

# DISTRICT 31 NEWSLETTER

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# **District 31 Meetings**

3<sup>rd</sup>Sunday - 2-4 PM **494 Meeting Hall** 

21820 E. Memorial Porter, TX 77365

# February 2021

Groups / GSR Listing \* Indicates present

| Group                                   | GSR / ALT GSR          |
|---|------------------------|
| 1502 Group (Conroe)                     | *Jordan A / Amy C      |
| 190 Group (Point Blank)                 | Ed A/                  |
| 25th Hour Group (Houston)               | Hughdell Y             |
| 494 Lunch Bunch (Porter)                | *Karacinda D /*Cindy S |
| Aldine Group (Houston)                  |                        |
| Atascocita Group (Humble)               | *Donna F               |
| Bill's Kitchen (Conroe)                 |                        |
| Caney Creek (Grangerland)               |                        |
| Cleveland Camel Group (Cleveland)       | Kim ? /                |
| Coldspring-Evergreen Group (Coldspring) |                        |
| Conroe-Willis Group (Willis)            | Linda M / Moriah M     |
| Crosby Helping Hands (Crosby)           |                        |
| Dayton Group (Dayton)                   |                        |
| Downtown Coldspring Group (Coldspring)  |                        |
| Early Bird Group of Kingwood (Porter)   | *Billy H /             |
| Freedom Rings Group (Livingston)        | Rick W /               |
| Good News Group (Humble)                | *Tara C                |
| Harmony Group (Huntsville)              |                        |
| Higher Power 4 Group (Houston)          | Pamlin C /             |
| How Group (Huntsville)                  |                        |
| How It Works Group (Shepherd)           |                        |
| Huntsville Group (Huntsville)           | Gary C /               |
| Keep It Simple Group (Splendora)        |                        |

# UPCOMING EVENTS

1502 Group 47th Anniversary Party Feb 27th

SETA Assembly April 10-11 (virtual)

#### District 31 Meetings at the 494 Meeting Hall

March 21, 2:00 PM April 18, 2:00 May 16, 2:00 June 20, 2:00 PM July 18, 2:00 PM August 15, 2:00 PM September 19, 2:00 PM October 17, 2:00 PM November 21, 2:00 PM December 19, 2:00 PM

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| Group                                    | GSR / ALT GSR        |
| Kingwood Group (Kingwood)                | *Sabine B / Linda E  |
| Kingwood Men's Group (Kingwood)          |                      |
| Lake Houston Group (Huffman)             |                      |
| Lakeside Group (Porter)                  |                      |
| Livingston Unity Group (Livingston)      | *Daryl R / Brandon J |
| Making It Count Group (Houston)          |                      |
| No Name Recovery A.A. Group (Livingston) |                      |
| Onalaska A.A. Group (Onalaska)           | Jerry Y /            |
| Open Door Group (New Waverly)            | Andrew F /           |

| Livingston U  | nity Group (Livingston)         | *Daryl R / Brandon J |
|---------------|---------------------------------|----------------------|
| Making It Co  | ount Group (Houston)            |                      |
| No Name Re    | ecovery A.A. Group (Livingston) |                      |
| Onalaska A.   | A. Group (Onalaska)             | Jerry Y /            |
| Open Door (   | Group (New Waverly)             | Andrew F /           |
| Porter Group  | o (Porter)                      |                      |
| Primary Purp  | pose Group (Riverside)          | Karen G /            |
| Primary Purp  | pose Humble Group (Humble)      |                      |
| Recovery Es   | sentials of Trinity (Trinity)   | Marilyn B / Steve M  |
| Serenity Gro  | oup (Goodrich)                  |                      |
| Serenity Gro  | oup of the Woodlands (Spring)   | *Susan B / Eddie M   |
| Shadydale G   | Group (Houston)                 |                      |
| Spring Grou   | p (Spring)                      | *Christine P / Jim M |
| Step Sisters  | Group (Spring)                  | Bahiyyah W /         |
| Turning Poir  | nt Women's Meeting (Onalaska)   |                      |
| West Lake H   | louston Group ()                |                      |
| Willis Fellow | ship Group (Willis)             | Larry D /            |
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# **ACTION ITEMS**

Get group feedback on specific use of excess funds.

- Proposals to distribute excess funds.
  - \$1300 to GSO
  - \$1000 reserve for hardship GSR rooms
  - \$300 For Big Books and Living Sober to libraries.
  - \$125 Budget increase for Grapevines at workshops.
  - \$450 reserve for literature for new groups @
    \$150 per group.
  - Reserve funds for Adopt a Rack refills

| DISTRICT 31 / AREA 67 RECEIPTS           | Jan | YTD |
|--|-----|-----|
| 1502 GROUP (CONROE)                      |     |     |
| 25 <sup>TH</sup> HOUR GROUP (HOUSTON)    |     |     |
| 494 LUNCH BUNCH (PORTER)                 |     |     |
| ATASCOCITA GROUP (HUMBLE)                |     |     |
| BIG BOOK GROUP (HUMBLE)                  |     |     |
| CONROE-WILLIS GROUP (WILLIS)             |     |     |
| EARLY BIRD GROUP OF KINGWOOD (PORTER)    |     |     |
| GOOD NEWS GROUP (HUMBLE)                 |     |     |
| HARMONY GROUP (HUNTSVILLE)               |     |     |
| HOW GROUP (HUNTSVILLE)                   |     |     |
| KINGWOOD GROUP (KINGWOOD)                |     |     |
| MAKING IT COUNT GROUP (HOUSTON)          |     |     |
| NO NAME RECOVERY A.A. GROUP (LIVINGSTON) |     |     |
| SERENITY GROUP (GOODRICH)                |     |     |
| SERENITY GROUP OF THE WOODLANDS (SPRING) |     |     |
| SPRING GROUP (SPRING)                    |     |     |
| STEP SISTERS GROUP                       |     |     |
| WILLIS FELLOWSHIP GROUP (WILLIS)         |     |     |
| OTHER                                    |     |     |
| TOTAL INCOME:                            |     |     |

| <b>CURRENT D31 POSITIONS</b> |              |  |
|------------------------------|--------------|--|
| DCM                          | ✓ Cheryl M   |  |
| Alt. DCM                     | ✓ Karon M    |  |
| Secretary                    | ✓ Don M      |  |
| Treasurer                    | Eddie M      |  |
| Archives                     | Open         |  |
| CFC Rep                      | Bahiyyah W   |  |
| CPC Rep                      | Open         |  |
| Grapevine Rep                | ✓ Darryl W   |  |
| IT Rep                       | ✓ Darren F   |  |
| Literature Rep               | ✓Christine P |  |
| PI Rep                       | ✓ Daryl R    |  |
| TFC Rep                      | ✓ Jordan A   |  |

Note: For contact information for a District 31 committee member please see your Group's GSR

# STEP 2:

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

#### **TRADITION 2** (LONG FORM):

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

#### **CONCEPT 2** (SHORT FORM):

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.

# AA TRIVIA

What two classes do the founders and leaders of a group eventually divide into?

Elder statesmen and bleeding deacons (12 and 12 page 135)

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According to the 12 and 12 who is the real and permanent leadership of A.A.?

Elder statesmen (12 and 12 Page 135.)

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What event occurred early in AA History which demonstrated the principal that "our group conscience, well-advised by its elders, will be in the long run wiser than any single leader"?

Bill Wilson was offered a job as a lay therapist but was dissuaded by his program friends, acting as a group conscience. (12 and 12 pages 136-138)

This month's winners were Darren F, Susan B, and Donna F.

#### (Draft-To-Be Approved at the next District Meeting) District 31 Minutes of February 21, 2021

The District meeting was opened by Cheryl M. at 2:03 pm on February 21, 2021 in person and via ZOOM with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer.

In attendance were Billy H, Cheryl M, Christine P, Cindy S, Darren F, Darryl W, Daryl R, Don M, Donna F, Jordan A, Karacinda D, Karon M, Marilyn B, Sabina B, Susan B, and Tara C.

Susan B presented Tradition 2 and Tara C presented Concept 2.

Volunteers for March: Karon will present Tradition 3 and Darren F will present Concept 3.

# NEW GSRS/ 1<sup>ST</sup> TIME VISITORS/GUESTS

• No new GSRs or visitors.

### SECRETARY REPORT (Don M)

- Review of January minutes- accepted.
- Review roster and report errors to D31secretary@gmail.com

# **TREASURER'S REPORT** (Darren F, from information from February 4<sup>th</sup>.)

• Total receipts were \$0. Total expenditures were \$30. Negative cash flow equals -\$30.00. The excess funds from 2020 are \$4019.43.

### DCM REPORT (Cheryl M)

- April assembly will be via Zoom.
- Printed copies of meeting schedules are still available.
- Asked SETA Registrar for listing of District 31 groups registered with GSO to compare with Intergroup and District 31 lists to validate our next meeting schedule printing.
- On a sad note, Maury G of the Shadydale Group passed in February. Maury was a District 31 regular and held several district positions. He will be greatly missed.

The next District meeting will be on March 21st. We are planning on having a hybrid meeting, both in-person and on-line, unless pandemic conditions prevent it. We will send an email a week before with the agenda and format.

#### ALT DCM (Karon M)

Ready to help host workshops. Four are budgeted for this year. Looking for host groups.

# **GSR REPORTS**

# 1502 Group (Jordan A, GSR)

- Passed motion to send excess funds to GSO.
- Discussed anniversary budget and agenda.
- Holding 47<sup>th</sup> Anniversary party on February 27.
- Currently 3 meetings daily Mon-Fri, 4 meetings Saturday and Sunday.
- Considering bonfire meeting on Fridays and karaoke after Birthday Night.
- No masks at in person meetings required.

# 494 Lunch Bunch Group (Karacinda D, GSR)

- Still needs a treasurer.
- Working on writing policies.
- Having hybrid meetings, masks required if in person.
- Zoom has waiting room to prevent zoom bombers.

# Livingston Unity Group (Daryl R, GSR)

- First speaker meeting went well, around 30 attendees. Marty W from Early Bird Group March 20.
- Group is growing, all welcome.
- Need participation for restarting Alabama Coushatta meeting 5:30 pm Thursday, open meeting.
- Masks required at meetings.

# Good News Group (Tara C, GSR)

• Group tabled discussion of excess funds.

# Recovery Essentials of Trinity (Marilyn B, GSR)

- Hosting Hybrid meetings, Zoom ID 8113 2785 755, Password 5sNF70.
- Masks and social distancing if in person.
- Detailed discussion of excess funds with \$500 to GSO, no funding for hotel rooms, \$500 for Big Books and 12 and 12s for libraries if volunteers distribute, \$100 to adopt a rack for groups not able, raise Grapevine subscriptions to be given at workshops to 4 per workshop and \$500 to purchase literature for groups that cannot afford it and \$500 for copies/supplies for PI, CPS and new GSR books.

# Serenity Group of the Woodlands (Susan B, GSR)

- Meetings well attended, online 40 average, 60-70 average for 6:30 am. Masks required if in person.
- Painting the building.
- Secretary setting up group email.
- For list of meetings go to: www.serenitywoodlands.com/meetingschedule

#### 25<sup>th</sup> Hour Group (Presented by Darrel W)

- Group meeting in person, masks required.
- Troublemaker barred by the club, not group.

#### Early Bird Group (Billy H)

- Good attendance Zoom and in person. No masks required if attending in person.
- No group conscience this month.

#### Kingwood Group (Sabina B)

- Restarted birthday night meetings.
- Incident with telephone number off sign in sheet created issue. Looking for input from other groups.
- New AWOL meeting starting up Thursday March 4<sup>th</sup>.

#### Atascocita Group (Donna F)

- Had in person Birthday Night.
- Second Saturday speaker meeting is back on.
- Excess funds, they liked rooms for GSRs, funds to GSO, and funds for literature.

#### **Spring Group** (Christine P)

- Excess funds to purchase Big Books for libraries.
- Getting a new sign
- Patio cover paid off.
- Most meeting attendees not wearing masks. Two mask meetings per week.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

#### **ARCHIVES**, Open position

CFC (Bahiyyah W)

• Not present, no report.

**<u>CPC</u>** Open position.

#### **<u>GRAPEVINE</u>** (Darryl W)

- Had two meetings. Alternate chair and secretary positions are open.
- SETA Grapevine committee will host a 15-minute workshop at April assembly.
- Committee is seeking ideas for upcoming virtual workshop.
- Get subscriptions!

# IT (Darren F)

• Reached out to IT chair.

# LITERATURE (Christine P)

• No power, no meeting.

**PI** Open position.

# TFC (Jordan A)

• The Parc is interested in Bridge the Gap. Tabled due to Covid.

- Had G-suite training. Aa-seta.org has step by step configuration.
- Assembly stays on Zoom due to G-suite limitations.
- Send aa-seta.org email address to get registered for Bridge the Gap.
- Committee is seeking "tech savvy" people for upcoming events and marketing.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

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- Open positions-
  - Archives: OPEN
    - **PI:** Daryl R elected to PI committee.
  - CPC: OPEN

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# **NEW BUSINESS**

No new business.

#### CLOSING

The meeting closed at 4:10 pm with the responsibility pledge.

| SETA Multi-Lingual Committee<br>Meeting Location (Non-Assembly Months):<br>1st Wednesday of the month @7:30 pm<br>District 66<br>5645 Hillcroft, Suite 410<br>Houston TX 77036<br>Quarterly - SETA Assembly @ 4:30 pm<br>SETA Newsletter Committee<br>Meeting Location:<br>Quarterly - SETA Assembly @ 4:30 pm |
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| 1 <sup>st</sup> Wednesday of the month @7:30 pm<br>District 66<br>5645 Hillcroft, Suite 410<br>Houston TX 77036<br><b>Quarterly</b> - SETA Assembly @ 4:30 pm<br><u>SETA Newsletter Committee</u><br>Meeting Location:<br>Quarterly - SETA Assembly @ 4:30 pm  |
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| SETA Public Information (PI) Committee   |
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| Meeting Location (Non-Assembly Months):<br>4 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month at 7:30 pm   |
| Spring Branch Memorial Club  |
| 1200 Blalock Suite 378   |
| Houston, Texas 77055   |
| Quarterly - SETA Assembly @ 4:30 pm  |
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| SETA Convention Committee  |
| Annual Southeast Texas Area Convention   |
| Meetings postponed until 2021  |
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| SETA State Convention Attendance Promotion (SCAP)  |
| <u>Committee</u>   |
| Meeting Location:  |
| Quarterly - SETA Assembly @ 4:30 pm  |
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| SETA Treatment Facilities Committee (TFC)  |
| Monthly Zoom second Monday at 7:00 pm  |
| Zoom ID 552 569 731 Password 169753  |
| Quarterly - SETA Assembly @ 4:30 pm  |
| SETA Information Technology (IT) Committee   |
| Meeting Location (Non-Assembly Months):  |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> Saturday 10 am to 12 p   |
| Via Zoom. Contact IT secretary for info.   |
| Quarterly - SETA Assembly @ 4:30 pm  |
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| Committee  |
| Email Literature chair to attend.  |
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Quarterly - SETA Assembly @ 4:30 pm