a very good idea.

Tradition 9

"A.A., as such, ought never be organized; but we may create service boards or committees directly responsible to those they serve." That is the short form of Tradition Nine. The long form of this tradition is one of the longest, and includes great detail. In *Twelve Traditions Illustrated*, we are reminded that the last words that Dr. Bob said to Bill W. were "Let's keep it simple." ["It" refers to AA.]

The same publication reminds us that when we commit to taking on tasks in our groups, we "are assuming responsibility — *not* taking on authority." Group officers are responsible to the group — whether the group is your small home group, a district or intergroup (central office), area, or even the General Service Office.

In your home group, it is usually the practice that any member of the group can request that a "business meeting" be held, at any time, for the discussion of any issue affect the group. After a discussion of the issue the group can vote on the issue with the majority vote deciding the question. It is important that all voices are heard — from the oldest long-timer to the newcomer — and everyone has an equal voice and vote.

It is this tradition (in the long form) where we get the concept of rotation. ["Rotating leadership is the best."] If you have worked in other organizations, you know how easy it is for some individuals to become entrenched in their position. This Tradition helps AA to avoid that problem.

A final thought, again from the long form of the Tradition, "true leaders in A.A. are but trusted and experienced servants of the whole. They derive no real authority from their titles; they do not govern."

Contribution Addresses

AA Central Office, 10319 Old Hammond Highway, Suite C-2, Baton Rouge, LA 70816
Capital Area Service Committee, P.O. Box 14304, Baton Rouge LA 70898
Louisiana Area Assembly, 7350 Jefferson Hwy, Suite 485-179, Baton Rouge, LA 70806
[Please include District number or GSO number with LAA checks]

Please note new address for the General Service Office

General Service Office (AAWS), Post Office Box 2407, James A Farley Station,
New York, NY 10116-2407

DISTRICT/COMMITTEE/SERVICE MEETINGS

CASC (Capital Area Service Committee) meets 1st Tuesday of each month at 6:30 pm at the Central Office

COC (Central Office Committee) meets 2nd Monday of each month at 6:30 pm on Zoom

COR (Central Office Representatives) meets 3rd Thursday of each month at 6:30 pm on Zoom

Central Office Fundraising Committee meets 1st Sunday of each month at 1:00 pm at the Central Office

District 10 meets the 2nd Saturday of each month at 6:30 pm at the Zachary UMC

Also on Zoom. Zoom ID: 879 5438 9286 Passcode: 955153

District 15C meets the 3rd Saturday of each month at 12:00 noon at Club 12

District 15D meets the 3rd Sunday of each month at 5:30 pm at the Central Office

District 16 meets the 2nd Wednesday of each month 7:45 pm at the Stepping Stones, Gonzales

The Grapevine Committee meets the 3rd Sunday of each month 3:00 pm at Central Office

LASCYPAA meets 1st Sunday of every month at 3:00 pm at the Central Office

PI/CPC (Public Information/Cooperation with the Professional Community) meets the last Thursday of each month at 6:30 pm at Club 12 in the Al-Anon Room.

Red Stick Roundup Committee meets the 2nd Sunday of each month at 5 pm at Central Office, except in February/May

State Convention Committee—Area 27 meets 4th Sunday of each month at 3:00 pm at the Central Office

T&C (Treatment & Corrections Committee) meets 2nd Thursday of each month at 6:30 pm at the Central Office

AA Greater Baton Rouge Central Office's Annual Golf Scramble

Saturday, October 1st, 2022

Come join the fun! The field will be limited to the first 80 entries. The tournament will be played in a four-man scramble format. Players can also register as a single golfer and will be placed on a team. Prizes will be awarded following the tournament! To register for the scramble, please complete the entry form below and return with your payment to the Baton Rouge Central Office

Location: Copper Mill Golf Club
2100 Coppermill Blvd, Zachary, LA 70791
Time: 8:00AM: Registration & Refreshments

9:00 AM: Golf T-Off
Lunch Immediately Following

Cost: \$75 per participant for AAs, \$55 per participant (non-AAs,) lunch included

Sponsorship: *Hole Sponsors* are available for \$100 each and will be designated at each hole with a sponsorship sign.

Rain: In case of rain, call 225-658-0656 to see if the tournament has been postponed

ANNUAL GOLF SCRAMBLE ENTRY FORM

Name (please print): _____

Phone: _____ **E-Mail:** _____

Single Player: (you will be placed on a team): _____

Player Partners: in four-man team (each participant should complete a separate entry form):

1. _____ 2. _____

3. _____ 4. _____

Hole Sponsor (your gift is tax-deductible): I would like to sponsor _____ Hole(s) at \$100.00 each.

Name listed on your sign(s): _____

Payment: Please enclose check made payable to AA Central Office for \$ _____

Complete this entry form and return your payment to:

AA Central Office, 10319 Old Hammond Hwy. Suite C-2 Baton Rouge, LA 70816



Almost time again for

Singleness of Purpose Pot Luck Lunch

Everyone welcome

Bring a dish and come join the fun

Luke 10:27 Church

536 Centerville St. NE

Denham Springs, LA

October 22, 2022 Meeting @ 12:00

Lunch follows.



NOW GROUP



41ST ANNIVERSARY GATHERING

Tuesday **NOV. 1ST, 2022** evening

FOOD – FUN – FELLOWSHIP

Meet, greet, eat..... starting at 6:00pm

Open Meeting at 7:30pm



An evening with one of Baton Rouge's oldest groups

Celebrate with us ----- **NOW AA Group** ----- 41 years strong

6:00pm ----- 9:00pm

**Francis Asbury United Methodist Church
15447 Old Hammond Hwy. Baton Rouge, LA**

SE REGIONAL FORUM

DECEMBER 2-4, 2022



**AREA 27
NEW ORLEANS, LA
HILTON NEW ORLEANS AIRPORT 901
AIRLINE DR, KENNER 70062**

**To reserve call 1-800-HILTONS & use group code: AAWS
click here for direct booking link**

SERF.AREA27@gmail.com Phone# 504-229-2772