

TEXAS - Buddy - Houston is focal point in Texas for N.A. Police interference reported in Dallas and San Antonio. 23 meetings in Houston. New clubhouse. Meetings in hospitals throughout Houston. 6 members active in prison panels. A lot of effort put out by members with rewards.

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We have 25 meetings per week, sub-divided between 4 different groups in Houston and surrounding areas, with approx. 200-250 sober addicts and are growing. H & I activities include: starting new meeting in Houston county jail, 5 hospitals-10 mtg. per week; men's recovery center-2 mtg. per week; women's recovery center-2 mtg. per week; Christian church-2 mtg. per week; house meeting-1 per week. Major accomplishments over past year include: Formed an area service and literature inter-group named "Keep It Simple". Installed a phone and houston listing of that number (713-665-9929. Intergrated sobriety: newcomers, 6mos. to 2 years and longer. Started a "God" meeting. Started a Traditions meeting. Checking account with \$400. in it at present. Grown in membership. Started 3 new groups in areas outside of Houston, which include Galveston, Dallas and Alvin. Elected new secretary and treasurer in our "Keep It Simple" group. Secretary Lisa T., Treasurer Gary H.. Difficulties and problems which exist today include: Need mor emphasis on traditions to bring down personalities before principles. More recreational facilities (i.e. dances, etc.). Need membership involvement in business meetings and more structure in that area. Establish a hot line for better communication and twelve step work. Need more fund raising committees and more emphasis on 7th Tradition. Plans for up-coming year: addition of 9 more groups and addition of 10 or more meetings per week. Extend groups/meetings city and state wide in Houston and Texas.

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Grow in membership. Form a club house in Houston. Having members of NA in Houston visit other NA groups in other cities and states to gain strength and information. Grow in our AS work. Aquiring and selling of more literature. Brief history of Houston NA: 1973-2 meetings per week with 10-20 members. 1980 7 meetings per week with 50-75 members. 1982 and present with 25 meetings per week with 200-250 members. In November of 81 our Inter-group called "Keep It Simple" was formed and it's been a tremendous asset to us. We're in the prcess of now starting 9 new groups in surrounding areas which include Houston, Falveston and Dallas and Austin. About 2 weeks ago we had a priest come down to the Keep It Simple group and wanted to find out information about starting a meeting in a county jail and we've been in the process of doing this. Every single day we have : some type of meeting involved with NA, sometimes 2 Or 3 or 4 per day.

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Have approximately six meetings a week in Houston. Brownville, Texas has a group also. They have meetings in a hospital, half-way house and a new meeting is starting in another hospital. No clubs or Central Office yet. Also having trouble communicating. Houston Convention really helped. Had an N.A. Get-Together for a day at a ranch (75 members attended). They also have word that San Antonio has clean addicts but contact is relatively poor.

8 1. Texas - John Couson, Representative for Texas, gave report. Houston has 2 groups on outside. H&I meetings. 1-3 meetings everyday in the city. Hoping to take a lot home. People with the long time sobriety (4-5 years) are going to A.A. for their strength. These people feel N.A. is not organized enough. John expressed how can there be any organization when everyone is running over to A.A. N.A. is growing in Houston.

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