

The Journey Continues...

Texas State Convention of Narcotics Anonymous Newsletter
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2016 Chair

It has been the GREATEST experience of my Recovery process to be the Chair of TSCNA XIV in Dallas. I had the opportunity to practice a dose of humility while learning how to ask for help.



Sadie H
Dallas, Texas

Being in this position has made me take a look at how I am practicing the program of Narcotics Anonymous. We, as the Convention Committee, had to make sure a clear message was given. I am amazed at how the money is distributed. It is spread out evenly throughout the state. We, as the TSCNA Convention Committee, report to the Advisory Committee with every move we make, which ensures accountability. TSCNA is one of the greatest vehicles to get the message of Narcotics Anonymous to the addicts who still suffer. It was an honor to serve on the Convention Committee.

I GIVE, I SERVE, I LIVE
Sadie H., Dallas, Texas
TSCNA XIV CHAIR

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Key Dates:

May 26-28, 2017: Texas State Convention in Lubbock, Texas

May 25-27, 2018: Texas State Convention in Austin, Texas



2017 Annual Report

includes a few of the policies that govern how the Advisory Board operates. It is our hope that the information provided in this report will better help members understand what TSCNA is and how it operates. If you would like more information, please contact a member of the Advisory Board/Convention Committee or log on to www.tscna.org and contact us.

Welcome to Lubbock and to the Fifteenth (XV) TSCNA hosted by the Llano Estacado Area of Narcotics Anonymous. Whether this is your first time experiencing the Convention or your fifteenth time, we hope your experience is one that will help further the message of Narcotics Anonymous. This Convention is a statewide effort to carry the message and to celebrate recovery. The Convention Committee welcomes each Region and Area in the state of Texas to set up a registration table on Saturday for their Regional or Area Conventions. This is available each year to the Regions or Areas; just contact the Convention Chair. Each year at the Convention the fellowship receives an annual report providing disclosure about the Convention. This report also

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Some Information About the Advisory Board

The Texas State Convention is a Non Profit Organization with a 501(c) (3) ruling from the IRS. The Advisory Board is composed of 18 seats. The following regions currently have positions available to them on the Advisory Board for a liaison: Best Little Region, Lone Star Region, Tejas Bluebonnet Region and Red River Region. There is also one Area currently participating on the Advisory Board and that is the El Paso Area. The Regions and the Area appoint their own members to the board; all other positions are elected at the Advisory Board meetings. More information concerning the Advisory Board/Convention Committee can be found in the policies which can be downloaded from the web site at www.tscna.org. The policies are up-dated annually after each Convention and when required.

How the Convention Happens

Without the support of the fellowship in Texas, the Convention could not happen. Each year the Convention Committee starts with seed money. For the first five years or so the seed was \$1,500.00. It has since been increased to \$1,800.00. Groups/Areas across the state of Texas have been making donations throughout the year to the Convention Committee by holding events to support the Convention. If your group or area is interested in holding an event, please contact the Convention Committee. It only takes a desire to make something happen. If you are interested, please feel free to contact someone this weekend or later in the year. We are here to help and to share our Convention experience.

2017 Convention, Lubbock, Texas

This year's Convention is being hosted by the Llano Estacado Area of Narcotics Anonymous. If you would like to get involved with the Convention, please contact a member of the Convention Committee or a member of the Advisory Board. Your help this weekend is welcomed.

Bidding for the Annual Convention for 2019

(See Program for Bid Meeting time)

Advisory Board Policy Section 1.12

When a Hosting City is considering placing a bid to host the annual Convention or considering presenting a Letter of Intent to hold a future Convention, the NA members of that city should take the responsibility for assessing the resources available in the geographical area. The Committee should also take into consideration its local N.A. groups for providing adequate emotional and financial support to reasonably assure success of the Convention.

More information on bidding can be found in the policy which can be downloaded from the website at www.tscna.org

1.3 Advisory Boards Affiliation with other Organizations

This corporation, Texas State Convention, is a service which provides a function within the totality of the organization known as Narcotics Anonymous. In doing so, it helps fulfill the aims, goals and purposes of that organization and in unison will operate under the guidelines of the Twelve Traditions and Twelve Concepts of Narcotics Anonymous. All members and officers of this Corporation are subject to and shall abide by the principles of the Twelve Traditions and Twelve Concepts of Narcotics Anonymous as set forth in the literature entitled "Narcotics Anonymous," and shall serve the following Area, and Regional Service Committees as they pertain to the operation of the Texas State Convention of NA: El Paso Area, Best Little Region, Lone Star Region, Red River Region, and Tejas Bluebonnet Region. It is herein specifically acknowledged that the Texas State Convention acts as a fiduciary in its dealings with the Regional Service Committees and the fellowship of Narcotics Anonymous. The Texas State Convention of Narcotics Anonymous will receive and manage the net proceeds resulting from the Convention and shall distribute those net proceeds according to TEXAS STATE CONVENTION GUIDELINES. Any Narcotics Anonymous member within the above mentioned Areas or Regions may serve on the TEXAS STATE CONVENTION based on the established guidelines in existence.

The Advisory Board hopes that this information is helpful and informative to the fellowship. If you are interested in receiving more information, please contact us. The Convention is an expression of unity and recovery in action through a celebration of recovery.



Our Donations



Hosting City

Over \$80,000 has been generated by the Texas State Convention to help carry the message of recovery...the journey continues.

City Totals



2003 <i>San Angelo</i>	\$464	\$464	\$464	\$464	\$464	\$464		\$360	\$464	\$3,608
2004 <i>Galveston</i>	\$1,029	\$1,029	\$1,029	\$1,029	\$1,029	\$1,029		\$800	\$1,029	\$8,003
2005 <i>Waco</i>	\$252	\$252	\$252	\$252	\$252	\$252		\$196	\$252	\$1,960
2006 <i>Ft. Worth</i>	\$1,279	\$1,279	\$1,279	\$1,279	\$1,279	\$1,279		\$995	\$1,279	\$9,948
2007 <i>Amarillo</i>	\$443		\$443	\$443	\$443	\$443	\$443	\$344	\$443	\$3,445
2008 <i>Dallas</i>	\$912		\$912	\$912	\$912	\$912	\$912	\$710	\$912	\$7,094
2009 <i>El Paso</i>	\$786		\$786	\$786	\$786	\$786	\$786	\$544	\$786	\$6,046
2010 <i>Austin</i>	\$804		\$804	\$804	\$804	\$804	\$804	\$557	\$804	\$6,185
2011 <i>Mt. Pleasant</i>	\$78		\$78	\$78	\$78	\$78	\$78	\$54	\$78	\$600
2012 <i>Houston</i>			\$333	\$333	\$333		\$333	\$333	\$333	\$1,998
2013 <i>San Antonio</i>			\$2,042	\$2,042	\$2,042		\$2,042	\$2,042	\$2,042	\$12,252
2014 <i>Beaumont</i>			\$233	\$233	\$233		\$233	\$233	\$233	\$1,398
2015 <i>Corpus Christi</i>			\$1,761	\$1,761	\$1,761		\$1,761	\$1,761	\$1,761	\$10,566
2016 <i>Dallas</i>	\$1,095		\$1,095	\$1,095	\$1,095		\$1,095	\$1,095	\$1,095	\$7,665
Totals	\$7,142	\$3,024	\$11,511	\$11,511	\$11,511	\$6,047	\$8,487	\$10,024	\$11,511	\$80,768



Previous Conventions

- 2003 San Angelo
Diversity Is Our Strength
- 2004 Galveston
Unity By The Shore
- 2005 Waco
Through Change Comes Freedom
- 2006 Ft. Worth
There's Hope In Recovery
- 2007 Amarillo
One Step At A Time
- 2008 Dallas
*In Time, Through Recovery,
Our Dreams Come True*
- 2009 El Paso
Clean And Serene In All Our Affairs
- 2010 Austin
Just For Today
- 2011 Mt. Pleasant
Along The Path To Freedom
- 2012 Houston
Strength In Unity
- 2013 San Antonio
Therapeutic Value of One Addict Helping Another
- 2014 Beaumont
12 Steps, Traditions, Concepts, Years
- 2015 Corpus Christi
As We Grow
- 2016 Dallas
Into A Life We Hadn't Imagined

Future

Conventions

- Best Little Region Convention**
November 3-5, 2017 -----San Angelo, Texas
- Esperanza Area Convention**
January 12-14, 2018 ----- San Antonio, Texas
- Tejas Bluebonnet Convention**
February 9-11, 2018 ----- Houston, Texas
- Lone Star Regional Convention**
March 29-April 1, 2018 ----- Grapevine, Texas

2018

Texas State Convention

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With The Spirit of Love
That Surrounds Us**

**May 25-27, 2018
Austin, Texas**

**Chair: Robert R
Vice Chair: Jeff R
Secretary: Jill L
Treasurer: Brenda B**

**Call Robert R with any
inquiries
210.247.7183**

**Hotel information to be
announced soon!**

To add your Convention to the newsletter,
email Jona J by adding gmail.com to jvalyntyn



**All Texas State Convention Advisory Board
Meetings are held quarterly at 1212 Anderson
Lane, Suite 300, Austin, Texas.
All meetings begin at noon.**