

The Speak- EAC



History of the Speakeasy

A **speakeasy** was an illegal, hidden bar that sold alcoholic beverages during the Prohibition era. Speakeasies grew massive in the United States between 1920 and 1933, after the passing of the 18th Amendment which outlawed making, selling, or moving alcohol.

The name "speakeasy" comes from the habit of speaking softly or "easy" about these secret locations so police would not overhear. To get in, patrons needed a secret password, a special knock, or a membership to enter through hidden doors.

Speakeasies ushered in some new social norms. Unlike legal saloons of the past, speakeasies welcomed women, helping launch the flapper culture, jazz music, and more integrated social spaces.

Speakeasies also boosted the popularity of cocktails. Much of the alcohol available came from illegal distillations, often with results that were anything but refined, and bartenders had to adapt. The harsh homemade alcohol was mixed with juices and soda in order to make bad liquor taste better.

When Prohibition was repealed in 1933, many of these venues disappeared. But their legend has never faded. On Saturday, we will experience the excitement of the era at the **Emergency Aid Coalition's "Speak-EAC"** at the **Rossa Room** in Bellaire, while raising funds for a mission worth toasting!



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4:00 PM

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SPEAKEASY

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BELLAIRE, TEXAS

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Food Pantry needs:

- Canned fruit
- Big jars of peanut butter
- Canned soup
- Vienna sausages



Clothing Center needs:

- Athletic shorts for boys and men
- Men's jeans
- Men's belts
- Sports bras



"Instead of giving money to found colleges to promote learning, why don't they pass a constitutional amendment prohibiting anybody from learning anything? If it works as good as the Prohibition one did, why, in five years we would have the smartest race of people on Earth."





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