

SOBRIETY VARIETY PAGES

"..God does not make too hard terms with those who seek Him. "

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Step Two

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



When, therefore, we speak to you of God, we mean your own conception of God. This applies, too, to other spiritual expressions which you find in this book. Do not let any prejudice you may have against spiritual terms deter you from honestly asking yourself what they mean to you. At the start, this was all we needed to commence spiritual growth, to effect our first conscious relation with God as we understood Him.

Afterward, we found ourselves accepting many things which then seemed entirely out of reach. That was growth, but if we wished to grow we had to begin somewhere. So we used our own conception, however limited it was.

We needed to ask ourselves but one short question. "Do I now believe, or am I even willing to believe, that there is a Power greater than myself?" As soon as a man can say that he does

believe, or is willing to believe, we emphatically assure him that he is on his way. It has been repeatedly proven among us that upon this simple cornerstone a wonderfully effective spiritual structure can be built.

That was great news to us, for we had assumed we could not make use of spiritual principles unless we accepted many things on faith which seemed difficult to believe. When people presented us with spiritual approaches, how frequently did we all say, "I wish I had what that man has. I'm sure it would work if I could only believe as he believes. But I cannot accept as surely true the many articles of faith which are so plain to him." So it was comforting to learn that we could commence at a simpler level.

New Group in Pflugerville!

Recovery Group
14400 Immanuel Rd.
Pflugerville, Tx 78660

Starting January 6th, 2009, the Recovery Group will be meeting every Tuesday @ 7pm at the Bible Baptist Church in Pflugerville.

The meeting is designated an Open Discussion.

New Saturday Beginners Meeting!

The Five Thirty
617 Clifford Drive
Austin, Tx 78745

The Five Thirty group at 617 Foundation has added a Saturday 5:30pm Beginners meeting.

New Sunday Women's Meeting!

Hope Group
120 Commercial Parkway
Cedar Park, Tx 78613

Check out the Hope group's new Women's meeting every Sunday at 3pm. The meeting is an open discussion, Step and Tradition, and features child care.

Three New Meetings!

New Braunfels 24hr Club

1142 Eikel Street
New Braunfels, Tx 78130

The New Braunfels 24hr Club has added three new meetings:

- 1) Sunday 11:00am OD, Non-smoking;
- 2) Tuesday 6:45pm CD, Men's meeting;
- 3) Saturday 9:30pm OD, Campfire meeting.



Tradition Two

For our group purpose there is but one ultimate authority-a loving

God as he may express Himself in our group conscience. Our

leaders are but trusted servants; they do not govern.

January Volunteers

Thank You!

Office:

Nancy K., Brennen, Dennis
 "Pete" P., Allison, Dewana,
 Kim K., Ben/Tod/Mike,
 Eileen B., Robert C.,
 Goose, Linda H., Marty C.,
 Billy C., Teffany, Kevin B.,
 Lizz, Jeff K., Lance, Cullen
 L., Rob D., Nancy P., James
 B., Russell B., Tom B.,
 Shabd K., Jim H., Mark A.,
 Glenn S., Brad R., Cullen L.

Hotline:

Eileen B., Ian Mc A., Erick H., Tom
 K., Rita R., Russell B., Katherine H.,
 John G., Jamie D., Tom S., Brent B.,
 Nancy K., John P., Glenn S., Paul B.,
 Maia M., Shabd K., Dudley F., Mark
 L., Scotty H., Billy C., Anne R.,
 Gary B., Gina M., Kelly H., Bob L.,
 Siiri W., Rick L., Darrin A.,
 Deborah K., Jennifer E., Laney H.,
 Jim H., Nicole C., Gordon K., Susie
 C., Cheryl F., Carol M.

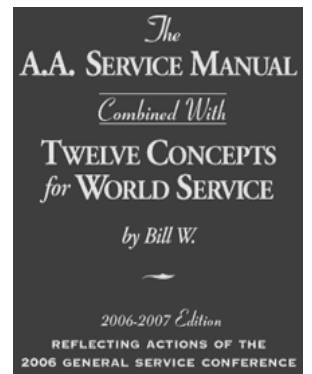
January Donations from Groups

Thank You!

Primary Purpose - \$15	Monday Rush Hour - \$100
Lambda Live & Let Live - \$259	Wednesday Rush Hour - \$100
Back to Basics (Marble Falls) - \$100	Western Trails - \$600
Georgetown - \$200	Lost Pines - \$82
Courage to Change - \$72	Bouldin - \$50
Brushy Creek - \$50	Burnet Noon - \$300
Bridge to Shore - \$408	New Beginnings - \$444
Allandale - \$241	Kempner - \$33
Into Action (Lockhart) - \$30	Elgin - \$10
Second Chance (Buda) - \$60	Liars Club South - \$109
Tarryton - \$116	1825 (Pflugerville) - \$150
Lighthouse - \$100	Stoney Point - \$100
Desire to Stop - 216	Pennsylvania Group - \$7
Hope - \$213	North Austin 24 - \$50
Children of Chaos - \$20	Saturday AM Serenity - \$84
Miracles - \$212	Buchanan Brown Bag - \$25
A Way Out - \$100	N2 Action - \$64
Saturday AM Serenity - \$97	Four Points - \$50
Phelan Rd. - \$10	Central - \$60
Austin City-Wide Group - \$150	Total
	\$ 5087

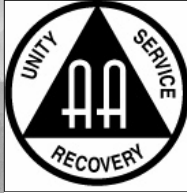
Concept Two

The General
 Service
 Conference of
 A.A. has
 become, for
 nearly every
 practical
 purpose, the
 active voice
 and the
 effective
 conscience of
 our whole
 Society in its
 world affairs.



HILL COUNTRY
INTERGROUP

*If you want to drink,
that's your business.
If you want to stop
And can't
that's our business.*



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Attention AA Members !

Join the Hill Country Intergroup's BIRTHDAY CLUB !

Bring in a suggested donation of
\$1 *or more* per year of sobriety to:

HCI, 1825 Fortview Rd. #104, Austin, TX 78704

HCI will acknowledge you as a member of our **BIRTHDAY CLUB** by sending you an **ID Card** and by listing your name (1st name, last initial)

In this publication.

HCIA Birthday Club – New Members January 2009

George F. – Simply AA—1 year

Kathy K. – Saturday AM Serenity –
23 years

Alcoholics Anonymous is a fellowship of men and women 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 A.A. membership; we are self-supporting through our own contributions.

A.A. 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.



AA Grapevine
Our Meeting in Print

