

"The home of recovery for San Antonio since 1949"

Club 12 News - March 2024

102 THAMES AVENUE, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS 78216



Phone: 210-344-8981 Website: www.club12.org Email: info@club12.org

Club 12 is Open All Day Every Day!

Days	Club Open	Snack Bar
Mon-Fri	6:30 am—11:30 pm	7:30 am—10:30 pm
Sat-Sun	7:30 am—11:30 pm	8:00 am—10:30 pm

The Month at a Glance

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Welcome, Newcomers!



If you think you have a problem with alcohol, you are welcome to visit any of our AA meetings, at Club 12 or via Zoom. See meeting schedule on page 2. **Meetings especially for newcomers** are Sundays at 2:30pm (anyone) and Tuesdays at 9:30am (women only).

A **Back to Basics Workshop** meets Thursdays at 6:45pm for Newcomers, Sober Buddies, and Sponsors with Sponsees. Do all 12 steps in 4 sessions. The next cycle starts **March 7th**. See page 3 for details!

AA Hotline

Anonymous help 24 hours a day!

English — 210-828-6235 Spanish — 210-409-8524



Business Meeting Information

The Group 12 Group Conscience (GC) Meeting is held the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 6:45 pm.

The <u>**Gub 12 Board Meeting**</u> is held the last Monday of each month at 5:30 pm.

See highlights of last month's meetings on pages 10-11 and listing of trusted servants on page 12. See membership info on pages 13-14.

Any Club 12 member may attend the Board meeting. If a member has a proposal or an issue to discuss with the Board, they must present it in writing, as a request, two weeks prior.

The Board and GC meetings are both Hybrid; you may attend either in person or via Zoom.

ZOOM: MEETING ID: 157 501 938 / PASS CODE: 1212 DIRECT LINK: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/157501938





AA's Seventh Tradition



"Every AA group ought to be fully self-supporting." See page 6 for details about how to give.

Questions? Call 210-344-8981

Group 12 Meeting Schedule

CLUB 12 IS OPEN ALL DAY EVERYDAY!

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C = Closed O = Open H = Hybrid S = Separate

"Closed meetings are for A.A. members only, or for those who have a drinking problem and have a desire to stop drinking."

"Open meetings are available to anyone interested in Alcoholics Anonymous' program of recovery from alcoholism. Non alcoholics may attend open meetings as observers."

(Reprinted from The AA Group pamphlet, page 13, with permission from AA World Service, Inc.)

Hybrid: a single meeting that may be attended either in person or via Zoom

Separate: two simultaneous meetings; one only in person, the 2nd only Zoom

Sunday					
8:00 am	Early Bird				
11:00 am	Speaker (AA/Al-Anon 3rd Sunday of Month)				
2:30 pm	Newcomers Meeting (anyone)				
5:30 pm	Happy Hour				
8:15 pm	Primary Purpose				
10:00 pm	AA Literature Discussion				
Monday					
7:00 am	Early Bird	C,S			
9:30 am	Women's Meeting, AA Literature-Based	C,S			
11:00 am	AA Literature Discussion	С			
12:15 pm	AA Literature Discussion	0			
2:30 pm	AA Literature Discussion	0			
5:30 pm	Happy Hour	O,S			
7:00 pm	Men's Meeting	О			
8:15 pm	AA Literature Discussion	0			
10:00 pm	AA Literature Discussion				
	Tuesday				
7:00 am	Early Bird	C,S			
9:30 am	Women's Meeting, AA Literature-Based (Zoom only)				
9:30 am	Newcomers Meeting (women only)				
11:00 am	AA Literature Discussion	С			
12:15 pm	AA Literature Discussion	О			
2:30 pm	AA Literature Discussion	О			
5:30 pm	Happy Hour	O,S			
7:00 pm	Spanish Speaking	0			
8:15 pm	AA Literature Discussion	0			
10:00 pm	AA Literature Discussion	О			

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	Wednesday	
7:00 am	Early Bird	C,S
9:30 am	Women's Meeting, AA Literature-Based	
11:00 am	AA Literature Discussion	
12:15 pm	AA Literature Discussion	0
2:00 pm	Women's Meeting - Daily Reflections	С
2:30 pm	AA Literature Discussion	
5:30 pm	Happy Hour	
7:00 pm	Women's Meeting, "Thrive Hive"	
8:15 pm	Big Book Study	
10:00 pm	AA Literature Discussion	О
	Thursday	
7:00 am	Early Bird	C,S
9:30 am	Women's Meeting, AA Literature-Based	C,S
11:00 am	AA Literature Discussion	С
12:15 pm	AA Literature Discussion	0
2:30 pm	AA Literature Discussion	О
5:30 pm	Happy Hour	O,S
6:45 pm	Back to Basics 12 Step Workshop	С
	See details on page 3.	,
7:00 pm	Language of the Heart / Big Book Study	O,H
8:15 pm	AA Literature Discussion	О
10:00 pm	AA Literature Discussion	О
	Friday	
7:00 am	Early Bird	C,S
9:30 am	Women's Meeting, AA Literature-Based	C,S
11:00 am	AA Literature Discussion	С
12:15 pm	AA Literature Discussion	0
2:30 pm	AA Literature Discussion	0
5:30 pm	Happy Hour	O,S
8:15 pm	AA Literature Discussion	О
10:00 pm	AA Literature Discussion	О
	Saturday	
8:00 am	Early Bird	C,S
9:30 am	ABC's: 12 Steps & 12 Traditions	C,H
2:30 pm	Women's Meeting, AA Literature-Based	О
5:30 pm	Happy Hour	O,S
8:15 pm	AA Literature Discussion	0
10:00 pm	AA Literature Discussion	0
	Monthly	
6:00 pm		О
	each month. Dinner is at 6, sharing starts at 7, then CAKE! See page 4.	



Thursday Nights 6:45 - 7:45

A New Group Begins
The FIRST THURSDAY of Every Month

Work ALL 12 STEPS in 4 WEEKS

Newcomers, Beginners, Sober Buddies, Sponsors with Sponsees

CLUB 12

102 THAMES, SAN ANTONIO



Cindy M - 1 year David A - 12 years

Ian N - 1 year Tami S - 21 years

Jennifer C - 1 year Fernando L - 24 years

Carie C - 31 years Melanie A - 1 year

Colby K - 3 years Dave G - 38 years

Don C - 3 years Suzanne M - 41 years

You don't have to be a Club 12 Member to come and celebrate!

If it's your sobriety anniversary month of 1 year or more, you are welcome to share from the podium on Birthday Night. Just arrive at Club 12 before 7 pm and check in with the hosts.

If you have a birthday to include in next month's Club 12 Newsletter, please send it to Melissa S at mstoeltje3916@gmail.com no later than March 24th. Later submissions may be included at the discretion of the Club Manager and Newsletter Editor, but are not guaranteed.





Online Giving

AT GROUP 12

We are self supporting through our attendee and member contributions.

That's you!

Thank you for donating to the basket when it is passed.

You may also make your 7th tradition contribution digitally.

Apple Pay – Club12SA@icloud.com PayPal – @club12SA CashApp send money to: \$Club12

Please note 7th tradition in the memo of your digital contribution.

For secure credit card donations please visit www.club12.org



WE ARE HERE FOR YOU
BECAUSE OF YOUR CONTRIBUTION.
THANK YOU!

What do we do? Come meet the San Antonio A.A. Archives Committee for Coffee and Deserts while we discuss what Archives is, does, and would like to do. Come join us for a presentation on Archives and how we can serve you!

Featuring:

Christy J., (Schertz Cibolo Group) Chairperson Cheryl S., (Universal City Group) Archivist Sondra G., (Turning Point Group) Oral Histories Tami S., (Rush Hour Group) Group Histories

MEET AND GREET WITH ARCHIVES

MARCH 10, 2024 FROM 4:00PM-6:00PM 102 THAMES DR. SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS

Sponsored by San Antonio A.A. Archives

STEP OF THE MONTH—MARCH

STEP 3:

Made a decision to turn our will and our lives over to the care of God as we understood Him.

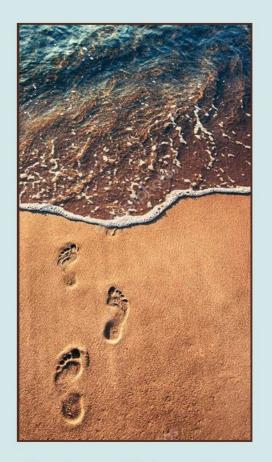
TRADITION 3:

The only requirement for AA membership is a desire to stop drinking.

PROMISE 3:

We will comprehend the word serenity.

MORE ABOUT STEP 3:



"Practicing Step Three is like the opening of a door which to all appearances is still closed and locked. All we need is a key, and the decision to swing the door open. There is only one key, and it is called willingness. Once unlocked by willingness, the door opens almost of itself, and looking through it, we shall see a pathway beside which is an inscription. It reads: "This is a way to a faith that works." In the first two Steps we were engaged in reflection. We saw that we were powerless over alcohol, but we also perceived that faith of some kind, if only in AA itself, is possible to anyone. These conclusions did not require action; they only required acceptance.

Like all the remaining Steps, Step Three calls for affirmative action, for it is only by action that we can cut away the self-will which has always blocked the entry of God – or, if you like, a Higher Power – into our lives."

From The Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions, page 34. Reprinted with permission of A.A. World Services, Inc.



102 THAMES AVENUE, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS 78216 210-342-3063 Club 12 is open Mon-Fri , 6:30 AM to 11:30 PM and Sat-Sun, 7:30 AM to 11:30 PM *** AFG = Al-Anon Family Group

Sunday	2:00 PM	Recovering AFG Adult Children of Alcoholics
Monday	11:00 AM	Serenity Now AFG
	6:30 PM	Men's Stag Meeting
	8:00 PM	Spanish Discussion
Tuesday	11:00 AM	How It Works, AFG
	5:30 PM	Beginner Meeting
	8:15 PM	Inspiration AFG
Wednesday	11:00 AM	Freedom, AFG (Reaching for Personal Freedom)
	5:30 PM	Circle of Hope AFG (Literature Study)
Thursday	11:00 AM	Freedom, AFG (Reaching for Personal Freedom)
Friday	11:00 AM	Discussion
	7:00 PM	Spanish Discussion
Saturday	10:00 AM	Beginner Meeting
	11:00 AM	Discussion
	11:00 AM	Alateen Meeting

- Forgive
- Be honest with yourself
- Be humble
- ♦ Take it easy—tension is harmful
- Play—find recreation & hobbies
- Keep on doing your best, even when you fail
- Learn the facts about alcoholism
- ♦ Attend Al-Anon meetings often
- Pray

- DO's LOON'Ts
 - Be self-righteous
 - Dominate, nag, scold, or complain
 - Lose your temper
 - Try to push anyone but yourself
 - · Keep bringing up the past
 - Keep checking up on the alcoholic
 - Wallow in self-pity
 - Make threats you don't intend to carry out
 - Be overprotective
 - Be a doormat

News from the Club

Highlights from the February 2024 Group Conscience Meeting

Reports

- Secretary Report Melissa: Minutes from January were passed out and approved.
- **Bilingual Report Jose:** Everything is going well; the Wednesday Spanish meeting is getting stronger. The group hopes to start another meeting soon.
- Office Manager Report Karisa:
 - ♦ The new world map was voted in. The map has arrived, and we will hang it up soon.
 - The restrooms by her office are shut down because of broken pipes, and she has been working on getting all of the pipes cleared, replacing the toilets, and putting hand dryers in all of the restrooms. In the meantime, she has padlocked the bathrooms to avoid further flooding.
 - The decorating committee is doing a fantastic job! The club looks warm and fabulous.
 - The Valentine's Day dance was a great success and brought in \$700. The meeting contribution basket in January brought in \$9,429!
 - We are looking into ordering medallions for the anniversary to be included in our merchandise and are awaiting a price and board approval.
- Board Report Chad: We will do a matching funds grant with the Wade Richmond Foundation in May. The grant will match funds raised up to \$100,000. The board is currently looking for fundraisers with connections to the community to go out and ask for donations. They are also looking into the parameters for raising the money and are seeking individual contributions.
- **Literature Report John M.:** Everything is going well; the literature rack is complete and has some spares.
- CSOR Ben F: Jim at CSO is working on improving the website to increase I literature sales
 and foot traffic. Any comments or suggestions for improving our CSO site are appreciated. Foot
 traffic at the physical location has been slow; business mainly comes from the website. Overall,
 things are in good shape!
- Newsletter Melissa S: Melissa was absent; Karisa filled it in. Everything is going great!
 Melissa is looking for new ideas for features to include in our newsletter. She requested that any additions to the newsletter be given at least a month in advance.

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Reports (continued)

- Zoom Coordinator David A: Everything is groovy in Zoom land.
- Grapevine Melissa F.: A new Grapevine flyer was included in our monthly newsletter informing members of the new app. She will add a new Grapevine flyer to this months newsletter.
- Treatment Facilities Dave G: Everything is going well. The committee had made good progress and got into Villa Serena, which the VA runs. Group 12 is also servicing New Choices and Laurel Ridge. He is looking for women willing to carry the message.

Old Business

- World Map for Visitors: The board approved the world map for visitors, and we will hang it up.
- Wednesday Women's Meeting: Karissa reported that the women's group started their speaker meeting, which went well. There was a good turnout, and they will keep it going.
- Complaint Form- Forms have been printed out and are available.

New Business

- Addition of Promises to Format- Amy suggested adding the Promises to the meeting format, and a discussion followed. The group voted on adding the 9th Step promises to the meeting format after the question about those available to sponsor. We voted, and the motion passed. Chad will type that up and get the new format into the room.
- Responsibility Statement- It was suggested that we add the AA responsibility statement to the format. Discussion followed. We decided on a compromise: to hang a copy of the statement on a wall in the Unity room. We voted, and the motion passed.



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Club 12 / Group 12 Responsibility Roster

As of February 2024

Karisa E Club 12 Manager (paid position)

Club 12 Board Members

Bill T President

Lenny T Vice President

John H Treasurer
Amy R Secretary

Chad J Group Conscience Liaison

Jimmy B Membership and Fundraising

Group 12 Trusted Servants

Shane GSR (AA General Service Representative)

Rolando Group Conscience Chair

Ben F CSOR (AA Central Service Office Representative)

Melissa Secretary

Shane Meeting Coordinator

John M Literature

Connie C Sunday Morning Speakers

Bailey Birthday Night

Jose D Spanish Group

David A Zoom Coordinator

David S Webmaster

Melissa S / Kathy B Newsletter

San Antonio Inter-Service Committee Reps

Louie Archives

Veronica Correctional Facilities

Melissa F Grapevine / LaVina

Whitney Public Info/Cooperation with Professional Community (PI/CPC)

Dave G Treatment Facilities

To contact any of these trusted servants join us at the Group Conscience, leave a note in the office manager's mail slot or send an email to: Club12Service@gmail.com

"I AM RESPONSIBLE.

When anyone, anywhere, reaches out for help, I want the hand of AA always to be there.

And for that: I AM RESPONSIBLE."

GROUP 12 / CLUB 12

WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE?

BECAUSE <u>GROUP 12</u> WAS CO-FOUNDED AT THE SAME TIME AS <u>CLUB 12</u>, (<u>IN 1949</u>!) IT'S EASY TO THINK THEY'RE THE SAME THING. BUT THEY ARE SEPARATE ENTITIES.

GROUP 12

GROUP 12 IS AN AA GROUP OF MEN AND WOMEN GATHERED TOGETHER FOR SOBRIETY WHO HOLD THEIR MEETINGS AT CLUB 12.

THERE ARE CURRENTLY OVER 75 GROUP 12 MEETINGS A WEEK HELD AT CLUB 12.

MEMBERSHIP IN GROUP 12 IS FREE TO ANY ALCOHOLIC WHO WANTS TO JOIN. YOU ARE A MEMBER IF YOU SAY YOU ARE. GROUP 12 MEMBERS MAY USE THE CLUB WHILE ATTENDING MEETINGS.

CLUB 12

CLUB 12 IS THE FACILITY IN WHICH GROUP 12 MEETS, AND THOSE PEOPLE WHO OPERATE THE FACILITY (BOTH PAID STAFF AND THE VOLUNTEER BOARD OF DIRECTORS).

MEMBERSHIP IN <u>CLUB 12</u> REQUIRES A FORMAL JOINING AND MONTHLY DUES. MEMBERSHIP INCLUDES USE OF <u>THE FACILITY</u> ANYTIME DURING BUSINESS HOURS AND A DISCOUNT AT THE SNACK BAR.

DUES PAID TO CLUB 12 HELP TO KEEP THE FACILITY OPERATIONAL. MOST MEMBERS OF GROUP 12, AS WELL AS MANY MEMBERS OF OTHER LOCAL GROUPS, HAVE JOINED THE CLUB AND PAY THE CURRENT \$20 MONTHLY DUES OUT OF A SENSE OF GRATITUDE AND A DESIRE TO KEEP THE FACILITY OPEN FOR SUFFERING ALCOHOLICS AND AL-ANONS AND ALATEENS YET TO COME IN THE DOORS. IT HAS BEEN SAID, "THE LOVE MAY FLOWFREELY, BUT THE PLUMBING AND ELECTRICITY COST MONEY."

TO BECOME A MEMBER OF <u>CLUB 12</u>, OBTAIN A MEMBERSHIP FORM AT THE OFFICE OR SNACK BAR, COMPLETE IT AND SUBMIT IT AT THE OFFICE ALONG WITH ONE MONTH'S DUES. BE SURE TO PAY YOUR DUES ON TIME TO REMAIN CURRENT. SEE THE OFFICE MANAGER IF YOU WISH TO MAKE AUTOMATIC MONTHLY PAYMENTS.

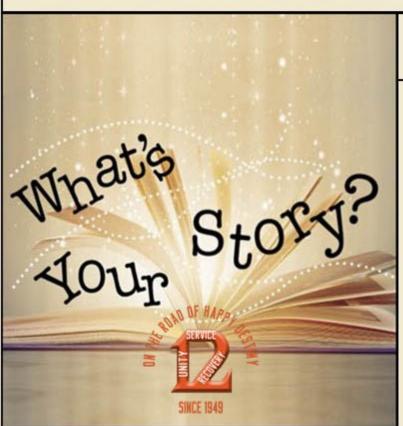
ELV ENEMBERSHIP MATTERS

- You are helping Club 12 stay open for the next suffering Alcoholic and Al-Anon.
- By becoming a Club 12 member, your spouse also receives Club 12 privileges (only one gets to vote in elections)
- Save money at the Club 12 snack bar 10% discount with some of the most delicious freshly-made food in town!
- Get a cool coffee mug! And more!
- Already a member? Gift a Club 12 membership to someone else, and maybe someday they will also pay it forward.

BECOME A CLUB 12 MEMBER NOW!

Ask a membership committee member, the Club Manager, or at the snack bar for details.

210-344-8981 ~ WWW.CLUB12.ORG ~ info@club12.org



How has Group 12 / Club 12 helped you?

The Club 12 Newsletter is published monthly and we would love to share your experience, strength and hope in written form.

In 200-300 words, please share with us what it used to be like, what happened and what it's like now! Provide a copy or email it to newsletter editor Melissa at mstoeltje3916@gmail.com

Remember that anonymity is the spiritual foundation of all of our traditions, ever reminding us to place principles before personalities.

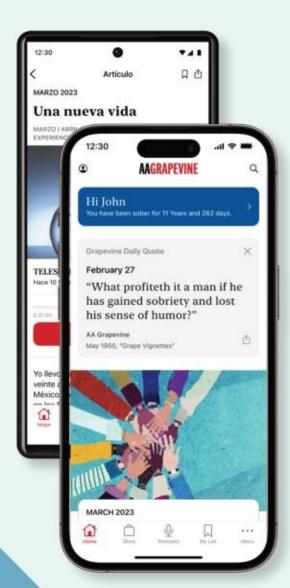
Visit Grapevine's New YouTube Channel!



Watch our new 5-minute history of AA Grapevine, Inc. film, created for the 2020 International Convention, "AA's Twelve Step Tools: Grapevine & La Vina"! Use it at your events.

- Listen to members share original stories about relapsing, spirituality and more!
- Learn about exciting new Grapevine projects through animated explainer videos
- Listen to original stories by Spanish-speaking AA members
- Learn about setting up virtual meetings and more!

www.youtube.com/aagrapevine



THE NEW GRAPEVINE & LA VIÑA

- · Read or listen to every issue
- Search our vast GV/LV Archives
- Keep track of your sobriety and spiritual practices
- Listen to our podcast
- Share AA stories and area events with friends
- Find meetings and connect to aa.org









EASY
TO USE!
Take GV &
LV wherever
you go!

For more information visit: www.aagrapevine.org/apps



SERVICE OPPORTUNITY

The Correctional Facilities Committee needs **sponsor by mail volunteers**. Men helping men, women helping women.

You must have at least 1 year of sobriety and have worked the steps.

Spanish volunteers are especially needed.

Please contact Kiki B at 210-701-6699 or Sherry D at 210-392-4549 Thanks!

Group 12 / San Antonio Inter-Service

PI/CPC SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

San Antonio Public
Information and
Cooperation with
the Professional
Community
Committee
(PI/CPC)

WHAT IS AA?

- HELP INFORM THE PROFESSIONAL COMMUNITY
- INTRODUCE AA AT TREATMENT FACILITIES

We carry the A.A.
message by conveying information to the
media, the general
public, and the
professional
community.

DO YOU KNOW:

- A BUSINESS THAT COULD USE AA INFORMATION?
- A SCHOOL THAT NEEDS AA LITURATURE?
- A MEDICAL FACILITY WHERE KNOWLEDGE OF AA COULD HELP?

LEARN MORE AT: https://mailchi.mp/e08c59e5a312/saispicpc or contact Group 12 PI/CPC representative Colby K. at cgkcolby@gmail.com.

Club 12 Service Opportunity



Get Involved

Join the Team.
Visit Treatment Facilities.
Share your experience, strength and hope.

Carry the Message

Help the next Alcoholic.

Commit as much time as you desire.

Carry weekly meetings.

Laurel Ridge & New Choices.

TEXT Dave G >> (210) 535-8589



BETWEEN TREATMENT AND A.A. THROUGH CONTACT PROGRAMS.

Bridging the Gap helps people leaving a treatment facility become acquainted with A.A. and attend A.A. meetings, after they are released.

Group 12 San Antonio is looking for AA members to carry the message and serve as temporary contacts to help **Bridge The Gap** after clients are released.

The commitment is as little one night a week for a month (which can be extended). There are many opportunities to facilitate AA meetings and education here in San Antonio and share your experience, strength and hope.

Contact Jimmy B at 503-381-6170 to become an important part of this 12th Step work.

AA Info for the San Antonio Area

Central Service Office (CSO) ~ aasanantonio.org

- Nightcap and What's Happening—CSO News and Group Events Region-Wide
- AA Meetings Listing—Searchable Listings of Local In-Person and Online Meetings
- General Info About AA and our Program of Recovery
 - ➤ Shop our new Online Store at https://aasanantonio.org/online-store/ https://aasanantonio.org/online-store/https://aasanantonio.org/https://aasanantonio.org/<

San Antonio Inter-Service ~ <u>sainterservice.org</u> Find your place of 12th Step work on one of our committees!

- Archives
- Correctional Facilities
- Grapevine / LaVina
- Treatment Facilities
- PI/CPC (Public Information / Cooperation with the Professional Community)

We meet monthly or every other month. See Website for times, locations, contacts!

1 in 4 children are affected by someone else's drinking.



YOU ARE NOT ALONE.

ALATEEN CAN HELP.

Saturdays @11:00 am at Club 12

102 Thames, San Antonio, TX 78216

Call Jennifer K with questions at 210-386-2373.