

DISTRICT 40 NEWSLETTER

WELCOME BACK TO THE D-40 NEWSLETTER

It felt like yesterday when this rotation started, and we are now closing in on the end of this chapter of our story of Service in AA. We still have a few things to work on before we pass these positions on to the next rotation, so I hope to see you all at the remaining D40 monthly meetings. We are holding our elections for D40 on September 10th so please announce it at your home group, if anyone would like to become part of D40 and help it grow in the next rotation, please come by or log in on Google Meet. Here is a quick rundown of what the rest of the year's agendas will be:

- Sep. - will be elections and talking about SWRAASA
- Oct. - will be the budget for next year, with newly elected position holders able to voice their input.
- Nov. – try to finish up AD-Hoc
- Dec. – little party at COTHA – transfer of items to the next trusted servant and fellowship on

Thank you for the opportunity to serve all of you for this rotation. Each position teaches me something new and at the time I need to learn it. When the BB talks about having a new employer, I see myself as an entry-level when I walk into my first meeting room. Like any career, we don't want to stay at that level, so we grow and like any good boss, we get more training. I am grateful for the training I have received through service in AA. This is God doing for me what I could not do for myself. I hope you see the same growth in your walk and see where God will have you.

Doug D. – DCM District 40

STEP 9

"Made direct amends to such people wherever possible, except when to do so would injure them or others."

TRADITION 9

"A.A., as such, ought never be organized; but we may create service boards or committees directly responsible to those they serve."

CONCEPT 9

"Good service leadership at all levels is indispensable for our future functioning and safety. Primary world service leadership, once exercised by the founders, must necessarily be assumed by the Trustees."

AREA 67 EVENTS

General Assembly (Area Committee Meeting)

Saturday September 28, 2024 - Online (Zoom)

General Assembly (Elections)

Saturday October 5, 2024 - In Person & Online

**** Note New Location ****

**San Jacinto College North
5800 Uvalde Rd.
Houston, Texas 77049**

*District 40 of the
Southeast Texas Area
is a territory bounded
on the North by US
Hwy 290, on
the South by
Westheimer Rd., on
the East by Loop 610,
and on the West by
SH 36.*

CAMPUS MAP

Zoom Registration & Assembly Agendas

SELF-SUPPORT

The Seventh Tradition states that Alcoholics Anonymous is self-supporting through our own contributions. The contributions help to cover the group's expenses. But the Seventh Tradition is more than simply paying for rent and other group expenses. It is both a privilege and a responsibility of individual groups and members to ensure that our organization, at every level, remains forever self-supporting and free of outside influences that might divert us from our primary purpose.

The monetary amount of each contribution is secondary to the spiritual connection that joins us in unity with A.A. groups around the world.

Service Material from the General Service Office

SOME THINGS TO THINK ABOUT

Some facts:

- Currently about 43.7% of groups contribute to the General Service Office.
- Costs of Services provided by G.S.O. (as of 2018) are approximately \$7.40 per member per year.
- Gross profit from A.A. literature sales account for over 50% of G.S.O.'s revenue.
- Your contributions help ensure the future of our Fellowship worldwide.

Personal thoughts:

- What is the value of your sobriety?
- Does your group know that contributions may be made online at AA.org?
- Gratitude, expressed through contributions, reaches the still-suffering alcoholic.

50M – 07/18 (GP)

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Next District Meeting

Tuesday September 10th, 2024

7 – 9 p.m.

[Virtual Here](#)

In Person:

Church of the Holy Apostles

Mailing address:

Seta – District 40

P O BOX 79119

Houston, TX 77279-9119

DISTRICT 40 OFFICIAL MEETING MINUTES

JULY 2024

Meeting Location:

COTHA Church, 1225 W. Grand Parkway, Katy, Tx.

Rm. 115

Google Meet

Mailing Address:

District 40

PO Box 79119

Houston, Tx. 77279-9119

<https://meet.google.com/scf-xndv-uoe>

doug.d@aa-seta.org DCM

mike.b@aa-seta.org Alt. DCM

theresa.s@aa-seta.org Secretary

ronnie.h@aa-seta.org Treasurer

Date: July 9, 2024

Time: 7:00 – 9:00 PM

Attendees: 16 online only

Call to Order – 7:05 pm, Doug D.

Serenity prayer- Doug

SECRETARY’S REPORT – Theresa S., (Alt. Tracey C.) accepted.

TREASURER’S REPORT – Ronnie H, (Alt. Amanda L.) accepted.

DCM Report

Area Assembly is this coming weekend. Look at your emails for SETA Announce for the agenda. Sorry I did not put in the agenda before I sent it out. If you need a copy, email me. Please make it a NEW email and not respond to the D40 mass email or it will get lost in that string.

We are sliding into the last quarter of this rotation. I figured I would try to get some closure on some of the things we still are working on. A district inventory was requested at the end of the last rotation and we conducted it at the beginning of this run. We still have some work to do on this, and I wanted to rewrite the P&P manual for our district. It would be better to have more input on these since it is for the future of this district. So, let me know if you have some time to put in on these topics.

Mike will be talking about the storage in a few minutes but I think we need to put it out there and see if we need to keep stuff.

Here is an outline of how I see the rest of the year's district meeting playing out. This is not in stone, it is just “Etch-A-Sketched” in my head.

Aug. - GSR Topic will be on 3rd legacy voting, out of the service manual

Sep. - will be elections and talking about SWRAASA

Oct. - will be budget for next year, with newly elected position holders to be able to

Nov. - will be open so far....

Dec. – little party – transfer of items to the next trusted servant.

Doug D

ALT. DCM Report

District 40, I hope that everyone is recovering well from the storm. I know there have been some groups unable to meet because of power issues. Please let me know how I can best serve you and

your homegroup, so that we can carry out our primary purpose.

Storage Unit: Our old storage unit facility decided to raise our monthly rate and would not allow us to negotiate it. I needed to scramble to find a new facility that would be friendlier to our budget. Some of you may know, that is not so easy right now. I was able to secure one and get our stuff moved out. We are paid up until January for the new unit, and this company is more open to negotiating rates.

The District Inventory Ad Hoc Implementation; Planning Committee has not been put together or scheduled. This committee will be involved in helping to plan and implement all the considerations from the D40 Inventory. Please come see me or Doug if you would like to be involved in this. This is your District, and these were your considerations, let us know if you want to help get them implemented.

D40 Workshops: Part of what came out of those considerations was for District 40 to do workshops.

These will be held quarterly, so the first one will be July 17th. Our online group, The 4 Horseman, will host this one. More to come!

Traditions Dinner: The date for this will be Saturday, Aug 17, 2024. Most of you should have received the flier for this through SETA Announce. I have two speakers flying in from Colorado, Jack W from Carbondale, CO and Judy L from Westminster, CO. They have spoken together, most recently in Australia. They are both super excited to come to Houston! If you and/or your group wants to help with the dinner, please let me know. Physical help is always appreciated and needed, but if your group would like to contribute monetarily, that would be awesome.

Through love and service,

Mike

GSR Section – Approx. 40 minutes

New GSR – introductions, tell us about your home group.

No new GSRs

Topics:

• Items we have in storage, should we keep them?

Theresa – Is there stuff in storage that we need to keep? A. Yes

Marilyn – We should donate the stuff to big clubs like Woods, Spring Branch, or Bellaire.

Juan – is the content worth more than \$360, which is the cost of renting a storage unite for one year? A. Yes

• Any issues in your home groups?

Peggy – group wants to start a Steering Committee. Does anyone have experience with this?

Mike B. – not common in our area but he will put her in contact with someone in Maryland who is familiar.

Hannah S. – her group is run by a steering committee. She will get Peggy some information.

• Who is a voting member at district meetings

Doug - all GSRs and elected officers. (in their absence their Alt can vote)

DISTRICT COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Archives Rep: Lilian K. absent

CFC Rep: Anne M absent

CPC Rep: Open

Grapevine Rep: Open

IT Rep: Peggy A No report

Houston Intergroup Liaison: Fernando B

The June Delegate's Meeting was held on June 20th, 2024.

Bookstore

- Hours: Monday - Friday 9am - 5pm

- 5% Discount on Case purchases for AAWS Literature when place in person or by phone.

- AAWS increased pamphlet prices effective May 1, 2024 therefore we have increased accordingly.

- In addition we have increased prices on various items (i. e Hazelden Books, Greeting Cards, Book Covers etc.), due to vendor increasing prices.

The Link Newsletter

June newsletter distributed the 1st week in June.

- June 20234Link Report (as of 6/17/24)

- Sent Emails : 10,853

- Opened : 3,789

Meeting Changes

- Can be made online or by emailing.

- As of June 2024

- Meetings : 1892

- Locations : 289

- Groups : 544

Phone Calls

- Calls have gone up in June (1093)

7th Tradition Contributions

- Please check with treasurer to see if the contributions that Intergroup has matches what it is reported in your respective group's financials. If you don't have a rep, please check with me and I will send you the information.

News

- Proposed amendment of bylaw was approved.

7.07 Audits of the financial statements A financial review of the Association, shall be conducted every three years, and the results of such audits the review shall be provided to the Delegates by e-mail or in person.

Events

- Intergroup Summer Open House - Meditation Workshop

Literature Rep: Carol F.-

The Area 67 Literature Committee will present a workshop 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 19, to be hosted by the Rose Rich Group, 925 TX-10 Spur between Hwy 36 and Hwy 90 in east Rosenberg. Topic for the workshop is "The Conference Connection," on how members and groups are connected to the larger AA service structure and the process for proposing an idea to be considered by the General Service Conference.

The workshop will include informative and entertaining activities and discussions and LUNCH! A flyer is forthcoming. All are welcome.

The Area 67 Literature Committee meets at 7:30 p.m. the third Tuesday of each month on Google meets. All are welcome. For information, contact District 40 Literature Rep Carol F., at carol.f@aa-seta.org or 214-601-0088.

Newsletter Editor:

PI Public Information): OPEN

TFC Rep: Open

Responsibility STATEMENT: All Together

ADJOURN: 9:00 pm

| SETA DISTRICT 40 --- EXPENSE BY MONTH & TOTAL FOR 2024 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|------------------|-----------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------|------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| | Budget | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec | Total YTD |
| DCM | \$ 925 | \$ 342.70 | | | | | | | | | | | | \$ 342.70 |
| Alt. DCM | \$ 900 | | | \$ 110.44 | | | | | | | | | | \$ 110.44 |
| Secretary / Copying | \$ 150 | | | | | | | | | | | | | \$ - |
| Treasurer | \$ 75 | | | | | \$ 13.60 | | | | | | | | \$ 13.60 |
| Newsletter | \$ 100 | | | | | | | | | | | | | \$ - |
| PO Box | \$ 175 | | | | | \$ 170.00 | | | | | | | | \$ 170.00 |
| Literature Committee | \$ 175 | | | | | | | | | | | | | \$ - |
| PI | \$ 50 | | | | | | | | | | | | | \$ - |
| Grapevine | \$ 50 | | | | | | | | | | | | | \$ - |
| CFC | \$ 50 | | | | | | | | | | | | | \$ - |
| TFC | \$ 75 | | | | | | | | | | | | | \$ - |
| Archives Committee | \$ 50 | | | | | | | | | | | | | \$ - |
| IT Committee | \$ 50 | | | | | | | | | | | | | \$ - |
| Storage Unit Rent | \$ 372 | \$ 66.00 | \$ 16.00 | \$ 30.00 | \$ 30.00 | \$ 30.00 | \$ 30.00 | \$ 79.90 | \$ 30.00 | \$ 30.00 | \$ 30.00 | \$ 30.00 | \$ 30.00 | \$ 431.90 |
| Monthly Meeting Rent | \$ 360 | \$ 30.00 | \$ 30.00 | \$ 30.00 | \$ 30.00 | \$ 30.00 | \$ 30.00 | \$ - | | | | | | \$ 180.00 |
| Intergroup 2023 Contribution | \$ - | | | | | | | | | | | | | \$ - |
| SETA 2023 Contribution | \$ - | | | | | | | | | | | | | \$ - |
| GSO 2023 Contribution | \$ - | | | | | | | | | | | | | \$ - |
| Miscellaneous | \$ - | | | | | | | | | | | | | \$ - |
| Fellowship Fest | \$ - | | | | | | | | | | | | | \$ - |
| Traditions Dinner | \$ 2,100 | | | | \$ 300.00 | | | \$ 882.50 | | | | | | \$ 1,182.50 |
| Service Workshop | \$ 400 | | | | | | | | | | | | | \$ - |
| SWRAASA (Even Years) | \$ 1,800 | | | | | | | | | | | | | \$ - |
| The Forum (Odd Years) | \$ - | | | | | | | | | | | | | \$ - |
| Delegate Report Meeting | \$ - | | | | | | | | | | | | | \$ - |
| State Convention Hospitality Suite | \$ - | | | | | | | | | | | | | \$ - |
| SETA 2025 Hospitality Suite - District 40 | \$ 300 | | | | | | | | | | | | | \$ - |
| TOTAL | \$ 8,157 | \$ 438.70 | \$ 46.00 | \$ 170.44 | \$ 360.00 | \$ 243.60 | \$ 60.00 | \$ 962.40 | \$ 30.00 | \$ 30.00 | \$ 30.00 | \$ 30.00 | \$ 30.00 | \$ 2,431.14 |

Group Contributions 2024

| SETA DISTRICT 40 -- GROUP CONTRIBUTIONS FOR 2024 | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|--------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------------|
| District 40 Groups | JAN | FEB | MAR | APR | MAY | JUN | JUL | AUG | SEP | OCT | NOV | DEC | YEAR |
| Another Chance Group | | | \$ 75.00 | | | \$ 75.00 | | | | | | | \$ 150.00 |
| Best Creek Fellowship | \$ 80.00 | | | | | | \$ 251.68 | | | | | | \$ 331.68 |
| Beginners Group | | | | | | | | | | | | | \$ - |
| Broad Highway Group | \$ 5.60 | | | \$ 4.50 | | | | | | | | | \$ 10.10 |
| Bunkerhill Tuesday A.A. Group | | | | | | | | | | | | | \$ - |
| Central Tuesday Night Step Study Group | | | | | | \$ 47.00 | \$ 39.00 | | | | | | \$ - |
| Chapelwood Tues 8pm | | | | | | | | | | | | | \$ - |
| Colors of Change Group | | | | | | | | | | | | | \$ - |
| Copperfield Willingness Group | | | | | | | | | | | | | \$ - |
| Daily Reflections Group | | | | | | | | | | | | | \$ - |
| Deep Dive Big Book Study | \$ 143.00 | | | | | | | | | | | | \$ 143.00 |
| Drifter's Group | | \$ 68.00 | | | | | | | | | | | \$ 68.00 |
| Everything is "Alright Already" | | | | | | | | | | | | | \$ - |
| First Light Group | | | \$ 80.75 | | \$ 157.00 | | | | | | | | \$ 237.75 |
| Four Horsemen Group | | | | | | | | | | | | | \$ - |
| Fourth Promise Group | | | | | | | | | | | | | \$ - |
| Friends of Bill W. (Post Oak) | \$ 50.00 | | | | \$ 200.00 | \$ 100.00 | | | | | | | \$ 350.00 |
| Friends of Bill W. (West Houston CC) | | | | | | | | | | | | | \$ - |
| Fry Road Group | | | | | \$ 120.00 | | | | | | | | \$ 120.00 |
| Fulshear Group | | | | \$ 78.00 | | | | | | | | | \$ 78.00 |
| God Meeting Group | | | | | | | | | | | | | \$ - |
| Good Morning Open Book Study Group | | | | | | | | | | | | | \$ - |
| Hay Una Solucion | | | | | | \$ 50.00 | | | | | | | \$ 50.00 |
| High Hopes | | | | | | | | | | | | | \$ - |
| Hockley Group | | | | | | | | | | | | | \$ - |
| Houston Young People | | | | | | | | | | | | | \$ - |
| Journey Group | | | | | | | | | | | | | \$ - |
| Just For Today | | | \$ 20.67 | | | \$ 11.58 | | | | | | | \$ 32.25 |
| Just The Black Print Group | | | | | | | | | | | | | \$ - |
| Katy 12 & 12 | \$ 59.28 | \$ 63.09 | \$ 83.11 | \$ 83.92 | \$ 82.83 | \$ 78.50 | \$ 78.50 | | | | | | \$ 529.23 |
| Katy 164 Group | \$ 50.00 | | | | | | \$ 34.00 | | | | | | \$ 84.00 |
| Katy Big Book | | | | | | | | | | | | | \$ - |
| Katy Crossroads Group | | | | \$ 40.00 | | | | | | | | | \$ 40.00 |
| Katy Keystone Group | | | | | | | | | | | | | \$ - |
| Katy Primary Purpose Group | | | | | | | | | | | | | \$ - |
| Kingsland Group | | | | | | | | | | | | | \$ - |
| Living Now Group | | | | | | | | | | | | | \$ - |
| Memorial Going Home Group | \$ 104.85 | | | \$ 88.00 | | | \$ 138.30 | | | | | | \$ 331.15 |
| Memorial West Group | | | | | | | | | | | | | \$ - |
| Monville Group | | | | | | | | | | | | | \$ - |
| Monday Night Men's Supper/Step Study | | | | | | | | | | | | | \$ - |
| New Beginnings Group | | | | | | | | | | | | | \$ - |
| New Oxford Group | | | | | | | | | | | | | \$ - |
| Outpost Group (Men's) | | | \$ 250.00 | | | | | | | | | | \$ 250.00 |
| Peek Road Group | | | | | | | | | | | | | \$ - |
| Primary Purpose Group - SGS | | | | | | | | | | | | | \$ - |
| Rooted in Love Group | | | | | | | | | | | | | \$ - |
| Rosewood Thursday Night Group | \$ 89.00 | | | \$ 73.00 | | | \$ 98.00 | | | | | | \$ 240.00 |
| Rule 62 Group | \$ 49.44 | | | \$ 46.45 | | | \$ 55.00 | | | | | | \$ 150.89 |
| Sage-Piney Point | | | | | | | | | | | | | \$ - |
| Sage-Piney Point Noon Tuesday | \$ 23.39 | | | | \$ 24.50 | | \$ 15.27 | | | | | | \$ 63.16 |
| Saturday Solutions Group | | | | | | | \$ 121.92 | | | | | | \$ 121.92 |
| Simply AA | | | | | | | | | | | | | \$ - |
| Sisters in Serenity | \$ 6.51 | | | \$ 16.00 | | | | | | | | | \$ 22.51 |
| Sisters in Sobriety Texas | | \$ 88.44 | \$ 92.87 | \$ 230.43 | \$ 76.80 | | \$ 225.65 | | | | | | \$ 714.19 |
| Sober in Brookshire | | | | | | | | | | | | | \$ - |
| So Far So Good Group | | | | | | | | | | | | | \$ - |
| Spring Shadows Group | | | | | | | | | | | | | \$ - |
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| Stepping Stones in Recovery Katy | | | | | | | | | | | | | \$ - |
| Steps in Sobriety | | | | | | | | | | | | | \$ - |
| Taking Care of Business | | | | | | | | | | | | | \$ - |
| There is a Solution Group | | | | | | | | | | | | | \$ - |
| 36 Principles Group | | | | | | | | | | | | | \$ - |
| Wednesday Reflections | | | | | | | \$ 20.00 | | | | | | \$ 20.00 |
| Westchase Nooners | \$ 60.00 | \$ 60.00 | | \$ 60.00 | | \$ 60.00 | | | | | | | \$ 240.00 |
| West Memorial | | | | | | | | | | | | | \$ - |
| Wild West Group | \$ 115.00 | | | \$ 119.00 | | | \$ 96.00 | | | | | | \$ 330.00 |
| Working With Others | | \$ 160.00 | | | | | | | | | | | \$ 160.00 |
| White Oak | | | | | | | | | | | | | \$ - |
| Unknown | \$ 17.00 | | | | | | | | | | | | \$ 17.00 |
| TOTAL: | \$ 833.07 | \$ 439.53 | \$ 602.40 | \$ 839.30 | \$ 661.13 | \$ 422.08 | \$ 1,173.32 | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | \$ 4,884.83 |

AREA 67 – COMMITTEE MEETINGS

| Committee | Meeting Date & Time | Location |
|---------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Archives | 2nd Monday of the Month 7pm | Google Meet Link: meet.google.com/uus-pbqk-xip Online Only |
| CPC - Cooperation with the Professional Community | 1st Monday of the Month 7:30p | Zoom ID: 632-634-860 Passcode: 153379 |
| CFC - Correctional Facilities | 3rd Wednesday of the Month 7:30p | Zoom ID: 4772549035 Passcode: heartbeat Houston Intergroup 5151 Mitcheldale St, HTX 77092 Conference Room |
| Grapevine | 3rd Thursday of the Month 7:30p | Zoom ID: 114 207 273 Passcode: 610793 |
| Intergroup (Delegate's Meeting) | 3rd Thursday Every Other Month 8p | Zoom Call (786)686-6300 for more info |
| IT - Internet Technologies | 4th Saturday of the Month 10am | Google Meet: ID: nqm-vypy-yao |
| Multi-Lingual | 1st Thursday of the Month 7:30p | District 66 4800 5645 Hillcroft Suite 410 HTX, 77036 |
| Literature | 3rd Tuesday of the Month 8:30p | Zoom ID: 257 198 925 Passcode: 443980 |
| PI - Public Information | 4th Tuesday of the Month 7:30p | Zoom ID: 330 417 285 Passcode: 153379 |
| TFC - Treatment Facility Committee | 15th Day of Every Month 7p <i>At times the 15th of the month can fall on a weekend or holiday. When that occurs, the TFC meeting will automatically be held on the following business day.</i> | Zoom ID: 552 569 731 Passcode: 169753 |