

No Booze News March 2024

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Welcome to the March *No Booze News*

Flyers this month:

- ◇ Annual Upstate AA Convention
- ◇ AA Central Office Golf Scramble
- ◇ Fellowship of the Spirit South
- ◇ District 10 Food, Fun, and Fellowship Picnic
- ◇ Stories needed for AA Pamphlet *Do You Think You're Different?*
- ◇ Serenity by the Sea Retreat
- ◇ Big Deep South Convention
- ◇ 64th Annual Louisiana State Convention
- ◇ 84th Arkansas State AA Convention
- ◇ LSU Collegiate Recovery Program Newsletter
- ◇ 2025 AA International Convention

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

03/04 - 03/10 Come as You Are
03/11 - 03/17 Cortana
03/18 - 03/24 Carry the Message
03/25 - 03/31 Dealer's Choice
04/01 - 04/07 EBR Men's Group

*Thank you, to those take the Hotline!
This is very important to the fellowship
and upholding the 'Responsibility
Declaration'!*

*If your group wants to help with the
Hotline contact Central Office.*

Singleness of Purpose

SOP is inviting everyone to join their meetings.



Monday - Saturday, 12PM
Luke 10:27 Church
536 Centerville St NE
Denham Springs, LA



Meeting Updates

Cancelled Meetings

The Arch to Freedom, Monday, 7:30PM, 1-12 Club, 70802
Night Owls, Tue, Wed, & Fri, 9PM, Grace Baptist, 630 Richland Ave.
Power Under the Tower, Thursday, 6:30PM, Senior Center
Singleness of Purpose, Saturday, 7PM, Luke 10:27, 70774

Reopened

B.Y.O.B.B., Tue, 6PM, Stepping Stones, 1027 N. Burnside, 70737, O/BB
Into Action, Sat, 12PM, Immaculate Conception, Hatchell Ln, 70727, O/D
Vidalia Friendship Group, Sunday 4:30PM O/D
HydroPower Bldg. Monday, Tuesday, & Friday, 7PM, O/D
409 Texas St. Wednesday, 7PM, O/ST; Thursday, C/D
Vidalia, LA 71373 Saturday, 10AM O/W/@ & 5:30PM O/D

New Meetings

1939 Big Book Study, Thursday, 6:30PM, 1st United Methodist Church, 316 Centerville St., 70726, C/BB
5:15 Woman's Meeting, Monday, 5:15PM, Grace Baptist Church, 630 Richland Ave., 70806, O/W
New View, Sun, 6PM, Life Center, 10473 Old Hammond Hwy, 70816, C/D
Progress Not Perfection, Sunday, 7PM, Woodlake, 2465 Plaza Dr., Plaquemine, 70764, O/D
A Simple Solution, Wednesday, 7PM, 7742 Office Park Blvd., Suite C-2, 70809, O/D
Take It Easy, Monday, 7:30PM, 1-12 Club, 1955 Scenic Hwy., 70802, O/D
Walking the Walk, Tuesday & Thursday, 3PM, 1-12 Club, 1955 Scenic Hwy., Baton Rouge, 70807, O/D

New Day

Come As You Are, Wed, 7PM, Faithful UMC, St. Amant, 70774, O/D

New Time

New Roads Group, Wed, 6:30PM, Club 12 of New Roads, 70760, O/Lit
Freedom from Bondage, Wed, 7PM, Life Center, 70816, O/W/D/BB
Sunlight of the Spirit, Thursday, 6:30PM, The Red Shoes, 2303 Government St., 70806, O/Meditation

New Format

The Next Frontier, Sunday, 4PM, Chapel of the Cross, 3235 Dalrymple Dr., 70808, O/Lit
Steps to Serenity, Wednesday, 7:30PM, 1-12 Club, 70802, O/BB
Tuesday Lit Group, Tuesday, 10AM, Central Office, 10319 Old Hammond Hwy., Suite C-2, 70816, C/Lit

New Location

Freedom of Choice, Mon & Thur, 8PM, Sat, 7PM, Unitarian Church, 8470 Goodwood Blvd, O/D/LG
Seeking Solutions, Mon, 6:30PM, The Life Center, 10473 Old Hammond Hwy., 70816, W/O/D

New Name & Day

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

New Location and Time

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

February Contributions

1-12 Unity Group	\$25.00
A Sober Thought	\$115.00
COC Basket	\$62.00
Defective Characters	\$78.00
Fellowship Group	\$375.00
Freedom of Choice	\$84.33
Hang In There	\$337.00
Happy Hour Group	\$50.00
Individual AA Members	\$271.51
Monday Night Big Book Study	\$136.59
Monday Night Speaker Group	\$100.00
Sanity Break	\$301.66
Southside Stag Group	\$100.00
Tospots	\$28.84
Tuesday LIT Group	\$38.00
University Drunks - Zoom	\$478.00
University Drunks Live	\$166.80
TOTAL	\$2,747.73



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

YOUNG PEOPLE'S 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.

SHARE 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 AND HAVE FUN!

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

GRAPEVINE Daily Quote

March 4, 2024

“AA isn’t for the people who need it or for the people who want it; it’s for the people who are willing to do the work to get it.”



Perry, Fla., July 2009

From: “Someone to Help” AA Grapevine

Subscribe to the Grapevine! Visit: <http://bit.ly/3zCe9dZ>

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



Contribution Addresses

AA Central Office
10319 Old Hammond Hwy, 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]

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

Our Three Legacies

UNITY - The 12 Traditions

Our membership ought to include all who suffer from alcoholism. Hence we may refuse none who wish to recover. Nor ought A.A. membership ever depend upon money or conformity. Any two or three alcoholics gathered together for sobriety may call themselves an A.A. group, provided that, as a group, they have no other affiliation.

RECOVERY - The 12 Steps

Made a decision to turn our will and our lives over to the care of God as we understood Him.

Third step prayer - "God, I offer myself to Thee - to build with me and to do with me a Thou wilt. Relieve me of the bondage of self, that I may better do Thy will. Take away my difficulties, that victory of them may bear witness to those I would help of Thy Power, Thy Love, and Thy Way of life. May I do Thy will always!" pg. 63, Alcoholics Anonymous, aka The Big Book

SERVICE - The 12 Concepts

Our membership ought to include all who suffer from alcoholism. Hence we may refuse none who wish to recover. Nor ought A.A. membership ever depend upon money or conformity. Any two or three alcoholics gathered together for sobriety may call themselves an A.A. group, provided that, as a group, they have no other affiliation.

Louisiana Area AA Archives

The Archives Repository is available for visitation, research, and delivery of materials to include in the archives. The Archives maintains the history of AA in Louisiana including individual group histories. Contact John L., Archives Chair and Archivist, for an appointment to view the archives: archives@aa-louisiana.org or call 225-485-7696.

Area 27 Archives Repository
8676 Goodwood Blvd., Suite A
Baton Rouge, LA 70806

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

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

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 pm at Club 12

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

at the Life Center, 10473 Old Hammond Hwy

District 16 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 March Meeting**

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 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



Gratitude in Action

March 21-24, 2024

Celebrating over 60 years of A.A. in Ruston

Convention Chairperson: **Joe R.**

Voice: **Beau H.**

**REGISTER ONLINE
AT**

www.rustonaa.org

Gratitude House 1501 White Street

Civic Center 401 N. Trenton Street

Thursday, March 21st

Friday, March 22nd

5:00 p.m. Registration Begins at Gratitude House
6:00 p.m. Pot Luck Meal
8:00 p.m. Kick Off Meeting at Gratitude House
A.A. Speaker: Beau H.-Ruston, LA

4:00 p.m. Registration Begins at Civic Center
8:00 p.m. A.A. Speaker: Pepper B.-Liberty, MO

ACCOMMODATIONS

Saturday, March 23rd

Hampton Inn by Hilton
1315 North Trenton
Ruston, LA 71270
318-251-3090

\$109.00 Per night

Book by 3/15/2024

10:00 a.m. A.A. Speaker: Terry E.-New Orleans, LA
1:30 p.m. Al-Anon Speaker: Larcine G.-Hawthorne, CA
6:00 p.m. BBQ Banquet (Donations Suggested)
8:00 p.m. A.A. Speaker: Mike A.- Nashville, TN

Sunday March 24th

10:00 a.m. A.A. Speaker: Chet S., West Monroe, LA



Tapes by James (jamestapes@aol.com)
(985) 640-5552

The convention Hospitality Room will open Friday at 4:00 p.m. and close during each meeting.

Pre Registration: \$25.00 each received by March 1st, 2024
Registration: \$30.00 each after March 1st, 2024
** Please wear badges at ALL times**

Name: (Print Clearly)	Mailing Address:	AA	Al-Anon	Alateen
_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Email Address _____		Total Enclosed _____		

Sponsorship Contributions \$_____ Lend a hand to those unable to afford registration.

Preregister to be put in a drawing for \$50.00 cash.

Checks payable to: Ruston AA Convention
Mailing Address: P.O. Box 505, Ruston, LA 71273-0505

Greater Baton Rouge AA Central Office

Golf Scramble

FUNDRAISER

Saturday, April 13, 2024
9:00AM Shotgun Start

Webb Park Golf Course
1351 Country Club Dr.
Baton Rouge, LA 70806

Name (print): _____

Phone #: _____

Partners: _____

\$65 for members and \$40 for non-members (per player)

I would like to sponsor ___ holes at \$100 each.

Group name on sign(s): _____

Please enclose check made
payable to **AA Central office**

for \$ _____

or Venmo

@AABatonRouge

Complete this entry form and return
with your payment to:

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

(225) 930-0026



SPEAKER LINE UP:

- Pat T.**
San Diego, CA
Friday's 7:30 PMAA Speaker
- Linda J.**
Santo Rosa Beach, FL
Saturday's 2-45 PMAA-Anon Speaker
- Herb K.**
Palms Verdes, CA
Saturday's 7:00 PMAA Speaker
- Kate R.**
Denver, CO
Sunday's 9:30 AM AA Speaker

REGISTRATION:

You can register online at FOTSSOUTH.COM
or complete a mail form below:

Name: _____
 Street Address: _____

 City/State/Zip: _____
 Email: _____

AA () AFG ()

SCHEDULE:

- Friday**
 12:00 PM Registration Opens
 1:00 PM Workshop (Step 1&2)
 2:15 PM Workshop (Step 3)
 3:00 PM Workshop (Step 4&5)
 4:45 PM Workshop (12 Concepts)
 9:30 PM Prayer & Meditation
- Saturday**
 7:00 AM Prayer & Meditation
 8:30 AM Workshop (Steps 8 & 7)
 9:45 AM Workshop (Steps 8 & 9)
 11:00 AM Workshop (Steps 10 & 11)
 1:30 PM Workshop (12 Traditions)
 4:30 PM Workshop (Step 12)
- Sunday**
 7:00 AM Prayer & Meditation
 8:00 AM Conscience of the Conference
www.fotssouth.com/information/schedule

LOCATION:

Home 2 Suites
by Hilton
 1909 Kalliste Saloom Road,
 Lafayette, LA 70508
 337.706-.8610

PRICING:

- \$35 Per Person**
(if paid by 4/1/24)
- \$40 Per Person**
(if paid after 4/7/24)

***PRICE INCLUDES ENTRY FOR THE
 WHOLE WEEKEND, FRIDAY DINNER, &
 BOTH LUNCH & DINNER SATURDAY.***

Please Mail Form To:
 FOTS South
 P.O. Box 53312, Lafayette, LA 70505-3312
 please include payment when sending in this form

District 10

Food, Fun, and Fellowship Picnic

Saturday, April 27, 2024

10:00am to 3:00pm

West Feliciana Sports Park
10226 W. Feliciana Pkwy.
St. Francisville, LA 70775
(see map on back)

"We shall be with you in the Fellowship of the Spirit, and you will surely meet some of us as you trudge the Road of Happy Destiny..."

Rain or Shine Event!

Barbecue by Chef Jim G. and Crew

**50/50 Drawing, Games, Hiking,
Sports Facilities Nearby.**

**Speaker: Carl C. from New Orleans
All Are Welcome.**

**Good Clean Fun for the Whole Family.
Bring Blankets, Pop-Up Tents,
Lawn Chairs, and Sports Equipment.
Sides and Desserts are Welcome!**

Park attractions include: soccer fields,
baseball and softball fields, basketball
courts, tennis courts, pickleball courts,
and miles of hiking/biking trails.

For More INFO Contact: Greg C. at (856) 238-8488 or ghc01@comcast.net

Call For Stories

For the

A.A. Pamphlet



Do You Think You're Different?

In compliance with a 2022 Conference Advisory Action the Trustees Literature Committee is seeking submissions from AA members with diverse backgrounds in order to update the A.A. pamphlet *Do You Think You're Different?* with stories that represent a greater diversity.

In particular, stories are sought from A.A. members that reflect multicultural backgrounds, those who have multiple alienating factors, as well as those from diverse populations not addressed in current A.A. literature.

Formatting Manuscripts: 500-800 words, double spaced, in 12-point font.

Handwritten manuscripts: should be approximately 5 to 6 pages.

Deadline: April 30, 2024

Submission link: <https://app.smartsheet.com/b/form/5a77c27d179d4856b32eed86b01e3426>

Email: pamphletstories@aa.org Subject Line: "Do You Think You're Different?"

Postal Mail: Attn. Literature Assignment

General Service Office, Box 459, Grand Central Station

New York, NY 10163

Write: "Pamphlet" on the envelope, and at the top of the first page of the manuscript.

Please include your complete name, address, and email/phone information on the first page of your manuscript. A copy of your manuscript should be retained for your files. The anonymity of all authors will be observed whether their story is selected for publication or not.

25th Annual Serenity by the Sea Retreat

A Weekend of Fellowship, Food, and Fun

Thursday May 2nd – Saturday May 4th, 2024

At Grand Isle High School, 149 Ludwig Lane, Grand Isle, LA 70358

Registration \$30.00 at the door starts at 5:00pm Thursday & Friday, 8:00am Saturday

\$25.00 if you Pre-Register

VOICE: Katie M. – St. Amant, LA (AA)

Thursday, May 2nd Meeting chaired by Mike M. – St. Amant, LA (AA)
Location: Annex Building (front of High School) Registration starts 5:00pm
Food: Red Beans & Rice with Sausage Eat at 5:30pm
Meeting to follow at 7:00pm

SPEAKERS:

Fri May 3 rd 8:00 pm	Milton H.- Humble, TX (AA)
Sat May 4 th 8:00 am	Early Bird Open AA Meeting
Sat May 4 th 10:00 am	TBA (Al-Anon)
Sat May 4 th 7:00 pm	Donna F.- Splendora, TX (AA)

FOOD:

Fri May 3 rd 6:00 pm	Jambalaya
Sat May 4 th 7:30 am	Muffins
Sat May 4 th 11:30 am	Hamburgers & Chips
Sat May 4 th 5:00 pm	Fish Fry
Sat May 4 th 6:00 pm	RAFFLE & FUN STUFF BEGINS
Sat May 4 th	After Speaker Fellowship w/ a Bonfire on the Beach (weather permitting)

Soft Drinks, Water, and Coffee Provided

LODGING & OTHER INFO: www.townofgrandisle.com or VRBO

QUESTIONS: Call Charlie (225) 413-3055 or Katie (225) 978-3137

PRE-REGISTRATION – Ends April 22nd 2024

Return this **Bottom Portion** along with \$25 per person – Children 12 & Under are FREE

Payable to Serenity by the Sea, 42643 Hwy 42, Prairieville, LA 70769

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Total Amount Enclosed: _____





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

THE 64TH ANNUAL
LOUISIANA
STATE CONVENTION



SHOULDER TO SHOULDER

2024

JUNE 28TH, 29TH, 30TH

BATON ROUGE MARRIOTT
5500 Hilton Avenue
Baton Rouge, LA 70808

SPEAKERS

- FRIDAY NIGHT**
Al D. | Sturbridge, MA
- SATURDAY MORNING**
Courtney M. | New Orleans, LA
- SATURDAY NIGHT**
Ralph W. | Los Angeles, CA
- SUNDAY MORNING**
Carolyn W. | Surrey, BC, Canada

\$20

PRE-REGISTRATION



AA-LASTATECONVENTION.ORG

Arkansas State AA Convention
Oldest AA Convention West of the Mississippi
84th "Old Granddad"
July 26-28, 2024
Arlington Resort Hotel & Spa
Hot Springs, Arkansas

Contact the hotel directly for room reservations: 501-623-7771
 Mention the Old Granddad Convention for the discounted room rate.

Friday Workshop:
"Putting It All Together
with the Steps, Traditions,
& Concepts"
 Friday, July 26, 9am-5pm

Discounted room rates also available:
 Embassy Suites by Hilton Hot Springs
 (501-624-9200)
 The Hotel Hot Springs
 (501-623-6600)



Hospitality

Archives

Dancing

"God Has Accomplished The Miracle"

Friday		
2:00 pm	Registration Opens	
7:30 pm	Steve L.	Nashville, TN
Saturday		
9:00 am	Chip B.	Destin, FL
11:00 am	Angie B. (AFG)	Destin, FL
2:00 pm	Christina G.	Brecksville, OH
3:30 pm	AA Open Discussion Meeting	(Ballroom)
7:30 pm	Bob B.	St Paul, MN
Sunday		
8:00 am	Jeannie M.-Meet the Delegate	(Hospitality Room)
8:00 am	AI-Anon Discussion Meeting	(Ballroom)
9:30 am	Michael D.	Sioux Falls, SD



Contact us at oldgranddadconvention@gmail.com or call/text 501-773-9078
 Register online at www.oldgranddadconvention.com or SCAN →

\$25 Pre-Registration if received BEFORE July 12, 2024 OR \$30 Registration At The Door

First Name & Last Initial on Badge	Home Group	AA	AI-Anon / Alateen	Other	Amount

All Registrations will be held in the name of:
 Name _____
 Address _____
 City _____ State _____
 Zip code _____ Phone _____
 Email _____

Help Another with a Scholarship	
Total Amount Due	

Mail Registrations with check payable to:
CONVENTION TREASURER
 P.O. Box 447
 Tontitown, AR 72770

The LSU logo is displayed in white, bold, sans-serif font on a purple banner that has a pointed bottom edge. The banner is positioned in the top left corner of the page, partially overlapping a background image of a university campus with large trees and a building.

Collegiate Recovery
Program

A wide-angle photograph of a university campus. In the foreground, there are large, mature trees with green leaves. In the background, a large, light-colored building with many arched windows and doorways is visible. A person is walking on a paved path in the middle ground. The overall scene is bright and sunny.

Newsletter

Recovery Meetings for Current Students and Alumni

Women's Center on Tuesdays at
9:30 a.m.

Coates Hall room 212 on
Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m.

Coates Hall room 212 on Fridays at
5:00 p.m.



Spring 2024 Semester

LSU's CRP hopes to make the coming semester as fun and recovery filled as the Fall 2023 semester! We intend to continue to have outings, to socialize, and to continue to build out our recovery program! As always, we hope that our meetings and events have as much participation from individuals in need as possible!

Dedicated Space

The CRP at LSU is actively seeking a dedicated space on campus for our program! We hope to have a dedicated space sooner rather than later, at which point, students will be able to socialize, participate in a shared community outside of meetings, and study in a supportive atmosphere.

Questions?

Email asinge6@lsu.edu
Phone: (225) 578-4826
Instagram: @lsurecovery



If you or someone you love is in recovery, please consider donating to the Dawson Memorial Recovery Program

Fund at <https://bbis32491p.sky.blackbaud.com/tributes/bryan-dawson>

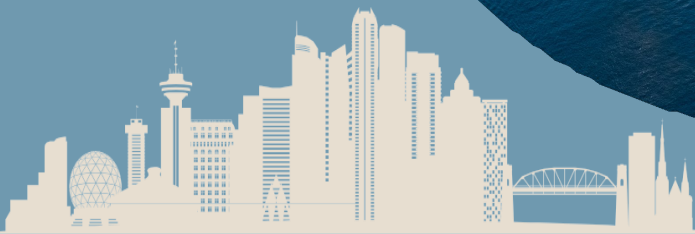
The CRP has had numerous impressive recovery milestones for participants (from one month to five years), and we would like to acknowledge these accomplishments! This helps to illustrate that recovery is possible to incoming students and leads to improved peer supports.



Save
the
Date!

2025 AA International Convention

July 3-6, 2025



AA.org/International-Convention

Language of the Heart
Lenguaje del corazón
Le langage du cœur