

# The Stand

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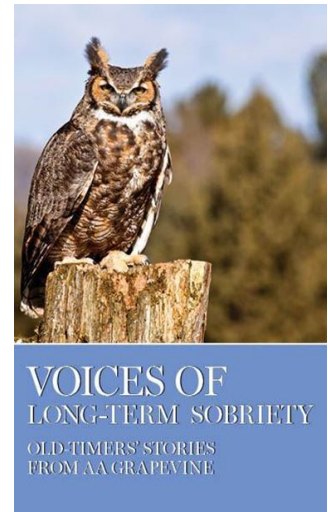
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## GRAPEVINE Daily Quote

**July 7, 2018**

"I asked, 'Is this AA?' One man said, 'Yes, but we ain't got no women.' I said, 'You do now,' and sat down on the couch in the front of the room."



### **Step Eight**

*"Made a list of all persons we had harmed, and became willing to make amends to them all."*

Steps Eight and Nine are concerned with personal relations. First we take a look backward and try to discover where we have been at fault; next we make a vigorous attempt to repair the damage we have done; and third, having thus cleared away the debris of the past, we consider how, with our newfound knowledge of ourselves, we may develop the best possible relations with every human being we know.

**Regional Forum 2019  
June 7-9  
Houston, Texas**

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## 720 Club

Hello District 12. I am writing an article on the history of the 720 Club. The 720 Club was started in the early 70's in an old house next to the current building that houses the 720 Club. Meetings started in 1972. The old house was used until the current building came into use for meetings today.

The building was once a grocery store in the early 40's and 50's. It was called Chico's. It was owned by a Mexican family until it closed. After that it was a lot of things and in the end was a storage building.

It took some time for the building to get repaired so that meetings could be held. Some of the members of 720 Club helped with the repairs. I was told by one member that two to three thousand feet of wire was run to get power to the building. After the repairs were done the first meeting was held in the summer of 1991.

A lot of other things were done in the building to the outside as well.

This is some of the history of the 720 Club. I hope that this article will help you of District 12 better understand some of the history of AA in Kerrville.

There will be more articles on some history of District 12.

Your Archives Chair,  
Marty M.

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General Service Conference is calling for stories from **Spanish speaking women** to write their personal stories for a new pamphlet.

General Service Conference is also calling for stories on **A.A.'s Three Legacies** with an emphasis on the history.

Submissions can be emailed to [Literature@aa.org](mailto:Literature@aa.org)

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## **Self support**

### **Contributions**

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## **Speaker Meetings**

### **Ingram Solutions**

Quarterly speaker meetings:

First Wednesday of:

March

June

September

December

Hamburgers 6:00-speaker 7:00

**2211**

Speaker meeting the second

Saturday of the month at 6:00pm

**Boerne Hwy Group**

Last Fri of month 8:00 pm

**Want to see your first name  
and last initial in print?**

**Send stuff to**

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## **SWTA 68 Summer Workshop Victoria Texas**

Friday July 20-Sunday July 23, GSRs, DCMs, committee chairs, area officers, and a few shell-shocked first-timers gathered in Victoria for the Panel 68, Area 68 Summer Workshop. Workshops are held every summer and winter, and are a great way for GSR's to figure out what the heck they're supposed to be doing, to share ideas to take back to their group, learn what's going on around the state, solve thorny issues, bring up new thorny issues, see new GSO materials, and just have some fun. Workshops this summer included Grapevine and LaVinia, Treatment and Corrections institutions, working with the Public and professionals. Though these workshops focus somewhat on AA's 'business', any AA member is welcome to attend and would get something great out of it. A rousing and somewhat naughty game of AA Ad Libs was played by many on Saturday night. It was decided that what happens in AA AdLibs Victoria, stays in Victoria!

Our District was well represented, with at least 12 of our people in attendance.

This is part of what your seventh tradition helps make possible. You've paid for it, come take advantage of it! All upcoming area events are listed on [www.SWTA68.org](http://www.SWTA68.org).

Thank you for the opportunity to serve as your DCM.

Tracy M

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## Concept Eight

*The Trustees of the General Service Board act in two primary capacities: (a) With respect to the larger matters of over-all policy and finance, they are the principal planners and administrators. They and their primary committees directly manage these affairs.*

*(b) But with respect to our separately incorporated and constantly active services, the relation of the Trustees is mainly that of full stock ownership and of custodial oversight which they exercise through their ability to elect all directors of these entities.*

This Concept deals with the ways the General Service Board “discharges its heavy obligations,” and its relationship with its two subsidiary corporations: A.A. World Services, Inc. and the A.A. Grapevine, Inc.

## Tradition Eight

*Alcoholics Anonymous should remain forever nonprofessional, but our service centers may employ special workers.*

Spiritual as it is, A.A. remains very much of this world. The Eighth Tradition, like the Seventh, focuses on a vulgar five-letter word that isn't actually mentioned in either: money. Many of us have had to explain to some cynical prospect, “No I'm not a social worker. I don't get paid for talking with you. I'm doing it because it's the best way to stay sober myself.” This does not mean, of course, that the idea of turning professional has never entered any A.A.'s mind. In lean years, Bill W. did think of becoming a lay therapist to earn money through his experience in helping alcoholics. But, with a strong nudge from the group conscience, he soon realized that he could never hang out a shingle reading “Bill W., A.A. Therapist, \$10 an Hour”! It became clear to the early members that no A.A. should ever ask or accept payment for “carrying the message to somebody else, person to person and face to face.”

**H&I Signup is the  
Third Sunday of each  
Month at the 720Club at  
3:00**

**You can carry the message  
to the Treatment Centers!**