

The MESSAGE October 2023

Get Registered!!!

Pre-Registration Ends on October 7th

Registration Form on Next Page

The Steps We Took th Tri-State Convention November 3rd - 5th At the Bossier Civic Center Live Music by Pocket Change On Saturday starting @ 9:15 Free Gumbo Dinner on Friday (Courtesy of Lagniappe Catering) Speakers T.B.D. Pre-Registration \$20.00

AA Central Office of Shreveport

24 Hr. Hotline (318) 865-2172 office@aa-shreveport.org www.aa-shreveport.org

Office Hours

Mon & Thurs 10am-5pm Tues, Weds, & Fri 10am-4pm

Groups Responsible for

HOT LINE

October 2023

No Guarantee Oct 2-8
Primary Purpose Oct 9-15
Hardy Oct 16-22
Basic Training Oct 23-29
Keystone Oct 30- Nov 5

This is a great service that you do for the person that is still suffering.

THE HOT LINE

OUR MISSION:

"When anyone anywhere reaches out I want the hand of A.A. to be there. For that I am responsible." BW

If your group is not currently taking the hot line at least one week a year, please call us to add your group!
Call the Central Office for the schedule!

We need the help of your group and individuals to keep the 24 hour Hotline open for the still suffering alcoholic!

We need you!

NAME:

i-State Convention Presents November 3rd - 5th Speakers and Schedule T.B.D. At the Bossier Civic Center 620 Benton Rd. Bossier City. La. 71111 Pre-Registration \$20.00 \$25.00 After October 7th Live Music On Saturday

PRE-REGISTRATION RECEIVED BY OCTOBER 7. 2023 \$20 PER PERSON, AFTER DATE REGISTRATION FEE IS \$25 PER PERSON

NAME ON BADGE:

ADDRESS:	CITY:
STATE:	ZIP: PHONE:
EMAIL:	
ADDITIONAL REGISTRATIONS:	
NAME:	NAME ON BADGE:
NAME:	NAME ON BADGE:
EARLY REGISTRATION AT \$20.00 EACH:	RECEIVED BY:
REGISTRATION AT \$25.00 EACH:	MAIL FORM AND PAYMENT TO
DONATION S:	TRI-STATE CONVENTION BY MAIL: AA CENTRAL OFFICE
TOTAL S:	2800 YOUREE DRIVE STE.362 A SHREVEPORT LA 7004

STEP TEN:

"Continued to take personal inventory and when we were wrong promptly admitted it."

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TRADITION TEN:

"Alcoholics Anonymous has no opinion on outside issues; hence the A.A. name ought never be drawn into public controversy."

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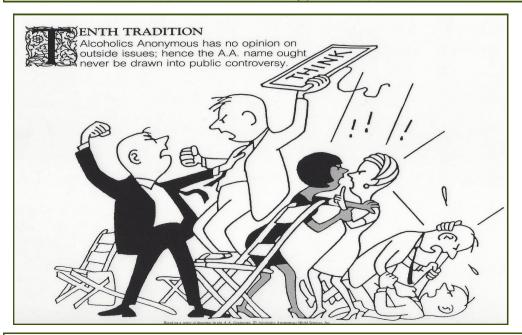
TRADITION TEN: (The Long Form)

"No A.A. group or member should ever, in a way as to implicate A.A., express any opinion on outside controversial issues—particularly those of politics, alcohol reform, or sectarian religion. The Alcoholics Anonymous groups oppose no one. Concerning such matters they can express no views whatever

The A.A. Group...Where it all Begins Pg. 45-46 Reprinted with permission of A.A. World Services

Alcoholics Anonymous has no opinion on outside issues; hence the AA name ought never be drawn into public controversy.

- 1. Do I ever give the impression that there really is an "AA opinion" on Antabuse? Tranquilizers? Doctors? Psychiatrists? Churches? Hospitals? Jails? Alcohol? The federal or state government? Legalizing marijuana? Vitamins? Al-Anon? Alateen?
- 2. Can I honestly share my own personal experience concerning any of those without giving the impression I am stating the "AA opinion"?
- 3. What in AA history gave rise to our Tenth Tradition?
- 4. Have I had a similar experience in my own AA life?
- 5. What would AA be without this Tradition? Where would I be?
- 6. Do I breach this or any of its supporting Traditions in subtle, perhaps unconscious, ways?
- 7. How can I manifest the spirit of this Tradition in my personal life outside AA? Inside AA?





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<u>CONCEPT TEN:</u> "Every service responsibility should be matched by an equal service authority— the scope of such authority to be always well defined whether by tradition, by resolutions, by specific job description or by appropriate charters and bylaws."

Twelve Concepts for World Service, By Bill W. Page43 Reprinted with permission from World Services

Message from Treatment & Corrections

Are you working the 12th step? You could be the difference between someone coming to meetings and improving their lives or going back for more misery. We need people to be of service as outreach sponsors to treatment centers and correctional facilities. Please attend our next meeting for more information. Our next committee meeting is at AA Central Office at 6pm on October 10th. 2800 Youree Drive Suite 362A, Shreveport, LA 71105

Last but not least, we need donations to help cover the cost of the literature we provide to correctional facilities. If you are celebrating an annual birthday, please consider donating a dollar for each year sober to the T&C committee at AA central office or give it to the treasurer of your home group to bring in for you. This will help tremendously with the extra costs of shipping and increased prices on everything needed to keep things in stock. At the end of the year, any excess over the committee budget will be donated to Central office.

Many thanks!

Great Service Opportunity

Join the **Steering Committee** at

YOUR Central Office. We are in need of an

Public Information Chairperson

If interested, please contact Lisa @ Central Office (318) 865-2172 or email: office@aa-shreveport.org AND Attend our next meeting on October 3rd 6:00PM AT Central Office

WE MEET ON THE FIRST TUESDAY OF THE MONTH!!!

Addresses for Group Contributions for 2022:

Central Office of Shreveport

2800 Youree Dr., #362A, Shreveport, LA 71104 (50%)

District 1, Area 27P. O. Box 3924, Shreveport, LA 71133 (10%)

Louisiana Area Assembly, Inc.

7350 Jefferson Hwy., Suite 485-179 Baton Rouge, LA 70806 (10%)

General Service Office

P. O. Box 2407, James A. Farley Station, New York, NY 10116-2407 (30%)

(Percentages are suggested based on support of four service entities) (Use your group conscience)

SERVICE OPPROTUNITIES

Central Office Steering Committee & COI Meetings

First Tuesday of the Month

6:00 pm— Steering Committee Meeting 6:40 pm— COIs & Steering Committee

@ Central Office, 2800 Youree Dr., Ste 362A, Shreveport 71104

Central Office Intergroup

First Saturday of Month

Generally

Even numbered Months

At Highland Club

&

Odd numbered Months

At Koala Club

4809 Shed Rd, Bossier City 71111

Treatment & Corrections

Tuesday, October 10th

6:00 PM at

Central Office

Tri-State Convention

Committee

Sundays

October 8,15,22, And 29

2:00pm at

Central Office

District 1 Area 27

Third Tuesday of Month

6:30pm at

Highland Club

1711 Tulane Ave., S'Port 71103

DCM

Jane Rowell

(318) 564-9043

janeerowelll@gmail.com

Thanks to all the **Central Office Backers** contributions for the month of **August 2023**. If you would like to be a Central Office Backer (COB) just give us a call (318-865-2172) and we will happily email, fax or mail the application to you.

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August 2023...\$165.00

Thanks for all the **Group Contributions...August 2023...\$885.00**

COI...\$9.00 High Noon...\$110.00 Keystone...\$100.00 Margaret Place...\$101.90 Personal Recovery...\$133.10 Rise & Shine...\$150.00 Twin City...\$10.00 Unity Soup Group...\$200.00 Other...\$71.00

May Intergroup...Tri-State...\$184.00

August Intergroup...Fairfield & Blanchard...\$200.00

Bill W. said "I am responsible. When anyone reaches out for help,

I want the hand of A.A. to always to be there.

And for that I am responsible."

Thanks for helping your Central Office be responsible!!!

"William Duncan Silkworth ... supplied us with the tools with which to puncture the toughest alcoholic ego, those shattering phrases by which he described our illness: the obsession of the mind that compels us to drink and the allergy of the body that condemns us to go mad or die. Without these indispensable passwords, AA could never have worked."

AA Co-Founder, Bill W., August 1957, "The Physicians", The Language of the Heart

The greatest prison people live in is the fear of what other people think.

David Icke

"Humility is not thinking less of yourself, but thinking of yourself less."

"Distilled Spirits," Indianapolis, Indiana, August 1982, AA Grapevine

Tulane TUESDAY SPEAKER Meetings



October 2023

Oct 3 Brandi R.

Oct 10 Matt L.

Oct 17 **Cal T.**

Oct 24 Chris C.

Oct 31 Waynette D.

7:00pm



Shreveport 71103



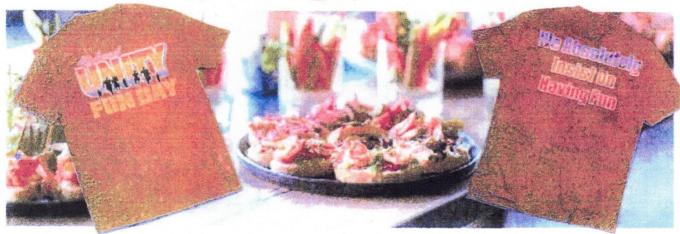
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Serenity Clubs

4TH ANNUAL UNITY FAMILY FUN DAY

Speaker @ 5, Andrew P



SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21
STARTS @ 10 AM, ALL
DAY AFFAIR

Raffle Tickets available \$1, Win a 55'
Smart T.V, Air Fryer, or \$100 Gift
Certificate

Sweet Tooth Auction, and Door Prizes Pre-Order T-Shirts

Sponsored by The Serenity Club, CADA, The Compound, Highland Club, Koala Club, and The Minden Group

Contact Bruce at (318) 658-6702 for more information



TRI-STATE PRESENTS

OR OR TREAT

OCTOBER

28

COME EARLY TO DECORATE

TRUNKS OPEN @ 5PM

HAMBURGERS & HOT DOGS@ 6PM

COSTUME CONTEST: PRIZES FOR BEST COSTUMES

SPOOKY DESSERT AUCTION

SPEAKER: CHRISTY E. @ 7:39

MUSIC & FELLOWSHIP AFTER SPEAKER

R.I.P

MORE INFO OR ENTER YOUR TRUNK CONTACT: WES GREER (318) 888-0559



Spirit of the Pines Weekend Retreat

When: October 20-22, 2023

(4pm Oct. 20 to 12pm Oct. 22)

Where: Camp Olympia in Trinity, TX

Cost: \$140* includes cabins and all meals

*A \$5 discount is available for mail-in registrations, which are printable from the web site

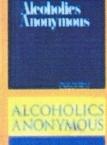
Registration opens in September at www.spiritofthepines.org

For more information contact:

Phyllis A. 337-794-8851 Angela P. 972-672-2965



alcoholics anonymous





Additional info:

- A/C & heated cabins
- Foam mattress in bunks
- Showers, sinks, paper towels
- Ice, water, coffee, tea, lemonade
- Cabins are men only and women only
- Retreat is "open"
- No childcare available
- Pets not allowed
- Smoking in designated area only

Available Activities:

Meetings: Big Book, Al-Anon, Meditation, Birthday, Bonfire & more

Outdoor: Zip line, Kayaking, Giant Swing, Mini Golf, Fishing (all dependent on number of registrants)

Beavers Bend Round Robin

October 27-29, 2023

Crystal Forest Wedding & Event Venue - 263 Crooked Oaks Broken Bow, OK

Friday

- 11:00 Committee Meeting
- 12:00 Registration Opens \$50 for weekend. \$25 for Saturday Only
- 2:30 AA Meeting
- 4:00 Old Timers Call Up Meeting
- 5:00 Dinner
- 6;30 Al-Anon Open Meeting
- 8:00 A A Speaker Dillon S -Shreveport LA
- 10:00 Campfire Meeting



Limited Lodging Provided on Site Discounted Rooms Available at Charles Wesley Motor Lodge 580-584-3303

Saturday

- 7:30 Breakfast
- 9:00 Newcomers Call Up Meeting
- 10:15 Committee Meeting
- 12:00 Lunch
- 1:15 Men's Meeting

Women's Meeting Al-Anon Meeting Alateen Meeting

- 2:30 Alanon Speaker Meeting- TBA
- 4:00 Dessert Auction
- 5:00 Dinner
- 5:30 Sobriety Countdown
- 6:00 AA Speaker Robert T. Shreveport LA
- 8:00 Raffle
- 9:00 Dance
- 11:00 Campfire Meeting

Sunday

- 7:00 Breakfast
- 8:00 AA Speaker Josh A. Paris TX
- 9:00 Drawing for Newcomer Prize
- 10:00 Hugs & Kisses

Contact: Amanda P. - 205-765-4383

Mike D. - 903-826-7989

FOOD, FUN, FELLOWSHIP!

Join our Facebook Group: Beavers Bend Round Robin

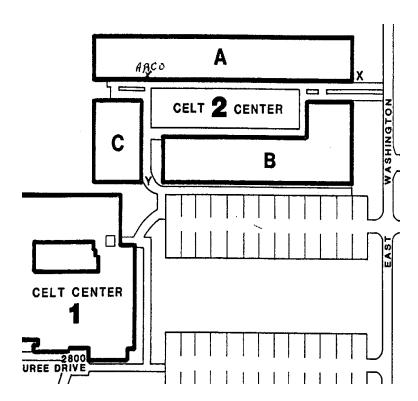


\$50 Registration includes meals & lodging for weekend. \$25 for Saturday Only – No Overnight

Central Office

Please come by to check out our selection of approved AA World Services Books, Step workbooks, daily meditations, Bill W.'s Autobiography, Al-Anon books and workbooks and more. Colorful tri-plate medallions, recovery jewelry and greeting cards that make *our anniversaries memorable*.

If you don't see what you are looking for we will order it for you upon availability.



The Central Office Intergroup

The Central Office of Shreveport 2800 Youree Dr., Suite #362 Bldg A Shreveport, LA 71104-3646

