

CLOSED WOMEN'S MEETING PREAMBLE

Hello, my name is: _____ and I am an alcoholic. Welcome to the regular closed meeting of the Cypresswood Group of Alcoholics Anonymous.

Alcoholics Anonymous is a fellowship of men and women who share their experience, strength and hope with each other so that they may solve their common problem and help each other to recover from alcoholism. The only requirement for membership is a desire to stop drinking. There are no dues or fees for AA membership; we are self-supporting through our own Contributions. AA is not allied with any sect, denomination, politics, organization or institution; does not wish to engage in any controversy; neither endorses or opposes any causes. Our primary purpose is to stay sober and help other alcoholics to achieve sobriety.

Please join me in a moment of silent prayer or mediation followed by the Serenity Prayer.

In support of A.A.'s singleness of purpose, attendance at closed meetings is limited to persons who have a desire to stop drinking. If you think you have a problem with alcohol, you are welcome to attend this meeting. We ask that when discussing our problems, we confine ourselves to those problems as they relate to alcoholism.

Birthday nights are celebrated the last Friday of each month. Speaker Meetings are on the 3rd Saturday of each month. Are there any other AA related announcements? We request all electronic devices be silenced during the meeting. Please be aware of the Parking Diagrams posted throughout the club, to prevent you from parking in a restricted area. Coffee is \$1.00 per cup. Please put your money in the slot on the counter.

Do we have any visitors to the group who wish be recognized? Is there anyone attending their very first AA meeting? We ask this not to embarrass you, but so that we may introduce ourselves to you after the meeting and get to know you better. Is there anyone attending with less than 30 days? _____ has Volunteered to read (**How it Works, etc.**)_____.

Please remember our group has grown in size, so please limit your sharing to no more than 3 minutes and "please remember the lack of profanity will offend no one".

In accordance with AA's 7th Tradition, which states that every AA group ought to be fully self-supporting, declining outside contributions we will pass the basket halfway through the meeting. Although, there are no dues or fees for AA membership, your help is greatly appreciated in supporting this tradition.

This is a non-smoking meeting and a non-smoking facility. Before leaving, please remember we are self-cleaning. Please help to clean up the Coffee Bar and take out the trash before leaving.

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Closing Options: Serenity Prayer, 3rd Step Prayer, 7th Step Prayer or The Lord's Prayer