



DISTRICT 31 NEWSLETTER



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District 31 Meetings

3rd Sunday - 2-4 PM
494 Meeting Hall
21820 E. Memorial
Porter, TX 77365

October 2021

Groups / GSR Listing
* Indicates present

Mailing Address
District 31 Treasurer
PO Box 854
Porter, TX 77365

Group	GSR / ALT GSR
1502 Group (Conroe)	*Amy C/
190 Group (Point Blank)	Ed A/
25th Hour Group (Houston)	Hughdell Y
494 Lunch Bunch (Porter)	*Karacinda D/
Aldine Group (Houston)	
Atascocita Group (Humble)	Donna F
Bill's Kitchen (Conroe)	
Caney Creek (Grangerland)	
Cleveland Camel Group (Cleveland)	Kim S
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 / *Tamera L
Freedom Rings Group (Livingston)	Rick W /
Good News Group (Humble)	*Tara C /Rita F
Higher Power 4 Group (Houston)	Pamlin C /
How It Works Group (Shepherd)	
Huntsville Group (Huntsville)	Gary C /
Into Action	*Matthew B/
Keep It Simple Group (Splendor)	
Kingwood Group (Kingwood)	Sabina B /

Group	GSR / ALT GSR
Kingwood Men's Group (Kingwood)	
Lake Houston Group (Huffman)	
Lakeside Group (Porter)	
Livingston Unity Group (Livingston)	Seth S/
Making It Count Group (Houston)	
No Name Recovery Group (Livingston)	
Onalaska A.A. Group (Onalaska)	Jerry Y /
Open Door Group (New Waverly)	Andrew F /
Porter Group (Porter)	
Primary Purpose Group (Riverside)	
Primary Purpose Humble Group (Humble)	
Recovery Essentials of Trinity (Trinity)	*Kelle R/*Jackie R
Serenity Group (Goodrich)	*Caroline L/Dietrich H
Serenity Group of the Woodlands (Spring)	*Kristi N /Andrew B
Spring Group (Spring)	*Christine P / Jim M
West Lake Houston Group ()	
Willis Fellowship Group (Willis)	Larry D /

UPCOMING EVENTS
Italian Night Spring Group October 23 6:00 pm
Conroe-Willis Group anniversary October 23, 11:00 am
Halloween Party October 30 th , 1502 Group 9 pm-midnight
District 31 Service Workshop November 6, 2-5pm 25 th Hour Group
Shepherd Group Reopens November 7 th 6:30 pm
National Corrections Conference November 12-14 New Orleans
Spirit of Houston Conference on Recovery November 12th
44 th Brazos Conference A journey through the steps Nov 19-21
Atascocita Group 47 th Anniversary December 11 th
January 21-23 60 th SETA Convention (registration open)

ACTION ITEMS
Inform groups of open positions at District (Public Information, Treatment Facilities, Information Technology and Archives)

DISTRICT 31 MEETINGS
At the 494 Meeting Hall
November 21, 2:00 PM
December 19, 2:00 PM
January 16, 2:00 PM
February 20, 2:00 PM
March 20, 2:00 PM

DISTRICT 31 / AREA 67 RECEIPTS	Sept	YTD
1502 GROUP (CONROE)	400	400
25 TH HOUR GROUP (HOUSTON)		80.00
494 LUNCH BUNCH (PORTER)		24.00
ATASCOCITA GROUP (HUMBLE)	20	778.66
BIG BOOK GROUP (HUMBLE)		
CONROE-WILLIS GROUP (WILLIS)		
EARLY BIRD GROUP OF KINGWOOD (PORTER)		360.00
GOOD NEWS GROUP (HUMBLE)	600	1440.00
HARMONY GROUP (HUNTSVILLE)		
HOW GROUP (HUNTSVILLE)		
KINGWOOD GROUP (KINGWOOD)		
MAKING IT COUNT GROUP (HOUSTON)		
NO NAME RECOVERY A.A. GROUP (LIVINGSTON)		
SERENITY GROUP (GOODRICH)		60.00
SERENITY GROUP OF THE WOODLANDS (SPRING)	80.17	775.61
SPRING GROUP (SPRING)		76.25
STEPSISTERS GROUP		
WILLIS FELLOWSHIP GROUP (WILLIS)		53.91
OTHER		60.69
TOTAL INCOME:	1100.17	4109.12

CURRENT D31 POSITIONS	
DCM	✓ Cheryl M
Alt. DCM	Karon M
Secretary	✓ Don M
Treasurer	Eddie M
Archives	Open
CFC Rep	✓ Bahiyyah W
CPC Rep	✓ Kristi N
Grapevine Rep	✓ Darryl W
IT Rep	Open
Literature Rep	✓ Christine P
PI Rep	Open
TFC Rep	Open

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

STEP 10: Continued to take personal inventory and when we were wrong promptly admitted it.

TRADITION 10 (LONG FORM): No A.A. group or member should ever, in such 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.

CONCEPT 10 (SHORT FORM): Every service responsibility should be matched by an equal service authority, with the scope of such authority well defined.

AA TRIVIA

Tradition 10

Q. The Washingtonian Society was a movement among alcoholics which started in Baltimore a century ago. When the Washingtonians became <this> they completely lost their effectiveness in helping alcoholics within a very few years.

A. Temperance crusaders, P 178

Q. In the 12 & 12 it says " As by some deep instinct, we A.A.'s have known from the very beginning that we must never, no matter what the provocation, do this. What is it we must never do?

A. publicly take sides in any fight, even a worthy one. P. 176

Q. In the 12 & 12 it says "This reluctance to fight one another or anybody else is not counted as some special virtue which makes us feel superior to other people. Nor does it mean that the members of Alcoholics Anonymous, now restored as citizens of the world, are going to back away from their individual responsibilities to act as they see the right upon issues of our time." What does this mean for AA as a whole?

A. We do not enter into public controversy, because we know that our Society will perish if it does. We conceive the survival and spread of Alcoholics Anonymous to be something of far greater importance than the weight we could collectively throw back of any other cause.

(Draft-To-Be Approved at the next District Meeting)
District 31 Minutes of October 17, 2021

The District meeting was opened by Cheryl M. at 2:00 pm on October 17, 2021 in person and via ZOOM with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer.

In attendance were: Amy C, Bahiyyah W, Caroline L, Cheryl M, Christina P, Darryl W, David H, Don M, Doug C, Ginny, Jackie R, Karacinda D, Kelle R, Kristi A, Kristi N, Matthew B, Tamara L, and Tara C.

Karon M presented Tradition 10 via email and Darryl W presented Concept 10.

Volunteers for November: Don M will present Tradition 11 and Tamara L will present Concept 11.

NEW GSRs/ 1ST TIME VISITORS/GUESTS

- Jackie R, Alt GSR for Recovery Essentials of Trinity
- Kelle R is now GSR for Recovery Essentials of Trinity

SECRETARY REPORT (Don M)

- Review of September minutes- accepted.
- Please review the newsletter, especially regarding items of your group or committee.
- Review roster and report errors to D31secretary@gmail.com

TREASURER'S REPORT (Eddie M, via email)

- Total receipts for August were \$1100.17 Total expenditures were \$238.41. Positive cash flow equals \$861.86.
- Total available funds for budgeted items is \$2719.13

DCM REPORT (Cheryl M)

- Motion to suspend Area 67 Policies and Procedures at October Assembly failed by a substantial majority. Issues raised during debate prompted an ad hoc committee to review and advise.
- Attended Google Workspace training where position-based emails were discussed. The transition to the new position-based emails is taking place this weekend.
- Attended the workshop on the Google Ad words which are used for web searches to find AA. There was discussion regarding the \$10,000 credit Google gives nonprofits before they start charging for the searches.
- The SETA Convention Chair asked for volunteers and contributions to help with coffee, hospitality, greeters, marathon meetings, registration, and security. Please fill out the volunteer form on the convention website (<https://setaconvention.org/>) or contact one of the committee chairs.
- Intergroup has completed their move. The new address is 5151 Mitchelldale St Suite B10, Houston.
- There is a new Corrections Correspondence System, more to follow.
- The next area assembly will be held in conjunction with the SETA annual convention in January in the Woodlands.
- Copies of the final Conference report are available.

ALT DCM (Karon M via email)

- Next D31 sponsored workshop will be on Service and hosted by the 25th Hour Group on November 6, 2pm to 5pm. Most committees will have a representative. Please continue to announce the workshop at your meetings.
- 1502 volunteered to host the Safety Workshop, date to be determined.
- Attended the SETA assembly.
- Please remember if you are a GSR and would like to attend the assembly and can't afford a hotel room the district has set aside funds to assist.

GSR REPORTS

Recovery Essentials of Trinity (Kelle R)

- Wednesday Night 6:30 meeting is now a Beginners Meeting.
- Hybrid meetings now Tuesday-Thursday, Saturday and Sunday.
- Kelle R new GSR, Jackie R new alt GSR

1502 (Amy C)

- November group having service elections.

- Halloween Party October 30th 9 pm til midnight. Lots of activities planned.
- Group wants to host Safety Workshop
- Group looking to structure more meetings, now mostly open discussion.
- Group now donating to AA entities.
- Conroe-Willis Group anniversary October 23, Speakers start at 11:00, lunch at noon. Bring sides, meat provided. 109 Kennedy St. Willis Texas.

Serenity Group of the Woodlands (Kristi N)

- Printed new meeting schedule, synced with Intergroup to be correct on app.
- Group working on 40th anniversary, working out details.

Early Bird Group (Tamara L)

- Communicated open district positions.

494 Lunch Bunch (Karacinda D, via text)

- Meetings 7days a week, Zoom only on Sunday.
- Still passing the red can.

Good News Group (Tara C)

- Meetings noon every day on GoTo Meeting App. Access Code-779-497-909 audio pin 917, Dial In +1 (872) 240-3212, Link-<https://www.gotomeet.me/TedC-GNG>
- Sent registration for Noon meeting every day but has not listed on Intergroup.
- Main meeting still hybrid.

Atascocita Group (Donna F via email)

- Hosted Intergroup phones October 8-11.
- Group 47th Anniversary December 11th, more to be revealed.
- Speaker meeting second Saturday of the month, Mike F last.
- Group voted to present Concept of the month at the beginning of the meeting to inform members about the concepts.
- Work has started on the outside of the building.
- Still trying to fill open positions.

Spring Group (Christine P)

- Italian Night October 23rd, starts at 6pm and features an Italian potluck, cake auction and gift basket auction.
- Women's meeting on 23rd moved to 3:30-5:00 pm.
- October 9th Karaoke Night very successful, planning more.

Serenity Group of Goodrich (Caroline L)

- 2nd Friday Speaker Meeting
- Shepherd is reopening November 7th 6:30 pm at the Shepherd Methodist Church.
- Good attendance, 10-20 average. 114 Holiday Dr Goodrich Texas.

Zoom meetings Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 6:30. Zoom link is:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87624784303?pwd=bDRvT09YQTFiUkxYRUVwMSs3WnNrQT09>

Into Action Group (Matthew B)

- Meeting growing, 10-20 online.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ARCHIVES, Open position

CFC (Bahiyah W)

- Celebrating oldest corrections meeting anniversary.
- SETA members participating in Fort Worth conference.
- National Conference November 12-14 in New Orleans.

CPC (Kristi N)

- No CPC meeting this month due to assembly.

GRAPEVINE (Darryl W)

- New Grapevine podcast every Monday. www.aagrapevine.org/podcast
- Grapevine committee needs volunteers to man booth and SETA convention in January.
- 3 Grapevine subscriptions will be given out at District 31 workshop in November.

IT Open Position

LITERATURE (Christine P)

- What can I do to promote conference approved literature?
- Had a table at assembly.
- Next meeting Tuesday 19, via Zoom.

PI (Kristi A SETA PI Chair)

- I will be attending November Service workshop to represent PI.

TFC (Don M)

- Committee working on incorporating previous Bridge the Gap into Bridge the Gap Worldwide (btgww.org)
- Bridge the Gap volunteers can be obtained wherever needed from btgww.org website
- Currently SETA not represented in worldwide database.
- More information as it becomes available.

OLD BUSINESS

Open positions Archives, Information Technology, Public Information and Treatment Facilities, no one stood this month.

Intergroup Liaison – The District voted to accept the position responsibilities as submitted by the Ad-Hoc committee.

D31 Meeting Schedules - 375 updated schedules have been printed which include a note warning that some meetings might be affected by Covid 19 and directing the reader to the AA meeting app and/or Intergroup website for the most current meeting information. The current plan is to update and reprint in December or January.

Group Visitation Committee Update - Now that more groups are meeting in-person we plan to start visiting the silent groups next month. We hope to be able to get contact information so we can arrange to attend a group conscience and introduce the District and benefits of participating in the AA Service structure. Currently there are 4 members on the committee. District 31 committee members who would like to participate are asked to send their contact information to Cheryl or Karon.

NEW BUSINESS

D31 GSR Training -1 D31 provides a GSR orientation handout to each new GSR. To help provide more context, we will be adding a brief review/discussion of a section of the handout during our District meetings starting next month.

CLOSING

The meeting closed at 3:59 pm with the responsibility pledge.

<p align="center"><u>SETA Archives Committee</u> Meeting Location: 1st Saturday of the month @ 10:00 am Business meeting followed by a work session. 5151 Mitchelldale St Suite B10 Houston, TX 77092 We welcome visitors. Contact the Chair or Archivist for additional information.</p>	<p align="center"><u>SETA Multi-Lingual Committee</u> Meeting Location (Non-Assembly Months): 1st Wednesday of the month @7:30 pm District 66 5645 Hillcroft, Suite 410 Houston TX 77036 Quarterly - SETA Assembly @ 4:30 pm</p>
<p align="center"><u>SETA Correctional Facilities Committee (CFC)</u> Meeting Location (Non-Assembly Months): 3rd Wednesday of every month 7:30-9:00 P.M. 5645 Hillcroft, Suite 410 Houston TX 77036 Quarterly - SETA Assembly @ 4:30 pm</p>	<p align="center"><u>SETA Newsletter Committee</u> Meeting Location: Quarterly - SETA Assembly @ 4:30 pm</p>
<p align="center"><u>SETA Cooperation with the Professional Community Committee (CPC)</u> Meeting Location (Non-Assembly Months): 1st Monday each month at 7:30 P.M. Spring Branch Memorial Club 1200 Blalock Suite 378 Houston, Texas 77055 Quarterly - SETA Assembly @ 4:30 pm</p>	<p align="center"><u>SETA Public Information (PI) Committee</u> Meeting Location (Non-Assembly Months): 4th Tuesday of the month at 7:30 pm Zoom ID 339 417 285 Password: 153379 Quarterly - SETA Assembly @ 4:30 pm</p>
<p align="center"><u>SETA Finance Committee</u> Meet at assemblies in person. Other months via Zoom on the third Saturday at 10:00 am. The link for the Zoom meetings: https://zoom.us/j/386759333 or Meeting ID 386 759 333 in the app</p>	<p align="center"><u>SETA Convention Committee</u> Annual Southeast Texas Area Convention Meetings postponed until 2021</p>
<p align="center"><u>SETA Grapevine Committee</u> Meeting Location (Non-Assembly Months): 3rd Thursday Meeting ID: 114 207 273 Password: 610793 Meeting 3rd Thursday of the month Quarterly - SETA Assembly @ 4:30 pm</p>	<p align="center"><u>SETA State Convention Attendance Promotion (SCAP) Committee</u> Meeting Location: Quarterly - SETA Assembly @ 4:30 pm</p>
<p align="center"><u>SETA La Vina Committee</u> Meeting Location: Las reuniones mensuales son el último jueves de cada mes a las 8:00 PM Last Thursday of each month at 8:00 PM District 65 1721 South Houston Rd. Pasadena, TX 77502 Reuniones trimestrales están a la Asamblea SETA el sábado a las 4:30 PM Quarterly - SETA Assembly @ 4:30 pm</p>	<p align="center"><u>SETA Treatment Facilities Committee (TFC)</u> Monthly Zoom second Monday at 7:00 pm Zoom ID 552 569 731 Password 169753 Quarterly - SETA Assembly @ 4:30 pm</p>
	<p align="center"><u>SETA Information Technology (IT) Committee</u> Meeting Location (Non-Assembly Months): 4th Saturday 10 am to 12 p Online . Contact IT secretary for info. Quarterly - SETA Assembly @ 4:30 pm</p>
<p align="center"><u>SETA Literature Committee</u> Third Tuesday of the month via Zoom. Email Literature chair to attend. Quarterly - SETA Assembly @ 4:30 pm</p>	