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From District 13's DCM: Cole T.,

Hello District 13. The end of 2024 has brought so many changes to Alcoholics Anonymous. The best we can do is to stay informed. I have attended conferences and spoke with many people. With the help of Laura B. And several others we've stayed informed. Please join us this last quarter for the workshops and information coming back from assembly's and conferences. Looking forward to this final quarter of 2024 with Unity and Fellowship and Service.

What's happening in your District 13 for 2024!!

Come join us at our monthly district meeting. Held once a month. Want to be a trusted servant for your district? Carpool to district meetings can be arranged if you struggle to attend due to transportation, contact your DCM.

We will begin rotating the district meeting. For this quarter it will be at the Marble Falls location: 711 Broadway, Marble Falls TX 78654

NEW YEARS EVE CELEBRATION

Cooter is the 2023 New Years Eve Event Chair. The first planning meeting will be held Saturday, November 9th, at 7:15pm, after the newcomers meeting at Packsaddle Church in Kingsland

Eat-N-Speaks

Sunday October 27, 2024: Newcomers at Packsaddle Church, Kingsland. Speaker Laurie B. Eat at 6 p.m. with speaker at 6 p.m. Bring a side. Joshua House providing BBQ Pork Butt.

Monday November 11, 2024: Llano Group at Grace Episcopal Church, Llano. Speaker Tiffany S. Eat at 6 p.m. with speaker at 7 p.m. If able, please bring a dish to share.

Group Updates:

No Reservations Group (women's only) has a potluck every third Tuesday of the month.

KISS (women only) a new women's group meets every Tuesday 6PM Packsaddle Fellowship Church 508 RR 2900 Kingsland TX

Big Book Study at His Joshua House- 6:30AM on Wednesdays

Friday Night Alive will have a 12&12 Study on the 3rd Friday of month

New Burnet Women's Group meeting Mondays at 5:30PM at First Christian Church in Burnet

Hopeful Agonistics has changed meeting location- same time and day Thursday 6PM Packsaddle Fellowship Church 508 RR 2900 Kingsland TX

Panel 74 Event Calendar for this Quarter

www.aa-swta.org

2025 Winter Workshop: January 17-19, 2025

Kerrville TX



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website, meeting,
fliers

District 13 Trusted Servants

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Grapevine: Cooter

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Newsletter: By

Committee Webmaster:

Stephanie R. *Treatment:*

Open

Archives: Ian F.

DISTRICT WEBSITE
area68district13.org

District 13 Meetings

Service Manual Study @ 1:30
PM before each District
Meeting monthly!

4th Quarter District Meetings will be
held the first Sunday of November and
December in Marble Falls at the Church
of Christ, 711 Broadway. The District
will have Zoom option available each
district meeting- reach out to
Stephanie R at 734-395-8335 for
the login information.

District News Focus:

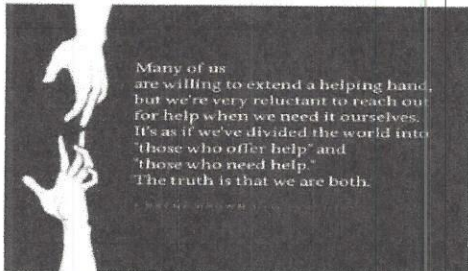
To inform the AA Community of matters pertaining to the service structure of AA I.E the Group, District, Area and the G.S.B

SELF-SUPPORTING;WHERE MONEY AND SPIRITUALITY MIX

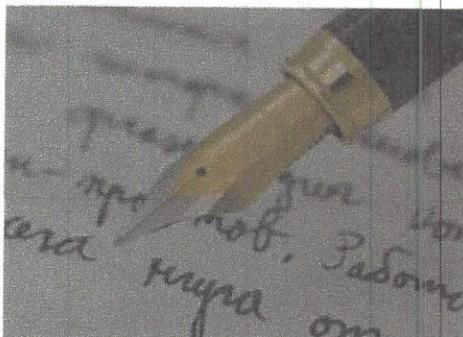
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Step 5: "Admitted to God, to ourselves, and to another human being the exact nature of our wrongs."

I approached my first 5th Step with nervousness, apprehension, and fear. Twelve pages of the most sordid things I had ever done to everyone around me. Many were my closest family. However, in order to continue my new way of life, and receive the sunlight of the spirit I needed to do this. "We pocket our pride and go to it. Illuminating every dark cranny of the past." As I read off each column to my sponsor, the next one became easier. What I had not realized was that our secrets gain power from our silence and we are only as sick as our secrets. I no longer worried about the multiple felonies I had just confessed or any of my other skeletons I intended to take to my grave. That is until my sponsor asked if I had left anything out. I took a breath and blurted it out. After my sponsor left my apartment, I started the hour of meditation. Problem was I didn't make it. Forty five minutes later I called my sponsor and told him I couldn't stay awake. I woke up a few hours later, drenched in sweat, yet simultaneously feeling weightlessness and illumination. As if scales had peeled from my eyes and a huge weight lifted from my shoulders. I had never experienced this level of peace and freedom before in my life.

-Tony A.

"But why shouldn't we laugh?" Alcoholics Anonymous pg. 132

'Hi my name is Jeff and I'm an alcoholic'

'Sir this is triple A, not AA'

'I know, I'm trying to explain why my car is in the lake.'

Area 68 Info:

Would you like to see additional information associated with AA and Area 68? Go to www.aa-swta.org. The delegate's info is password protected (Panel74). Here you will find reports, announcements, etc. The website is a gold mine of information. The entire report from the 2024 General Service Conference is located here. Happy reading!

District Upcoming Workshops!

CORRECTIONS WORKSHOP!

November 3rd, 2024 2:30PM

711 Broadway, Marble Falls TX 78654

Presented by: Johnny C- Area 68 Corrections Chair

FUTURE WORKSHOPS

The district will be hosting all day workshops starting in 2024. There will be one workshop per quarter. The first workshop topics are anticipated to cover GSRs and their responsibilities and the Twelve Traditions. Members are asked to let their GSR or one of the District 13 Trusted servants know if there are other topics you would like to have in a workshop.

Literature News:

AA World Services has a 10% discount on all literature currently. Austin Intergroup also has books at a lower rate now- visit and support if your group wants to!

District 13 Meeting, October 20, 2024

Opened meeting at 2:30pm with serenity prayer

Went around the room with introductions

Pete read secretaries report. Laura motioned to accept, Bill Y 2nd, all in favor.

Bill B went over treasurer's report. Bill Y motioned to accept, Linda 2nd, all in favor.

OLD BUSINESS

Cole talked to Ian about having a traditions workshop, would we as a district be interested in this? We went around the room with much discussion about this and a GSR workshop.

Laura: We have the money, and we should plan this with plenty of time in advance.

Bill B: We do need to plan this ahead of time to give everyone that's part of it a heads up. GSR workshop is highly needed as well. Maybe we should have a workshop committee.

We also discussed the upcoming planned workshops in November and December.

Christina: We can reach out to our Area people about our upcoming workshops.

Bill Y: Kempner group thinks we should have it quarterly, on a Saturday, all day.

We continued to go around the room with ideas, input, and discussion on the benefits of having these workshops. We discussed GSR packets, or lack thereof, and where and how we could get some, possibly creating our own.

Christina: Cole has a lot of service manuals that we acquired.

Cole: I forgot to bring them, but I will get them out to people.

Laura: Shall we vote on a GSR workshop?

Cole: Let's hear from our GSR's.

We went around the room and all GSR's present put in their thoughts and ideas for the GSR workshop, with everyone agreeing it is a great idea and would be highly beneficial to our GSR's, groups, and district.

Christina motioned we have all day Saturday, quarterly, workshops. Laura 2nd, all in favor.

Laura motioned we have a workshop committee, Stephanie 2nd, all in favor. Many people who were present at the meeting volunteered to be a part of this committee.

District 13 Meeting, October 20, 2024 (cont'd)

We further discussed the workshop plans; dates we can have them, dates we should avoid, and the best times of year we should have them. Also, what should we do about our upcoming November and December workshops?

Bill Y: we should keep the November workshop and cancel December.

Laura: we should have our November business meeting at 1pm with the workshop to follow.

We discussed what we can do to be accommodating to our November workshop speaker Johnny. He's travelling very far from McAllen (basically Mexico). Bill B will reach out to the area treasurer to see if they are paying for his travels and how we can help also.

Cole read an email from Kaylyn regarding the PICPC conference in 2025, and if we would be willing to host this as a district. District voted No.

NEW BUSINESS

Christina: Can anyone tell me how many conferences and workshops Ian has attended for Archives? Should Archives maybe have its own line or allocated funds in treasury?

Laura: Ian does a tremendous job with bringing the Archives to events all over the place and is in favor of this for the continuation of our district Archives representation at these events.

Stephanie: It might be a good idea to have this for all the committees.

We continued to discuss the benefits of having line items like these in our treasury.

Christina: This was just some food for thought.

Laura: Cooter couldn't make the meeting today but would like to have a NYE committee meeting on Saturday, November 9th, at 7:15pm, after the newcomers meeting at Packsaddle Church in Kingsland. Would like to confirm this with district, it is confirmed.

GSR UPDATES

Christina (Back to Basics): we had a flyer for a party in our meeting binder that was for an event outside of AA, so it was removed. As GSR, I took action to address the situation and uphold traditions.

We discussed this as a district and everyone put in their input and helpful insight, also sharing experiences with similar situations.

Ted (Hoovers new design for living): small meetings, but getting the occasional newcomer, and the meeting is going very well.

District 13 Meeting, October 20, 2024 (cont'd)

Bill B (Kingsland): group voted to continue to withhold money for at least the next 6 months. Group is doing well.

Bill Y (Kempner): 25 people on average, group is doing great, also withholding money.

Linda (Lampasas): group doing great.

Brent (Newcomers): doing great. (Randy): newcomers is having its eat and speak next Sunday at 5pm food, 6pm speaker, and our speaker is Laurie B.

Greta (No Reservations): women's meeting, 5:30 Tuesdays at Trinity Episcopal Church in Marble Falls. 3rd Tuesday of every month we have potluck.

Judy (Burnet noon): great attendance on Friday, book study and 12&12 study doing great as well. Also not sending money.

Most groups seem to be withholding money from GSO.

Cole received an email with the amended treasurer's report and can send that out to everyone.

Laura: we received a response from our submitted proposed agenda item.

Christina: do we have time to go over SWRAASA?

Cole went over proposed agenda items from Area assembly, how the votes went, and the results, Cole will email this out to everyone. We briefly discussed this as a District and will continue to discuss this further at our next District meeting in 2 weeks.

Cole: Do we want to have an ask it basket at district meetings?

District: Yes.


Laura went over how SWRAASA went. Bill B also shared his experience with SWRAASA.

We discussed this as a district, members asked questions, other members shared their experiences and gave some good input.

Bill B motioned to close the meeting, Bill Y 2nd, all in favor.

Closed with the responsibility statement.

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District 13 hosts

CORRECTIONS *Workshop*

**NOVEMBER 3,
2024**

2:30pm

PRESENTED BY
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Monday
November 11th

Eat'n speak

**The Llano Group @
Grace Episcopal Church**

1200 Oatman St. Llano, TX

6pm: Eat
7 pm: Speaker, Tiffany S.

If you are able, please bring a dish to share.