



# 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

## November 2022

**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 /*Taylor C
190 Group (Point Blank)	*Mike G / Tim D
25th Hour Group (Houston)	
494 Lunch Bunch (Porter)	Karacinda /Shawna
Aldine Group (Houston)	
Atascocita Group (Humble)	*Donna F
Caney Creek (Grangerland)	
Cleveland Camel Group (Cleveland)	*Greg M /
Conroe-Willis Group (Willis)	James H /
Crosby Helping Hands (Crosby)	
Downtown Coldspring Group (Coldspring)	
Early Bird Group of Kingwood (Porter)	*Marty W/*Hope T
Freedom Rings Group (Livingston)	Rick W /
Good News Group (Humble)	Gary P/ Fran H
Harmony Group (Huntsville)	
Higher Power 4 Group (Houston)	Pamlin C /
H.O.W.	*Daryl R/Cody K
How It Works Group (Shepherd)	

Group	GSR / ALT GSR
Huntsville Group (Huntsville)	Gary C /
Into Action (Kingwood)	Matthew B /
Kingwood Group (Kingwood)	*Cristina C / Julia G
Kingwood Men's Group (Kingwood)	Rick H
Lakeside Group (Porter)	
Livingston Unity Group (Livingston)	Linda T
Making It Count Group (Houston)	
No Name Recovery A.A. Group (Livingston)	
Open Door Group (New Waverly)	Andrew F /
Porter Group (Porter)	
Primary Purpose Group (Riverside)	
Recovery Essentials of Trinity (Trinity)	Kelle R / Bruce W
Serenity Group of Goodrich (Goodrich)	Caroline L / Dietrich H
Serenity Group of the Woodlands (Spring)	*Kristi N / Andrew B
Spring Group (Spring)	Christine P / Jim M
Step By Step Group (Kingwood)	
Willis Fellowship Group (Willis)	Larry D /

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Thanksgiving Day Kingwood Group Celebration noon until 6pm  
 Thanksgiving Day Early Bird Group Alcothon 5pm until 10pm  
 Thanksgiving Day 1502 Group dinner after the noon meeting.  
 Thanksgiving Day 25<sup>th</sup> Hour Group dinner after noon meeting.  
 Pine Forest Retreat Nov 25 3 pm until Nov 27 11 am Camp Allen  
 18800FM 362 Navasota Tx texaspineforestretrat.org  
 December 10 Grapevine Committee Christmas Dinner @  
 Kelly's on Spencer Highway at 5:30pm  
 December 11 Atascocita Group 48<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Noon-4:30pm  
 December 17<sup>th</sup> Spring Group Christmas Dinner flyer to follow  
 December 17-January 1<sup>st</sup> 1502 Group open 24/7  
 December 31<sup>st</sup> Dance and Karaoke @ 1502 Group flyer coming  
 January 13-15 SETA Convention MCM Elegante Hotel Beaumont  
 February 10-12<sup>th</sup> 39<sup>th</sup> Annual Yellow Rose Conference Trinity  
 Pines Conference Center 4341 FM 356 Trinity Tx.

## ACTION ITEMS

Remind Group members of open service position at District. Literature position for the 2023-02024 term

Review 2023 proposed budget with your group to be voted on at the December meeting. Special attention should be paid to the questions on the last page.

## DISTRICT 31 MEETINGS

At the 494 Meeting Hall  
 December 18, 2022  
 January 15, 2023  
 February 19, 2023

DISTRICT 31 / AREA 67 RECEIPTS	October	YTD
1502 GROUP (CONROE)		\$600
ATASCOCITA GROUP (HUMBLE)		\$40.00
EARLY BIRD GROUP OF KINGWOOD (PORTER)		\$240.00
GOOD NEWS GROUP (HUMBLE)		\$960.00
LAKESIDE GROUP		\$15.42
SERENITY GROUP (GOODRICH)		\$90.00
SERENITY GROUP OF THE WOODLANDS (SPRING)	\$86.61	\$579.22
SPRING GROUP (SPRING)		\$100.00
WILLIS FELLOWSHIP GROUP (WILLIS)		\$34.19
INTO ACTION GROUP	\$292.31	292.31
Other		\$40.00
<b>TOTAL INCOME:</b>		\$2991.14

2021 -2022 COMMITTEE	
DCM	*Cheryl M
Alt. DCM	Karon M
Secretary	*Don M
Treasurer	*Eddie M
Archives	*Leta D
CFC Rep	Bahiyah W
CPC Rep	*Mike G
Grapevine Rep	*Darryl W
Intergroup Liaison	*Patty H
IT Rep	*Sergey K
Literature Rep	Christina P
PI Rep	*Daryl R
TFC Rep	*Taylor C

2023 -2024 COMMITTEE	
DCM	Karon M
Alt. DCM	*Marty W
Secretary	Fran H
Treasurer	*Kristi N
Archives	*Donna F
CFC Rep	*Eddie M
CPC Rep	*Mike G
Grapevine Rep	*Leslie S
Intergroup Liaison	*Leta D
IT Rep	*Sergey K
Literature Rep	<b>Open</b>
PI Rep	*Byron T
TFC Rep	*Taylor C

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

**STEP 11:** Sought through prayer and meditation to improve our conscious contact with God as we understood Him, praying only for knowledge of His will for us and the power to carry that out.

**TRADITION 11 (LONG FORM):** Our relations with the general public should be characterized by personal anonymity. We think A.A. ought to avoid sensational advertising. Our names and pictures as A.A. members ought not be broadcast, filmed, or publicly printed. Our public relations should be guided by the principle of attraction rather than promotion. There is never need to praise ourselves. We feel it better to let our friends recommend us.

**CONCEPT 11 (SHORT FORM):** The trustees should always have the best possible committees, corporate service directors, executives, staffs, and consultants. Composition, qualifications, induction procedures, and rights and duties will always be matters of serious concern.

## AA Trivia

### Tradition 11

Q: According to the 12 & 12 what has been the principal means of bringing alcoholics into our Fellowship?

A: immense and favorable publicity of every description P 183

Q: Considering this "explosive factor" we had to exercise self-restraint. What was the explosive factor? Hint -- it had to do with our temperament.

A: nearly every one of us had been an irrepressible promoter, and the prospect of a society composed almost entirely of promoters was frightening. P: 184

Q: This Tradition is a constant and practical reminder that this has no place in A.A. What is it?

A: Personal Ambition. P: 186

**(Draft-To-Be Approved at the next District Meeting)**  
**District 31 Minutes of November 20, 2022**

The district meeting was opened by Cheryl M. at 2:05 pm on November 20, 2022 in person and via ZOOM with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer.

In attendance were Amy C, Byron T, Cheryl M, Cristina C, Darryl W, Daryl R, Don M, Donna F, Eddie M, Eric T, Greg M, Hope T, Jennifer C, Kim N, Kristi N, Leslie S, Leta D, Marty W, Mike G, Patty H, Randy, Sergey K, Steffanie J, and Taylor C.

Eddie M presented Tradition 11 and Kristi N presented Concept 11.

Volunteers for December: Cheryl M will present Tradition 12 and Karon M will present Concept 12.

**NEW GSRs/ 1<sup>ST</sup> TIME VISITORS/GUESTS**

- Leslie S 1502 Group
- Kim N Kingwood Group
- Eric T 1502 Group
- Randy Camel Group

**SECRETARY REPORT** (Don M)

- Review of October minutes- accepted.
- Please review the newsletter, especially regarding items of your group or committee.
- Special thanks to those filing their reports via email.
- Changes have been made to the roster so please review the roster and report errors to [D31secretary@gmail.com](mailto:D31secretary@gmail.com)

**TREASURER'S REPORT** (Eddie M)

- Total receipts were \$ 378.92, total expenditures were \$ 2,058.75, a negative cash flow for the month of (-\$1,679.83). The ending checking account balance is \$ 6,765.20.
- If D31 was to spend every budgeted dollar today we would have additional excess funds of \$965.56

**DCM REPORT** (Cheryl M)

- Attended "What is an Informed Group Conscience" workshop, great attendance, good information.
- Worked with budget committee, still questions to be answered.

**ALT DCM** (Karon M)

- No report this month.

**GSR REPORTS**

**Into Action** (Matthew B) via email.

- Nothing new to report.

**Atascocita Group** (Donna F) in person and via email

- A change in Trusted Servants takes place January 1<sup>st</sup>.
- 48<sup>th</sup> anniversary December 11 2022 2 AA speakers, 1 AI anon speaker. All are welcome.
- Birthday Night last Saturday, 123 years on the board.
- Repairs being done from break-in.

**Kingwood Group** (Cristina C) in person

- Group is considering a group inventory.
- Group doesn't have a format for Group Conscience Chair.

**Serenity Group of The Woodlands** (Kristi N) in person and via email

- Nothing new to report.

**190 Group** (Mike G) in person

- Group has strong evening attendance.
- Lease expires soon, concerned about rent increases.

### **1502 Group** (Amy C)

- All trusted servant positions filled.
- Revising meeting format.
- Speaker meeting every Saturday at 6pm.
- Group open 24/7 from December 17<sup>th</sup> through January 1<sup>st</sup>.
- Birthday night last Saturday of the month, eating at 5pm, meeting at 6pm.
- Thanksgiving meal after the noon meeting on Thanksgiving.
- Dance and Karaoke December 31<sup>st</sup>, flyer to follow.

### **Early Bird Group** (Marty W) in person

- Alcothon Thanksgiving Day, 5pm until 10pm, all welcome.

### **Spring Group** (Jennifer C)

- Still working on items from Group Inventory.
- Considering more hybrid meetings.
- Monday 8pm Zoom Beginner's Meeting needs support, Zoom ID 97608917725, no password.
- Christmas dinner December 17<sup>th</sup>, flyer forthcoming.

### **Camel Group** (Greg M)

- Speaker meeting second Saturday of the month.
- Revising the policies and procedures.
- Two celebrants with 88 years combined next Birthday Night.

### **H.O.W Group** (Daryl R)

- Group's finance guy moved away.
- Group is growing, 10-11 per meeting with some from a good distance.

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## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **ARCHIVES** (Leta D) in person and via email

- Area Archives web page has no minutes or treasurer's reports since 2017.
- Committee writing budget to conform to funds allocated by Area Finance.
- Intergroup has allocated space for Archives storage.

### **CPC** (Mike G) in person and via email

- Working on next year's plan of action.
- Community outreach programs favorites.
- Expanding outreach to probation officers, DWI programs and Houston Recovery initiative.
- Attempting contact with districts that don't have CPC participation.

### **CFC** (Bahiyah W)

- No report.

### **GRAPEVINE** (Darryl W) in person and via email.

- Annual Christmas dinner at Kelly's December 10<sup>th</sup>, 5:30 pm.
- SETA Grapevine committee would like to hold a writing workshop in District 31 next year.
- AA Grapevine is developing an app and should be ready in September 2023.
- If you would like to upload a story, audio, thoughts, art or photo, please go to [aa/grapevine.org/share](http://aa/grapevine.org/share) or call 559-726-1216, press #, tell story, press 1 to save, press 2 to confirm that GV can use your story.

### **Intergroup Liaison** (Patty H) in person and via email

- Houston Intergroup needs info on Kingwood Men's Group, Dayton Group and Willis Fellowship Group.
- The bookstore hours will be 9:00 am until 5:00 pm.
- Holiday open house December 10<sup>th</sup>, 11am until 3pm, food, speakers, and tax-free purchases.
- District 32 using Intergroup in Public Service Announcements.
- If your group is having an event upload it to the Intergroup website.

### **IT** (Sergey K) in person

- Nobody attending weekly IT meetings for three straight months, want liaisons to attend monthly meeting.
- Monthly meeting moved up to December 3<sup>rd</sup> will have elections to vacant positions.
- IT Committee wanting other SETA committees to have IT Liaisons.

- Planning online workshop in January to discuss structure changes.
- Group emails should be working in the next few days

**LITERATURE** (Christine P)

- No report.

**PI** (Daryl R) in person and via email

- Waiting on books, rack program working well.

**TFC** (Taylor C) via email

- TFC has won the bid for the National Bridge the Gap Workshop September 8-10 2023 at the Sheraton North Houston.
  - Trusted servant positions rotating in January, Chris G will be the new Chair.
  - Committee still looking for volunteers from each group.
  - Wanting to have an area workshop on "Bridging the Gap, the Modern 12<sup>th</sup> Step Call & How it Works" in June.
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**OLD BUSINESS**

Grapevine, Literature and PI positions for the 2023-02024 term are open.

Byron T stood for Public Information and was voted in unanimously.

Leslie S stood for Grapevine and was voted in with substantial anonymity.

2023 Budget distributed for review by groups, to be voted on next month. There are four items budget committee couldn't reach consensus on listed on the second page of the report. Background information is provided.

Report from Donna F regarding her contact with Linda was inconclusive, update next month.

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**NEW BUSINESS**

Voted to have abbreviated meeting next month followed by a Holiday celebration (potluck).

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**CLOSING**

The meeting closed at 4:00 pm with the responsibility pledge.

<p align="center"><b><u>SETA Archives Committee</u></b>  <b>Meeting Location:</b>  2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month @ 1:00 pm  Business meeting followed by a work session.  5151 Mitchelldale St Suite B10 Houston, TX 77092  Except assemblies and conventions. Contact the Chair or  Archivist for additional information.</p>	<p align="center"><b><u>SETA Multi-Lingual Committee</u></b>  <b>Meeting Location (Non-Assembly Months):</b>  1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of the month @7:30 pm  District 66  5645 Hillcroft, Suite 410  Houston TX 77036  <b>Quarterly</b> - SETA Assembly @ 4:30 pm</p>
<p><b><u>SETA Correctional Facilities Committee (CFC)</u></b>  <b>Meeting Location (Non-Assembly Months):</b>  3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of every month  7:30-9:00 P.M.  5151 Mitchelldale, Suite B10  Zoom id 477 254 9035 pwd heartbeat  <b>Quarterly</b> - SETA Assembly @ 4:30 pm</p>	<p align="center"><b><u>SETA Newsletter Committee</u></b>  <b>Meeting Location:</b>  <b>Quarterly</b> - SETA Assembly @ 4:30 pm</p>
<p><b><u>SETA Cooperation with the Professional Community Committee (CPC)</u></b>  <b>Meeting Location (Non-Assembly Months):</b>  1<sup>st</sup> Monday each month at 7:30 P.M.  Spring Branch Memorial Club  1200 Blalock Suite 378  Houston, Texas 77055  <b>Quarterly</b> - SETA Assembly @ 4:30 pm</p>	<p align="center"><b><u>SETA Public Information (PI) Committee</u></b>  <b>Meeting Location (Non-Assembly Months):</b>  4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month at 7:30 pm  Zoom ID 330 417 285  Password: 153379  <b>Quarterly</b> - SETA Assembly @ 4:30 pm</p>
<p align="center"><b><u>SETA Finance Committee</u></b>  Meet at assemblies in person. Other months via Zoom on the  third Saturday at 10:00 am.  The link for the Zoom  meetings: <a href="https://zoom.us/j/386759333">https://zoom.us/j/386759333</a> or Meeting  ID 386 759 333 in the app</p>	<p align="center"><b><u>SETA Convention Committee</u></b>  <b>Annual Southeast Texas Area Convention</b>  Meetings postponed until 2021</p>
<p align="center"><b><u>SETA Grapevine Committee</u></b>  <b>Meeting Location (Non-Assembly Months):</b>  3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday 7:00 pm  Meeting ID: 114 207 273  Password: 610793  Meeting 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month  <b>Quarterly</b> - SETA Assembly @ 4:30 pm</p>	<p align="center"><b><u>SETA State Convention Attendance Promotion (SCAP) Committee</u></b>  <b>Meeting Location:</b>  <b>Quarterly</b> - SETA Assembly @ 4:30 pm</p>
<p align="center"><b><u>SETA La Vina Committee</u></b>  <b>Meeting Location:</b>  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  <b>Quarterly</b> - SETA Assembly @ 4:30 pm</p>	<p align="center"><b><u>SETA Treatment Facilities Committee (TFC)</u></b>  15<sup>th</sup> of every month 7:00 pm  Zoom ID 552 569 731 Password 169753  <b>Quarterly</b> - SETA Assembly @ 4:30 pm</p> <p align="center"><b><u>SETA Information Technology (IT) Committee</u></b>  <b>Meeting Location (Non-Assembly Months):</b>  4<sup>th</sup> Saturday 10 am to 12 p  Online . Contact IT secretary for info.  <b>Quarterly</b> - SETA Assembly @ 4:30 pm</p>
<p align="center"><b><u>SETA Literature Committee</u></b>  Third Tuesday of the month via Zoom. Email Literature chair to attend.  <b>Quarterly</b> - SETA Assembly @ 4:30 pm</p>	