

No Booze News December 2021

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Welcome to the December *No Booze News*

The Traditions Study continues. Tradition 5 appears on page 3 of this issue. Thanks to the authors for their work in writing at my request.

Flyers this month include:

- A District 10 holiday gathering
- Club 12 Alcahons [2 pages]
- District 15D Traditions Workshop
- NOW Group's 40th Anniversary Gathering

Thanks for letting me be of service!

Michael G.

“Difficult times bring us to new degrees of acceptance and humility because we learn on a deeper level how close we really are to our next drink. If we hang on, we learn how the grace of the Fellowship and the principles of the program carry us through the tough spots as well as the times of joy.”

“The Bottom of the Glass,”
Providence, Rhode Island, March 2009,
Voices of Long-Term Sobriety

Hotline Schedule

11/29 – 12/5	Freedom of Choice
12/6 – 12/12	Galvez Group
12/13 – 12/19	Goodwood Group
12/20 – 12/26	Keep Coming Back
12/27 – 1/2/22	Last Stop

Note: On holidays when the office is closed, the person responsible for that day will have the phones for 24-hours.

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 November 2021

A Design For Living	\$ 100.00
Baton Rouge Young Peoples Group	\$ 0.29
COR (7th Tradition Basket)	\$ 11.00
Defective Characters	\$ 33.00
EBR Men's Group	\$ 1.00
Free Again to Choose	\$ 59.00
Hang In There	\$ 100.00
Happy Hour Group	\$ 50.00
Individual AA Members	\$ 203.13
Last Stop	\$ 10.71
Magnolia Group	\$ 300.00
Open Heart Meeting	\$ 100.00
Outsiders	\$ 60.00
Sanity Break	\$ 300.00
Southside Stag Group	\$ 70.00
Stray Cats	\$ 50.00
The Mercy House	\$ 11.16
Tospots	\$ 150.00
Tuesday LIT Group	\$ 25.00
Unity Group	\$ 25.00
Unmanageables Group	\$ 0.01
Wednesday Night ABSI	\$ 60.09
You Doin' Good	\$ 52.23

TOTAL \$ 1,771.62

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: @aabatouge



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Quote for the Month

“For all its usual destructiveness, we have found that fear can be the starting point for better things. Fear can be a stepping-stone to prudence and to a decent respect for others. It can point the path to justice, as well as to hate. And the more we have of respect and justice, the more we shall begin to find the love which can suffer much, and yet be freely given. So fear need not always be destructive, because the lessons of its consequences can lead us to positive values.”

AA Co-Founder, Bill W., January 1962, “This Matter of Fear”, The Language of the Heart



THE LANGUAGE OF THE HEART

Bill W.'s
Grapevine Writings

Large Print Edition

*This book is available at the AA Central Office.
\$22.54 hardcover; \$17.59 soft cover [tax included]*

Meeting Type Abbreviations

ABSI = AS BILL SEES IT
BB = BIG BOOK STUDY
Beg = BEGINNER'S
C = CLOSED (Alcoholics ONLY)
D = DISCUSSION
ES = Spanish
MT = Meditation

O = OPEN
SP = SPEAKER
ST = STEP
Study = Literature Study
TR = TRADITIONS
W = Women Only
M = Men Only
LG = LGBTQIA
(Lesbian/Gay/Bi/Trans)

New Print Meeting Book

Remember that your best, most current meeting listings are available online at www.aabatonrouge.org. A new edition of the handy, pocket-sized meeting schedule is now available at the Central Office!

Meeting Changes/Updates

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Temporarily Closed

Oak Grove, O/D, Sunday, 9:00 AM, Oak Grove Community Center Hwy 73 @ Hwy 42, 70769

New Meeting

In the World Outside, O/D, Saturday, 9:00 AM, LSU Rowing Parking lot 3131 Dalrymple Dr. 70802
Power under the Tower, C/BB, Friday, 7:00 PM, West BR Senior Center, 250 Elaine St, Brusly, 70719
Seeking a Solution, O/BB/W, Monday, 6:30 PM, 7742 Office Park Blvd, Suite C-2 70809

Reopened

Irma Blvd. Recovery, O/D, Monday, 6:30 PM, Gonzales Library 708 S Irma Blvd. Gonzales 70737
Big Book 12- Step tape Study, BB/St, Friday, 12 noon, 1- 12 Club 1955 Scenic Hwy, 70802

Reopened, Location Change

Open Heart, O/D, Tuesday, 5:30 PM, Broadmoor UMC 10230 Mollylea Dr. 70815

Name Change

Last Chance, O/D, Wednesday, 8 PM, Club 12 1695 Beaumont Dr.

Location Change

Women in Recovery, W/O/D Monday, 7PM, Faithful UMC 14253 Hwy 431, St. Amant 70774
Shenandoah Group, O/D, Saturday, 6:00 PM, Our Saviour Lutheran Church 3555 Jones Creek Rd. 70816

Time and Location Change

Jackson Week Starters, O/D, Monday, 7:30 PM, Jackson UMC 1727 Sycamore St, Jackson LA, 70748

Day Change

Come as You Are, O/D, Thursday, 7PM, Faithful UMC 14253 Hwy 431, St. Amant 70774

Day and Location Change

There is a Solution, O/D, Saturday, 7:00 PM, 6:30PM, Broadmoor UMC 10230 Mollylea Dr., 70805

Day, Time and Location Change

Back to Basics, ST/Study, Thursday, 6:30PM, Broadmoor UMC 10230 Mollylea Dr., 70805

Time Change

Nooner @ Night, O/D, Tuesday, 7 PM, Highland Presbyterian Church, 70810
Trust the Process, O/D, Tuesday, 8:00 PM, Central Office

The Traditions

Editor's Note: This is the sixth in a series of articles about The Traditions. We have now moved to Tradition Five.

Previously, we discussed the first 4 Traditions. We talked about the fact that no one is in charge of AA, and that you are a member if you say you are. That sounds like there are no rules in AA. Technically, that is true. No one will kick you out of AA for not conforming. 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 5

Each group has but one primary purpose - to carry its message to the alcoholic who still suffers.

Alcoholics Anonymous does one thing, and one thing only; we carry the message of sobriety to alcoholics. That’s it. That’s all. While we as individuals can do as we wish, as a group we do not try to solve the world’s problems. We do not get involved in controversy.

Our Big Book specifically states that “the prime objective (for meetings) was to provide a time and place where new people might bring their problems” (pg 160). We must be there for those who still suffer, or they will die. And if we do not carry the message of sobriety, we will also die, because we cannot keep what we are unwilling to give away.

The 12 & 12 gives an example of a group of physicians, all with different specialties, who are gathered together to find a cure for cancer. While their specialties are important to them as individuals, the group purpose is a cure for cancer, and that is what they will concentrate on. If they don’t, they will never reach their goal.

While each group will go about it differently as discussed in Tradition 4, each group’s purpose is only to carry its message to the alcoholic who still suffers. And that can be in an open discussion meeting, a literature study, or a speaker meeting. It can be by having a business meeting once a month or once a quarter. Neither is right, and neither is wrong – this is part of each group’s message.

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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

ICYPAA Committee meets the 2nd Sunday of each month at 4 pm at the 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 Alanon Room.

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

SERCYPAA Committee meets the 2nd and 4th Sunday of each month 3:00 pm at the Central Office

State Convention Committee meets the 3rd Sunday of each month at 4:00 pm at the Central Office

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

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

General Service Office (AAWS), P.O. Box 459, New York, NY 10164-0371

NOW GROUP



40th Anniversary Gathering

Tuesday **DEC 14TH, 2021** evening

FOOD – FUN – FELLOWSHIP

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

Open Meeting at 7:30pm



Celebrate with us ----- **NOW AA Group** ----- 40 years strong
An evening with one of Baton Rouge's oldest groups

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

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



AA DISTRICT 10 PRESENTS

HOLIDAY FELLOWSHIP DINNER-SPEAKER MEETING



**Saturday, December 18, 2021
Food - Fellowship - Fun**



**Fellowship at 11:00am, Dinner at 11:30am
A.A. Follies at 12:30pm, A.A. Speaker at 1:00pm**

***Holiday Meat
Entrés Will
Be Served.***

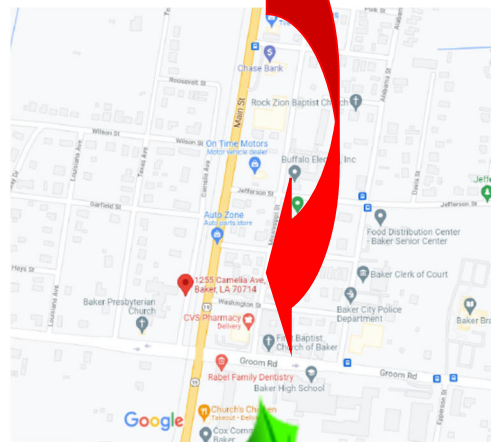
We'd be Grateful for a Head Count!

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

**Volunteers Needed
*Service Work
That Tastes Good!***

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

**First United Methodist Church of Baker
1255 Camelia Ave.
Baker, LA 70714**



Please Help!
**Side Dishes and
Desserts Welcome!**



**CLUB 12
CHRISTMAS ALCATHON**

**DECEMBER 24TH AT 6:00 PM
UNTIL
DECEMBER 25TH AT 4 PM**

**MEETINGS EVERY
EVEN HOUR**

**FOOD AND FUN AND
FELLOWSHIP!!**

**1695 BEAUMONT DRIVE
BATON ROUGE 70806**

CLUB 12

NEW YEAR'S ALCATHON

DECEMBER 31ST AT 6:00 PM
UNTIL
JANUARY 1ST AT 4 PM

MEETINGS EVERY
EVEN HOUR

FOOD AND FUN AND
FELLOWSHIP!!

1695 BEAUMONT DRIVE
BATON ROUGE 70806

DISTRICT 15D PRESENTS

TRADITIONS
WORKSHOP

SPEAKER: CLIF G.
Oklahoma City, OK

January 29th

10AM-3PM

Comite Baptist Church
12250 Greenwell Springs Rd,
Baton Rouge, LA 70814



Food & Drinks

50/50 Raffle

Fun & Fellowship

RED STICK ROUNDUP

FEBRUARY 4th-5th
BE AWARE OF
LOCATION CHANGE

"Progress Not Perfection"



The Voice
Joellien S.

Friday, February 4, 2022

Registration Opens	4:00pm
Kick-off RSR (Capital Area Group)	6:00pm
Speaker: Kevin J.	8:00pm
Night Owl Meeting	10:00pm
Marathon Meeting	12:00am

Contacts

Chair	Debra T.	225-614-8568
Co-Chair	Justin R.	225-328-7353

Saturday, February 5, 2022

Meditation Meeting	8:00am
Morning Speaker: Karl S.	10:00am
Al-Anon Speaker: Michelle R.	2:00pm
Marathon Meeting	3:00pm
Marathon Meeting	5:00pm
Speaker: Stuart S. Evening	8:00pm
Dance	10:00 pm

***NEW*LOCATION**

Holiday Inn

9990 Airline Hwy, Baton Rouge, LA 70816

Phone: (225) 924-7021 Room Rate
King/\$119 Queen/\$129

Group Code: **RED**

https://www.holidayinn.com/redirect?path=hd&brandCode=HI&localeCode=en®ionCode=1&hotelCode=BTRSO&_PMID=99801505&GPC=RED&cn=no&vie_wfullsite=true

**** RSR REGISTRATION 2022: \$22 ****

Please send checks payable to: Red Stick Round-Up, P.O. Box 64981, Baton Rouge, LA

Name, Initial _____ AA? AIAnon? Registration _____ @ \$22 \$ _____

City, State _____
E-Mail (optional) _____

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City, State _____
E-Mail (optional) _____

Check or Cash Total Enclosed \$ _____