



THE BENDER

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*"When anyone, anywhere, reaches out for help, I want the hand of AA always to be there. And for that I am responsible."**



The Library at All Saints Episcopal Church (3026 S. Staples in Corpus Christi).

- The Early Morning Fellowship of Men and Women has Big Book Study Meetings in this room at 6:30 AM on Mondays and Fridays. They have an Open Discussion Meeting at 6:30 AM on Wednesdays.
- The Newcomer's Meeting has an Open Discussion Meeting at 6:30 PM on Fridays in this room.
- The Coastal Bend Intergroup Association has its Quarterly Association Meetings in this room at 6:00 PM on the last Monday of the first month of each quarter (*January, April, July and October*).



The Portland **Jaywalkers Group** meets at **First United Methodist Church** (4545 Wildcat in Portland). They have an Open Big Book Study meeting at 7:00 PM on Tuesdays in a permanent building behind the church.

Minding My Own Business

Nothing makes me crazier than trying to control the uncontrollable. For 20 years I tried to control my drinking, an impossible task because I'm an alcoholic.

Another thing that makes me crazy is manipulating other people to get them to do what I think they should do:

- Not drink;
- Not smoke;
- Eat what I think they should eat;
- Manage their diabetes;
- End a relationship;
- Stay in a relationship;
- Quit a job;
- Not quit a job;
- Not feel the way they feel.

In the big book, Bill Wilson wrote "Don't take the bait." I get tempted because I care about them, because of my relationship to them and my investment in them, as their

- Spouse;
- Son;
- Sibling;
- Sponsor;
- Friend; etc.

These things are uncontrollable by me because they are none of my business. My sponsor in New England told me that if you have a sufficient relationship with someone, you can tell someone ONCE that you think they should stop smoking (*for example*). If you bring it up again, you are trying to manipulate and control them.

I get led astray because of my judgment that I know what's best for them. The truth is I don't even know what's best for me. I often need help from God and AA to determine the next right thing for me to do. So how can I ever know what's right for someone else.

Whenever I inject myself into somebody else's business I deprive them of the dignity of making their own decisions and solving their own problems and learning from their mistakes. I believe we all have the right to make any mistake we need to make, as many times as we need to make it to learn what we need to learn.

When I don't mind my own business, I get in the way of them finding the solution that's right for them and my own life becomes unmanageable.

MINUTES

CBIA BOARD OF TRUSTEE MEETING

June 13th 2016

I. OPENING: (6:00PM)

- **Ed** opened the meeting with a Moment of Silence followed by Serenity Prayer at 6:01 PM.
- **Les** read the CBIA Mission Statement
- **Hud** read the General Warranties
- **Harold** read the 12 Traditions

II. ATTENDANCE:

- **Ed B.** (*Chair*), **Ginger S.** (*Vice-Chair*), **Hud H.** (*Trustee*), **Jimmy M.** (*Trustee*), **Laurie H.** (*Trustee*), **Rob M.** (*Office Manager*) and **Harold B.** (*Alt. GSR, Weber Nooners*) were present. **Kelly J.** (*Asst Office Manager*) was not present.

III. MINUTES:

- Minutes of the Board Meeting of May 9th 2016 were reviewed.
 - **Hud** moved to approve the minutes as submitted. **Jimmy** seconded. Motion carried.

IV. FINANCIAL REPORTS:

- **Rob** presented the **May 2016 Financial Report.**
 - **Balance Sheet:** Total CBIA funds as of May 31st were \$25,000.32; \$50.00 in Petty Cash; \$10,125.42 in Checking; \$12,601.82 in Prudent Reserve and \$2,223.08 in the Jamboree Account.
 - **Profit & Loss** for the month of April: Group & Individual Contributions \$990.55; Gross Sales (*Books, Chips & Medallions*) \$1,153.75 (*less Cost of Goods Sold \$843.48*); Gross Gain for the month \$1,300.82; Total Expenses were \$3,198.76 for a Net Loss of \$1,897.94 for the month.
- **Laurie** moved to approve the report as read. **Ginger** seconded. Motion carried.

V. TRUSTEE ELECTION: **Ed** (*Chair*)

Ed said we need to elect a trustee for the remaining term (*thru January 2017*) of Tom K. who resigned after the last board meeting.

- **Les** moved to elect Harold B. Financial Trustee by acclamation. **Laurie** seconded. Motion carried.

V. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- **12th Step:** **Les** said he had nothing to report.
- **Archives:** **Ginger** said **Dave D.** (*from Rockport*) displayed the CBIA archives at Founder's Day.
- **Bilingual:** **Hud** said he had nothing to report.
- **Coastal Bender:** **Ed** said he reviewed the BENDER. It looked good and went out on time.
- **Corrections/Treatment Facilities:** **Hud** said meetings at state corrections facilities in Beeville are going well. He plans to attend the state AA Convention in Austin.
- **Jamboree:** **Jimmy** said the Jamboree Committee is on hiatus until July. They will distribute a save the date flier at the Texas State Convention in Austin.
- **Nominations:** **Jimmy** said **Jim W.** plans to stand for Trustee in October and hopefully **Harold B.** will stand for a full Term in October.

- **PI/CPC: Ginger** said her PI/CPC committee is meeting the 1st, 2nd and 3rd Tuesdays of the month at the Alanos Cottage. Brenda R. (*Weber Nooners*) has resigned as chair. The committee still includes **Michael B.** (*New Phoenix*), **Ken F.** (*Cullen Mall*) and Steve B.
- **Social: Laurie** said Founders' Day was a great success by any standard. 175 people attended the event which netted \$1,760.85.

VI. OFFICE REPORT: Rob said he would attend the State AA Convention in Austin. He has organized a meeting of Texas Intergroup / Central Office Managers (TICO) at the convention.

VII. OLD BUSINESS:

- Future of Outreach and Web Site Committees.
To summarize discussion,
 - Out of respect for the autonomy of the groups, the board does not want to continue doing what the Outreach Committee was doing.
 - Tom and Glenn did a great job developing our new web site. Moving forward, the office staff can maintain the web site with a bit of help from Glenn (developer) and Phyllis (web site host).
- **Hud** moved to eliminate both of these Committees. **Ginger** seconded. Motion carried.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS:

- Change authorized signers on the Signature Card for CBIA's two Value Bank accounts:
 - Checking Account No. 221218
 - Savings Account No. 10181188
 - **Hud** moved to modify the signature card for our two Value Bank Accounts to include only the following people as authorized signers:
 - **Robert Marek** (*Office Manager*)
 - **Kelly Jordan** (*Assistant Office Manager*) and
 - **Harold Bjella** (*Financial Trustee*).
- Les** seconded. Motion carried.

Kelly and **Harold** need to visit Value Bank's Midtown Branch in the next 30 days to sign the Signature Card.

IX. NEXT MEETING:

- Next CBIA Board of Trustees meeting will be on Monday July 11th at 6:00 PM in the CBIA Office.

X. NEXT QUARTERLY MEETING:

- Next CBIA Quarterly Association meeting is scheduled for 6:00 PM on Monday July 25th at All Saints Episcopal Church (*3026 S Staples*).

XI. CLOSING:

- **Hud** moved to adjourn. **Les** seconded. Motion carried.
- **Ed** closed the meeting with prayer at 6:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Rob Marek

Office Manager



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Special Events

New Phoenix Air Conditioning Appreciation Dinner *(Saturday, August 13th in CC) **

The New Phoenix Group will have an Air Conditioning Appreciation Dinner on Saturday, August 13th, at their venue (*5433 S. Staples Suite H in the Boardwalk in Corpus Christi*).

First Seating 5-6:00 PM

Second Seating 7-8:00 PM

Regularly scheduled meetings will be held at 6 and 8:00 PM (*See attached "flier" for details.*)

District 15 Corrections Workshop *(August 20th in Portland)*

District 15 is hosting a Corrections Workshop at 2:00 PM on Saturday, August 20th at 822 Denver Street in Portland. SW Texas Area 68 Corrections Chair Randall T. will facilitate.

District 8D / 8E Treatment Workshop *(August 20th in Corpus Christi) **

Districts 8D and 8E are hosting a Treatment Workshop at 3:30 PM on Saturday, August 20th at New Phoenix (*5433 S. Staples Suite H in the Boardwalk in Corpus Christi*). SW Texas Area 68 Treatment Chair Cherie R. will facilitate.

SW Texas Area 68 PI/CPC Conference *(September 9th – 10th in Victoria) **

SW Texas Area 68 will hold its annual **Public Information / Cooperation with the Professional Community Conference** September 9th – 10th in Victoria. The conference will begin with a luncheon with Professionals at noon followed by workshops Friday evening and Saturday for AA members involved in or interested in becoming involved in PI/CPC service work. (*See attached flier for details.*)



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Special Events *(Continued)*

SW Texas Area 68 Fall Conference and Voting Assembly (October 7th – 9th in CC) *

Southwest Texas Area 68 will hold its **Fall Conference & Voting Assembly** in Corpus Christi this year. *(That doesn't happen very often.)* It will be October 7th – 9th at the Omni Corpus Christi (900 N. Shoreline). Many varied service opportunities will be available between August and October. If you are a General Service Representative (GSR) this is an opportunity to vote for your group without having to travel very far. For any member interested in service work, this is an opportunity to see how the business of AA is conducted at the area level.

2017 Coastal Bend Jamboree (January 20th – 22nd 2017) *

Enclosed is a save-the-date flier for the 63rd Annual Coastal Bend Jamboree which will be held at the Omni Corpus Christi Hotel (900 N. Shoreline Blvd. in Corpus Christi) on January 20th – 22nd 2017. Discounted pre-registration is available at www.cbjamboree.org.



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Service Opportunities

Volunteers Needed to Carry the Message in Corrections Facilities

Volunteers are needed to carry the message to alcoholics in corrections facilities. You must be at least 18 years old and not been in trouble with the law (*arrested, incarcerated, pending, etc.*) for at least 18 months.

SATF – Corpus Christi

- **Attend Meetings** to support separate men's and women's meetings at 8:00 PM on alternate Fridays. (*NA provides meetings every other Friday.*) (*New development: prior clearance is now required to attend meetings at SATF.*)
- **Activity Sponsors** take people to meetings once a week or so. (*Minimum one year sober and prior clearance.*)
- **Step Sponsors** work the steps with people. (*Minimum two years sober and prior clearance.*)

Avalon (Formerly Reality Ranch) – Corpus Christi

- **Attend Meetings** to support a men's meeting at 8:00 PM every Sunday. (*Prior clearance is required.*)

Live Oak County Jail – George West

- **Attend Meetings** to support a men's meeting at 7:00 PM every Wednesdays. (*Prior clearance is required.*)

If you are interested in any of these service opportunities, call the CBIA Office (361) 992-8911 during business hours (*M-F 7:30 – 11:30 AM and 1:30 – 5:30 PM*)

Where clearance is required, provide us your full name, as it appears on your driver's license and your driver's license number and state at least a week prior to service.

To volunteer in state prison facilities, you must complete a Department of Criminal Justice training session. This training is very helpful for people who volunteer in any corrections facility, but it is a prerequisite for state prisons. The training is offered in state facilities in Beeville and elsewhere. Call the phone number shown to reserve a seat. (*See attached flier for the full TDCJ training schedule and more information.*)

7-21-2016 - 9:00 AM - McConnell Unit 3001 Emily Dr., Beeville [\(361\)362-2300](tel:3613622300)

9-14-2016 - 1:00 PM - Garza West Unit 4250 Highway 202, Beeville [\(361\) 358-9890](tel:3613589890)



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Service Opportunities (Continued)

CBIA Board Trustee Election *

Four Trustees will be elected to the Coastal Bend Intergroup Board of Trustees at the Quarterly Association Meeting at 6:00 PM on Monday, October 24th at All Saints Episcopal Church (3026 S Staples). (See attached Trustee Form for details.)

CBIA PI/CPC Committee

This year the CBIA Public Information / Cooperation with the Professional Community Committee plans to produce informational events for the public / professional communities – initially focusing on probation. Their next meeting will be at the Alanos Cottage (1635 18th Street in Corpus Christi) at 6:00 PM on Wednesday, August 3rd.

Helpline / 12 Step List *

The Helpline is staffed by volunteers who are making sure that the hand of AA is available 24 hours a day in the Coastal Bend area by answering the phones overnight (5 PM to 8 AM) and on weekends (8 AM Saturday to 8 AM Sunday; or 8 AM Sunday to 8 AM Monday). A minimum of six months sobriety is required to answer the phones. The helpline is pretty well staffed at present.

If someone needs help beyond meeting information, the helpline passes them to someone on the 12-Step List for a longer conversation and maybe a visit to discuss how to get sober and stay sober. A minimum of two years sobriety is required to be on the 12-Step List. We can always use more people on the 12-Step List. We especially need people (*particularly women*) in the surrounding area (*like Beeville and Alice*). If you would like to be on the 12-Step List or on the Helpline, call Rob or Kelly at the CBIA Office (361) 992-8911 or (866) 672-7029.



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Group / Meeting Changes

Daily Reprieve Group Has Folded (Tuesdays in CC) 1

The **Daily Reprieve Group** has folded. They were meeting at 7:00 PM on Tuesdays at Covenant Church (7001 Williams in Corpus Christi).

New Turn It Over Group at Charlie's Place (Tuesdays & Thursdays in CC) 2

The new **Turn It Over Group** is holding Open Discussion Meetings at 8:00 PM on Tuesdays and Thursdays at Charlie's Place (5501 IH37 at McBride Lane in CC).

The **Fellowship Group** will continue to have Open Discussion Meetings at 8:00 PM on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays and an Open Speaker Meeting at 11:00 AM on Sundays in the same facility.

Young People Group Adds a New Meeting (Saturdays at 10:00 PM in CC) 2

The Young People Group has added a new meeting at 10:00 PM on Saturdays. They meet in Room 4 at South Shore Christian Church (4710 S Alameda near Airline in Corpus Christi).



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District Meetings

District 7 (Saturday, August 20th in Port Lavaca)

District 7's next meeting will be on Saturday, August 20th at 9:00 AM at the 213 E Austin Street in Port Lavaca.

District 8C Next Meeting (Saturday, August 20th in Kingsville)

District 8C's next meeting will be on Saturday, August 20th at 1:30 PM. The meeting will be held at the Serenity Club (819 N. Third Street in Kingsville).

District 8D Next Meeting (Saturday August 20th in CC)

District 8D's next meeting will be at 2:00 PM on Saturday, August 20th at New Phoenix (5433 S. Staples, Suite F, in Corpus Christi). There will be a Treatment workshop at 3:30 PM in the same venue.

District 8E (Saturday, August 20th in CC)

District 8E will meet at 2:00 PM on Saturday, August 20th at the 24 Hour Club (302 S. Brownlee at Laredo in Corpus Christi).

District 15 Next Meeting (Saturday, August 20th in Portland)

District 15's next meeting will be at 1:00 PM on Saturday, August 20th at the Trident Club (822 Denver Street in Portland). There will be a Corrections Workshop at 2:00 PM in the same venue.



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Addresses for Group Contributions for 2016-2018

Coastal Bend Intergroup (Suggested 50% *)

CBIA

3833 S. Staples Suite S-212
Corpus Christi, TX 78411

Districts (Suggested 10% *)

District 7 Treasurer

P.O. Box 5324
Victoria, TX 77903

District 8C Treasurer

P.O. Box 821
Kingsville, TX 78364

District 8D Treasurer

P.O. Box 61135
Corpus Christi, TX 78466

District 8E Treasurer

5413 Timbergate Dr.
Corpus Christi, TX 78413

District 15 Treasurer

2441 Oak Lane
Aransas Pass, TX 78336

Area 68 Southwest Texas (Suggested 10% *)

SWTA 68 Treasurer

P.O. Box 720651
McAllen, TX 78504

General Service Office (Suggested 30% *)

GSO

P.O. Box 459
New York, NY 10163-0459

“* Suggested percentages are from AA Pamphlet F-3, **SELF-SUPPORT: Where Money and Spirituality Mix** (Available on our web site: cbiaa.org under DONATE). Group Contributions are always at the discretion of the group conscience.



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Save the Dates

*(Future Events - Fliers included for events flagged with an *.)*

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2016 SW Texas Area 68 PI/CPC Conference *(September 9th - 10th in Victoria) **

2016 SW Texas Area 68 Fall Voting Assembly *(October 7th - 9th in Corpus Christi) **

2017 Coastal Bend Jamboree *(January 20th - 22nd 2017 in Corpus Christi) **

AA Meeting Schedules for Our Area

Current AA meeting schedules for areas serviced by the Coastal Bend Intergroup are attached:

- **AA Meetings in Corpus Christi ***
- **AA Meetings in CC Surrounding Area ***
- **AA Meetings in Victoria & Surrounding Area ***

Coastal BENDER Mission Statement

Our primary purpose is to carry the AA message to the still suffering alcoholic. A secondary purpose of The Bender is to keep the CBIA Area of South Texas informed as to the events, meeting changes, Board of Trustee actions / decisions, and other news of interest to AA's in the area. Finally, as a newsletter we provide a forum for the broad spectrum of views held by our members. Publication of any article submitted will be at the discretion of the Bender Editor as advised by the CBIA Board. A controversial subject, as long as it does not concern an outside issue and involves principles and not personalities, will be considered for publication. As a general guideline, any letter or article that is of interest to members of AA and in good taste is worthy of publication. However, an article or letter that advocates ignoring or violating the Traditions, Concepts, or General Service Conference actions will not be considered for publication. All decisions will be made under the direction of God as expressed through our group conscience.



Carlene O.	District 15	08/02/2004	12 Years
Ray N.	District 15	08/06/1987	29 Years
Dan W.	District 15	08/08/1994	22 Years
Charlotte D.	Rockport Happy Hour Group	08/08/2005	11 Years
Steve S.	Nueces Bay Group	08/08/2004	12 Years
Wayne K.	Bookmarks Group	08/11/1981	35 Years
Tammy B.	Weber Nooners Group	08/11/1989	27 Years
Deb H.	Weber Nooners Group	08/16/1999	17 Years
Scott M.	Rockport	08/18/2005	11 Years
Claire L.	Turning Point Group	08/21/1993	23 Years
Lamar A.	Weber Nooners Group	08/21/1998	18 Years
Scott M.	Hilltoppers Group	08/22/2002	14 Years
Joe D.	District 15	08/22/1991	25 Years
Pat E.	New Women's Group	08/23/1987	29 Years
Traci P.	Rockport Happy Hour Group	08/25/2011	5 Years
Butch R.	Weber Nooners Group	08/26/2006	10 Years
Mike Q.	Oso Group	08/28/2000	16 Years
Deanna D.	Rockport	08/25/1985	31 Years

Don't see your group's birthdays? For best results e-mail your birthday to CBIA at cbia@grandecom.net.

July 2016

	<u>OFFICE HOURS</u> /Dist. 7	<u>AFTER HOURS</u>	<u>YEAR TO DATE</u>
12 TH STEP CALLS	2	0/0	33/2
INFORMATIONAL CALLS	124	10	

After Hours only tracks 12th Step calls.

Intergroup Meetings

CBIA Board of Trustees Monthly Meeting will be held Monday August 8th at 6:00 PM in the CBIA Office (3833 S. Staples, Suite S-212).

CBIA Quarterly Association Meeting will be held Monday October 24th 2016 at 6:00 PM at All Saints Episcopal Church (3026 S. Staples in CC). Each group gets a vote at this meeting.

District Meetings

See Bits & Pieces section for information on district meetings in the Coastal Bend area:

- District 7** (Victoria Area)
- District 8C** (Kingsville - Alice Area)
- District 8D** (Corpus Christi Area)
- District 8E** (Corpus Christi Area)
- District 15** (Portland, Port A, AP, Rockport Area)

Group Announcements

New Phoenix Group Conscience is held the last Sunday of the month at 2:00PM. **Birthday Night** is first Saturday of the month at 8:00PM. **Potluck Supper** is second Saturday of the month at 7:00 PM. (5433 S. Staples, Suite F in The Boardwalk.)

Hilltoppers Group Conscience is the 1st Tuesday of the month following the Noon meeting. (First United Methodist Church, 900 S. Shoreline Dr., Room 244)

Weber Road Nooners Group Conscience is held the 1st Saturday of each Quarter (Jan/Apr/Jul/Oct) following the 10:00AM meeting. **Birthdays** are celebrated the first Monday of each month at noon. (Travis Baptist Church, 5802 Weber Road at Schanen, park in rear, meeting upstairs.)

Calallen Group Conscience is held the 3rd Wednesday of each month following the 6:30PM meeting. **Birthday Night** is the 1st Saturday of the month. (Potluck at 6:30PM, Meeting at 8:00PM). (Pass it on Club, 11425 Leopard (Hilltop).

Flour Bluff Unity Group Conscience is held the 2nd Sunday of each month at noon. **Birthday Night** is the 1st Saturday of the month with **Potluck Supper** at 7:00 PM and **Birthday Meeting** at 8:00PM at The Anchor Club (320 Anchor St. in CC).

Turning Point Group Conscience is held the 1st Wednesday of each month. **Birthday Meeting** is last Saturday of the month.

Group Contributions		
GROUP NAME	July 2016	YTD 2016
Alice Group		
Anonymous/Individual Contribution	9.50	105.84
Aransas Pass Group		38.00
Beeville-Freedom Group		
Beeville-Hope Group		
Beeville-Serenity Group		
Beeville-Shepherd's Group		
CC-Alanos		
CC-Bookmarks Group	40.00	40.00
CC-Calallen Group		
CC-Clean & Serene Group		
CC-Crosstown Group		
CC-Cullen Mall Group		260.00
CC-Daily Reprieve Group		
CC-Day of AA	100.00	100.00
CC-Early Morning Fellowship		
CC-Fellowship Group at Charlie's Place		
CC-Fifth Tradition Group		
CC-Flour Bluff Unity Group		
CC-Happy Hour Meeting		87.79
CC-Hilltoppers Group		
CC-Humility Group		
CC-Just for Today Group		
CC-Mountain Toppers		50.00
CC-Newcomers Meeting		
CC-New Life Group	35.00	60.00
CC-New Phoenix Group	37.00	268.05
CC-New Women's Group	81.09	484.10
CC-Oso Group		728.93
CC-Primary Purpose Group		
CC-Rodd Field Group		150.00
CC-Sunset 7 Group (N Padre Island)	214.23	640.49
CC-Turning Point Group		
CC-Weber Road Nooners Group	981.00	2,049.97
CC-Wenholz Women's Group		
CC-Young & Restless (Final Distribution)		163.00
District7		243.57
Falfurrias-2nd Chance Group	30.00	85.00
Goliad-Open Arms Group		98.43
Ingleside-Living Sober Group		
Karnes City-Mayfield Group		
Kingsville-AL-K Group		
Mathis -Crossroads Group		50.00
Port Aransas -Port A Day Tripper's Group		
Port Aransas Group		300.00
Port Aransas-Serenity Sisters		10.00
Port Lavaca Group		72.63
Port O'Connor Group		
Portland -Jaywalkers Group		185.00
Portland -Nueces Bay Group		
Riviera-SASTO Group		100.00
Robstown Group		
Rockport-Anything Goes Group		166.00
Rockport-Happy Hour Group	40.00	120.00
Rockport-Fellowship Group		300.44
Sandia Group		
Sinton-Grupo Secunda Chanza		
Skidmore Group		
Three Rivers-Choke Canyon Group		50.00
Victoria-Back to Basics Group		507.23
Victoria-For Sinners Only Group		250.00
Victoria-High Nooners Group		50.00
Victoria-Main Stream Group	25.00	50.00
Victoria-Men's Group		
Victoria-Unity Group		
Victoria-Women's Group	15.00	25.00
Yorktown Group		58.00
TOTAL	\$1,625.82	\$7,947.47

Coastal Bend Intergroup Association

Mission Statement

The mission of the Coastal Bend Intergroup Association is to provide the vital first contact to the alcoholic seeking help. The CBIA office must be maintained for the benefit of those still suffering. Of primary importance to this goal, the CBIA Office is to

- Establish a 24-hour help-line;
- Print meeting schedules; and
- Maintain a 12-Step list

whereby AA groups and individuals are enabled to conduct 12-Step calls which are essential to the growth of AA in the Coastal Bend area.

Coastal Bend Intergroup Association

Services Provided

1. Maintains an office which is open Monday through Friday from 7:30 to 11:30AM and 1:30 to 5:30PM.
2. Provides information and referrals for A.A. inquiries.
3. Maintains a 12 Step listing and calls individuals for 12 Step work.
4. Provides an A.A. listing in the Telephone directory.
5. Provides a 24 hour volunteer phone answering during hours when the office is closed.
6. Publishes meeting schedules of all groups in the Coastal Bend Area at no charge.
7. Publishes a monthly newsletter, the "Coastal Bender", to keep A.A. members informed of local A.A. affairs and special events.
8. Purchases and sales "CONFERENCE APPROVED' literature, and non-conference approved Anniversary Medallions, Sobriety Chips.
9. Conducts monthly Trustee meetings. All members of Alcoholics Anonymous are welcome at these meetings and Group Input is essential.
10. Conducts Quarterly Meetings to keep groups apprised of Intergroup activities, and to seek group participation in CBIA affairs.
11. Maintains service committees for service work in the Coastal Bend Area.