

BIG BOOK STORY AUTHORS

This is a list of the Big Book personal story authors, and either where they got sober or where they were from.

Original Manuscript (which went out to the fellowship a few months prior to the publication of the Big Book - 1938):

The Doctor's Nightmare - Bob Smith, M.D. (Akron, OH.)
The Unbeliever - Hank Parkhurst (N.Y.)
The European Drinker - Joe Doeppler (AA #5, Akron, OH.)
A Feminine Victory - Florence Rankin (N.Y.)
Our Southern Friend - Fitz Mayo (N.Y.)
A Business Man's Recovery - Bill Ruddell (N.Y.)
A Different Slant - Harry Brink (N.Y.)
Traveler, Editor, Scholar (later became "The News Hawk") - Jim Scott (Akron, OH.)
The Back-Slider - Walter Bray (Akron, OH.)
Home Brewmeister - Clarence Snyder (Akron, OH.)
The Seventh Month Slip - Ernie Galbraith (Akron, OH.)
My Wife And I - Maybelle & Tom Lucas (Akron, OH.)
A Ward Of The Probate Court - Bill Van Horn (Akron, OH.)
Riding The Rods - Charlie Simondsord (Akron, OH.)
Ace Full--Seven--Eleven (this is the only original manuscript story that never made it into the Big Book)
The Salesman - Bob Guiatt (Akron, OH.)
Fired Again - Wally Gillam (Akron, OH.)
The Fearful One (later became "The Man Who Mastered Fear") - Archie Trowbridge (Akron, OH.)
Truth Freed Me! - Paul Stanley (Akron, OH.)
Smile With Me, At Me - Harold Sears (N.Y.)

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A Close Shave - Harry Zoelers
Educated Agnostic - Norman Hunt from Darien, CT.
Another Prodical Story - Ralph Furlong from Springfield, MA.
The Car Smasher (later became "He Had To Be Shown") - Dick Stanley (Akron, OH.)
Hindsight - Myrow Williams (N.Y.)
On His Way - Horace Popsy Mahar (N.Y.)
An Alcoholic's Wife - Marie Bray (Akron, OH.)
An Artist's Concept - Ray Campbell (N.Y.)
The Rolling Stone - Lloyd Tate (Akron, OH.)
Lone Endeavor (this story was removed after the first printing of the first edition) - Pat Cooper from California

Second Edition (1955):

Doctor Bob's Nightmare - Bob Smith, M.D. from Akron, OH.
The European Drinker - Joe Doepler
Our Southern Friend - Fitz Mayo from Washington, D.C.
The News Hawk (previously called "Traveler, Editor, Scholar") - Jim Scott from Washington, D.C.)
Home Brewmeister - Clarence Snyder from Cleveland, OH.
The Man Who Mastered Fear (previously called "The Fearful One") - Archie Trowbridge from Detroit, MI.
He Had To Be Shown (previously called "The Car Smasher") - Dick Stanley from Akron, OH.
Alcoholics Anonymous Number Three - Bill Dotson from Akron, OH.
He Thought He Could Drink Like A Gentleman - Al Goldrick
Women Suffer Too - Marty Mann
The Vicious Cycle - Jimmy Burwell
From Farm To City - Ethel Macy
He Sold Himself Short - Earl Treat (spelling of last name?)
The Keys Of The Kingdom - Sylvia K. from Chicago, Ill.
Rum, Radio and Rebellion
Fear Of Fear - Ceil Mansfield
The Professor And The Paradox - John Parr
A Flower Of The South - Esther Alasardia
Unto The Second Generation
His Conscience
A Housewife Who Drank At Home
It Might Have Been Worse - Chet Rude
Physician, Heal Thyself! - Dr. Earle Marsh
Stars Don't Fall - Felicia Gizycka
Me, An Alcoholic?
A New Vision For A Sculptor
Promoted To Chronic - Helen Brown from Boston, MA.
Jim's Story - Jim Scott from Washington, D.C. (also wrote "Traveler, Editor, Scholar" which later became "The News Hawk")
The Prisoner Freed
Desperation Drinking - Pat M.
The Career Officer - Sackville Millins from Ireland
He Who Loses His Life
Freedom From Bondage - Wynn Laws
Joe's Woes - Joe Minor from New York City
There's Nothing The Matter With Me! - Bill Green

Annie The Cop Fighter
The Independent Blonde

Third Edition (1976):

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Our Southern Friend - Fitz Mayo from Washington, D.C.
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Home Brewmeister - Clarence Snyder from Cleveland, OH.
The Man Who Mastered Fear (previously called "The Fearful One") - Archie Trowbridge from Detroit, MI.
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Me, An Alcoholic?
Too Young?
Those Golden Years - Cecil C.
Lifesaving Words
A Teen-Agers' Decision
Any Day Was Wash Day
Calculating The Costs
Growing Up All Over Again
Doctor, Alcoholic, Addict - Dr. Paul Ohliger
Five-Time Loser Wins
Promoted To Chronic - Helen Brown from Boston, MA.
Join The Tribe! - Maynard B.
Belle Of The Bar
Jim's Story - Jim Scott from Washington, D.C. (also wrote "Traveler, Editor, Scholar" which later became "The News Hawk")
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Desperation Drinking - Pat M.
The Career Officer - Sackville Millins
Another Chance
He Who Loses His Life
Freedom From Bondage - Wynn Laws
A.A. Taught Him To Handle Sobriety - Bob P.