Big Book Quote of the Month:

"Abandon yourself to God as you understand God.

Admit your faults to Him and to your fellows. Clear away the wreckage of your past. Give freely of what you find and join. We shall be with your in the Fellowship of the Spirit, and you will surely meet some of us as you trudge the Road of Happy Destiny. May God bless you and keep you – until then."

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WE NEED YOU!

We <u>NEED</u> volunteers to answer phones <u>FROM HOME!</u>
Stop by & learn how you can perform your service work from the comfort of your own home while helping others!

**Must have <u>one-year sobriety</u> to volunteer for this position. **

FORT WORTH



CENTRAL OFFICE



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COFFEE BREAK December 2018

SPECIAL EVENTS

29th. Anniversary Celebration
Arlington Primary Purpose Group
1802 W. Division St.
Arlington, TX 76012
Saturday, January 19, 2018
"I AM RESPONSIBLE" Recovery through
Service.
FOOD & FELLOWSHIP

Technology, AA & The Internet
December 9 @ 1:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Hosted by Keith D.
Language of the Heart Group
4121 Colleyville Blvd., Suite 7
Colleyville, TX

AA Central Office CHILI COOK OFF and Open House STURDAY, February 16, 2019 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. SPEAKERS AND AWARDS!

*IF YOU ARE HAVING A SPECIAL EVENT PLEASE CALL OUR OFFICE AND LET US KNOW!

GROUP CONTRIBUTION SUMMARY:

January \$9,237.13
February \$4,251.97
March \$1,092.71
April \$6,322.15
May \$2,009.34
June \$4,244.12
July \$6,407.33
August \$1,250.85
September \$1,852.81
October \$6,178.97
November \$11,337.20

We are always extremely grateful for each groups contribution made to our FTW we "Literally" could not survive without the **YOU!**

In March, August and September, we got into a little fear. These fears are the termites that ceaselessly devour the foundations of whatever sort of life we try to build."

Committee Meetings

Central Office Meetings

Tuesday, December 11, 2018
Steering Committee Meeting – 6pm
Central Office Rep – 7pm
Location: Harbor Club in the living room
(3000 W. 5th. St., Ft. Worth 76107)

Combined District Six

Sat – Dec 8 -- Meadowbrook Group 11:00 am

Committee Meetings

Special Needs – Dec 1 – Sat- Harbor Group 10am

Corrections – Dec 2 – Sun – Primary Purpose – 2pm

Treatment – Dec 2 – Sun - Meadowbrook – 2pm

CPC/PI – Dec 9 – Sat – Bedford Barr Group 10am

District 61 Meeting

Sat - Jan 12 -9:30 am - TBA Group

District 62 Meeting
TBA

District 64 Meeting

Sat – Dec 8 – 9am – Meadowbrook Group

District 74 Meeting
TBA

Concept XII

"General Warranties of the Conference: in all its proceedings, the General Service Conference shall observe the spirit of the A.A. Tradition, taking great care that the conference never becomes the seat of perilous wealth or power; that sufficient operating funds, plus an ample reserve, be its prudent financial principle; that none of the Conference Members shall ever be placed in a position of unqualified authority over any of the others; that all important decisions be reached by discussion vote and whenever possible, by substantial unanimity; that no Conference action ever be personally punitive or an incitement to public controversy; that though the Conference may act for the service of Alcoholics Anonymous, it shall never perform any acts of government; and that, like the Society of Alcoholics Anonymous which it serves, the Conference itself will always remain democratic in thought and action."

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Step XII

"Having had a spiritual awakening as the result of these steps, we tried to carry this message to alcoholics, and to practice these principles in all our affairs."

"ONE may say that anonymity is the spiritual base, the sure key to all the rest of our Traditions. It has come to stand for prudence and, most importantly, for self-effacement. True consideration for the newcomer if he desires to be nameless; vital protection against misuse of the name Alcoholics Anonymous at the public level; and to each of us a constant reminder that principles come before personal interest--such is the wide scope of this all-embracing principle. In it we see the cornerstone of our security as a movement; at a deeper spiritual level it points us to still greater self-renunciation. A GLANCE at the 12 Traditions will instantly assure anyone that "giving up" is the essential idea of them all. In each Tradition, the individual or the group is asked to give up something for our general welfare. Tradition One asks us to place the common good ahead of personal desire. Tradition Two asks us to listen to God as He may speak in the Group Conscience. Tradition Three requires that we exclude no alcoholic from A.A. membership. Tradition Four implies that we abandon all idea of centralized human authority or government. But each group is enjoined to consult widely in matters affecting us all. Tradition Five restricts the A.A. group to a single purpose, i.e. carrying our message to other alcoholics. Tradition Six points at the corroding influence of money, property and personal authority; it begs that we keep these influences at a minimum by separate incorporation and management of our special services. It also warns against the natural temptation to make alliances or give endorsements. Tradition Seven states that we had best pay our own bills; that large contributions or those carrying obligations ought not be received; that public solicitation using the name Alcoholics Anonymous is positively dangerous. Tradition Eight forswears professionalizing our Twelfth Step work but it does guarantee our few paid service workers an unquestioned amateur status. Tradition Nine asks that we give up all idea of expensive organization; enough is needed to permit effective work by our special services--and no more. This Tradition breathes democracy; our leadership is one of service and it is rotating; our few titles never clothe their holders with arbitrary personal authority; they hold authorizations to serve, never to govern. Tradition Ten is an emphatic restraint of serious controversy; it implores each of us to take care against committing A.A. to the fires of reform, political or religious dissension. Tradition Eleven asks, in our public relations, that we be alert against sensationalism and it declares there is never a need to praise press, radio and ourselves. Personal anonymity at the level of film is urgently required, thus avoiding the pitfall of vanity, and the temptation through broken anonymity to link A.A. to other causes. Tradition Twelve, in its mood of humble anonymity, plainly enough comprehends the preceding eleven. The "Twelve Points of Tradition" are little else than a specific application of the spirit of the "Twelve Steps of Recovery" to our group life and to our relations with society in general. The Recovery Steps would make each individual A.A. whole and one with God; the Twelve Points of Tradition would make us one with each other and whole with the world about us. Unity is our aim. Our A.A. Traditions are, we trust, securely anchored in those wise precepts: charity, gratitude and humility. Nor have we forgotten prudence. May these virtues ever stand clear before us in our meditations; may Alcoholics Anonymous serve God in happy unison for so long as He may need us." Bill W Used with permission of the AAWS, Inc.

Tradition XII

On the 12th Tradition 1948 **Vol. 5 No. 6 "Anonymity is the spiritual foundation of all our traditions, ever remind us to place principles before personalities."

"We of Alcoholics Anonymous believe that the principle of Anonymity has an immense spiritual significance. It reminds us that we are to place principles before personalities; that we are actually to practice a genuine humility. This to the end that our great blessings may never spoil us; that we shall forever live in thankful contemplation of Him Who presides over us all." "ONE may say that anonymity is the spiritual base, the sure key to all the rest of our Traditions. It has come to stand for prudence and, most importantly, for self-effacement. True consideration for the newcomer if he desires to be nameless; vital protection against misuse of the name Alcoholics Anonymous at the public level; and to each of us a constant reminder that principles come before personal interest--such is the wide scope of this all-embracing principle. In it we see the cornerstone of our security as a movement; at a deeper spiritual level it points us to still greater self-renunciation.

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<u>Speakers</u>

Carey P., Fort Worth, TX

(12:00 pm - 1:00 pm)

Gary K., Sweetwater, TX

(2:15 pm - 3:15 pm)

Awards - 3:30 pm

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