

# No Booze News February 2021

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## Meeting Changes

### Canceled

Sunday 11:15 AM Sunday Morning Breakfast Club  
Club 12  
Monday 7PM Open Air Step Study  
3555 Jones Creek Rd  
Tuesday 7PM #1 Offenders  
Francis Asbury United Methodist. 15477 Old Hammond Hwy  
Wednesday 7:30 PM The Baker Group  
1255 Camelia Ave, Baker  
Saturday 2:00 PM Join the Tribe  
Club 12

### Location & Time Change

Friday 12 noon Paradoxes of AA  
Forest Community Park 13900 S Harrels Ferry Rd.  
Baton Rouge O ST& TR  
Friday 7PM 3 Legacies Group  
Grace Baptist Church 630 Richland Ave O/D

### Location Change

Monday 7:00 PM Women in Recovery  
Port Vincent Community Center 18500 LA 16,  
Port Vincent O/D  
Monday 7:30 PM Hang In There Group  
The Vineyard Church 16761 Tiger Bend Rd. C/D  
Thursday 12 noon Defective Characters Francis Asbury  
United Methodist. 15477 Old Hammond Hwy  
C/Study

### New Meeting

Sunday 8PM Weekend Stop  
Club 12 O/D  
Monday 7:00PM Monday Night Sobriety  
Our Savior Lutheran Church, 3555 Jones Creek Rd.  
O/D  
Wednesday 7:30 PM Stepping Out  
St. John the Baptist Church, 4724 McHugh Dr, Zachary  
BB  
Thursday 7PM Baton Rouge Young People's  
Group  
South Baton Rouge Church of Christ, 8725 Jefferson  
Hwy O/D  
Saturday 8PM Weekend Stop  
Club 12 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.

## Your No Booze News

This is your newsletter. I am soliciting articles and article ideas for upcoming issues of the *No Booze News*. With the new format, it is also possible for us to distribute copies of flyers for upcoming programs and events. The only requirement is that they be related to recovery.

For event flyers, please send them as PDF files. I will run the flyer, unedited, exactly as you have produced it. (In extenuating circumstances, we may be able to use JPEG or other graphic files.) If in doubt, contact me.

Articles will be edited for grammar, punctuation (yes, I believe in the Oxford comma), and style.

Article ideas are welcome also, especially if you have an idea of who can write the article.

I hope to have a series on The Concepts in upcoming issues. Send emails with ideas and attachments to:

[brnoozenewseditor@gmail.com](mailto:brnoozenewseditor@gmail.com)

*Michael G.*

## Hotline Schedule

*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.

3/1/21- 3/7/21	Last Stop
3/8/21- 3/14/21	Magnolia
3/15/21- 3/21/21	Monday Night Speaker Meeting
3/22/21- 3/28/21	New Beginnings
3/29/21- 4/4/21	Old Perkins Group

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## 7th Tradition and Virtual Meetings

The General Service Office has recently released an updated “FAQ on Practicing the Seventh Tradition at Virtual Meetings” [on this page: [https://www.aa.org/pages/en\\_US/update-on-covid-19-coronavirus](https://www.aa.org/pages/en_US/update-on-covid-19-coronavirus)]. It is a PDF file available for download.

Here are some points to consider:

- ◆ The spirit of self-support ensures that even minimal expenses are borne by the whole group rather than by individual members. In addition, many groups want to continue support for other A.A. services. Local intergroup/central offices still have bills to pay, such as rent and utilities. Many have employees who are working hard to keep meeting information updated and respond to calls for help.
- ◆ Here are some of the digital payment platforms that groups using: Apple Pay, Cash-App, Google Pay, PayPal, Venmo and Zelle. Information on options being used locally may be available from your intergroup/central office, district or area.
- ◆ Groups often compare the costs and benefits of each platform, considering things like ease of set up and use, payment processing fees, security, privacy, and how commonly known it is. Some groups offer multiple options for their members.
- ◆ It is helpful to choose a username for the account that is simple and intuitive since it will be shared with those attending the meeting. Groups usually avoid using a personal email that reveals someone’s full name so as not to compromise that person’s anonymity. Often at the beginning of a digital meeting, or during a break, groups will share the username through the chat or a screen share as they make an announcement about practicing the Seventh Tradition. It is recommended that groups do not share the username as part of the meeting’s public online information.
- ◆ Some digital payment platforms have social components that members may want to disable to protect anonymity. For example, members have shared about changing the privacy settings on Venmo so contributions are only visible to the sender and recipient. A couple of intergroup/central offices have posted helpful guides to practicing the Seventh Tradition at virtual meetings

## Greater Baton Rouge AA Central Office Contributions for January 2021

A Design for Living	\$ 3.16
Attitude Adjustment	100.00
Brown Bag	100.00
Burnside Recovery	45.00
Carry the Message	300.00
COR (7th Tradition Basket)	10.00
Cortana Group	300.00
Early Birds	1,000.00
Freedom of Choice	80.69
Galvez Group	439.98
Happy Hour Group	50.00
Individual AA Members	1,346.57
Last Stop	5.00
Monday Night Big Book Study	88.64
Monday Night Sobriety	150.00
North Blvd Group	325.00
Old Perkins Group	164.53
Open Heart Meeting	101.00
Paradoxes of AA	51.80
Saturday Speakers Group	200.00
St. Albans Patio Group	100.00
Starting Point	237.00
Storyland	72.00
Stray Cats	100.00
Tuesday LIT Group	50.00
Women's Journey	20.00
You Doin' Good	250.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$5,690.37</b>

## Young and Sober in A.A.: From Drinking to Recovery

Now available, A.A.’s newest Young People Video, Young and Sober in A.A.: From Drinking to Recovery, shares the experience, strength and hope of young A.A. members.

These are a few of the young voices sharing about their drinking and sobriety in “Young & Sober in A.A.: From Drinking to Recovery,” the new video released by Alcoholics Anonymous World Services, Inc. Created by young alcoholics who have found sobriety, “Young & Sober in A.A.: From Drinking to Recovery” underscores the message that it is never too early to seek help for a drinking problem.

[https://www.aa.org/pages/en\\_US/young-and-sober-in-aa-from-drinking-to-recovery](https://www.aa.org/pages/en_US/young-and-sober-in-aa-from-drinking-to-recovery)

## THINGS WE CANNOT CHANGE

Warren Lathan, Jr. died on January 22, 2021 with 41 years of sobriety.

He lived in Baton Rouge, and for the past several years was Northridge Care Center in Baker. He was an active and beloved member of the Capital Avenue Group. He was a supporter of the 1-12 Club on Scenic Highway.

Did you see the article in *The Advocate* on January 31, 2021?

<http://bit.ly/aaBRarticle>

And here is an appropriate *Grapevine* quote:

“Every day, hopeless, helpless alcoholics walk into AA meetings, grab onto hope, and begin a renewal of their spirit.”

*Cleveland, OH, April 1991, “A Candle of Hope”, Spiritual Awakenings*

## DID YOU KNOW?

A YouTube channel has been launched for A.A. World Services, Inc. (A.A.W.S.) and the A.A. General Service Office (G.S.O.). The channel can be found at:

<https://www.youtube.com/c/AlcoholicsAnonymousWorldServicesInc>.

It provides an additional platform from which A.A.W.S.-produced videos can be easily shared with a broad audience in order to enhance carrying the message to alcoholics, the general public and the professional community. The channel was started with three engaging public service announcements (PSAs):

“Doors”

“My World” and

“I Have Hope”

(all available in English, French and Spanish). More content will be added as it becomes available. For any questions or feedback related to the A.A.W.S./G.S.O. YouTube Channel contact: [commservices@aa.org](mailto:commservices@aa.org).

*from the AA World Services web site: www.aa.org*



## 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

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

**PI/CPC (Public Info/Cooperation W/ Professional Community)** meets the last Thursday of each month at 6:30 pm at Club 12 in the Alanon Room.

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

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

**District 15D (combined with A & B)** meets the 3rd Sunday of each month at 5:30 pm in the back room of the Central office

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

**LASCYPAA** meets 1st Sunday of every month behind the central office at 3:00 pm

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

**State Convention Committee** meets the 3rd Sunday of each month at 4:00 pm in the back room of the Central Office.

**SERCYPAA Committee** meets the 2nd and 4th Sunday of each month 3:00 pm in back room of the Central Office

**ICYPAA Committee** meets the 1st Thursday of each month at 6 pm at St. John UMC 230 Renew Drive

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

## Contribution Addresses

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