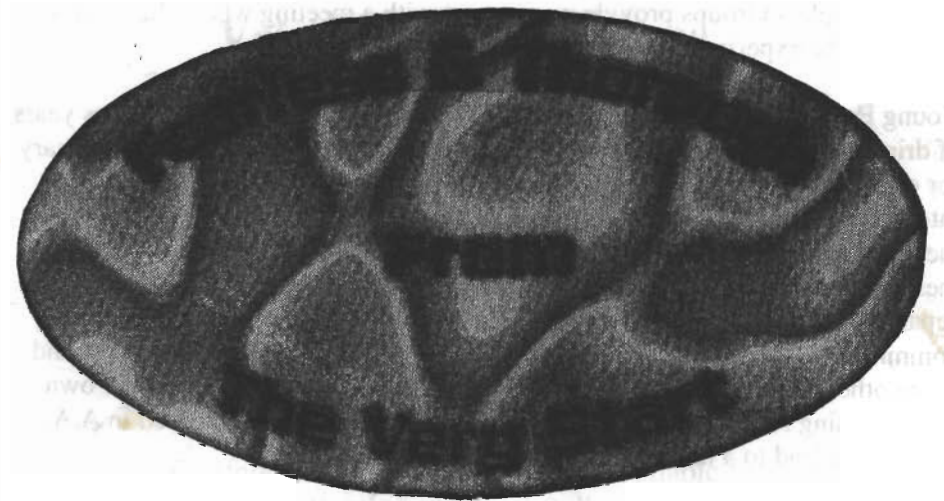


**Twelfth Annual
Houston Conference
of Young People in
Alcoholics Anonymous**



**April 30 – May 2, 1999
Hilton Southwest
Houston, Texas**

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STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

Alcoholism recognizes no barriers, age included. The first Young People's Groups in Alcoholics Anonymous appeared in 1945 in Los Angeles, California and Philadelphia. Bill W., at the 1960 A. A. Convention, noted that the age of new members was much lower than when he and Dr. Bob founded A.A. 25 years earlier. The trend has continued. The 1989 survey reported 22% of the respondents under 31 years of age and 3% under 21 years of age. The number of people suffering from alcoholism who turn to A.A. for help is growing and the purpose of Young People's Groups, just as it has been for many years, is to carry A.A.'s message of recovery to alcoholics no matter what their age. Young People's Groups provide newcomers with a meeting where they can see and share the experience of sobriety with other young people.

Young People's Groups try to make the newcomer understand that 20-plus years of drinking, coupled with loss of family, friends, and finances, are not necessary for one to be ready for sobriety. Young People's Groups bring the newcomer into the mainstream of A.A. Recovery, Unity, and Service through the 12 Steps, the 12 Traditions, and the 12 Concepts of World Service, carrying A.A.'s message to the suffering alcoholic. Young People's Groups are in no way separate from Alcoholics Anonymous as a whole. Members are involved and committed to Twelfth Step work, Hospital and Institution, General Service and every other facet of A.A. service. Newcomers are shown by people their own age that using A.A. principles in their daily lives and getting involved in A.A. service can lead to a lasting and comfortable sobriety.

The Houston Conference of Young People in Alcoholics Anonymous meets annually. This conference provides an opportunity for young A.A.s from all over the area to come together and share their experience, strength, and hope as Young People in Alcoholics Anonymous. HCYPAA is overwhelmingly visible evidence that large numbers of young people are achieving a lasting and comfortable sobriety in Alcoholics Anonymous. A.A.s who attend HCYPAA return home better prepared to receive young people who come to A.A. looking for a better way of life.

Welcome to the TWELFTH ANNUAL HOUSTON CONFERENCE OF YOUNG PEOPLE IN ALCHOLICS ANONYMOUS

“Fearless and Thorough From the Very Start”

**Voice of the Conference
Krystal K.
Webster, Texas**

Registration in the Cozumel Room
Friday: 5 pm – 1 am
Saturday: 9 am – 1 am

24-Hour Marathon Meetings in the Monterrey Room

Conference speaker tapes will be available in
the Southwest Grand Ballroom

General Service Conference
approved literature & memorabilia
are available in the Cozumel Room.

Conference Hospitality is located in the Rio Grande Room.
The Hospitality Room will be closed during all speaker meetings.

CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

Friday, April 30, 1999

- 5:00 pm Registration opens, Cozumel Room
6:30 pm Red Ball Meeting, Southwest Grand Ballroom
Chair: Will C., Clear Lake, TX
8:00 pm Speaker Meeting, Southwest Grand Ballroom
Chair: Charity D., Kingwood, TX
Speaker: Ilene W., Los Angeles, CA
10:00 pm Comedy Show*, Regency Ballroom
Comedians: Jim Holder
~~Mike Kirsch~~
John Wessling
Lana Turner
12:00 am Dance*, Regency Ballroom
IN THE MIX PRODUCTIONS

Saturday, May 1, 1999

- 9:00 am Registration opens, Cozumel Room
9:00 am Men's and Women's Meetings
Men's Meeting, Regency Ballroom
Chair: Dave K., Houston, TX
Women's Meeting, Southwest Grand Ballroom
Chair: Kelley R., Houston, TX
11:00 am Speaker Meeting, Southwest Grand Ballroom
Chair: Kristen F., Houston, TX
Speaker: Leslie B., Houston, TX
1:00 pm Speaker Meeting, Southwest Grand Ballroom
Chair: Danny G., Clear Lake, TX
Speaker: Evan S., Clear Lake, TX

- 3:00 pm Panel Discussion, Southwest Grand Ballroom
Chair: Ron J., Houston, TX
Topic: Knowing his Illness
Panelist: Kelly C., Spring, TX
Topic: Finding A.A.
Panelist: Michael J., Houston, TX
Topic: A.A. Integrity
Panelist: Chris P., Dallas, TX
Topic: Working With Others
Panelist: Kristen K., Houston, TX
6:30 pm Banquet, Southwest Grand Ballroom
7:15 pm Chairperson's Address, Southwest Grand Ballroom
Tony B., Porter, TX
7:30 pm Sobriety Countdown, Southwest Grand Ballroom
Bijan O., Houston, TX
8:00 pm Speaker Meeting, Southwest Grand Ballroom
Chair: Denise P., Houston, TX
Speaker: Bill D., San Antonio, TX
10:00 pm Dance*, Regency Ballroom
IN THE MIX PRODUCTIONS
2:00 am Scavenger Hunt
Assemble in the Regency Ballroom

Sunday, May 2, 1999

- 11:00 am Speaker Meeting, Southwest Grand Ballroom
Chair: Nat R., Houston, TX
Speaker: Bobby C., Philadelphia, PA
12:00 pm Check-out
1:00 pm Farewell & HCYPAA 2000 Kick-off Meeting
Southwest Grand Ballroom

*Dances and Comedy Show: \$5.00 Donation for those not registered for the conference

BADGES MUST BE WORN TO ALL FUNCTIONS

24-HOUR MARATHON MEETINGS SCHEDULE

There will be no marathon meetings during speaker meetings.
Marathon Meetings will be held in the Monterrey Room

<u>TIME</u>	<u>TOPIC</u>	<u>CHAIRPERSON</u>
Friday, April 30, 1999		
10:00 pm	2 nd Step	Kelley R.
11:00 pm	Willingness	Jeannette M.
Saturday, May 1, 1999		
12:00 am	H.A.L.T.	Kristen K.
1:00 am	Honesty	Joby E.
2:00 am	Live and Let Live	Nick M.
3:00 am	Happy, Joyous, and Free	Katherine H.
4:00 am	Commitment	David D.
5:00 am	Developing a Conscience	Nick J.
6:00 am	Relationships in Sobriety	Jamie B.
7:00 am	Spirituality	Danny G.
8:00 am	6 th Step	Stan V.
9:00 am	God as we Understand Him	David B.
10:00 am	Acceptance	Melanie S.
12:00 pm	Gratitude	Jessica B.
2:00 pm	Results of our Actions	Steve M.
3:00 pm	Enjoying Life in Sobriety	Marty K.
4:00 pm	3 rd Step	John H.
5:00 pm	The Twelve Promises	Ron J.
6:00 pm	12 th Step	Matt B.
9:00 pm	9 th Step	Scott D.
10:00 pm	4 th Step	Chris B.
11:00 pm	The Next Right Thing	Robert M.
Sunday, May 2, 1999		
12:00 am	Fear	Mark H.
1:00 am	1 st Step	Bryan S.
2:00 am	When Nothing Else Works	Kelly C.
3:00 am	The Four Horsemen	Nat R.
4:00 am	Intuitive Thought	Brandon G.
5:00 am	Sex in Sobriety	Shawn E. /John S.
6:00 am	Made a Decision	Mike D.
7:00 am	Integrity	John S.
8:00 am	Fellowship	Rick D.
9:00 am	Traditions	Alisa V.
10:00 am	Staying in Today	Fae S.

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

Chairperson	Tony B.
Co-Chairperson	Will C.
Treasurer	Stan V.
Co-Treasurer	Jessica B.
Secretary	Shay E.
Co-Secretary	Amber J.
Registration	David B.
Decorations	Kelley R.
Entertainment	Mark H.
Hospitality	Charity D./Kristen F.
Hospital Outreach	Nick M.
Host	Mark I.
Hostess	Amber J.
HUGS/Greetings	Kelley R.
Literature	Scott D./Marty K.
Marathon Meetings	Brandon G.
Memorabilia	Jason H.
Panel Discussion	Ron J.
Public Information	Danny G.
Raffle	Danny G.
Scavenger Hunt	Brandon G.
Security	Jason G.

The conference committee would like to thank the hotel and all who participated in carrying the message of recovery to the alcoholic who still suffers.

Friends I met at HCYPAA '99

There are no strangers in Alcoholics Anonymous...
...Just friends I haven't met