

The DIALOG

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Inquiring Minds Want to Know

A. How do I buy literature from Intergroup for my group?

C. What happens when someone calls Nightwatch?

E. I am in assisted living – how do I get a meeting brought to me?



B. What do Intergroup volunteers do?

D. I'm an Armed Forces veteran – how can I help my fellow AA vets?

F. What are the benefits of my group being involved with Intergroup

A. **You are welcome to contact the Dallas Central Office in advance to place literature orders.** This allows the volunteers to prepare your order before you arrive at the office and to let you know if anything needed is back-ordered. The phone number is 214-887-6699 or email your order to orders@aadallas.org. Please do not send credit card or personal information via email. [This list](#) shows available literature and pricing. You can also go to aadallas.org and click on Literature menu for more information.

C. **When someone calls Nightwatch**, the Nightwatch volunteer listens to assess what the caller needs. If it is the still struggling alcoholic, the Nightwatch volunteer will locate someone on the Intergroup 12-step list who can call on them. If it is an AA who is visiting from out of town and needs to find a meeting, the Nightwatch volunteer will help the caller find a meeting, and maybe even a ride to the meeting. It all depends on what the caller needs. Working on Nightwatch does not involve doing a 12-step call but does involve helping find help when the Intergroup office is closed.

E. **If you are a fellow AA are in assisted living or nursing home**, Intergroup has a Special Needs Committee that would like to help bring a meeting to you. Please contact Freda Wells, Special Needs Committee Chair @ freewells95@yahoo.com or call Freda at 972.948.0675.


B. **Intergroup Volunteers perform a variety of tasks**, but they mainly help answer the phones and help the office manager around the Intergroup Office. This may involve selling books or updating the web site. For more information on how you can be an Intergroup Volunteer call 214-887-6699 from 10am to 3pm, Mon-Fri.

D. **The Dallas VA (Veterans Administration) Hospital hosts a series of AA meetings for vets** throughout the week. These include literature and discussion meetings. Additionally, vets may be provided with literature including a book called "AA and the Armed Services" which is geared towards vets. Contact Kim Braithwaite, Intergroup Treatment Chair, at Kbtexas22@gmail.com, or the Intergroup Office at 214-887-6699 for more information on how you can help chair AA meetings at the VA in Dallas.

F. **The benefits of an AA group being involved with the Dallas Intergroup** is that you and your group will be able to share and gain knowledge at AA workshops, various service opportunities and events happening in the Dallas area. Your Intergroup committees can help your group get more involved in Treatment, Corrections, Special Needs, CPC/PI and efforts as a group. And there are always fun events like the Intergroup Chili Cookoff. Being an Intergroup Rep allows you to learn from other reps how to best serve your group and connect with AA at all levels.

November 2019 Dallas Intergroup Calendar

In November 1986 - The Big Book was first published in paperback

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
			- Dallas Intergroup Rep Meeting, 8:00 pm Voting in 4 NEW Intergroup Board members			- Little Elm Group - 14th Anniversary 6-8pm - Bruton Terrace Movie Night 6-8pm - Movie Night - Duncanville Group , 7-15-9:30pm
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
Sponsoring Newcomers Into Service Workshop @ ODAAT Group, 1-3pm						- Three Legacy Sponsorship Workshop @ McKinney Miracle Group, 2-5pm - 12 Traditions Workshop @ Get In The Car Group, Grapevine, 10am-4pm
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
			 <i>Skappy</i> <i>Thanksgiving!</i>		We relax and take it easy	

December 2019 Dallas Intergroup Calendar

In December 1941, Dallas Morning News reports 1st AA group formed in Dallas

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Texoma #1 Group 48th Anniversary 9am-3pm				Sober Speak Live! @ Grace Avenue United Methodist Church, Frisco, 6:30-8pm	Game Night at The Gift of Sobriety (rving) Group, 8:15-10:15pm	
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
			- Dallas Intergroup Rep Meeting, 8:00 pm (to be confirmed)		CityWide Dallas @ Lovers Lane United Methodist Church Dallas: Speaker: Rick B., Principles Group, Dallas, 5:30-8:30pm	
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
					Bruton Terrace Group Movie Night, 6-8pm	

Get in the Middle...

...of AA. Don't just check out the following service opportunities – **Get into Action!**



☕ **ASSIST AAs** who have a special need such as the deaf, those with mobility issues, and in assisted living or nursing homes. Email freewells95@yahoo.com or call Freda at 972.948.0675

☕ **HELP** set up the **Intergroup Chili Cook-off** in Feb'20-- Email Teresa at teresarowell@gmail.com or call her at 214/707-4020. *All sobriety levels and skills welcome!*

JOIN the **Nightwatch** Committee or join Nightwatch to take after-hours calls from Intergroup -- email kbdenson68@gmail.com or call Keith at 469.682.6188. *Requires 1-year sobriety / must have worked 12 steps.*

☕ **WORK** a table at a **Health or Education Fair** -- email Matt.Jackson.Law@gmail.com or call Matt at 214/801-9191.

☕ **SPEAK** at **area groups** -- call the Intergroup office. *Requires 1-year sobriety / must have worked 12 steps.*

☕ **TAKE** a meeting to **Lew Sterrett Jail or Texas prisons** -- email waynejohns@mac.com or call Wayne J. at 214/460-6909. *Requires 1-year sobriety.*

☕ **TAKE** a Meeting to a **Treatment Center** (including the VA)- email Kim Braithwaite Kbtexas22@gmail.com.

☕ **WORK** in the **Intergroup Office** - Call the Intergroup Office 214-887-6699 from 10a – 3p M-F).

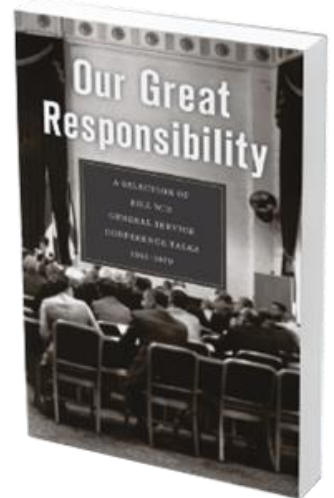
Alcoholics Anonymous Publishes First New Book in 30 Years: *Our Great Responsibility*

(New York, NY): The first original title released by Alcoholics Anonymous in over thirty years, the book *Our Great Responsibility: A Selection of Bill W.'s General Service Conference Talks, 1951–1970* is now available for sale at the Dallas Intergroup.

The book features:

- 16 talks — derived from archival audio recordings — offering fresh perspectives on A.A. in the co-founder's own words.
- Over 60 archival photos and other images.
- Previously unpublished material from the A.A. General Service Office Archives.
- Bill W. addressed the Conference on an annual basis over the course of two decades, prior to his death in 1971, and *Our Great Responsibility* gathers together many of these talks, capturing Bill's innovative thinking on myriad A.A. themes.
- Box 459** (*News and Notes from the General Service Office*) said this about ***Our Great Responsibility***:

"The talks included in *Our Great Responsibility* capture a clear picture of Bill's vision for the future of A.A. and pose questions that are still quite relevant today," says Greg T., G.S.O. general manager. "They also give fresh insights into A.A. history and the enduring purpose of the General Service Conference."



"The discovery of what Greg calls "a gold mine" of material began in the G.S.O. Archives in January 2016. Discussions at G.S.O. and on the General Service Board prompted an exploration of ideas for new book publications based on making archival materials available to the Fellowship. "We have a massive collection of audio recordings of all Conferences," nonalcoholic GSO Archivist Michelle Mirza says, "but we literally didn't know what was included in some of the recordings, or what shape they were in."

If you have a **GROUP ANNIVERSARY** coming up **PLEASE** contact the **DALLAS Intergroup** at office@aadallas.org so we can feature it on aadallas.org AND feature your group history in an upcoming newsletter.