

# FEBRUARY 2025

*Monthly Bulletin Serving the Greater New Orleans Area & Southeast Louisiana*



*Featuring Recovery Artwork Inspired by Step Two*

**“Came to believe in Love,  
which sets us free”**

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## A.A. Preamble

Alcoholics Anonymous is a fellowship of people who share their experience, strength and hope with each other that they may solve their common problem and help others to recover from alcoholism. The only requirement for membership is a desire to stop drinking. There are no dues or fees for AA membership; we are self-supporting through our own contributions. AA is not allied with any sect, denomination, politics, organization or institution; does not wish to engage in any controversy, neither endorses nor opposes any causes. Our primary purpose is to stay sober and help other alcoholics to achieve sobriety.

To Learn More,  
Scan Here:



Read A.A. Preamble  
Background Info

## FEBRUARY 2025 BIRTHDAYS

**WAY BACK**

Lonnie L.	02/22/82	43
Mary R.	02/23/93	32
Jim S.	02/11/03	22
Bonnie C.	02/22/20	5
Chet H.	02/26/21	4
Mark P.	02/19/24	1
Ashly S.	02/20/24	1
Skye H.	01/08/22*	3

**IN THE VINEYARD**

Josie D.	02/25/82	43
Courtney S.	02/11/10	15
Ryan B.	02/22/16	9
Chris D.	02/28/19	6
Eugenie	02/19/21	4
Linnea D.	02/12/23	2
Kristen M.	02/16/23	2
Katie F.	02/03/24	1

**ST JOHN'S NOON GROUP**

Val V.	02/25/00	25
Bob T.	02/01/02	23
Mike B.	02/09/09	16
Tim S.	02/14/16	9
Bruce S.	02/13/23	2
Joan S.	02/27/23	2

**THREE LEGACIES**

Ronnie R.	02/28/08	17
Courtney M.	02/14/13	12
Jane G.	02/14/24	1

**KENNER GROUP**

Dan B.	02/23/83	42
Newman S.	02/03/03	22

**SATURDAY MORNING  
IN THE VINEYARD**

John C.	02/09/90	35
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**LADIES LIVE AND LET LIVE**

Patty J.	01/05/95*	30
Lynn A.	02/25/10	15
Alison	02/22/12	13

**EYE OPENERS**

Robin A.	02/07/22	3
John L.	02/28/23	2

**INTO ACTION**

Pat R.	01/11/18*	7
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**JET SET**

Stephanie F.	02/19/23	2
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**QUIT LIKE A WOMAN**

Tori S.	2/20/2019	6
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**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

\*DENOTES PAST DATES

Please don't forget: You are all miracles.

### OUR THREE LEGACIES

#### RECOVERY - STEP TWO

Came to believe that a Power greater than ourselves could restore us to sanity.

#### UNITY - TRADITION TWO

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#### SERVICE - CONCEPT II

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# Service Board Meeting Minutes - Tues., January 28, 2025

## Next Service Board Meeting: Wednesday, February 19, 2025

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**Service Board Email:** [gnoserviceboard@gmail.com](mailto:gnoserviceboard@gmail.com)

Chairperson: Andrea Halstead | Co-Chair: Jim Newton | Treasurer: Alyson "Sunny" Taylor

**In Attendance:** Estimated 15 total in attendance – 3 Trustees; 1 Committee Chair/Co-Chair; Central Office Manager; 2 DCM/Alt-DCM; 8 Group Service Board Reps/GSRs

**Welcome:** Meeting called to order at 6:31pm by Andrea H. (Chairperson); Started with Serenity Prayer. Reminder about parking issues for Tuesday and Thursday meetings.

## Officer Reports

**Secretary:** Minutes from last meeting reviewed and approved with substantial unanimity

- Position is still available. Notes taken by Colyn N.

**Treasurer:** Sunny T. (absent) See attached report for further details

- Reviewed proposal for 2024-2025 Fiscal Year Budget
- Motion to approve Treasurer's Report passed with substantial unanimity

**Central Office:** Carolyn H. - Full report available on website

- District information now available for all meetings on website's Meeting Locator, including the ability to filter meeting search results by district
- Plain Language Big Book second printing has been ordered, not yet shipped
- Bulletin: made updates to the production process to improve efficiency; received a few submissions for our first Call for Recovery Artwork that will be published in the February 2025 Bulletin
- Area Assembly Central Office/Intergroup sharing session was well attended; discussion included central office/intergroup's role within the A.A. service structure and how districts, Area, and central offices can work together in service; discussion of points of interest for an upcoming annual report.
- Will now offer printing/copying services by suggested contribution to members, meetings, and service entities for documents related to A.A. service and local A.A. fellowship (flyers, meeting agendas and minutes, service materials, etc.)

## Old Business

**Ad Hoc Committee: Big Deep South Financials**

- Reached out to GNO Service Board's CPA to ask about next steps and timeline for filing FY2023 990 Form; CPA said we will move forward without treasurer's reports from BDSC 2024 event (those reports were not submitted as of 01/28/25), will reference totals from BDSC bank and PayPal accounts instead.
- Ad hoc committee will create new documentation for BDSC 2025 and future planning committees to guide financial reporting and to prevent this situation from happening again
- This however does not yet address the lack of contribution from the 2023 and 2024 events; \$32k remains in the event's bank account as of 01/28/25. BDSC 2025 is locked into a hotel contract (estimated \$25k total) to be paid before the event and BDSC has other pre-event expenses, so that \$32k in the BDSC bank account may be necessary to cover those costs.
- The BDSC event format and hotel contract bid process will need to be reevaluated for future events.
- **Motion:** Big Deep South planning committee is not to enter into any contract until they receive approval from the Service Board. Motion discussion tabled until the next meeting. Motion was seconded.

# Service Board Meeting Minutes - Tues., January 28, 2025

## Ad Hoc Committee: Special Worker Pay Raises

- Jim R. has volunteered to join the committee and will make a report at the next meeting.

## Central Office Backers Program

- The program has been \$25 annually for as long as most people can remember; this has not accounted for rising costs and inflation
- Central Office manager has begun data analysis of contributions, sales, and monthly bills (2019-2024) to provide more concrete information about financials and rising costs. This data-informed decision can then guide changes to the suggested annual amount for the Central Office Backer program

## Committee Reports

**T&C (Scott B.):** Pink Can initiative has been tabled for the time being; program received backlash and confusion from local fellowship

- Any home group that wants to offer a pink can may do so as their group conscience decides
- California, New York, and other Areas have examples of how this program has been done successfully elsewhere in the national Fellowship.

**Website:** absent | **Hotline:** absent

**Big Deep South 2025:** absent – members attending meeting expressed need to have someone from this committee present at Service Board meetings

## District Reports

**D12:** n/a | **D17:** n/a | **D18:** n/a | **D19:** Ryan (Alt-DCM) - No report | **D21:** n/a

**D20:** Colyn N. (DCM) - Have a few things planned but nothing really firmed up

**D24:** (Spanish-speaking) Connected with Central Office at Area about availability of Spanish language literature and meeting listings

**D25:** Have been invited; elections for DCM in March or February

Motion to move next month's meeting to Wed., February 19, 2025 due to parade road closures. Motion passed with substantial unanimity.

Motion to close meeting at 7:35pm. Meeting closed with a circle and the Our Father prayer.

Thank you to all of our member artists who contributed their talents and inspirations to our February Issue, spotlighting **Step Two**.

**Cover:** Janie E., 10/25/2020, High Steppers

**Comics:** Kyle B., 05/26/2020, Port and Burgundy

**Page 14:** Wesley KB, 01/22/2022, New Freedom

**Page 20:** Anna G., 10/05/23, Plain Crackpots

# HOW DO WE GET INVOLVED WITH THE GNO SERVICE BOARD?

## Stand for Secretary

- 2 years of sobriety
- Officer position
- Records and publishes minutes of monthly meetings
- Maintains records of Service Board (with Central Office)



More info in  
GNOSB  
By-Laws

## Be a Service Board Rep for Your Home Group

- Service Board Representatives (SBRs) are voting members of the Service Board
- One vote per participating meeting or home group
- Empower your voice to help guide this Intergroup Steering Committee

**Next Service Board Meeting:**  
Wednesday, February 19, 2025  
6:30pm at Central Office  
638 Papworth Ave, Ste A., Metairie

## Join a Committee

- Treatment & Corrections
- Website
- Hotline & Twelfth Step Calls
- Fundraising Event Planning: Big Deep South Convention
- Special Events: DAAY in the Park
- More committees TBD in 2025

Scan to Learn More  
About Service Board,  
Central Office, and  
View Service Board  
Meeting Minutes



## Concept II Checklist from A.A. Grapevine

**Long Form:** *When, in 1955, the A.A. groups confirmed the permanent charter for their General Service Conference, they thereby delegated to the Conference complete authority for the active maintenance of our world services and thereby made the Conference -- excepting for any change in the Twelve Traditions or in Article 12 of the Conference Charter -- the actual voice and the effective conscience for our whole Society.*

*Reprinted from Twelve Concepts for World Service, 2024-2026 edition, pg. C-V, with permission of A.A. World Services, Inc.*

1. Do we have an understanding of the history of the General Service Conference (the "Conference")?
2. What is a Conference Advisory Action? Does our home group's G.S.R., D.C.M., area delegate report back to the group on the highlights of the Conference and Conference Advisory Actions?
3. Is our group meeting its wider Seventh Tradition responsibilities?

# Tradition Two Checklist from A.A. Grapevine

**Long Form:** *For our group purpose there is but one ultimate authority -- a loving God as He may express Himself in our group conscience.*

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**Summary:** *Where does A.A. get its direction? Sole authority in A.A. is loving God as He may express Himself in the group conscience. Formation of a group. Growing pains. Rotating committees are servants of the group. Leaders do not govern, they serve. Does A.A. have a real leadership? "Elder statesmen" and "bleeding deacons." The group conscience speaks.*

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1. Do I criticize or do I trust and support my group officers, A.A. committees, and office workers? Newcomers? Old-timers?
2. Am I absolutely trustworthy, even in secret, with A.A. Twelfth Step jobs or other A.A. responsibilities?
3. Do I look for credit in my A.A. jobs? Praise for my A.A. ideas?
4. Do I have to save face in group discussion, or can I yield in good spirit to the group conscience and work cheerfully along with it?
5. Although I have been sober for a few years, am I still willing to serve my turn at A.A. chores?
6. In group discussions, do I sound off about matters on which I have no experience and little knowledge?
7. Do I complain about the decisions that my home group makes, even though I do not attend the business meetings where these decisions are made?

# CENTRAL OFFICE REPORT

## *Summary of Report From Service Board Meeting - January 28, 2025*

- **Plain Language Big Book.** 100 copies of second printing ordered, shipped 01/30. Call or email us to place a pre-order.
- **Districts Added to Meeting Listings.** District info now included with meeting listings on website (desktop/mobile) -- you can find district info for your meeting, filter meeting lists by district, or use districts as another search filter to help guide folks to meetings across our regional fellowship.
  - **To view:** Under the drop-down menu labeled "Everywhere" click "Switch to Districts" and the Districts column will replace the right-hand side Regions column. Click your meeting listing to view what district your meeting is located in.
- **Bulletin Updates.** Upgrading Bulletin with more graphics and images, including page headers, monthly Traditions/Concepts checklists and submissions from our first Call for Recovery Artwork. [Please share Step Three inspired artwork by Feb 25th.](#)
- **Literature Fund.** Has provided x17 Big Books and x3 12&12s to x4 groups to date. Provides literature to members and meetings/home groups, to further carry the message on an as-needed basis; "Big Book" and "12 and 12" only.
  - More information and first quarterly report available at <https://aaneworleans.org/literature-fund>

*Bulletin Submissions for Events & Birthdays Due 25th of the Month  
(February 25th for March Bulletin)*



**Full Report available at [aaneworleans.org](https://aaneworleans.org) under "Bulletins" --> "Central Office Reports"**

***Central Office Backer Subscriptions  
now available via Square Payments, here:***



***Thank you for your continued support and generosity.***





# Central Office Backer Heroes

*Thank you for your contributions and support!*

**Mike H. (New Backer)**  
**Walton G. (New Backer)**  
**Jeff G. (Renewal)**

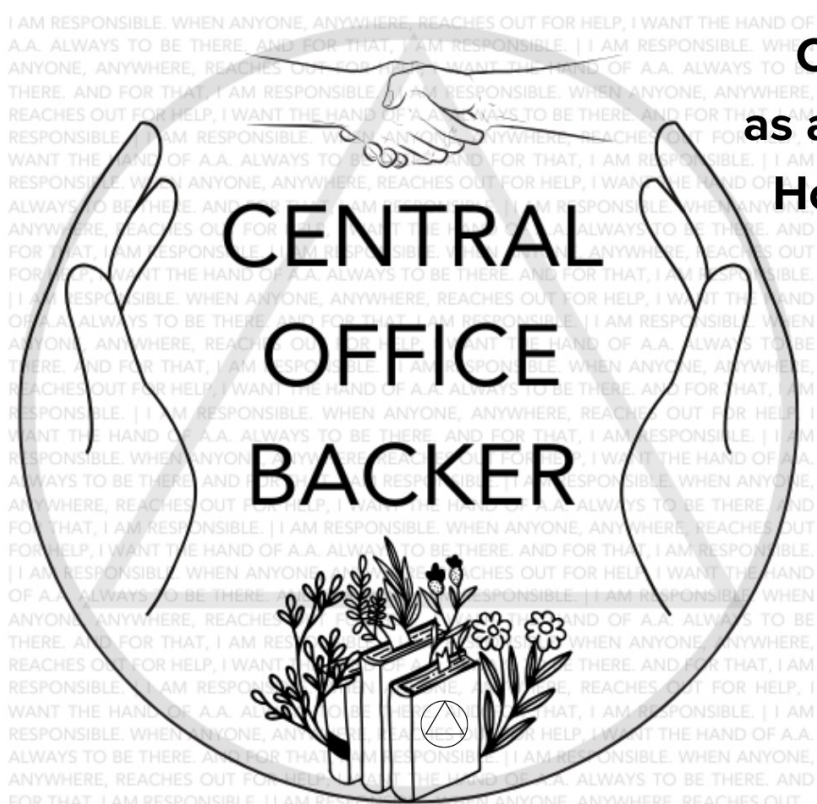
**Reloadable Gift Cards for members and home groups, now available. Scan here for e-gift cards:**  
Physical Gift Cards now available at Central Office.



**Contribute  
as a  
Member**



**Contribute  
as a Meeting or  
Home Group**



**Contribute  
via Venmo**




**Contribute  
via PayPal**



PAYMENTS VIA CASH, CHECK, AND CARD ACCEPTED AT OUR OFFICE  
MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO GREATER NEW ORLEANS SERVICE BOARD  
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# DECEMBER 2024 CONTRIBUTIONS

449 GROUP	\$180	\$294 FROM 17 MEMBERS
BUCKTOWN PASS IT ON	\$100	
COVINGTON GROUP	\$200	\$2,331 FROM 17 GROUPS
HI & DRY	\$200	
JET SET	\$250	\$60 FROM 3 CENTRAL OFFICE BACKERS
MORE WILL BE REVEALED	\$50	
NEW FREEDOM	\$100	
NEW ORLEANS STEPS AND TRADITIONS	\$210	
RAISE THE BOTTOM	\$1	**cash contributions not attributed at time of transaction- -contact Office to confirm date/time details for your home group's unaccounted-for contribution
ST. CHARLES ANGELS	\$100	
ST. JUDE - LULING	\$15	
SUNRISE SOLUTIONS	\$25	
WEDNESDAY NIGHT LIVE	3007	
WESTSIDE MARRERO GROUP	\$80	
WOMEN SHARING HOPE	\$63	SCAN FOR MORE INFO ON SERVICE BOARD FINANCIALS
UNKNOWN**	\$457	

## WHY IS SERVICE BOARD?

We're glad you asked.

Service Boards are a vital aspect of the overall service structure that supports the day-to-day functioning of our Fellowship.

Locally, the Greater New Orleans Service Board (GNOSB), a 501(c)(3) is the Steering Committee for our regional Central Office, for Service Board service committees, and for events like the Big Deep South Convention.

Central Office is a bookstore, meeting space, and information hub that provides various products and services in support of the Greater New Orleans area and beyond.



Review Service Board Financials



Scan Here to Learn More About Service Board, Central Office, and View Service Board Meeting Minutes

Read GNOSB By-Laws



# PLAIN LANGUAGE BIG BOOK

A Tool for Reading *Alcoholics Anonymous*

This is A.A. General Service Conference-approved literature

**Second Printing of PLBB now available at Central Office.**

**WANT TO HELP ANOTHER ALCOHOLIC?**

**Give a Gift Subscription**  
to an alcoholic who needs it.  
Great for:

- Prisons • Detoxes • Newcomers • Sponsees
- Doctors' Offices • Group Celebrations
- District and Area Events • Giveaways!

**It's also a great way to support Grapevine & La Viña!**  
Get your group, district, area or AA friends to join in. Carry the Message, it's easy!

Go to [aagrapevine.org/carry-the-message](http://aagrapevine.org/carry-the-message) to get started and see our new Carry the Message video at [www.youtube.com/c/AAGrapevine](http://www.youtube.com/c/AAGrapevine)

**2025 CARRY THE MESSAGE PROJECT**

# Our Primary Purpose

Official Podcast of the General Service Office

**Alcoholics Anonymous®**

**Our Primary Purpose**  
New Podcast from GSO  
Launched January 14, 2025



**Tune in on your favorite podcast platform or scan the QR code above to stream the latest episodes.**

# AREA 27 COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Attend via Zoom to learn more about these committees and service opportunities

## ACCESSIBILITIES

1ST SUNDAYS, 2PM

Meeting ID: 373 884 7070

Passcode: Access27



## TREATMENT

1ST SUNDAYS, 6:30PM

Meeting ID: 797 702 530

Passcode: 731380



## CORRECTIONS

3RD SUNDAYS, 6:30PM

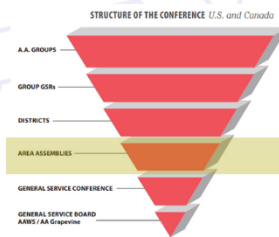
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Most up-to-date Area Service Committees  
Info available on Area 27 Events Calendar:  
<https://aa-louisiana.org/calendar/>

Learn more about  
**AREA 27**



Any service committee meetings that would like to be listed on our website Events calendar and in future Bulletins, please reach out to us: [office@aaneworleans.org](mailto:office@aaneworleans.org)



Please help the men and women in prison  
and treatment find recovery.

(aka Treatment and Corrections, or T&C)

You can help by:

- Donating soft cover *Big Books* and *Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions*
- Stand as a T&C rep for your home group
- Host a T&C meeting at a facility
- Fund a pamphlet rack at a facility
- Contributing funds to support T&C service work
- Learn more by attending our monthly T&C

Committee meeting: **Second Wednesday of the month, 6:30pm at Central Office, 638 Papworth Ave, Metairie**

Contributions can be made via:

Home Group T&C Committee or Pink Can  
District T&C Committee  
Service Board T&C Committee  
Central Office

Treatment Corrections



Scan to Learn More About T&C Service Work

# CALL FOR RECOVERY ARTWORK

ARTWORK AS AN ACTION OF SERVICE & UNITY

Our monthly Bulletin is seeking artwork and designs for our next issue, March 2025, inspired by **Step Three** of our program:



*Made a decision to turn our will and our lives over to the care of God as we understood Him.*

Please submit your original artwork (JPG or PNG) to [office@aaneworleans.org](mailto:office@aaneworleans.org) by Tues., February 25th, 2025. You may also include your first name and last initial, home group, and/or sobriety date, or remain anonymous.

*Note that Bulletins appear in digital form in color and are printed in greyscale, so any selected artwork will need to translate to both formats.*

**BE THE HAND OF A.A.  
IN CONSCIOUS CONTACT  
CARRYING THE MESSAGE  
THROUGH YOUR ART  
AND INSPIRATION**

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*"Thy will be done, but also, I have some notes."*



*"I really gotta silence all these notifications."*

# UPCOMING EVENTS

**2ND SPIRITUAL PRINCIPLE: HOPE**

UPDATED WITH EVENT INFO RECEIVED AS OF JAN. 29, 2025

**SERVICE MEETINGS & EVENTS CALENDAR**

# 2025 February

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
<b>Scan here for the monthly Events calendar on our website</b>						1	
2:00PM AREA 27 ACCESSIBILITIES MEETING 3:00PM DISTRICT 25 MEETING 4:30PM D19 T&C MEETING 5:30PM D21 PI/CPC MEETING 6:30PM AREA TREATMENT MTG	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
	7:00PM D21 T&C MEETING		6:30PM BIG DEEP SOUTH PLANNING MEETING			11:15 AM DISTRICT 17 MEETING	
9		10	11	12	13	14	15
		6:00PM DISTRICT 18 MEETING 7:00PM SELA SPRING ROUNDUP PLANNING MEETING 8:00PM DISTRICT 12 MEETING	6:30PM MULTIDISTRICT & SERVICE BOARD T&C MEETING	6:30PM DISTRICT 20 MEETING			
6:30PM AREA 27 CORRECTIONS MEETING		17	18	19	20	21	22
		6:30PM DISTRICT 21 MEETING 6:30PM D20 PI/CPC MEETING	6:30PM SERVICE BOARD MTG			7AM EYE OPENERS SPEAK & EAT BREAKFAST 6:30 PM MARDI GRAS KARAOKE	
23	24	25	26	27	28		
		6:30PM DISTRICT 19 MEETING					

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**PDF Printable Service Meetings & Events Calendar**

Scan QR code to access printable calendar above.

Print to include calendar on your meeting space bulletin board, info table, and stack of announcements.



Scan QR code for our archive of printable Events calendars and holiday flyers

For our online calendar of events, Visit [www.aaneworleans.org](http://www.aaneworleans.org) and click Events or Scan QR Code here:



District 20 Presents

# MARDI GRAS

## Karaoke PARTY

\$50/50 raffle  
Potluck- bring a dish or pop!


**FEBRUARY 22 AT 6:30 PM**

1719 Tolendano Street

Costumes encouraged, come have some sober fun!

## 164 HOME GROUP

### CO-ED RETREAT - 2025



**Location: Slidell, Louisiana**

Friday, February 28<sup>th</sup> till Sunday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>

\$40 Per Person (meals & lodging included)

Schedule includes Workshops, Group Meetings,  
Speaker, Step Study, Meditation and more...



## Louisiana Men's Workshop

A weekend of workshops and speakers concentrated on the AA recovery program from the Big Book of Alcoholics Anonymous.

GOD BOX WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR ANYTHING YOU WOULD LIKE TO LET GO OF AND BE BURNED AT SATURDAY NITE BONFIRE

Join Us March 7 - March 9, 2025

Register on our website:

[www.LAMensWorkshop.com](http://www.LAMensWorkshop.com)

Registration Fee Options:  
1) Lodge Ticket (Two Beds per Room) \$275.00 per person or  
2) Bunkhouse Ticket (Multiple Bunk Beds) \$150.00  
(plus 3.12% credit card fee if paid online)  
Both ticket options include two nights' stay at the Wesley Center, three meals on Saturday, and breakfast on Sunday.

All attendees must be registered and may only stay in the facility. The Wesley Center will not allow RV's or tents on the premises.



Located at the Wesley Center  
2350 Methodist Parkway  
Woodworth, LA. 71485  
[www.thewesleycenter.com](http://www.thewesleycenter.com)

Limited Space Available  
Please Register By  
February 28, 2025

Questions? Contact us at [LAmensworkshop@gmail.com](mailto:LAmensworkshop@gmail.com) or call James Brouard 337-452-5458

### Schedule

#### FRIDAY, March 7, 2025

4:00pm to 7:00pm - Check In  
7:00pm - Meet and Greet  
8:00pm - Speaker: Doug S - New Orleans  
9:30pm - Ending Our Day from Big Book Meeting; Evening Inventory

#### SATURDAY, March 8, 2025

7:00am - 8:00am - Walking Meditation  
7:30am - 8:00am - Morning Prayer and Meditation  
8:00am - 9:00am - Breakfast  
10:00am - 11:00am - Workshop - Sponsorship and sponsees  
11:00am - Fellowship  
12:00pm - Lunch  
1:30pm - 2:30pm - Workshop - Mistakes I made  
3:30pm - 4:30pm - Workshop - Emotional sobriety  
5:30pm - 6:30pm - Dinner  
7:30pm - 8:30pm - Speaker: Tommy T - Staten Island  
9:30pm - 10:30pm - Meeting and Bonfire

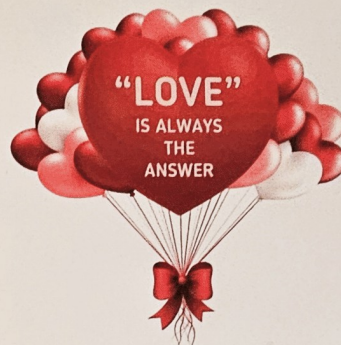
#### SUNDAY, March 9, 2025

7:00am - 8:00am - Walking Meditation  
7:30am - 8:00am - Morning Prayer and Meditation  
8:00am - 9:00am - Breakfast  
9:30am - 10:30am - Workshop - Daily Meditation  
11:00am - 12:00pm - Speaker: Steve C - Lake Charles, LA  
12:00pm - 1:00pm - Checkout; early registration for following year



# 53<sup>rd</sup> GULF COAST ROUNDUP

February 14<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup>, 2025



On the Gulf Coast of Okaloosa Island at  
**The Island Resort**  
1500 Miracle Strip Pkwy SE  
Fort Walton Beach, FL 32548

### Friday

4:30pm Jeff K. (AA) Panama City, FL  
8:00pm Randy K. (AFG) Decatur, GA

### Saturday

10:00am Estelle A. (AA) Little Rock, AR  
2:00pm Bob D. (AA) Boca Raton, FL  
4:00pm Audience Old Timers Panel  
7:30pm Raffle and Sobriety Countdown  
8:00pm Tina H. (AA) Waukesha, WI

### Sunday

9:30am Lon L. (AA) Jacksonville, FL

#### Room Rates – good from Feb 14 - Feb 18)

Standard (king or 2 queens)	\$112 per night*
Poolside (king)	\$139 per night*
Poolside (2 queens)	\$139 per night*
Gulf Front (king)	\$150 per night*
Gulf Front (2 queens)	\$150 per night*

#### Suites

Poolside (K or 2Q)	\$209 per night*
Gulf Front Suite (K or 2Q)	\$220 per night*

Email [reservations@mainsailhotels.com](mailto:reservations@mainsailhotels.com) or  
Call (850) 337-9194 (ask for Vanessa or Jackie)

Reserve before January 14 to guarantee rates

\*plus tax

**REGISTRATION IS LIMITED TO 350 – REGISTER EARLY BEFORE WE SELL OUT!!!**

ENTERTAINMENT PROVIDED BY COMEDIAN HYPNOTIST  
**TERRY STOKES, JR**

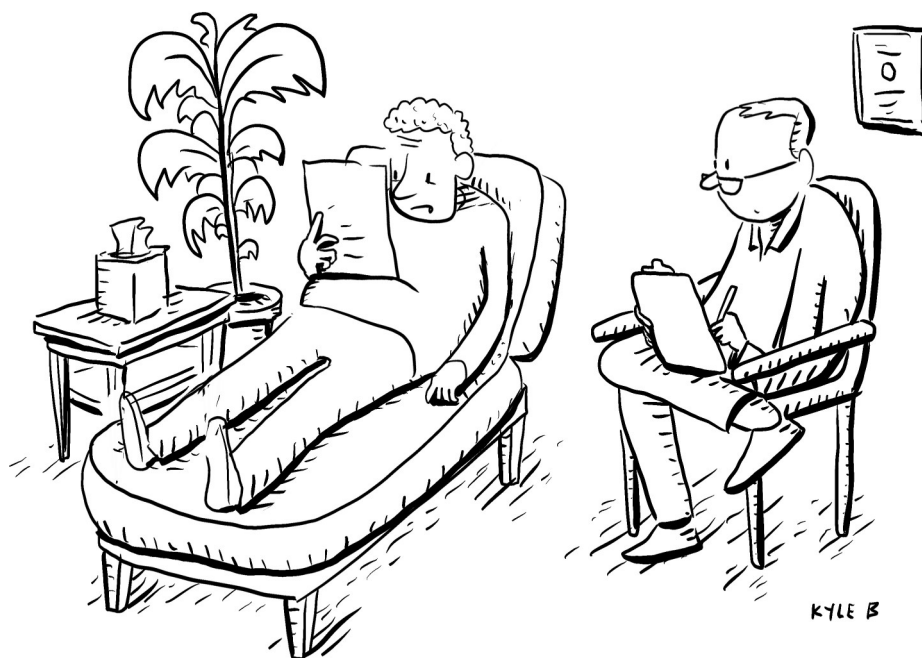
SATURDAY NITE AFTER THE MEETING

YOGA on the BEACH!! Saturday & Sunday morning at 7:00am

Early bird meetings (combined discussion) Saturday & Sunday morning at 8:15am

Register (Credit Card or PayPal) at [www.GulfCoastRoundup.com](http://www.GulfCoastRoundup.com) or mail check with form below

Gulf Coast Roundup – February 14-16, 2025 – Registration \$25 each



*“Instead, I went with an ingratitude list.”*

The Woodland Group and Moving Forward Group  
 Invite you to the annual *Speak and Eat*  
 at  
 Woodland Presbyterian Church  
 5824 Berkley Drive  
 (corner of Berkley and Woodland Drive)  
 in  
 Algiers, Louisiana

**Saturday March 15th, 2025**

Dinner 6:30pm-7:30pm  
 Speaker 7:30-8:30pm  
 Speaker: **Norman R.**  
 Entertainment Provided By  
 Caleb H.

There will be a 50/50 and drawings for Big Books  
 Please bring your favorite dish to share with your  
 fellow AA Members.

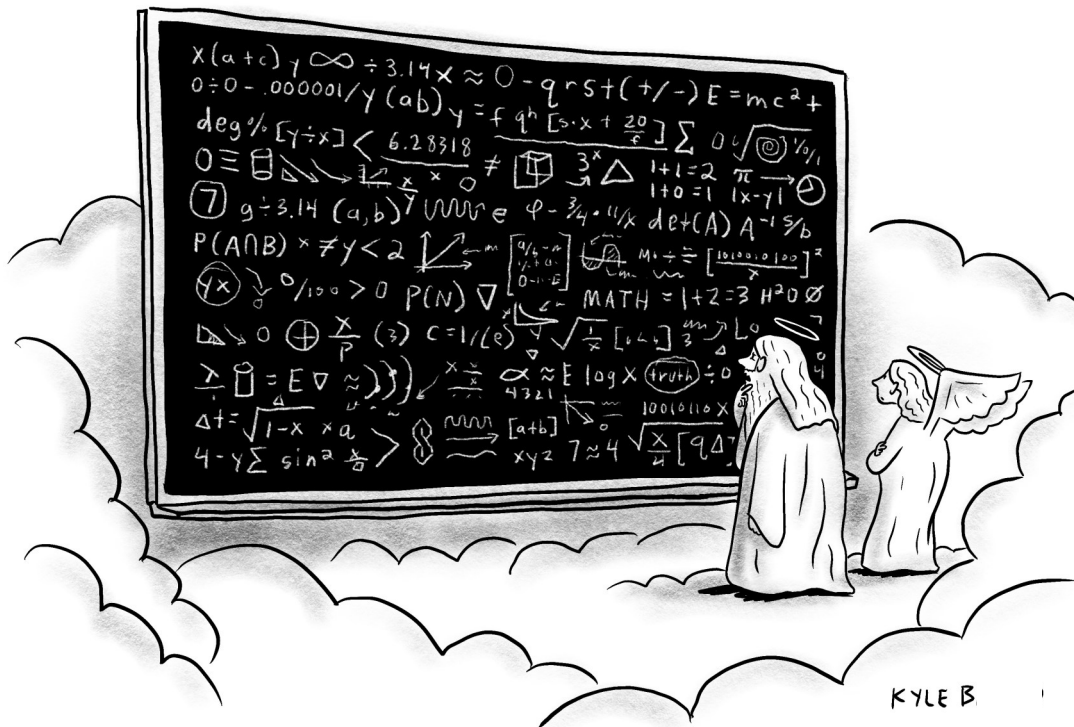
For Further Information Contact  
 Shane J @ (504)662-6650  
 Keith S @ (504)481-9353

# 32<sup>ND</sup> UPSTATE ANNUAL Convention

## March 20<sup>th</sup>- 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2025

<p><i>Thurs., March 20th</i>  <b>Kick-Off Party</b>                  Gratitude House                  1501 White St. Ruston  <b>6:00 PM Dinner</b>  <b>8:00 PM Kayla D</b></p>	<p><i>Fri., March 21st</i>                  Ruston Civic Center                  401 N Trenton St. Ruston  <b>7:45 PM Sobriety Count- Up</b>  <b>8:00 PM Bill N.</b>                  Arlington, TX</p>
<p><i>Sat., March 22nd</i>                  212 W Mississippi  <b>7:30 AM Guided Meditation</b>                  Ruston Civic Center  <b>10:00 AM John M</b>                  Greenville, SC  <b>1:00 PM Ellen C</b>                  Al-Anon Speaker                  Addison, TX  <b>2:30 Traditions Workshop</b>                  Bill N  <b>8:00 PM Holly D</b>                  Jacksonville, FL</p>	<p><i>Sun., March 23rd</i>                  Ruston Civic Center  <b>10:00 AM Ashley C.</b>                  Lafayette, LA</p> <p><i>Other Activities</i>                  Saturday Night Social                  Prize Raffle &amp; 50/50                  Saturday Night BBQ Banquet</p> <p><i>Hotel</i>                  Hampton Inn- Ruston                  \$110/Night                  Book by 3/14/25</p>

**Pre-Registration: \$25 received by March 1<sup>st</sup>**  
**Registration \$30 after March 1<sup>st</sup>**  
**Register at [Rustonaa.org](http://Rustonaa.org)**  
**Chair- Chad W. Voice- Kayla D.**  
**Tapes by James M.**



*"I guess I can't prove I exist either."*

# SAVE THE DATES

For all y'all future-trippers



35<sup>th</sup> Annual  
 May  
 23 - 25  
 2025

**"We are not Saints"**  
[www.springroundupla.com](http://www.springroundupla.com)

Courtyard by Marriot  
 101 Northpark Blvd.  
 Covington, LA 70433  
 (north side of I-12 off of exit 63-B)  
 800-321-2211  
 Ask for Spring Roundup 2025  
[www.district12.org](http://www.district12.org)

To Register  
 Scan Here



**NATCHITOCHEES AA PRESENTS**  
**"THE CONVENTION YOU CANNOT MENTION"**

**SPEAKERS & DINNER**  
 UNDER THE CAR BOB - NEW ORLEANS  
 KENNETH B - SHREVEPORT, LA  
 TINA H. - AUSTIN TX  
 INTERACTIVE TRADITIONS WORKSHOP - RYAN H.  
 DINNER BY SWEETIES BBQ

MEETINGS, WORKSHOPS,  
 GAMES, DRUNK JUNK,  
 MEDITATION, CORN HOLE,  
 FOOD, FUN & RECOVERY!

**ANONYMITY IS THE SPIRITUAL FOUNDATION**

<b>MAY</b>	<b>8:00 AM TO 8:00 PM ISH</b>
<b>31<sup>ST</sup></b>	<b>NATCHITOCHEES</b>
<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>EVENTS CENTER</b>
	<b>750 2ND ST, NATCHITOCHEES, LA</b>

**PRE-REGISTER \$15**

PRE-REGISTRATION ENDS MAY 1ST  
 DOOR REG \$25 - DINNER MEAL TICKET \$25  
[WWW.TINYURL.COM/TCYCM/](http://WWW.TINYURL.COM/TCYCM/)  
 RON 504-939-1454 DIANNA 318-332-2604

## SAVE THE DATE

Big Deep South  
 2025



FROM DARKNESS  
 INTO LIGHT

**June 6-8, 2025**

Hilton New Orleans Airport  
 901 Airline Dr, Kenner, LA 70062  
[bigdeepsouth.org](http://bigdeepsouth.org)

**LOUISIANA STATE CONVENTION**

**AUGUST 8<sup>TH</sup>-10<sup>TH</sup> • 2025**

*Speakers*

MIKE S.  
 RIVERSIDE, CA

JENNIFER K.  
 PLANO, TX

ANGELA A. (AL-ANON)  
 BATON ROUGE, LA

MORE SPEAKERS TBA!

*Book a Room or Register at*  
[AA-LASTATECONVENTION.ORG](http://AA-LASTATECONVENTION.ORG)

New Meeting Forms available at Central Office,  
638 Papworth Ave. Ste A, Metairie  
and via QR code, here:



Friday and Saturday

# We Meet Frequently AA Meeting

Meeting is 10:00-11:00 p.m.  
1656 N. Tonti Street New Orleans La  
First Meeting will be November 15, 2024

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## Graceful Inspirations

JOIN US EVERY  
MONDAY AND FRIDAY  
FROM 8AM - 9AM  
FOR AN ALCOHOLICS  
ANONYMOUS MEETING

400 N. Rampart St., New Orleans, LA



## MEETING NOTES AND NEWS

-  **New Meeting – New Orleans Big Book Study, 6pm Thursdays, Unity of New Orleans Spiritual Center, 3722 St. Charles Ave, Uptown**
-  **New Meeting – Graceful Inspirations, 8am Mondays and Fridays, 400 N Rampart St, New Orleans**
-  **New Meeting – We Meet Frequently, 10pm Fridays and Saturdays, Freddy’s Ark, 1656 N Tonti St, New Orleans**
-  **Time Change – 12 Steps Down the Road, 6:30pm Tuesdays, 5:30pm Sundays, Plaquemines Prayer Center, 37393 LA-23, Buras**
-  **New Meeting – Women Practicing the 10<sup>th</sup>, 6pm Thursdays, Freddy’s Ark, 1656 N Tonti St, New Orleans**
-  **New Meeting – The Misfits, 10:10pm nightly, Serenity by the Lake, 3300 Monroe St, Mandeville, YANA renamed and expanded to more nights of the week**
-  **New Meeting – As Bill Sees It, 4:30pm Fridays, Christwood Retirement Community, 100 Christwood Blvd, Covington, Meet in Art Studio**
-  **Time Change - Saltwater Serenity (Grand Isle), 7pm Fridays, 6pm Wednesdays, 10am Saturdays, Community Church of Grand Isle, 120 Cedar Ln, LA 70358**
-  **Location Change – Raise the Bottom, 7:30pm Fridays, 2333 Tchoupitoulas St, Uptown New Orleans**
-  **Location Change – Moving Forward, 7:30pm Tuesdays, 104 Croatian Way (Ave G), Belle Chasse**
-  **Time Change – Chapter 4: We Agnostics, 7:30pm Tuesdays, Chapel of the Holy Spirit, 1100 Broadway St, Uptown New Orleans**
-  **Location Change – Westbank 144, 7pm Wednesdays, St. Joseph Church, 610 6<sup>th</sup> St, Gretna – now in Upstairs Auditorium**

***Meeting Locator on website now searchable by District (desktop or mobile)***

Click “Everywhere” drop-down menu and select “Switch to Districts” to view or filter by district info.

Curious what your meeting’s district is? Click on your meeting listing to find out.

Please share any meeting updates with Central Office by the **25<sup>th</sup> of the month** to be included in the next month’s bulletin: **office@aaneworleans.org** or **504-836-0507**

Do you attend AA meetings virtually on Zoom or have a virtual home group?

## AREA 27 LOUISIANA ONLINE DISTRICT 25

Area 27 of Alcoholics Anonymous (Louisiana) recently launched a virtual district (District 25) so that virtual home groups can have their voices represented in our general service structure. Online District will meet temporarily as a breakout room of Area 27's monthly Accessibility Committee meeting.

JOIN US: FIRST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH AT 2 PM CST ON ZOOM  
ZOOM MEETING ID: 373 884 7070 PASSWORD: Access27  
 CONTACT: CARL - 504-515-9731

### Suggested Group Contributions for A.A. Service Entities

10% to District  
 10% to Area  
 30% to G.S.O.  
 50% to Intergroup or Central Office

\*"Self-Support: Where Money and Spirituality" Mix" AA Pamphlet F-3 Page 13

**Area 27 Louisiana Area Assembly, Inc.**  
 7350 Jefferson Hwy,  
 Suite 485-179  
 Baton Rouge, LA  
 70806

**A.A. General Service Office**  
 P.O. Box 2407  
 James A. Farley Station  
 New York, NY  
 10116-2407



*"Let go and let Gary."*

# DISTRICT CORNER

## District 12

Meets 8pm, 2nd Tuesday monthly,  
American Legion Hall (Post 16), 2031 Ronald Reagan  
Hwy. (Hwy 190), Covington, LA 70433  
Mailing Address: P.O. Box 580, Mandeville, LA 70470  
[www.District12.org](http://www.District12.org)

## District 17

Meets 11:15am, 2nd Saturday monthly,  
Easy Does It Club, 111 Munsen Dr., Houma, LA 70360  
[www.bayouaa.org](http://www.bayouaa.org)

## District 18

Meets 6pm, 2nd Tuesday monthly,  
1500 Lafayette St., Gretna, LA 70053  
Mailing address: P.O. Box 2493, Gretna, LA 70054

## District 19

Meets 6:30pm, 4th Tuesday monthly, Unity Church,  
3303 Richland Ave., Metairie, 70002  
Mailing address: P.O. Box 6391 Metairie, LA 70009

## District 20

Meets 6:30pm, 2nd Thursday monthly, St. George's  
Episcopal, 4600 St. Charles Ave., NOLA  
Zoom Meeting ID: 859 5319 0413 Password: district20  
Mailing Address: 1401 Lake Ave, Unit C-16,  
Metairie, LA 70005

## District 21

Meets 6:30pm, 3rd Tuesday monthly,  
Zoom Meeting ID: 837 2179 6523  
Passcode: 664254 | Venmo: @District21NOLA

## Distrto 24 / District 24

Distrto de habla español en todo el estado; Oficina  
intergrupala hispana de louisiana: 3515 Melvil Dewey  
Dr, Ste 201, Metairie, LA 70002 504-516-1090

## District 25 (Online)

Meets 3pm, 1st Sunday monthly after Area 27  
Accessibilities Committee meeting  
Zoom Meeting ID: 373 884 7070 Passcode: Access27

## Area 27 (Multi-District) Accessibilities

Meets 2pm, 1st Sunday monthly, via Zoom  
Meeting ID: 373 884 7070 | Password: Access 27

## Multi-District & Service Board T&C

Meets 6:30pm, 2nd Wednesday monthly,  
Central Office, 638 Papworth Ave., Ste. A,  
Metairie 70005 with Service Board T&C

## District 19 T&C

Meets 4:30pm, 1st Sunday monthly, St. John's  
Episcopal Church, 2109 17th St, Kenner

## District 19 Grapevine

Meets 6:30pm, 3rd Wednesday monthly, Central  
Office, 638 Papworth Ave Ste A, Metairie

## District 20 PI/CPC

Meets 6:30pm, 3rd Tuesday monthly,  
Rook Cafe, 4516 Freret St., NOLA

## District 21 PI/CPC

Meets 5:30pm 1st Sunday Monthly  
Zoom ID: 839 6363 1902 Passcode: 664581

## District 21 T&C

Meets 7pm, 1st Monday,  
Zoom ID: 837 2179 6523 Passcode: 664254

## Big Deep South Committee

Meets 6:30pm, 1st Wednesday monthly,  
Central Office, 638 Papworth Ave, Ste. A,  
Metairie; [www.bigdeepsouth.org](http://www.bigdeepsouth.org)

## SELA Spring Roundup Committee

Meets 7pm, 2nd Tuesday monthly, American  
Legion Hall (Post 16), 2031 Ronald Reagan Hwy  
(Hwy 190), Covington; [www.springroundupla.com](http://www.springroundupla.com)



Learn More at  
<https://aaneworleans.org/districts/>

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Metairie LA 70005**

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