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PIPELINE

COVERING NEWS FOR SCTA OF COCAINE ANONYMOUS

San Antonio Austin Laredo The Valley Kerrville Cedar Park



PREAMBLE

Cocaine Anonymous is a fellowship of men and women who share their experience, strength and hope with each other that they may solve their common problem and help others to recover from their addiction. The only requirement for membership is a desire to stop using cocaine and all other mind-altering substances. There are no dues or fees for membership; we are fully self-supporting through our own contributions. We are not allied with any sect, denomination, politics, organization, or institution. We do not wish to engage in any controversy and we neither endorse nor oppose any causes. Our primary purpose is to stay free from cocaine and all other mind-altering substances, and to help others achieve the same freedom.

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HOTLINE INFO



These phone numbers are available to anyone with questions about recovery.

If you would like to be added to the hotline phone list, please contact:

hotline@ca-scta.org

San Antonio – (210) 232-6382

Kerrville – (830) 719-4889

Austin (512) 339-4357

The Valley (956) 255-2576

Laredo (956) 413-6588

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GROUP DONATIONS

Area

Drop Kick Rocks \$100 / Area

Step Sisters \$55 / Area

CA 183 \$25.73 / Area

CA 183 \$551 / Area

H&I Donations:

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Hey Friends! WHEW!!! It has been a whirlwind around the CAWS 2020 convention and the world, in general. First and foremost, thank you all for continuing to support CA by hanging with us, attending meetings online and making your online donations. What a long strange trip it's been!

Today, an amendment to the CAWS 2020 contract has been fully executed and we can officially announce that CAWS 2020 has become **CAWS 2020!** There were many moving parts involved and the Trustees have done their absolute best to see that CA as a whole doesn't suffer. Not everyone will be happy with the changes, but we need you to know that we understand. However, we are so grateful to be able to continue to work and bring forth an epic World Service Convention for y'all!

The actual dates are **May 27-31, 2021**. All registrations will be transferred over the new dates. Cvent will be updated and new registrations will be accepted. The current rates will remain in place until February 28, 2021, after which the "on site" registration price will go into effect.

The Hyatt will cancel all rooms in our block. If you are booked outside the block, you will need to cancel them yourself. Below is the link for the reservations for the new dates.

<https://www.hyatt.com/en-US/group-booking/AUSRA/G-ECWS>

People of Earth (as Cliff would say), we are beyond grateful. Please book your rooms and plan on joining us in May. We will be sooo ready to have you in Austin and we, as a fellowship, will be eternally grateful to be able to be together.

If you need any information or just want to talk, you can reach me at 512.699.8002 or susan.calkins@gmail.com.

If you have any registration questions and wish to speak to Jane, our Registration Chair, please feel to reach her at 512.801.8010 or janebinaustin@gmail.com.

On behalf of the entire Steering and General Committees for the **CAWS 2020!** Convention, we thank you. Stay safe. Stay healthy. Stay recovered.

In love and service,
The Steering Team

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AREA NOMINATIONS

There are currently no nominations for area chairs, but we encourage you all to come to an area meeting and learn the business side of CA!

Please visit www.ca-scta.org to view the Structure requirements.

We hope this is helpful and please consider stepping up for our area.

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UNITY EVENTS

Hello fellow CA members!

I am going to use this space to thank Mark N for throwing an incredible camping trip! If you missed this year, don't worry! This is an annual tradition and we would love to see you next fall. It was an incredible weekend, filled with fellowship, laughter, solution, and delicious food. Our time together off screen is that much more meaningful these days.

As things change, some meetings are opening back up. As tradition four states, "Each group should be autonomous except in matters affecting other groups or CA as a whole." In that spirit, each group will be making their own decisions on how to open up safely.

If you are struggling, or cannot get to a meeting, our website has resources and links to meetings that are held online. You are not alone, we may largely be together virtually, but we are still very much connected and unified.

Thank you, and until we meet in person again, I hope you continue to find ways to stay unified with your fellow CA members.

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SUBMISSIONS

Experience, Strength & Hope

Letter from the Editor:

As this insane year comes to an end I wanted to focus on gratitude. I believe one of the greatest gifts of this program is being able to find gratitude even in complete chaos, or painful growth spurts. Personally, I have had many moments I am grateful for. Despite the physical distance I have felt between my fellow CA members I still feel close to this fellowship, something I feel speaks volumes about the bonds we all have. While it may have been a tough year, I feel grateful for all I have learned, and the opportunity to be of service to this fellowship. I wish you all a happy 2021!

-Lily M.

2020 has probably been one of the most challenging years; between covid, sudden deaths of loved ones, my back-and-forth relapses and “Black Lives Matter,” this year has significantly made an impact in so many ways. However, through all the triumphs and obstacles, I am constantly looking for the good in the world and things to be grateful for.

This year I am extremely grateful for my higher power, recovery and the freedom that comes with it, my loved ones, family I am still fortunate to have, my parents, good health, sanity and my wonderful patient boyfriend who has stuck with me through it all. A few years ago I was so miserable in my addiction that I was not able to be present, or even sane during difficult times. I was internally dying inside. This year I have been blessed to have an amazing support system, a loving God, family that has forgiven me, my health and sanity....and for that I am forever grateful

-Valerie C

This year I'm grateful for all the gifts this program has given me, stability, friendship, a relationship with my family, trust in my higher power, and my two amazing fur babies. Almost a year and a half ago I didn't have any of these and it's absolutely amazing to be in the place I am today.

-Lela M

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I'm grateful for the ability to show up for people in my life today. To be able to hold space for other people to exist however they come without being constantly preoccupied with an obsession with myself. The ability to have a quiet mind and not listen only to respond or speak my opinion. I'm grateful I can listen and really hear other people.

-Caroline H

Things I am grateful for this year: I found genuine happiness without the aid of alcohol. My relationships are no longer toxic, I have rebuilt trust with everyone in my life, I got into nursing school to pursue my lifelong dream. Additionally, I got one year sober on January 1st. I never thought life could be THIS good.

-Anonymous

This year I am grateful for my soon to be wife, my friends, the relationships I have with my family, my dog Nyx, a job, and sobriety!

-Anna