

## Support for A.A. Louisiana Area Archives

Dear Friend of Bill W,

At long last our Louisiana Area Archives have a home!! There is no place like home!! Many of you have seen a sampling of our Archives at conventions and other AA get togethers. If you are like me, I never gave it a second thought as to how this was accomplished.....somehow, they magically appeared. It was like opening a meeting: getting a place, supplying materials, setting up and most importantly a coffee pot and then I showed up...MAGIC. Well, the Archives were even more of a mystery. It is a living record of our combined Experiences, Strengths and Hopes. It is a running, living culmination of What it was like, What happened and What it is like now.

What are the Archives and what do they do? In the short form is a support of our Twelfth Step Work. The area archivist keeps and files books/pamphlets about AA, documents developed locally to support twelfth step work, photographs, directories, meeting lists, newsletters, tapes, new clippings—virtually anything AA and is continually seeking and accumulating our history.

The archivist preserves the material by cleaning, disinfecting and encapsulating material as needed and in the future, with our help will be attending workshops in their further future preservations.

Research in our Archives will be ever mindful of the confidentiality of AA members and, also, our tradition of anonymity. The archivist will screen all inquiries and follow the guidelines set by our General Service Office. An appointment must be by anyone (AA member or non-alcoholic) wishing to visit or research our archives.

The Archives Committee oversees our Archives with a Chairperson, Secretary and committee members from the area Groups, assembled through the Area Assembly.

Our new home needs our help. There are no dues or fees. We are self-supporting through our own contributions. We are asking for your support. We are passing the basket. Can you help? Will you help? Please send whatever you can to help support this vital history of our heritage of helping others. Please send your contributions to:

Louisiana Area Assembly Archives Repository, 10319 Old Hammond Hwy, Suite C-3, Baton Rouge, LA 70816

Make your check payable to: Louisiana Area Assembly Archives Fund

Please be mindful that any AA member may contribute up to \$3,000.00 per year.

Thanks for your help and participation.....IT WORKS, IT REALLY DOES!!

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Please fill out this form and return with your check so we can add your name to the Archives Supporter Group:

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