No Booze News December 2023

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Welcome to the December No Booze News

Flyers this month include:

- ♦ Holiday Fellowship Dinner-Speaker Meeting
- ♦ Martin Luther King Jr Day Freedom and Recovery Celebration
- ◊ Big Deep South Convention Save the Date
- ♦ Central Office Fun-Raising
- ♦ 2025 International AA Convention

Meeting Updates

Cancelled Meetings

The Arch to Freedom, Monday, 7:30PM, 1-12 Club, 70802 Power Under the Tower, Thursday, 6:30PM, Senior Center Singleness of Purpose, Sat., 7PM, Luke 10:27, 70774

New Format

<u>The Next Frontier</u>, Sunday, 4PM, Chapel of the Cross, 3235 Dalrymple Dr., 70808, O/Lit

Steps to Serenity, Wednesday, 7:30PM, 1-12 Club, 70802, O/BB

New Name & Day

South 19th St Group (was Group Therapy AA), 7PM, Thursday, House of God Church, 254 S. 19th St., 70806, O/D

New Meetings

1939 Big Book Study, Thursday, 6:30PM, 1st United Methodist Church, 316 Centerville St., DS, 70726, C/BB

5:15 Woman's Meeting, Monday, 5:15PM, Grace Baptist Church, 630 Richland Ave., 70806, O/W

A Sober Thought, Wed, 7PM, 7742 Office Park Blvd., C2, 70809, O/D Night Owls, Wednesday, 9PM, Grace Baptist Church, 630 Richland Ave, 70806, O/D

<u>Progress Not Perfection</u>, Sunday, 7PM, Woodlake, 2465 Plaza Dr. Plaquemine, 70764, O/D

Walking the Walk, Tuesday & Thursday, 3PM, 1-12 Club, 1955 Scenic Hwy., Baton Rouge, 70807, O/D

Reopened

Into Action, Saturday, 12PM, Immaculate Conception Church, Hatchell Ln., 70727, O/D

Vidalia Friendship Group Sunday 4:30PM O/D

HydroPower Bldg. Mon., Tues., & Fri. 7PM O/D 409 Texas St. Wed. 7PM O/ST Thurs. C/D Vidalia, LA 71373 Sat 10AM O/W/@ & 5:30PM O/D

New Time

Freedom of Choice, Mon. & Thur., 8PM, Sat., 7PM, Unitarian Church, 8470 Goodwood Blvd., 70806, Mon. O/D/12x12, Thur. & Sat. O/D

 $\underline{\text{Seeking Solutions}},$ Mon, 6:30PM, The Life Center, 10473 Old Hammond Hwy., 70816, W/O/D

New Roads Group, Wed., 6:30PM, Club 12 of New Roads, 70760, O/Lit New Day

Come As You Are, Wednesday, 7PM, Faithful UMC, St. Amant, 70774, O/D New Place and Time

Water Works, Wednesday, 5:30PM, 2751 Wooddale Blvd., 70805, O/D

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.



Hotline Schedule

12/04 - 12/10 We Surrender Group

12/11 - 12/17 Wednesday ABSI

12/18 - 12/24 Wedgewood

12/25 - 12/31 Women in Recovery

01/01 - 01/07 Zachery Group

01/08 - 01/14 164 Group

Thank you, to those take the Hotline! This is an crucial for the fellowship! If your group wants to help with the Hotline contact Central Office.

Important December Notices

- Grapevine Committee will not meet in December.
- ♦ Louisiana Area AA Archive Help organize donated material.

December 10th, Sunday

Area 27 Archives Repository 8676 Goodwood Blvd., Suite A Baton Rouge, LA 70806 Contact - John L., Archives Chair & Archivist archives@aa-louisiana.org | 225-485-7696

Things We Can Not Change

It is with sadness that the Capitol Avenue Group reports the passing of our friend and member Fred Nelson. He died November 1, 2023 at the age of 89. He moved to Baton Rouge having previously lived in New York City, South Carolina, and Illinois. He celebrated 21 years of sobriety this past May. He was an active member of the Capitol Avenue Group and the 1 thru 12 Club. He was responsible for starting the Thursday evening Step Study meeting Footprints.

Individuals & groups may give to the Greater Baton Rouge AA Central Office via Venmo:

@aabatonrouge



November Contributions

Group	Amount
4264Group	\$100.00
A Design For Living	\$.200.00
Breakfast Club	\$132.40
COC Basket	\$24.00
COR (7th Tradition Basket)	\$17.00
Defective Characters	\$78.00
Free Again to Choose	\$70.00
Freedom of Choice	\$52.18
Happy Hour Group	\$50.00
Individual AA Members	\$143.55
Keep Coming Back	\$300.00
Magnolia Group	\$100.00
Monday Night Speaker Group	\$100.00
Oasis Sober Members	\$250.00
Open Heart Meeting	\$115.00
Paradoxes of AA	\$122.00
Port Allen West Bank Group	\$100.00
Seeking Solutions	\$88.65
Shivering Denizens	\$500.00
Stray Cats	\$100.00
Wednesday Night ABSI	\$30.93
Women in Recovery	\$200.00
Y'All Come	\$3.17
TOTAL	\$2,876.88

Young People's Video Project is ongoing and there is not a deadline for submissions! Please send in your new content videos.

YOUNG PEOPLEY VIDEO PROJECT



We want video submissions from A.A. members. WHY? To carry A.A.'s message to young people in high school and college settings.

JHARE YOUR EXPERIENCE!

Submissions should be 2-3 minutes in length and reflect and adhere to the Twelve Traditions of Alcoholics Anonymous, especially A.A.'s anonymity traditions. When filming A.A. members make sure no one is identifiable.

Focus on the experience of getting sober young and reflect the diversity of the Fellowship.

Use members stories to help alcoholics identify.

Share experiences that would relate to the "young" alcoholic who has yet to come to A.A.

BE CREATIVE AN

Individuals submitting videos must be at least 18 years of age and must reside within the boundaries of the U.S. and Canada A.A. General Service Structure. Submissions should be in English, Spanish or French.

For more information, contact the Public Information Coordinator at publicinfo@aa.org.

www.aa.org





Contribution Addresses

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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]

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

Our Three Legacies

UNITY - Tradition 12

And finally, we of Alcoholics Anonymous believe that the principle of anonymity has an immense spiritual significance. It reminds us that we are to place principles before personalities; that we are actually to practice a genuine humility. This is to end that our great blessings may never spoil us; that we shall forever live in thankful contemplation of Him who presides over us all.

RECOVERY - Step 12

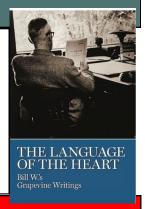
Having had a spiritual awakening as the result of these Steps, we tried to carry this message to alcoholics, and to practice these principles in all our affairs.

SERVICE - Concept 12

The Conference shall observe the spirit of A.A. tradition, taking care that it never becomes the seat of perilous wealth or power; that sufficient operating funds and reserve be its prudent financial principle; that it place none of its members in a position of unqualified authority over others; that it reach all important decisions by discussion, vote, and whenever possible, substantial unanimity; that its actions never be personally punitive nor an incitement to public controversy; that it never perform acts of government; that, like the Society it serves, it will always remain democratic in thought and action.

"By 1937, some of us realized that AA needed a standard literature. There would be have to be a book ... Well, we did quarrel violently over the preparation and distributed of that book. In fact, it took five years for the clamor to die down. Should any AAs dream that the old-timers who put the book together when about in serene meditation and white robes, then they had best forget it."

- AA Co-Founder, Bill W. November 1951, "Services Make AA Tick", The Language of the Heart



DISTRICT/COMMITTEE/SERVICE MEETINGS

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

Fairwood Branch Library, 12910 Old Hammond Hwy. BR LA 70816 <<--NEW ADDRESS!

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

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

Central Office Fun-Raising Committee 2nd Sunday of each month at 2:00 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

<u>District 15C</u> meets the 3rd Saturday of each month at 12:00 pm at Club 12

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

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

The Grapevine Committee 3rd Sunday of each month 4:30 pm at Central Office <<--NO DECEMBER MEETING!

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

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

Red Stick Roundup Committee meets the 2nd Sunday each month, 5 pm, 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





Saturday, December 16, 2023 Food - Fun - Fellowship





Holiday Meat Entrés Will Be Cooked By Chef Jim and His Crew For More Information Contact:

Greg C. (856) 238-8488 ghc01@comcast.net

Volunteers Needed Service Work That Tastes Good! lelp will be needed to set up

Help will be needed to set up before and clean up after. For more information, Contact: Greg C.

Please Help!
Side Dishes and
Desserts Welcome!

Zachary United Methodist Church 4205 Church Street Zachary, LA 70791



5™ ANNUAL MARTIN LUTHER KING JR DAY

FREEDOM AND RECOVERY CELEBRATION

Monday, January 15, 2024

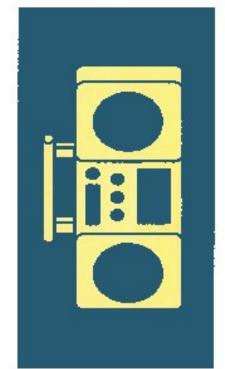
1-12 CLUB

1955 SCENIC HWY

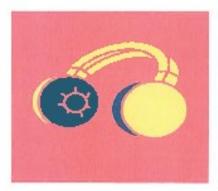
DOORS OPEN 9:30 am, Meetings 10am, Noon and 2pm

FOOD, FUN AND FELLOWSHIP





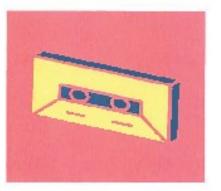
56TH ANNUAL BIG DEEP SOUTH CONVENTION



JUNE 7-9 2024

SAVE THE DATE Airport Hilton

901 AIRLINE DRIVE KENNER, LA 70062



FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT BIGDEEPSOUTH.ORG

Baton Rouge AA Central Office Fun-Raising Committee

COR's, newcomers and anyone interested in AA service, come check us out every 2nd Sunday of the month at 2pm on Zoom!

Zoom ID: 87211499838 Passcode: 164164

We help represent the Central office and coordinate quarterly fun AA events such as:

AA Big Book Study
The Annual Gulf Scramble
Annual Gumbo Cook Off
AA Talent Show
Bingo and Raffle

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approaches, the page will be updated with registration information.

Taking place once every five years, the A.A. International Convention marks the anniversary of Bill W.'s first meeting with Dr. Bob and the birth of Alcoholics Anonymous in 1935. At the Convention, members and their families and friends from around the world attend meetings, workshops, dances, and events. A highlight is the traditional flag ceremony to celebrate sobriety worldwide.



Let's celebrate sobriety together in Vancouver in 2025!