

June 2008



COR Meeting
June 15, 2008
1119C Johnston Street
Lafayette, LA 6:00PM

Step 6 —
Were entirely ready to have God remove all these defects of character.

Tradition 6 —
An A.A. group ought never endorse, finance or lend the A.A. name to any related facility or outside enterprise, lest problems of money, property and prestige divert us from our primary purpose

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PLUG
IN
JUG
NEWS



Meeting Notice

Faith Group will not meet on Tuesday, July 15, 2008.

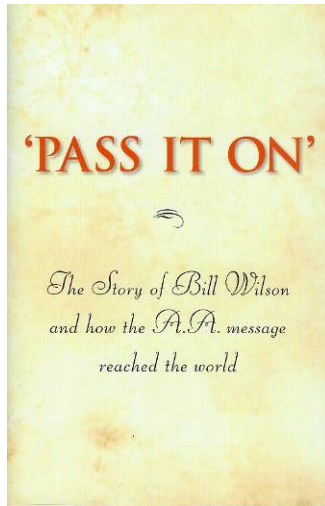
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'PASS IT ON'

Here is Bill W., the man everybody knew and nobody knew. Here too, inextricably entwined with his life, is the dramatic story of the founding of A.A., its early struggles and amazing growth.

Bill's character was complex and contradictory. Although we always tried to place him on a pedestal, he strove for genuine humility, declining honors and stressing the spiritual value of anonymity. The co-founder of A.A., he was never actually a member of A.A., because we never allowed him to be.

In preparation over five years, this is the definitive biography of Bill W. Every word is documented, every source checked. For the scholar this volume is invaluable. For all of us, it is exciting reading.



"Unity"



**50th Annual
Louisiana State
Convention of
Alcoholics Anonymous**

June 19-22, 2008, Vandebilt High School
209 South Hollywood Rd., Houma, LA

Steering Committee Welcomes New Members

- | | |
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| Greg C. - Chair (2008-10) | Richard H. - Activities (2008-10) |
| Aaron G. - Vice-Chair (2007-09) | Ken L. - Communications (2008-09) |
| Ruth E. - Secretary (2008-10) | Caroline T. - Contact (2008-10) |
| Jody H. - Treasurer (2008-09) | <i>Thanks for your service!</i> |

Mark Your Calendars!!

**The Central Office Barbecue
will be held on Sunday,
September 14, 2008 at the
Girard Park Pavilion in Lafayette**



**September 26-28, 2008
Cajun Country Conference
A New Freedom**

INFO Corey D. (337) 254-6442
Stacey M. (337) 349-4949
or www.cajunaa.org

**District 13C presents Gwen B. &
Sponsees @ a 6 & 7 Workshop**



Date: Saturday June 14, 2008

Time: 9:00am—3:00pm

Place: St. Barnabas Church (Camellia Blvd.)

LUNCH WILL BE SERVED &

BRING YOUR 12 & 12

A SPIRITUAL JOURNEY THROUGH THE STEPS

with

TOM & JUANITA U. (NEW MEXICO)

**Friday-Sunday, October 10-12, 2008
Clifton Chenier Center
Town Hall Auditorium
220 W. Willow St. Lafayette, LA**

Concept 6 —

The Conference recognizes that the chief initiative and active responsibility in most world service matters should be exercised by the trustee members of the Conference acting as the General Service Board

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Want to contribute an item to the Plug-In-Jug? Email us at plug-in-jug@aa-acadiana.org, or send it to the Central Office, by the 4th Friday of the month. To include a flyer with the *Plug-In-Jug* mail-out, please provide 130 copies to the Central Office.

MISSION STATEMENT

It is the goal of your Central Office Steering Committee to monitor and improve upon the Quality of Services provided by the office and its workers. The Steering Committee meets regularly to review Policies and Operations in order to increase its Professional Services to our A.A. Community.

GREG C. CHAIR

www.aa-acadiana.org Email the Central Office at centraloffice@aa-acadiana.org.

HOW ARE WE DOING?

GREG C. CHAIR

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CAME TO BELIEVE...

Offering various types of general AA information.

It is nowhere evident, at least in this life, that our Creator expects us fully to eliminate our instinctual drives. So far as we know, it is nowhere on the record that God has completely removed from any human being all his natural drives.

Since most of us are born with an abundance of natural desires, it isn't strange that we often let these far exceed their intended purpose. When they drive us blindly, or we willfully demand that they supply us with more satisfactions or pleasures than are possible or due us, that is the point at which we depart from the degree of perfection that God wishes for us here on earth. That is the measure of our character defects, or, if you wish, of our sins.

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6 *Were entirely ready to have God remove all these defects of character.*



I want to be free.

Only through utter defeat are we able to take our first steps toward liberation and strength. Our admissions of personal powerlessness finally turn out to be firm bedrock upon which happy and purposeful lives may be built.

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WHAT OTHERS SAY...

Step 6: Remove Our Shame

Following the example of an old-timer friend of mine, whose quality of sobriety I admired, I printed, in ink, each one of my separate defects on a white poker chip. Then all twenty-seven chips went into a small, fat, yellow pitcher. Every morning on awaking, I plunged my hand into it (like picking a number from a goldfish bowl) and came up with the "chip for today." The defect might be anger, fear, pride, resentment, gossip, snobbery, self-pity, and so on, but whichever one it was had to be concentrated upon for the next 24 hours, and either reduced to a minimum or cast away.

It was a kind of game. I enjoyed wrestling with one "defect" a day. I felt I was making progress, really working the AA program. It hadn't yet occurred to me that I had gone overboard on this "defect" business. Twenty-seven indeed! How is that for the "pride" defect? Of course, most of them were not serious flaws of

character, such as the inability to be honest with oneself. Most were bad habits possessed, in some degree, by most humans.

Fortunately, just about that time our group was slated for discussion of Step Six. I opened my copy of Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions and read the Step all the way through. Although I had read it many times before, it seemed as if I saw its meaning for the first time. I gathered that, instead of fighting mightily against a defect, I had to let go of it. Just simply open up my hands, my heart, and my mind and say to my Higher Power. "Here it is, this defect. I give it to you. Please remove it from me." In this case, it was the bitter and destructive resentment that I wished to be rid of. And so it happened. It faded away and never returned.

F. C.
Manhattan, New York

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Acadiana Central Office Representatives (COR) Meeting

Minutes from May 18, 2008

The meeting was called to order by Todd D. and opened with the Serenity Prayer.

The attendees were:

| STEERING COMMITTEE | | COR & Alt. COR | |
|--------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------|
| Chairman | Todd D. | Faith Group | Kathy A. |
| Vice Chair | Aaron G. (not present) | Freedom's Choice | Bill R. |
| Treasurer | Jody H. | New Way Group (Breux Bridge) | Gloria T. L. |
| Secretary | Michael H. (not present) | Primary Purpose | Garrett M. |
| Communication | Greg C. | Reflections | David B. (Alt.) |
| Activities | Schanda H. (not present) | Sisters in Sobriety | Nina L. |
| Contact | Ruth B. (COR Design for Living) | Sobriety and Beyond | Mark K. |
| | | Step by Step | Kate K. |
| | | Sunday Morning Fellowship | James D. |
| | | Sun-Up | Jackie R. |
| OTHERS | | Sun-Up | John S. (Alt.) |
| Office Manager | Evelyn R. | | |
| DCM – Dist. 13-E | Ken L. | | |

The April minutes were read by Ruth B. Motion made and carried to accept.

| Treasurer's Report: Jody H. reported | | Office Manager's Report: Evelyn R. reported. | |
|--|------------------|---|-----|
| Starting Bank Balance | \$2500.00 | 12-Step Calls | 7 |
| Total Income | \$3768.86 | Meeting Info Calls | 151 |
| Total Expenses | \$4502.01 | Walk Ins | 110 |
| Net Income | -\$733.15 | Office Information | 21 |
| Transferred to/from Prudent Reserve | -\$79.82 | Al-Anon Info | 0 |
| New Prudent Reserve Balance | \$9855.90 | Other Calls | 17 |
| <p>A question was raised concerning the discrepancy in the net income and the amount transferred to the prudent reserve. Jody explained that what the bank statement shows and what is actually in the working account are usually not the same due to deposits that are made into the account after the bank sends out the statement. At the end of the month the overage is then transferred to the prudent reserve, keeping the working account balance at \$2500.00 when the month begins. Motion made and carried to accept the report.</p> | | Sales of Merchandise | 93 |
| | | Meeting Lists Mailed | 5 |
| | | Meeting Lists Faxed | 3 |
| | | Internet Inquiries | 14 |
| | | P-I-J Sales | 5 |
| | | Motion made and carried to accept the report. | |

Activities Report: Todd D. reported. The Central Office Barbecue has been set for September 14, and it will be held at Girard Park in the pavilion. Schanda has paid the rental fee and made the key deposit. Flyers will be forthcoming. Motion made and carried to accept the report.

Communications: Greg C. reported
 150 copies of *Plug-In-Jug* printed and 120 mailed.
 During the month of April, 2008 there were:
 506 visitors to the Central Office web site
 Of these 506 visitors,
 399 visitors viewed the Meetings page
 297 visitors downloaded the Central Office Meeting List
 64 visitors viewed the *Plug-In-Jug* page
 23 visitors downloaded the March *Plug-In-Jug*

Contact: Ruth B. had no report.

District 13A – 13D: No Report

District 13E Ken L. reported Dist. 13-E will be hosting a workshop on October 10 -12 (Friday- Sunday) at the Clifton Chenier Center in the auditorium. It will be conducted by Tom and Juanita U. of New Mexico.

Old Business

Greg reported on the recent Central Office inventory that was held on May 10. He stated that it was a very productive and that he hopes to implement some positive changes in the months ahead. He passed out copies of a preliminary summary of the inventory. Todd commended Greg for the time and effort he put into it. He also remarked that he wished home group inventories would go as smoothly.

New Business

- The copier in the office is broken and the cost of the part to repair it is \$350.00. The service company can sell us a new copier for \$600.00 less a reimbursement of \$180.00 for service calls and a \$50.00 rebate which will make the final cost of the copier \$369.99. Motion made and carried to purchase the new copier.
- The laser printer used to print the *Plug-In-Jug* needs toner; Todd had been donating the printing up till now. The Central Office must now absorb the cost of toner. Greg priced it on the internet and can get it for around \$129.00 for 4 cartridges (3 color, 1 black) which will last for roughly 6 months. Even though the cost is below the \$250.00 set for expenses, the Steering Committee desires to maintain transparency with its decisions. Motion was made and carried to approve the new expense.

3. Nominations were opened for the Communications chair position that Greg C. resigned from last month. Garrett M. nominated Ken L. (current Webmaster and DCM of Dist. 13-E). There were no other nominations from the floor. Ken was unanimously elected into the position.
4. The Steering Committee filled out evaluations on the performance of Evelyn during her 90 day probationary period as Office Manager. The majority of committee members approved highly of her performance and it was recommended to hire her permanently. Todd opened up the floor for comments from the COR's on their opinion of her job performance. Nina L. stated, "The atmosphere is so pleasant, and everything is so well organized and clean. It looks like an office, and I like going there now." Several other COR's reiterated Nina's comments. Evelyn was voted unanimously to be permanently hired as the Central Office Manager.
5. Todd, with the approval of the committee, suggested raising the salary for Office Manager to \$10.00 an hour. He stated that to keep good, qualified help, the pay needs to be good. He reminded everyone that it is a paid position and not a voluntary one, and that it is a plus we have "one of us" in that position. Motion made and carried to increase the salary.

There was discussion about extending the hours the office is open. Greg said that we will be reviewing that as well as other items brought up during the inventory over the next few months. He added that change takes time.

Motion was made and carried to adjourn the meeting. Meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Next Scheduled COR Meeting: Sunday, June 15, 2008, at 6:00pm
Agenda Items Include:

- Welcome of New Steering Committee Members
- Discussion of Recommendations from the CO Inventory
- Discussion of Plans for CO Barbecue
- Report on Test of Financial Software

**Cost of Central Office Inventory
 May 10, 2008**

| | |
|-----------------------|-----------------|
| Inventory Food, etc. | \$166.45 |
| Facilitator Travel | 50.00 |
| Meeting Hall Rental | <u>100.00</u> |
| Total Expense | \$316.45 |
| Cash Donations | -16.00 |
| NET TOTAL COST | \$300.45 |

Louisiana State Convention Committee

**Meets 3rd Sunday of Each Month at 2pm
 Pink Building behind Domino Pizza
 (Corner of University and Johnston)**

**Convention Dates:
 Thurs-Sun, June 4-7, 2009
 Thurs-Sun, June 3-6, 2010
 Lafayette Holidome**

Office Manager's Corner

**For the month of May, the Office Manager
 Evelyn R. reports the following activity:**

| | |
|----------------------|-----|
| 12-Step Calls | 2 |
| Meeting Info Calls | 102 |
| Walk Ins | 113 |
| Office Information | 30 |
| Al-Anon Info | 5 |
| Other Calls | 32 |
| Sales of Merchandise | 88 |
| Meeting Lists Mailed | 4 |
| Meeting Lists Faxed | 2 |
| Internet Inquiries | 10 |
| P-I-J Sales | 4 |



Volunteer Workdays In May

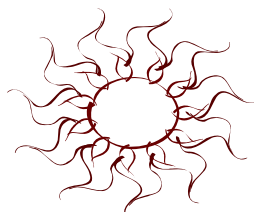
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|------|-------------------|------|-------------------|
| 5/2 | Ruth E. / Dawn E. | 5/6 | Rick P. |
| 5/9 | Ruth E. / Dawn E. | 5/13 | Dawn E. / Rick P. |
| 5/16 | Ruth E. / Dawn E. | 5/20 | Dawn E. / Rick P. |
| 5/23 | Ruth E. / Dawn E. | 5/27 | Jan G. / Rick P. |
| 5/30 | Ruth E. / Dawn E. | | |

Additional volunteer services provided by Susan B. and Shirley R.

A special thanks to all volunteers and Steering Committee members who have generously been of service to Central Office.

Sick Bay *

| | |
|-------------|---------------------------|
| Pete R. | Bienvenue |
| Ola B. | Last Chance Acceptance |
| Ronnie B. | Scott Group |
| Jack B. | Freedom's Choice |
| Mary Lee M. | Primary Purpose |
| Sam J. | Freedom's Choice |
| Scott P. | Any Lengths |
| Lynn B. | New Way |
| Keith C. | Area Group |
| Lynn B. | Sunday Morning Fellowship |



**Things We Cannot Change
 (In Memoriam)**

| | |
|-----------|------------------|
| Glenn S. | New Way |
| Walter T. | Freedom's Choice |

Sunlight of the Spirit

* **Groups:** Please submit changes for Sick Bay to the Central Office. *Thanks!*

Acadiana Central Office 2008 FINANCIAL REPORT

| | May | YTD | Group Donations | May | YTD |
|-----------------------------|-------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Starting Bank Balance | \$2,500.00 | | Abbeville Area | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| INCOME | | | Acadian Gr. | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| Anonymous | \$0.00 | \$50.00 | Any Lengths | \$0.00 | \$200.00 |
| Coffee Kitty - Meeting List | \$26.00 | \$46.00 | Boulevard Gr. (Opelousas) | \$0.00 | \$25.00 |
| COR Meeting | \$15.00 | \$95.96 | Brown Baggers (Morgan City) | \$0.00 | \$50.00 |
| Inventory Income | \$16.00 | \$16.00 | Courage To Change (N.I.) | \$216.33 | \$297.92 |
| Alcathon | \$0.00 | \$155.61 | Design For Living | \$82.07 | \$403.35 |
| Chili Cook Off | \$0.00 | \$888.40 | Downtown Gr. (Opelousas) | \$0.00 | \$81.00 |
| Barbeque | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | Dry Dock | \$0.00 | \$51.58 |
| Christmas Party | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | Eunice Solutions Gr. | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| Plug-In-Jug Newsletter | \$48.75 | \$802.50 | Faith | \$0.00 | \$400.00 |
| Sales Tax Received | \$292.12 | \$1,097.18 | Freedoms Choice | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| Group Donations | \$2,501.13 | \$7,828.90 | Hang In There (Scott) | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| Total Regular Income | \$2,899.00 | \$10,980.55 | Hub City | \$200.00 | \$600.00 |
| Literature Sales | \$3,031.45 | \$10,272.70 | Kitchen Table | \$350.00 | \$350.00 |
| Chips & Speciality Items | \$620.00 | \$3,137.08 | Last Chance Acceptance | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| Tax Exempt Sales | \$0.00 | \$140.00 | Live & Let Live Krotz Springs | \$0.00 | \$40.00 |
| Sales Income | \$3,651.45 | \$13,463.74 | Living Sober | \$25.00 | \$175.00 |
| TOTAL INCOME | \$6,550.45 | \$24,444.29 | New Way (Breaux Bridge) | \$180.00 | \$1,249.00 |
| EXPENSES | | | Northside Gratitude | \$0.00 | \$13.00 |
| Advertisement | \$66.00 | \$330.00 | Opelousas Group | \$0.00 | \$50.00 |
| Answering Service | \$85.00 | \$425.00 | Primary Purpose | \$0.00 | \$575.35 |
| Bank Ser. Charge/Checks | \$0.00 | \$112.25 | Queen City/ Gratitude (N.I.) | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| Copying / Printing | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | Reflections | \$25.00 | \$125.00 |
| Chili Cook Off | \$0.00 | \$298.41 | Scott Group | \$99.20 | \$299.16 |
| Barbeque | \$100.00 | \$100.00 | Serenity N.I. | \$0.00 | \$25.00 |
| Christmas Party | \$0.00 | \$189.79 | Simply Sober | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| Alcathon | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | Sisters In Sobriety | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| Gas Allowance | \$30.00 | \$150.00 | Sobriety & Beyond | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| Office Supplies/Petty Cash | \$361.80 | \$811.99 | Solutions Gr. Ville Platte | \$25.00 | \$50.00 |
| Payroll | \$681.65 | \$4,525.91 | Spring Gr. Port Barre | \$0.00 | \$10.00 |
| Federal/FICA Taxes/Expenses | \$237.51 | \$1,212.42 | Step Into Recovery | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| State/Parish Sales Tax | \$89.00 | \$719.59 | Step By Step | \$890.48 | \$890.48 |
| Repair & Maintenance | | \$0.00 | S.M.F. Gr | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| Postage | \$105.99 | \$402.71 | Sun Up | \$260.25 | \$1,620.26 |
| Rent (All) | \$425.00 | \$2,195.07 | 3rd Street Park | \$127.80 | \$197.80 |
| Telephone | \$80.95 | \$304.27 | Triangle Gr. | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| Utilities | \$49.15 | \$216.06 | Truman Gr. | \$0.00 | \$10.00 |
| Workmans Comp. | \$0.00 | -\$95.00 | 12 @ 12 Group | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| Secretary of State | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | We Agnostics | \$0.00 | \$20.00 |
| Accounting Services | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | Willing To Believe (Duson) | \$20.00 | \$20.00 |
| Travel | | \$0.00 | Total Group Donations | \$2,501.13 | \$7,828.90 |
| Training | \$0.00 | \$79.00 | | | |
| State Withholding Tax | \$18.00 | \$18.00 | | | |
| Inventory Expenses | \$316.45 | \$316.45 | | | |
| Internet Service Provider | \$60.25 | \$299.75 | | | |
| Website | \$99.94 | \$99.94 | | | |
| Fixed Assets | \$731.12 | \$731.12 | | | |
| La. State Unemployment Tax | \$0.00 | \$4.70 | | | |
| Regular Expenses | \$3,537.81 | \$13,447.43 | | | |
| Literature Purchases | \$2,044.60 | \$7,400.60 | | | |
| Chips & Speciality Items | \$324.69 | \$2,054.31 | | | |
| Sales Expenses | \$2,369.29 | \$9,454.91 | | | |
| TOTAL EXPENSES | \$5,907.10 | \$22,902.34 | | | |
| Net Income - Regular | -\$638.81 | -\$2,466.88 | | | |
| Net Income - Sales | \$1,282.16 | \$4,008.83 | | | |
| Theft | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | | | |
| Net Income - Total | \$643.35 | \$1,541.95 | | | |
| Bk. Statement Bal. | \$2,770.22 | 31-May-08 | | | |
| Prudent Reserve Transfer | -\$270.22 | | | | |
| Reg Working Bk. Bal. | \$2,500.00 | 1-Jun-08 | | | |
| Prud. Res. Bk. Bal.(Old) | \$9,855.90 | 31-May-08 | | | |
| Transferred | \$270.22 | | | | |
| Interest on Prud. Res. | \$1.20 | | | | |
| Prud. Res. Check Supplies | | | | | |
| Prud. Res. Bk. Bal. (New) | \$10,127.32 | 1-Jun-08 | | | |



JULY BIRTHDAYS

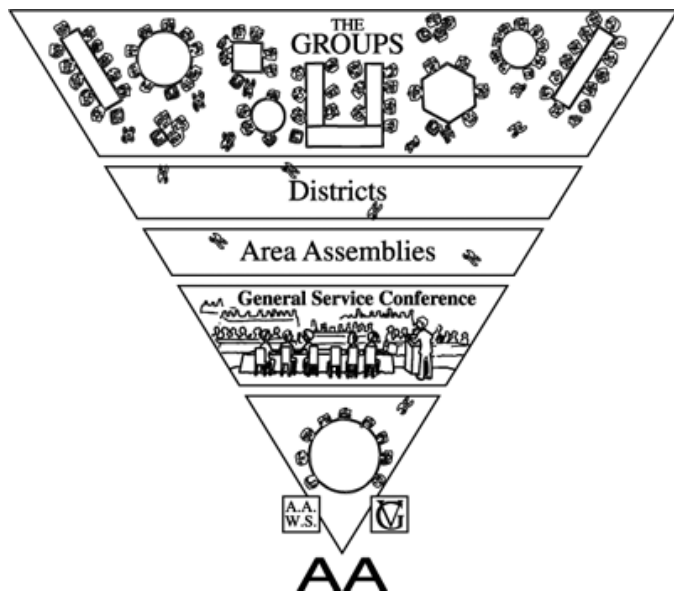
1030 YEARS OF SOBRIETY



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|--------------|---------|--------------------------|----|-----|-------------|---------|---------------------------|----|-----|
| Adam H. | 7/20/07 | Primary Purpose | 1 | yr | Keith T. | 7/8/01 | Scott | 7 | yr |
| Albert H | 7/25/04 | Scott | 4 | yrs | Kevin L. | 7/30/06 | Any Lengths | 2 | yrs |
| Andra H. | 7/7/99 | Serenity Group N.I. | 9 | yrs | Larry A. | 7/6/04 | Queen City/Gratitude | 4 | yrs |
| Andre L | 7/3/01 | Any Lengths | 7 | yrs | Larry L. | 7/20/89 | Abbeville Area | 19 | yrs |
| Barry M. | 7/29/07 | Primary Purpose | 1 | yr | Laura L. | 7/27/91 | Queen City/Gratitude | 17 | yrs |
| Beth | 7/17/99 | Acadian | 9 | yrs | Leslie D. | 7/23/07 | New Way | 1 | yr |
| Bill S. | 7/7/89 | Dry Dock | 19 | yrs | Lionel D. | 7/20/03 | Serenity Group N.I. | 5 | yrs |
| Bobby H. | 7/26/01 | Abbeville Area | 7 | yrs | Lionel L. | 7/16/02 | Serenity Group N.I. | 6 | yrs |
| Brennan A. | 7/8/06 | Reflections | 2 | yrs | Liz S. | 7/28/03 | Area Group Of BB | 5 | yrs |
| Calvin G. | 7/17/79 | Abbeville Area | 29 | yrs | Malcolm G. | 7/15/75 | Sun Up | 33 | yrs |
| Carl J. | 7/30/03 | Courage To Change | 5 | yrs | Malcolm L. | 7/7/89 | Queen City/Gratitude | 19 | yrs |
| Carol B. | 7/18/05 | Primary Purpose | 3 | yrs | Maria L. | 7/11/91 | Acadian | 17 | yrs |
| Carole T. | 7/22/07 | Sun Up | 1 | yr | Mark T. | 7/23/03 | Faith Group | 5 | yrs |
| Charleen M. | 7/15/84 | Queen City/Gratitude | 24 | yrs | Marvin W. | 7/6/76 | Queen City/Gratitude | 32 | yrs |
| Charles M. | 7/16/88 | Abbeville Area | 20 | yrs | Mary H. | 7/9/88 | New Way | 20 | yrs |
| Chip W. | 7/21/95 | Living Sober | 13 | yrs | Mathew G. | 7/5/03 | Abbeville Area | 5 | yrs |
| Christal | 7/7/02 | Courage To Change | 6 | yrs | Michelle C. | 7/30/07 | Any Lengths | 1 | yr |
| Cindy H. | 7/27/01 | Abbeville Area | 7 | yrs | Mike S. | 7/31/00 | Any Lengths | 8 | yrs |
| Cooter L. | 7/30/83 | Sun Up | 25 | yrs | Monica A. | 7/31/02 | Reflections | 6 | yrs |
| Daniel L. | 7/24/99 | Dry Dock | 9 | yrs | Monica B | 7/30/05 | Reflections | 3 | yrs |
| Debbie V. | 7/27/04 | Sisters In Sobriety | 4 | yrs | P.J. | 7/19/99 | Liberty Group | 9 | yrs |
| Dennis H. | 7/16/04 | Sun Up | 4 | yrs | Paige H. | 7/27/85 | 3rd Street Park Crowley | 23 | yrs |
| Don F. | 7/10/76 | Scott | 32 | yrs | R.J.F. | 7/20/80 | Old Timers Group | 28 | yrs |
| Doody D. | 7/15/84 | Queen City/Gratitude | 24 | yrs | Rachel B. | 7/13/02 | Courage To Change | 6 | yrs |
| Eddie P. | 7/15/79 | Hub City | 29 | yrs | Rickey F. | 7/5/06 | Back To Basics New Iberia | 2 | yrs |
| Ernest | 7/15/00 | Back To Basics Lafayette | 8 | yrs | Rocky F, | 7/14/03 | Abbeville Area | 5 | yrs |
| Eugene M | 7/18/06 | 3rd Street Park Crowley | 2 | yrs | Rod S. | 7/8/04 | Scott | 4 | yrs |
| Fallon C. | 7/12/05 | Reflections | 3 | yrs | Ronnie H. | 7/26/91 | Abbeville Area | 17 | yrs |
| Fred M. | 7/27/75 | Sun Up | 33 | yrs | Ronnie T. | 7/16/84 | Abbeville Area | 24 | yrs |
| Gwen B. | 7/18/70 | Reflections | 38 | yrs | Ronny M. | 7/31/05 | Primary Purpose | 3 | yrs |
| Helen D. | 7/1/04 | Queen City/Gratitude | 4 | yrs | Russell G | 7/11/85 | Last Chance Acceptance | 23 | yrs |
| Jan A. | 7/28/05 | Faith Group | 3 | yrs | Sandy G. | 7/28/06 | Faith Group | 2 | yrs |
| Jane McD | 7/31/85 | Opelousas Group | 23 | yrs | Schanda H. | 7/25/90 | Design For Living | 18 | yrs |
| Janssen C. | 7/3/86 | Design For Living | 22 | yrs | Sean W. | 7/29/05 | Faith Group | 3 | yrs |
| Jean Paul A. | 7/22/05 | Reflections | 3 | yrs | Stuart S. | 7/7/05 | Acadian | 3 | yrs |
| Jimmy S. | 7/23/93 | Liberty Group | 15 | yrs | T.J. L. | 7/7/98 | Hang In There | 10 | yrs |
| Joanie Y. | 7/31/91 | Twelve At Twelve | 17 | yrs | Tammy J. | 7/11/05 | Hub City | 3 | yrs |
| Joe B. | 7/22/00 | Duson Willing To Believe | 8 | yrs | Theresa S. | 7/17/06 | Back To Basics New Iberia | 2 | yrs |
| John B. | 7/9/05 | Living Sober | 3 | yrs | Trip L. | 7/9/04 | Hub City | 4 | yrs |
| John G | 7/27/86 | Faith Group | 22 | yrs | Troy L. | 7/29/02 | Area Group Of BB | 6 | yrs |
| Johnette D. | 7/13/00 | Lafayette Group | 8 | yrs | Wardray L. | 7/4/83 | Abbeville Area | 25 | yrs |
| Joshu W. | 7/23/98 | Back To Basics Opelousas | 10 | yrs | Wendy M. | 7/14/05 | Hub City | 3 | yrs |
| Juan | 7/27/99 | Liberty Group | 9 | yrs | Wilfred V. | 7/15/77 | Abbeville Area | 31 | yrs |
| Katona | 7/4/94 | Serenity Group N.I. | 14 | yrs | | | | | |

NOTES FROM ALL AROUND...

Offering a variety of items from sources around the world of A.A.



How A.A. is Organized

A.A. has been called an upside-down organization because by looking at an organizational chart the A.A. group or meeting is on top and "headquarters" is on the bottom. A.A. is comprised of groups or meetings. (Based on the Fourth Tradition of A.A. taken from the Long Form, "With respect to its own affairs, each A.A. group should be responsible to no other authority than its own conscience. But when its plans concern the welfare of neighboring groups also, those groups ought to be consulted. And no group, regional committee, or individual should ever take any action that might greatly affect A.A. as a whole

without conferring with the trustees of the General Service Board. On such issues our common welfare is paramount.")

Each A.A. group or meeting may elect a general service representative (GSR) to represent the group at district and area business meetings. Groups or meetings form districts, usually on a geographic basis, and districts form areas, also usually on a geographic basis. [Area 27 represents all the groups located in Louisiana.] Each area in the U.S. and Canada elects a delegate to attend an annual Conference where matters of importance are determined by the voting delegates. Other Conference attendees include trustees, directors of A.A. World Services and the Grapevine magazine, staff members of the General Service Office and staff of the Grapevine magazine.

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Acadiana Groups Celebrating Anniversaries This Month

| District | History Date | Month | Year | Anniv. Yrs. | Group Name | City |
|----------|--------------|-------|------|-------------|-------------------|-----------|
| 9 | 7/23/1979 | 7 | 1979 | 29 | Oakdale Group | Oakdale |
| 13-C | 7/22/1986 | 7 | 1986 | 22 | Any Lengths Group | Lafayette |


Anniversary dates are listed according to dates of group registration as reported by the A.A. General Service Office (GSO) in New York.

Help us expand our knowledge of group history for our archives! Let us know if the date your group was founded was different than its registration date.

Email us at plug-in-jug@aa-acadiana.org.

June

2008

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|---|-----|-----|---|--|---|--|
| 1 Louisiana Area Assembly | 2 | 3 | 4 District 9 5:30pm 169 Kay Ave. Opelousas | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| 8 District 13 GSC 6:30pm Covenant UMC 300 E. Martial | 9 | 10 | 11 District 13E 6pm Covenant UMC 300 E. Martial | 12 District 13B 7pm 321 E. 3rd St. Crowley | 13 | 14 District 2 5:30pm, Morgan City AND Step 6-7 Workshop St. Barnabas 9-3 |
| 15  COR Meeting 6pm 1119C Johnston | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 50th Annual Louisiana State Convention | 20 50th Annual Louisiana State Convention | 21 50th Annual Louisiana State Convention |
| 22 District 13C 4pm Turning Pt. AND 50th Annual Louisiana State Convention | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 |
| 29 | 30 | | | | | |

July

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| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|---|-----|-------------------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| | | 1 | 2 District 9 5:30pm 169 Kay Ave. Opelousas | 3 | 4  Central Office Closed | 5 |
| 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 District 13E 6pm Covenant UMC 300 E. Martial | 10 District 13B 7pm 321 E. 3rd St. Crowley | 11 | 12 District 2 5:30pm 613 First St. Morgan City |
| 13 District 13 GSC 6:30pm Covenant UMC 300 E. Martial | 14 | 15 Faith Group will not meet. | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 |
| 20 COR Meeting 6pm 1119C Johnston | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 |
| 27 District 13C 4pm Turning Pt. | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 | | |