

District 8-C



Grapevine

The Grapevine has a Story of the day, you can go over to the website and there will be a new article posted from the archive to the story of the day for you to read. I have been also going over and clicking on the jokes and laughing like crazy. The Grapevine site is a great place to nose around.

Speaking of website's:

The General Service Office:

<http://aa.org/>

Southwest Texas Area

<http://www.aa-swta.org/>

District 8c

<http://district8c.org/>

AA Grapevine.org

<http://www.aagrapevine.org/>

Costal Bend Intergroup

(361) 992-8911

All these sites are great places to visit and spend time.

God, grant me the serenity
to accept the things I cannot change.
The courage to change the things I can.
And the wisdom to know the
difference.
Amen

Your Groups Activities Here

Story of the Day :

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Where the A.A. Beacon Was Lit

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Akron, "the hill where the A.A. beacon was first lit," was a mecca for approximately 400 other A.A.s on the same evening (June 10) that the anniversary meeting in Cleveland was drawing to a close.

The occasion was the Founders' Day Dinner, held at the Hotel Mayflower, and the group of speakers included those who helped to light the beacon. Bill W. and Dr. Bob, hurrying over from the Cleveland meeting, spoke, as did Bill D., of Akron, who was a part of that A.A. nucleus. Other speakers were Jake H., one of the organizers of the Pittsburgh group; and Earl T., of Chicago. Joe P., of Akron, was toastmaster and Wally G., also of Akron, was chairman of the dinner committee.

Attendance at the dinner reached approximately 80 percent of the membership of Akron's eight sizable and highly active groups.

Drawing on the fact that the name "Akron" is derived from a Greek word meaning "summit," Bill said at one point in his talk:

"It was here that the miracle really happened. This is the hill where the A.A. beacon was lit 10 years ago. From here the light spread outward to guide others and is now casting its glow over a widening area."

Both Bill and Dr. Bob recalled briefly the beginnings of A.A. and with obvious gratitude and pleasure referred again to their first meeting in Akron. "No wonder," said Bill, "that we have a particular feeling for Akron."