

The Central Texas Messenger

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FROM THE EDITOR

I have enjoyed being the editor of our newsletter the last year and will continue through the last letter of 2025. Having served for two years, It is only right and fitting to pass the baton to another trusted servant. Please consider stepping into this service position to start with the winter January 2026 edition. Contact the Intergroup office if you are interested. Respectfully, Cindy T.

TOPIC

Importance of the 12 Traditions

Tami D. will be joining us to discuss why the traditions are important.

Bring a Friend and a dish to share

EVENTS NEAR AND FAR



DISTRICT 91 MEET AND GREET

SATURDAY, JULY 12, 2025

FOOD AT 6:00 PM

SPEAKER AT 7:00

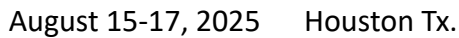
First Methodist Church

1300 Austin Ave Waco Tx. 76701

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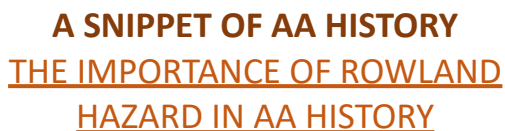
Capital of Texas Conference 2025 |
Aug 22, 4:30 PM – Aug 24, 12:00 PM Austin,
6000 Middle Fiskville Rd,
Austin, TX 78752,
USA <https://www.capitaloftexasconference.org/>

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If Rowland had seen Freud, Freud would have never suggested that Rowland seek a vital spiritual experience, which he found through the Oxford group. So, Hazard would have never suggested the same to Ebby, and Ebby would have never suggested it to Bill W.

So, why did AA get started? Because Freud was too busy.



Hazard was a wealthy businessman and former Rhode Island Senator who struggled with alcoholism. His wealthy family initially wanted him to see the world famous psychiatrist, Sigmund Freud, but Freud was too busy. He then sought help from Carl Jung in Zurich, Switzerland. Freud, unlike Jung, was a devout atheist. Jung, after a period of time, told Roland his alcoholism was near to hopeless, save only the possibility he might recover through a spiritual or religious experience. Hazard found such an experience through the Oxford Group. Hazard then helped Ebby Thatcher, a childhood friend of Bill Wilson, get sober. Hazard's actions helped lead to Bill Wilson's spiritual awakening and the beginning of AA.

NOW, BECAUSE WE ARE NOT A GLUM LOT...

Step 7

“The Seventh Step is where we... move out from ourselves... and toward God.”

Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions, page 76

The 7th Tradition

A.A. co-founder Bill W. wrote that “Every single A.A. service is designed to make more and better Twelfth Step work possible.” Of course, it’s our Seventh Tradition—passing the actual or digital basket—that helps fund that crucial A.A. work throughout the Fellowship.



The Twelve Rewards

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Ann C. of Niles, Ohio, sober date April 1, 1948,
wrote the following before the
the 1985 International Convention in Montreal,
Canada to show the change that can take place in
any of our lives if we will try to follow the AA
principles.

We can all have **Hope**, instead of desperation;
Faith, instead of despair;

Courage, instead of fear;

Peace of Mind, instead of confusion;

Self-respect, instead of self-contempt;

Self-confidence, instead of helplessness;

The respect of others, instead of their pity and
contempt;

A clean conscience, instead of a sense of guilt;

Real friendships, instead of loneliness;

A clean pattern of life, instead of a purposeless
existence;

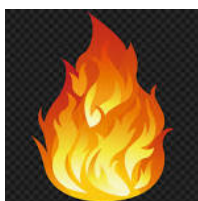
The **love and understanding of our families**,
instead of their doubts and fears;

And the **freedom of a happy life**, instead of the
bondage of an alcoholic obsession.

*All this and more through AA, are we grateful
enough?*

*Gratitude will continue the miracle of your
sobriety, I found that out.*

**NEED AN EARLY MEETING
BEFORE THE HEAT GETS YA?**



The Goose Hung High Group

1624 Wooded Acres

Holy Spirit Episcopal Church

6:30 am

Monday and Friday (OD)

Thanks to Archie M., who originally completed
most of this list, and to Bill L. and Nancy O. who
helped with the added information, you never
have to wonder again. Compiled from 15 AA
books.

The link to this gold mine is...

[http://www.aahistory.com/aa/people.h
tml#HazardR](http://www.aahistory.com/aa/people.htm#HazardR)



WHO IN THE WORLD?

Ever wish you knew who all those
people are in AA literature?