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DELEGATE'S CORNER

Top 12 Reasons to Attend a General Service Conference

As a wise person recently suggested to me, it may be more effective to present my experience at the 68th General Service Conference in a shorter format, rather than giving a thoroughly detailed account of the event. Thank You so much for the honour of serving as your Area 78 Delegate, which allowed me to participate in the April 2018 General Service Conference. Serving as Delegate is how most people are able to attend a Conference. And that is the second reason to write this: to inspire you readers to experience this amazing two-year service position. It is possible for you.

And so here are my top twelve reasons to attend a General Service Conference:

1. **To realize the most often mentioned and most truly felt purpose of everything done at the General Service Conference (and the General Service Office) is to carry the message to the still suffering alcoholic**
2. **To feel the three legacies of recovery, unity and service surround you for seven days**
3. **To realize the people filling service positions 'at the bottom' are people just like you and me.... here to serve the fellowship and pass it on**
4. **To see the Conference process in action:**
 - a. **To learn how an idea from one person in an Area can move as a proposed conference agenda item through the committee process to become a recommendation, to hear that recommendation get discussed by all and get voted on, to become a Conference Advisory Action**
 - b. **This makes reading the Conference Report so meaningful; it's the Conference's version of our Area Assembly Minutes**
5. **To know exactly where your 7th Tradition monies are going to fulfill our primary purpose – at home and all over the world**
6. **To understand the value of the Class A Trustees: these non-alcoholics devote countless (voluntary) hours to gather research, history and other facts about committee issues, so the Delegates are fully informed before they vote**
7. **To know that my fears are not unique, regardless of how much time I have in the program**
8. **To feel the love Bob had when he wrote the Traditions for us, so we could know the “distilled experience of our past...to carry us in unity through the challenges and dangers...of the future” [p.79 A.A. Comes of Age]**
9. **To realize that solutions are inherent in making mistakes....and forgiveness is possible**
10. **To find inspiration among 130 other people trudging this road to happy destiny through a common love of service for A.A.**

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11. *To see how hard the General Service Staff works to provide services to us, the fellowship every. single. day.*
12. *To feel the presence of Bill & Bob – as they wished the General Service Conference to be the active voice and effective conscience of Alcoholics Anonymous*

Thank you again for this wonderful opportunity to serve and grow in the sunlight of the spirit...and thank you all for my sobriety,
Becky P, Panel 68, Area 78 Delegate, Alberta, Northwest Territories, Western Nunavut

THE “WORTH” OF SOBRIETY

“Every AA Group ought to be fully self-supporting declining outside contributions.”

... Twelve Steps And Twelve Traditions, p. 160

When I go shopping I look at the prices and if I need what I see, I buy it and pay. Now that I am supposed to be in rehabilitation. I have to straighten out my life.

When I go to a meeting, I take a coffee with sugar and milk, sometimes more than one. But at the collection time, I am either too busy to take money out of my purse, or I do not have enough, but I am there because I need this meeting.

I heard someone suggest dropping the price of beer into the basket, and I thought, that's too much! I almost never give one dollar. Like many others, I rely on the more generous members to finance the Fellowship.

I forgot that it takes money to rent the meeting room, buy my milk, sugar, cups and coffee. I will pay, without hesitation, ninety cents for a cup of coffee at a restaurant after the meeting: I always have money for that.

So, how much is my sobriety and my inner peace worth?

... Daily Reflections, reprinted from July 1996, Twelve Step Times.

ARE YOU WILLING ...?

- To forget what you have done for other people and to remember what other people have done to you.
- To ignore what the world owes you, and to think what you owe the world.
- To put your rights in the background, and your duties in the middle distance, and your chances to do a little more than your duty in the foreground.
- To see that your fellow men are just as ready as you are and try to look behind their faces to their hearts, hungry for joy as you are.
- To own that probably the only good reason for your existence is not what you are going to get out of life, but what you are going to give to life.
- To close your book of complaints against the management of the universe and look for a place where you can sow a few seeds of happiness.

Are you willing to do these things even for a day?

Then you have a good chance of keeping your sobriety.

... borrowed from Twelve Step Times, Sept. '93

SEVENTH STEP PRAYER

(from Atlanta, Georgia – World AA Conference – July 2015)

“My Creator, I am now willing that you should have all of me, good & bad. I pray that you now remove from me every single defect of character which stands in the way of my usefulness to you & my fellows. Grant me strength, as I go out from here to do Your bidding.” (76:2)

from “Friends of Bill W., internet

OLD TIMERS CORNER

The Story of Scott R.

Sober date: August 24, 1953

AA IN ALBERTA AND THE START OF AA IN AKON, OHIO

Continued from last month

June 18, 1945 was the first meeting of Alcoholics Anonymous in Alberta.

In 1948 the Alberta government leased the Eighth Street House to AA for \$1.00 per year.

January 1953 saw four Groups started, Norwood, Southside, Central and West End.

Later that year. In August, the government requested the return of the Eighth Street House as the property was need for the new Federal Building.

I came into the Program August 24, 1953, so have little memory of the famous house.

In April 1954 a conference was held at the Palliser Hotel, Calgary and the following year in Edmonton's Capital Theatre.

Three Program members were in the Artic in 1956 working on the D.E.W. Line. All three of us are sober today – Eddy the Indian, Andy J. who started the Jasper Place Group, and I was one of three founding members of the H-5 Group. Eddy was of importance and active with all groups.

The man who ended up being my sponsor stressed the importance of the Big Book, and he also obtained for me a lot of other readings. I think that every member was also using the "Little Red Book."

I studied the booklet "AA Traditions" published in 1947. Two quotes from the fly-leaf of it have stuck with me: "Alcoholics Anonymous has but one purpose; to help the sick alcoholic recover if he wishes", and, "Alcoholics Anonymous has no opinion on any controversial subject, nor does it oppose anyone".

That pamphlet covered a number of topics: 1- Alcoholics Anonymous Tradition, Twelve Points to Assure our Future. 2- Who is a member? 3- Anonymity. 4- Money. 5- Adequate Hospitalization; One great need. 6- Clubs in AA; Are they with us to stay. 7- Dangers in linking AA to other projects. 8- Will AA ever have a personal government? 9- Incorporations; Their uses and misuses.

In January 1952 a Big Book was mailed to Dr. Trail at Oliver. Then, nothing happened for three years.

Sometime in late 1954 my sponsor Gibb M. was invited to start an AA Group at the Ponoka Insane Asylum. I don't recall why, but Gibb asked me to accompany him.

The following year the powers that be at Oliver were willing to allow AA to come in, and Gibb, Chuck, Milt H. and myself attended the first meeting there.

It would be a different story at the penal institution at Fort Saskatchewan. The Warden felt all the public would have would be a bunch of sober crooks and being sober took away the best chance of catching the criminals. Being drunk, he reasoned, the crooks would pull stupid errors in their criminal activity, they would get drunk and brag about their accomplishments and change their pattern with heavy spending.

It took time and effort, with Gibb and the Central Office secretary, Virginia, doing much of the work to ease the way. But, finally the Institutional Committee managed to get into the Gaol at Fort Saskatchewan.

Times were most interesting when they asked for changes to be made in the Big Book. A new publication, or Second Edition was planned for 1955.

There was considerable discussion on Chapter Five and How It Works. The word "Rarely" should be change to "Never".

Gibb suggested adding to the description: "Alcohol, cunning, baffling, powerful and "deadly".

- "The greatest gift you can give to yourself, to your family or to God is the denial of that first drink."
- "Avoid fatigue and hunger."
- "If you can be yourself ~ you will live in peace."

...From "Carollisms"

THE IMPORTANCE OF SERVICE WORK

**“I am responsible, when anyone, anywhere, reaches out for help, I want the hand of AA always to be there.
And for that, I am responsible.**

The principle behind the Twelfth Step is service. We carry the message to alcoholics who still suffer. We can help when no one else can.

I started my sobriety by going to an AA meeting. I am thankful they were there, so I keep going to meetings to help set up, make coffee, and to share a message of hope.

A deeply patient sponsor took me through the Steps, which enabled me to have a psychic change. I no longer desire to drink, and I think more of others than I do of myself. So, I sponsor others and take them through the Steps.

There are committees and service boards in AA that can add a new layer of growth and excitement to my Program. I am committed and accountable to my commitment, and afterward I rotate out to allow another alcoholic the opportunity to experience service.

Am I willing to Twelfth-Step the newcomer without regard to who or what is in it for me?

Do I help my Group in every way I can to fulfill our primary purpose?

Do I remember that AA old-timers, too, can be alcoholics who still suffer?

... Jessi S., Reprinted from Palin and Straight Newsletter, Largo, FL



GETTING OUT A NEWSLETTER AIN'T EASY

If we print jokes, people say we are silly! If we don't, they say we're too serious!

If we clip things from other papers, we are too lazy to write them ourselves!

If we don't print every word of all contributions, we don't appreciate genius!

If we do print them, they say the columns are filled with junk!

If we make a change in the other fellow's writeup, we are too critical!

If we don't, we are blamed for poor editing!

Now, like as not, someone will say, "He swiped this from some other sheet"!

WELL ~I SURE DID!

If you think we need improvement ~ come give us a hand, we need help.

... Reprinted from July 1996 Twelve Step Times

IT WORKS WHEN WE WORK

The alcoholic mind outwits the alcoholic. I was in trouble; as soon as AA showed me the way out, I began looking for a way out of the way out. I was not willing to go to any length for the AA way of life. I was willing, however, to go to any length to give the impression that I was willing to go to any length.

Phonies are like that: big production, no product. Convincing others I was getting well felt like getting well. A pretense of doing the Twelve Steps of recovery felt like recovery ~ until, suddenly, I began to come down drunk.

In the shuddery, goosebumpy craving for alcohol, I had a clear choice; get honest or get drunk. A simple prayer of surrender was answered. In the beginning of honesty, I took Steps One, Two and Three. God alone could and did protect me from myself. The obsession with drinking went away.

Since then, nine years and never a bad day in AA. (Some days are more mysterious than others.) amends, learning experience, yes, but never a bad day. Nearly died a couple of times, but our book doesn't say anything about pneumonia ~ it says it will show us a way to leave off our drinking habit.

In large measure the promises of the Big Book of Alcoholics Anonymous have come true, and for me there is a promise on every page. Especially, I like the shortest paragraph in the book (page 88) "It works ~ it really does."

... Reprinted with permission, AA Grapevine Magazine, Sep. 84

“NON-PROFESSIONAL”

I like to read Science Fiction, and one of the forms that I sometimes find both fascinating as well as disturbing is ‘alternate history’. Consider, if you will, what have happened to AA if the meeting with J.D. Rockefeller and friends had gone somewhat differently. Suppose, for instance, that the gathering of powerful men had envisioned the profit generating potential of being able to sober up hopeless drunks and offered to support the formation of an organization for a 25% cut of the profits, or for a 50% cut of the franchising fees ... or both!

Suppose that we had been organized along the lines of Weight Watchers or Toastmasters with an initiation fee, monthly dues and progress monitored by a ‘jury’ of our peers. What might your reaction have been if you called for help and the screening call had started with a check of your personal history and information to make sure that you were an ‘acceptable candidate’ and had the resources to pay your way?

Alternatively, suppose we had been organized along the lines of a direct marketing or pyramid company. Sponsors would be required to collect fees for passing on the information about how to stay sober, and each of us would have to put up a franchise fee before we were authorized to become ‘Registered Sponsors’. Then we would be able to find our own Group of sponsees in order to meet our expenses and get our share of the profits. Think of the possibilities! We could have an annual membership fee payable to the organization, monthly dues divided among ‘Registered Sponsors’, and we could collect a commission on all the approved literature that we convinced our sponsees they needed to have. Wow!

Of course, there might be some drawbacks ~ like the thousands of drunks who would have been turned away to die, or the competition between ‘Registered Sponsors’ for new members. Imagine the infighting involved to be elected to the Board of Governors (-cause the perks and pension would be lucrative like our politicians).

Maybe Ralph Waldo Emerson had it right when he wrote:

“It is one of the most beautiful compensations of this life that no man can sincerely try to help another without helping himself.”

... Peter N., No Name Home Group, reprinted from Twelve Step Times, 1996

THE GAL IN THE GLASS

When you get what you want in your struggle for self
And the world makes you queen for a day
Just go to a mirror and look at yourself,
And see what THAT gal has to say.

For it isn’t your husband or family or friend
Who judgement upon you must pass;
The gal whose verdict counts most in the end
Is the one staring back from the glass.

Some people may think you are a straight-shootin’ chum
And call a person of place
But the gal in the glass says you’re only a bum
If you can’t look her straight in the face.

She’s the gal to please, never mind all the rest
For she’s with you clear up to the end,
And you’ve passed your most dangerous, difficult test
If the gal in the glass is your friend.

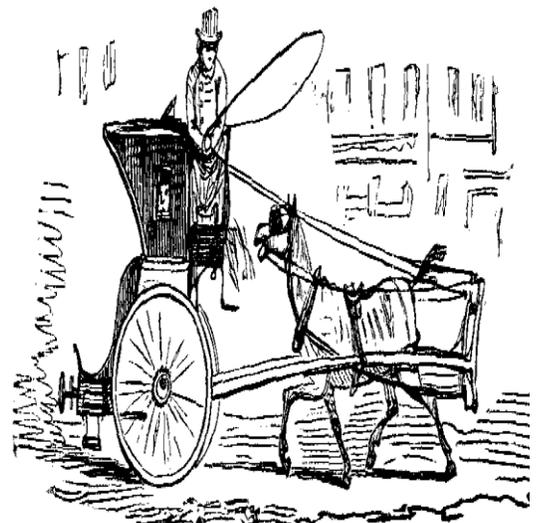
You may fool the whole world down the pathway of years
And get pats on the back as you pass,
But your final reward will be heartaches and tears
If you’ve cheated the gal in the glass.

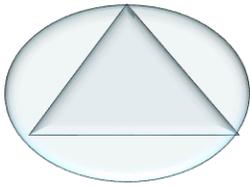
... Anonymous

RECIPE FOR HAPPINESS

Take a cup of kindness
Add a dash of charity
Mix with understanding
Add a bit courtesy
Top it off with patience
Sprinkle liberally with cheer
Serve generously to everyone
You meet through the year.

... Author unknown





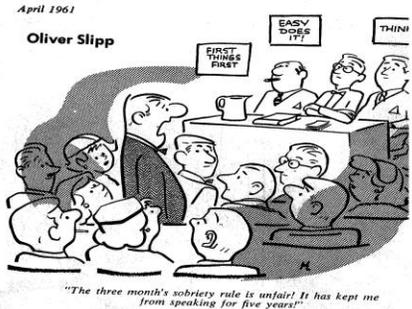
THE THREE LEGACIES OF ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

Recovery ~ We learned recovery after completing the Twelve Steps of Alcoholics Anonymous with a sponsor. We achieved a clean conscience for the first time in a long time. This enabled us to begin to experience God's love.

Unity ~ Through the Twelve Traditions of Alcoholics Anonymous we learned how to get along with each other by placing the welfare of others before our own. We leaned equality.

Service ~ We grew with God by serving others in our Home Groups, our District and our Area.

(The Twelve Concepts). We carried the message of our Spiritual awakening to suffering alcoholics, we attempted to reach out to them in places they might seek us.



CONCEPT VII

The charter and Bylaws of the General Service Board are legal instruments, empowering the trustees to manage and conduct world service affairs. The Conference Charter is not a legal document; it relies upon tradition and the AA purse for final effectiveness.

- Do we act responsibly regarding the “power of the purse”?
- Do we realize that the practical and spiritual power of the Conference will nearly always be superior to the legal power of the G.S.B.?

- Man must go back to nature for information. Th. Paine
- When we let God GUIDE, He will PROVIDE. Anonymous
- Water too pure has no fish! Anonymous
- I'm a great believer in luck, and I find the harder I work the more I have of it. T. Jefferson

TWELVE WAYS TO TELL THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN YOUR SPONSOR AND YOUR THERAPIST.

1. Your sponsor isn't all that interested in the “reasons” you drank.
2. Your therapist thinks your root problem is your lack of self-esteem, negative self-image, and your poor self-concept. Your Sponsor thinks your problem is a 3-letter word with no hyphens.
3. Your therapist wants you to pamper your “inner child”. Your sponsor thinks he ought to be spanked.
4. Your sponsors think your inventory should be about you, not your parents.
5. Speaking of your parents, your sponsor tells you not to confront them, but to apologize to them.
6. The only time your sponsor uses the “closure”, is before the word “mouth”.
7. Your sponsor thinks “boundaries” are things you need to take down not build up.
8. Your therapist wants you to love yourself first, your sponsor wants you to love others first.
9. Your therapist prescribes caretaking and medication. Your sponsor prescribes prayer-making and meditation.
10. Your sponsor thinks “anger management skills” are numbered 1-2-3...
11. Now that you haven't had a drink in six months, your therapist thinks you should make a list of your goals and objectives for the next five years, starting with finishing up that college degree. Your sponsor thinks you should start today by cleaning the coffee pots and helping him carry a heavy box of literature to the jail.
12. Your sponsor won't lose his license if he talks about God.

... author unknown, Borrowed from Twelve Step Times

A.A. HISTORICAL EVENTS IN JULY

- Jun.29-Jul** 1995 – 56,000 attends 60th Anniversary of AA in San Diego. What a party!
- July 1-3,1960** – 8700 attends 25th Anniversary of AA in Long Beach, CA
- July 2,** 1960 – Father Ed Dowling dies.
1965 – Best of Bill and pocket-sized 12 & 12; first sold.
1965 – First LA Vigne, the Canadian-French version of the Grapevine, is published.
1993 – 50 years of AA celebrated in Canada.
- July 2-3,1955** – 5,000 attends 20th Anniversary at our St Louis Convention; Bill W. turns “the Fellowship over to the fellowship” at 4:00 PM
- July 2-4,1965** – 10,000 attends 30th Anniversary of AA in Toronto, our Responsibility Declaration is adopted.
- July 4,** 1939 – First AA meeting in Flatbush, NY starts.
- July 3-5, 1970** – 10,900 attends 35th Anniversary of AA in Miami; Bill W. gives his last talk to AA.
- July 3-6, 1980** – 22,500 attends 45th Anniversary of AA in New Orleans; first true marathon meeting is held here.
- July 4-6, 1975** – 19,800 attends 40th Anniversary of AA in Denver; world’s largest coffee server serves 1/2 million cups a day.
- July 5,** 1985 – AA gives Ruth Hock the 5,000,000th Big Book during 50th AA Anniversary in Montreal, Canada.
1990 – AA gives Nell Wing the 10,000,000th Big Book during 55th AA Anniversary in Seattle, WA
- July 3-6,1980** – Gay AA’s have own program at 40th AA Anniversary in New Orleans.
- July 5-7, 1985** – 45,000 attends 50th Anniversary of AA in Montreal; House of Seagram’s flies their flags at half-mast for 3 days.
- July 7,** 1940 – Bill attends first summer session at School of Alcohol Studies at Yale University
- July 5-8, 1990** – 48,000 attends 55th Anniversary of AA in Seattle. 75 countries are represented as the former Soviet Union’s members attend for the first time.
- July 8,** 1940 – First AA group formed in Dayton, Ohio.
- July 10, 1941** – Texas newspaper publishes anonymous letter from founding member of Texas AA Group.
- July 14, 1939** – Blythewood Sanitarium; Dr Harry Tiebout gives Big Book to Marty M. who promptly throws it back at him. Soon after she joins AA.
1979 – Dr. Ernest Kurtz publishes Not God, a history of AA
- July 16, 1965** – Frank Amos AA Trustee dies.
- July 20, 1941** – First AA Group forms in Seattle, Washington.
- July 22,1877** – William Duncan Silkworth born in Brooklyn, NY.
- July 22,1980** – Marty M. early AA woman and founder of National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependency (NCADD) dies.
- July 23,1940** – Philly AA’s send 10% of kitty to Alcoholic Foundation, setting precedent.
- July 23,1943** – Esther C.’s sobriety date; she died sober Jan 15, 2005.
- July 23,1943** – New Haven Register CT reports arrival of AA’s to study with E.M. Jellinek.
- July 24,** 1943 – L.A. press reports formation of all-Mexican AA Group.
- July 28-30, 1950** – First AA Convention celebrates 15th anniversary of AA in Cleveland.
- July 31, 1972** – Rollie H., former baseball player, dies sober in Washington DC.

Thanks to Billy C. and Nancy O. for this list, used by permission.

- Today a man knocked on my door and asked for a small donation towards the local swimming pool, so I gave him a glass of water.
- I changed my password to “incorrect” so whenever I forget it the computer say, “Your password is incorrect.”

IN GOD'S CARE – DAILY MEDITATIONS ON SPIRITUALITY IN RECOVERY

“What do you think of God,” the teacher asked?

After a pause, the young pupil replied, “He’s
not a think, he’s a feel. Paul Frost

If our approach to God rested on how much brain power we could summon, a lot of us would be in trouble. We can’t think our way to God. We have to feel our way there. We have to need God so much, love God so much (or love the idea of God so much) that we just find ourselves in communion with God. It’s our feelings that bring us there.

Our reaching out to God usually comes as a last resort. It’s the result of finally realizing that everything else we’ve tried has failed to bring us peace of mind. It doesn’t say much for our good sense that we have a tendency to approach God only when we’re desperate, but then it isn’t intellectual power that brings us to our knees. Let’s face it, we need God, not in our head, but in our gut. _____

I don’t have to use my intelligence to get to God.

I only have to want God in my life!

... Submitted by Faye E., Oilman’s Group

A RABBIT WALKS INTO A BAR Jokes from AA Grapevine

- **A chap was getting very tipsy** at a party and making a nuisance of himself. Toward the end of the evening, he became attracted to a pretty girl who was playing the grand piano. He fell against it, causing the cover to come down on his fingers.

On the way home, his wife remarked acidly, “Remind me to put a piece of raw steak on your black eye when we get home.”

“It’s my fingers that hurt,” he replied. “I don’t have a black eye.”

“You’re not home yet,” she answered grimly.

... Page 32, C.F., Australia, Jan. 1984

- **Heard at Meetings:** Service work in AA is like a football game: 20,000 spectators ~ who might benefit from a little exercise ~ are watching 22 payers badly in need or rest.

... Page 122, Joe S., Kerrville, TX, March 2007

- You know you’re a **recovering alcoholic if:**

1. Emails from your friends say HALT in the subject header.
2. Your idea of a smooth opening line is “I really liked what you shared.”
3. You don’t know the last names of most of your friends.

... Page 78, Anonymous, July 2001

- **If you want** to have the last word in an argument, try saying, ‘I guess you’re right.’”

... page 134, Anonymous, June 1996

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Birthdays

in - JULY 2018

Breathe Easy

First Friday
 July 6 Elise S. 2 yrs.
 Pat F. 22 yrs.

Capilano Step

First Thursday
 July 5 Ina M. 41 yrs.

Crestwood Welcome

Last Monday
 July 30 Fred P. 17 yrs.
 Tom S. 15 yrs.
 Curtis 5 yrs.
 Georgia F. 2 yrs.

Ellerslie

Last Thursday
 July 26 Chris N. 5 yrs.

Fulton Place

Last Friday
 July 27 Dwayne R. 3 yrs.
 Wayne J. 21 yrs.

Knights of Sobriety

Last Wednesday
 July 25 Dick S. 28 yrs.
 Gordon R. 15 yrs.

Lighthouse

Last Friday
 July 27 Tarah F. 12 yrs.
 Donna M. 38 yrs.
 Ariel M. 3 yrs.

Lion's Den

Last Wednesday
 July 25 Brad M. 8 yrs.
 Kelly M. 12 yrs.
 Linda L. 3 yrs.
 Mark S. 3 yrs.
 Sebastien S. 2 yrs.

Mustard Seed

Last Sunday
 July 29 Karen H. 3 yrs.
 Richard 10 yrs.
 Denise L. 34 yrs.

North Edmonton

Last Thursday
 July 6 Bernie T. 16 yrs.
 Joe D. 43 yrs.
 Dianne C. 12 yrs.

Providence

Last Wednesday
 July 25 Jared 3 yrs.

St. Albert

S.A. Sunday Breakfast

Last Sunday
 July 29 Richard S. 10 yrs.
 Karen S. 10 yrs.
 John D. 21 yrs.
 Art P. 37 yrs.
 Kelley O. 1 yr.

S.A. Brotherhood Group

Last Wednesday
 July 25 Jay P. 6 yrs.
 Suede 4 yrs.

Sherwood Park

SP Friday Night Happy Hour

Last Friday
 July 27 Peter C. 25 yrs.

SP Twelve Steps to Sobriety

Last Monday
 July 30 Tim F. 2 yrs.
 Marcel W. 4 yrs.

Shifters

Last Saturday
 July 28 Grace N. 32 yrs.
 Diane F. 37 yrs.
 Terra B. 12 yrs.
 Mary D. 4 yrs.
 Cheryl B. 7 yrs.
 Jason M. 4 yrs.
 Sarah E. 1 yr.

South Side

3rd Friday
 July 21 Ag 8 yrs.
 Mike A. 25 yrs.

Thus We Grow

Last Tuesday
 July 31 Charlene H. 4 yrs.

The Why Group

Last Saturday
 July 28 Corne M. 3 yrs.
 Margrett 9 yrs.
 Steve C. 13 yrs.

Westminster

Last Saturday
 July 28 Dick S. 28 yrs.
 Dave O. 27 yrs.
 Butch V. 18 yrs.
 Naomi S. 7 yrs.

BIRTHDAY CLUB

Breathe Easy Group



FAITHFUL FIVERS

Judy M.
 Clarence Y.

NEW GROUPS

12 Traditions Study for Ladies

Mon. 4:00 PM #205, 10544 - 114 St.,
 -5:30 PM (Central Office)

BYOBB Meeting starts June 5

Tues. 7:30 PM 4059 Orchards Dr. SW
 go to front desk & sign in
 As Friends of Bill W.

Fellowship Breakfast Group

Sat. 10-11:30 AM 10740 - 19 Ave.
 Southminster Steinhauer Ch.

Sherwood Park

New at Two 4 Raven Dr.
 Sun. 2:00 PM St. Thomas Church

84 St. Ladies #1 8406 -118 Ave. bsmt.

Wed. 8:00 PM E side in alley

Safe Harbor Meeting

Thurs. 7:30 PM 10025 - 105 St., S side
 (First Presb. Church)



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

ROUNDUPS & FUNCTIONS

- Jarvie, AB** 33rd Jarvie Roundup & Hog Roast
July 6-8 Jarvie Community Center \$35 or \$20.
Contact Robert H 780-307-7563 or
Martin J 780-349-1432
- Stettler, AB**
July 13-15 39th Annual Roundup \$30.00
Nevis Community Hall
Follow signs on Hwy 12 at Nevis
Contact: 403-742-1887, 403-916-5361
- Coleman, AB**
July 20-22 31st. Crowsnest Pass Campout
Island Lake Campgrounds
Contact: 403-582-0038, 403-563-5473
Or 403-753-1212
- Edson, AB** 59 Annual Round up and Campout
July 20-22 15229 TWP RD 534 Yellowhead County
Contact
www.annualedsonroundup.weebly.com
- Consort, AB**
July 27-29 30th Annual Campout \$20.00
Gooseberry Lake Prov. Park
8 mi. N on Hwy 41 – 1 mi. E
Contact: 403-575-5623
- Edmonton, AB** District 53 2nd Annual BBQ \$15.00
Aug. 19 Gold Bar Park Site #2 kids 6-12 \$5.00
10955 50 St. NW 10:30 am-2:30 pm
Tickets at Central Office, Cassandra 780-
909-3797 or Dave S.780-909-7883
- Wainwright, AB**
Aug. 17-19 Annual District 20 Roundup
Riverdale Mini Park
Hwy. 41
Contact: 780-261-0104 or 780-842-7242
- Innisfail, AB**
Aug. 24-26 4th Annual Innisfail Campout \$25.00
Antler Hill Community Hall
Weekend or \$15 Sat. Pot Luck
Contact: 403-227-6717 or 403-392-3538
- Mundare, AB** Mundare Roundup w/Vegreville \$20.00
Aug 25-26 Zhoda Hall TWP 552
Sat free camping – no hookups
Bring salad or desert for Sat Supper
Contact Bob F 780-632-1308
Bob K 780-656-5829
- Greig Lake, SK**
Aug.31-Sep. 3 39th Annual Campout R/U Trad 7
Meadow Lake Provincial Park
Reservation thru Sask. Parks
Contact: greiglakeroundup@hotmail.com

Slave Lake AB 45 Annual Slave Lake Roundup \$40.00
Aug 31-Sept 3 Widewater Community Complex

Plenty of camping but no power sites
Contact Marlee C 780-318-4240 or
Bob k. 780-849-1896

Morinville AB 43rd AA Aniversary \$25.00
Sept 29 9610 Morinville Dr – United Church

2:30-9:30PM
Contact Roger C 780-498-0034 Dale M
780-932-2163, Gerald C 780-939-2797 or
Gina C 780-905-0414

Stony Plain, AB 35th District 10 Unity Roundup \$35.00
Oct. 12-14 Blueberry Hall, 53109 RR 15
West of Stony Plain
Contact: 780-257-7085

MISSING GRAPEVINE MAGAZINES

The following Grapevine magazines are missing from our Archives.

July 1944 - December 1949 All

1951 All except January, February & October

1952 All

1953 All except July

1954 All except March, August & November

1955 Only January, February & March

1956 Only January, February, April & November

1957 Only February, June & July

1958 Only January

1959 Only August

2004 Only March

2015 Only January & February

2016 Only January

2017 February to November

2018 January & March

GROUPS/ MEETING IN NEED OF SUPPORT

Sunrise Light Lunch. 11229-100 Ave. (Jellinek)

Tues & Fri. Noon

Oilmen's Group 11223 – 51 Ave. (Holy Spirit Luther.)

Mon. 8:00 PM

First Day Group 10528 – 98 St. (Marion Centre)

Mon. 8:00 PM

Active 10 Group 9009 - 163 St. (Hosanna Lutheran)

Mon. 8:00PM

Rite Trac Group 13111 – 79 St. (Christ King Church)

Tues. 8:00 PM

West End 12 Step Grp. 18345 – 62B Ave. (Our Savior)

Tues. 8:00 PM

We Agnostics 10728 – 124 St.

Fri. 7:00 PM (Alano Club)

Our Place Group 10240 Kingsway Ave. sub- bsmt.

Thur. 8:00 PM (Royal Alex Hospital)

NEED NEW MEMBERS AS WELL AS SUPPORT