



Tri-County Central Office News

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"WE THE PEOPLE"

The Gabriel Heatter broadcast of April 25, 1939.

The first national exposure for Alcoholics Anonymous came with the April 25, 1939 "We The People" broadcast. Gabriel Heatter's radio program was a tremendously popular program that was tuned in by millions of people. Morgan R., the AA member who spoke on the program, was expected to launch sales of the newly published book, *Alcoholics Anonymous*. How Morgan was prepared for his three-minute talk, and the resulting book sales are described in the A.A.W.S. publication *Alcoholics Anonymous Comes of Age* on pages 174-175. This is a transcript of the interview:

HEATTER: The man beside me now has had one of the most gripping and dramatic experiences I've ever heard. I'm not going to tell you his name. And when you hear what he has to say I think you'll understand why. But after checking the facts, the Listeners Committee of "We The People" decided to grant him time because they feel that if one person is helped by hearing his story, then WE THE PEOPLE will have done a real service. Alright, sir.

ANONYMOUS GUEST: Six months ago I got out of an insane asylum. I'd been sent there because I was drinking myself to death. But the doctors said they could do nothing for me. And only four years ago I was making 20,000 dollars a year. I was married to a swell girl and had a young son. But I worked hard and like lots of my friends - I used to drink to relax. Only they knew when to stop. I didn't. And pretty soon - I drank myself out of my job. I promised my wife I'd straighten out. But I couldn't. Finally she took the baby and left me. The next year was like a nightmare. I was penniless. I went out on the streets - panhandled money for liquor. Every time I sobered up - I swore not to touch another drop. But if I went a few hours without a drink - I'd begin to cry like a baby, and tremble all over. One day after I left the asylum I met a friend of mine. He took me to the home of one of his friends. A bunch of men were sitting around, smoking cigars, telling jokes - having a great time. But I noticed they weren't drinking. When Tom told me they'd all been in the same boat as I was - I couldn't believe him. But he said, "See that fellow? He's a doctor. Drank himself out of his practice. Then he straightened out. Now he's head of a big hospital." Another big

strapping fellow was a grocery clerk. Another the vice president of a big corporation. They got together five years ago. Called themselves Alcoholics Anonymous. And they'd worked out a method of recovery. One of their most important secrets was - helping the other fellow. Once they began to follow it the method proved successful and helped others get on their feet - they found they could stay away from liquor.

A Brief Guide to the Activities & Structure of General Services in District 2

Your GSR: The General Service Representative links their group with AA as a whole. As the voice of your group, the GSR brings the group's conscience to the District Committee member (DCM) through the Delegate who passes it to the General Service Conference held each year in April. The GSR keeps the group well informed about news and events in District 2, South Florida Area 15, and the General Service Office in New York. They act as a guardian of the Traditions for the group. It is suggested that GSR's have at least 2 years of sobriety.

Your DCM: The District Committee Member (DCM) is the link between the group GSRs and the Area's Delegate to the General Service Conference. Each DCM represents eight to twelve groups, and communicates the collective conscience of those groups to the Delegate and votes on matters affecting the South Florida Area at business meetings. GSR's also have a vote. Generally, DCM's have four years of experience as past ACM or GSR.

District 2: District 2 is the General Service body for groups in Hillsborough and East Pasco Counties. It provides a forum for sharing the collective 12th step experience of the groups and committees, and is supported by the contributions of the groups it serves. The District Committee is composed of seventeen DCM's who represent groups, and who meet monthly along with the GSR's and chairpersons to share their collective experience.

District Meeting: District Meetings are held the first Sunday of each month at 4:40 pm for all group GSR'S. There is a GSR orientation at 3:30 pm for new GSR's. All Officers, Committee Chairs and District Committee Members report the activities of their committees and groups. The meeting is held at the Bayshore Baptist Church on Morrison Avenue and South MacDill.

District Officers: The Chairperson conducts the monthly District meeting. All GSR's, Committee Chairs, and DCM's attend. The Alternate Chair assists the Chairperson. The Treasurer deposits all District contributions into the District bank account and disburses funds according to District practices. The Registrar maintains current listings of groups and GSR's and reports changes to the Area Registrar. The Secretary keeps and distributes the minutes of the District business meeting. Eligibility for these positions is five years of sobriety and service experience as a past or present DCM, ACM or GSR.

From the Central Office
SERVICE DESK
A total of 599 phone calls
were made to the
Central Office in
APRIL
244 for info on AA,
1 for info on Al-Anon,
12 messages for other
inquiries,
6 requesting a Twelfth Step
call, 336 after Office Hours
calls. There were 224 walk-ins
visits as well.

**TBAIC - District 2 - Hillsborough & East Pasco Counties
 (877) AATAMPA or (877) 228-2672!**

Hello everybody! My name is Annie and I'm an alcoholic. First, I would like to thank all of the volunteers and committee members that attended our May committee meeting. We had quite a turn out! As a result, we were able to fill up the service positions available and rotate a few current positions. Barbie R., our new treatment coordinator, is off to a running start with visiting several of the facilities and inquiring about the specific needs of each. They were all pretty happy and just needed some literature brought in. Dick D. reported that the juvenile facilities were all doing well. Since he was filling in temporarily, Brian B. stepped in as the new coordinator, with Heather B. as his alternate. Lindsay T. reported that Bridging the Gap was slow this month. Last month she offered to give up her position, in the spirit of rotation, so Jack S., stepped in as our new coordinator, with Stephen K. as his alternate. Lindsay also expressed that she was still interested in staying on the committee, so I offered up my position as Hillsborough County Women's Jail Coordinator since I also serve as the secretary for the group. She gladly accepted. I will still serve as her alternate until someone else volunteers to take that position. Since Mark L. has served as our treasurer for the past two years, it was also time for the committee to elect a new treasurer and alternate treasurer. Jim L. was nominated by the committee and was unanimously voted in by the committee. Mark L. will serve as the alternate treasurer until Jim is comfortable with his new position and all of the duties that entails. If anyone is interested in serving as the alternate treasurer for the committee, please contact Mark L. at 813-477-6855. As for the rest of the committee, it has remained the same. Tom F. reported that he spoke with a man from the Gainesville Corrections Institution who is interested in having someone write him. He will be released to Hillsborough County in few months, and is interested in attending meetings. Any men that are interested, please contact Tom at the number below. Joe L., pre-release coordinator, was not able to attend today, but reported that the 2 of the 3 inmates from last month were released and met up with a couple of the volunteers and taken to their first AA meeting. That is one of the most rewarding experiences in Alcoholics Anonymous! Thanks for facilitating that Joe! All is well in women's jail. Buddy H. reported that men's Falkenburg meetings are going great. Paul D. informed us that all men's meetings at Orient are doing fine, but that the work release meeting has been cancelled. Jill J. reported that women's prison is doing well. One of the former inmates was asked to write a letter to the warden about her personal success with AA as a result of the meetings brought in, and the warden has now asked the counselors at the prison to recommend the meetings to all of their inmate patients. Cathleen C. said that women's Pasco meetings are going well, but they could still use some help on Thursday nights. Please call Cathleen if you are interested in getting clearance to help out. Rob T. is getting in touch with one of the doctor's that requested meetings for the VA Hospital, to start bringing meetings in to their facility, but other than that, all is well.

STEPS TO FREEDOM IS Saturday, June 27th! Please come and support! There will be 2 awesome speakers from Texas. They will talk about their experience with the steps. Lunch will be provided. All proceeds go to purchase literature to bring in to all of our facilities.

Also, there are 20 new speaker CD's and DVD's in our literature rack at central office. You can play these at the institutions where you take meetings. Stop by and pick some up! They have been purchased from the donations to our committee! Thanks again to all of our volunteers! You make a difference in the lives of many! **Love & Service, Annie L.**

Treasurers Report – May 30, 2009

Pink Can Donations YTD 2009	\$ 7,043.64
Less Prudent Reserve	- \$300.00
Less YTD Literature	- \$ 3,675.13
Less YTD Expenses	-\$ 294.74
Pink Can Current Balance	\$ 2,773.77

Next Committee Meetings

June 27th at **Steps to Freedom** & July 25th at the Tri-County Central Office (near Himes & Waters). If you need more specific directions please call Tim @ 813-933-9123. The meeting usually lasts about an hour and it is the best way to get involved with service work in Detox/Treatment/Jail/Prison facilities. If you would like to join our committee **PLEASE COME!!!!!!!!!!!!!!**

Pink Can Drive

Our committee is 100% self supporting and receives no funds from the traditional pie charts or District 2 in accordance with our group conscious. If your home group has not made a pink can donation recently or if you are able to send an additional donation this year ... We will put it to great use!

TBAIC, PO Box 26242, Tampa FL 33623

Thank you to those groups who have sent in a donation this Month: Noon Big Book @ 3333, Friday Night Lights, KIS Pass it On, Midday Matinee, Morning Miracles, Riverside, Ruskin Fellowship (Sunday), Sisters in Sobriety, Solution Group, Sunshine Group, Sunday 11:15 Speaker 3333, Thursday Night There is a Solution Group 3333, Wellspring Recovery Group, YANA 5:45 Happy Hour.

Current Service Opportunities

Men's Pasco (LOL) Jail Coordinator... *Call Jack M.*
 813-417-9945

TBAIC 2009 Committee Members

Eric V. - Chair	813-277-4833
Tom F. - Alt Chair	813-818-4439
Jim L. – Treasurer	813-263-2400
Annie L. – Secretary	305-766-3297
Dick D. - Hills Jails - Emeritus	813-254-4423
Paul D. – Men's Orient Rd	727-385-5529
Buddy H. – Men's Falkenburg	813-871-2514
Lindsay T.– Hills Women's Jails	813-265-5408
Rob T. - Detox	813-453-6059
Jill J. – HCI Women's Prison	813-349-7048
Open - E Pasco Jail - Mens	
Cathleen C. - E Pasco Jail - Women's	813-727-1415
Tom D. - E Pasco Prison	813-782-7209
Barbie R. - Treatment	727-804-3229
Jack S. - Bridge The Gap	813-598-4717
Joe L. - Pre-Release	813-918-3489
Brian B.- Juvenile	760-215-2993

In Memory of Wesie P.

The Alcoholics Anonymous Fellowship, the Odessa/Tampa community, friends and family are deeply saddened to advise of the passing of one of Tampa's most faithful and devoted members of AA, Wesie Peter. With forty-six years of AA service, she opened her doors at all hours to alcoholics in need.

Wesie is survived by hundreds of recovering alcoholics who knew and loved her. They are the grateful recipients of her continuous efforts to help others, setting the example for all. AA, indeed, became her life. After years of battling alcohol, surviving asylums and institutions and undergoing the early medical treatments for this misunderstood disease; Wesie picked up her last white chip on June 15, 1962. As she recounted innumerable times in meetings, on this auspicious morning at sunrise, she lifted her clenched hand to God and said, "God, if you will help me to stop drinking, I'll do whatever it takes to stay sober." She never found it necessary to take a drink of alcohol again. As she went through the 12 steps of the program, the first person on her 8th step amends list was her mother. Wesie said that there was "no way" she could make amends for the years of pain she had subjected her mother to because of this disease. Her mother kept it simple and said, "All I want is for you to stay sober for the rest of your life." That's exactly what Wesie did.

Wesie often spoke of the early years in AA when women generally did their drinking hidden away at home. This resulted in fewer women joining AA early on. In those days, men also sponsored women and meetings were few and far away. Wesie's first sponsor was a man and she went on 12 step calls in neighborhoods that no one else would enter. She started AA meetings that thrive to this day. Wesie provided a safe haven for women in her own home, and was always available. She would often say, "Day or night, you can call me anytime, I'm probably awake anyway." For decades she hosted an informal Wednesday night women's meeting in her home. "This is not official AA", she'd say. "The Big Book" and "The 12 and 12" were read and discussed, as well as personal issues. She always served coffee and something sweet to eat. Wesie loved it when a newcomer would show up, which happened often.

In early sobriety, Wesie held a variety of positions and found her niche in government service, which she worked until retirement age. Subsequently, Wesie had even more time to dedicate to helping others recover and work the steps. We would be remiss if we didn't mention that Wesie was an avid BUCS fan and a season ticket holder. A BUCS game was the ONLY excuse to miss a meeting. Wesie loved reading AA literature and good mysteries. She was passionate about her family, her cats (especially Minnie and Sox), roses, and the neighborhood kids. However, if you were a newcomer, you had her undivided attention.

Hundreds of us (maybe thousands) have had the privilege of being directly inspired by Wesie's experience, strength and hope. There is no question that her single wish would be for Alcoholics Anonymous to continue forever. We all may continue Wesie's legacy by passing on the AA message, as she did. All the time, One Day at a Time.

There will be a lakeside gathering to
celebrate her life Sunday,
June 14th at 2 p.m.
1233 Chesapeake Drive
Odessa, FL 33556

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Limited parking available across the street

Memorials may be made in Wesie's name

to

The Chrysalis House

*A privately funded recovery home for
women*

P.O. Box 13872

Tampa, FL 33681

Please direct any questions to Nancy B.C.
(813) 920-6997

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Gradually - those men helped me back to life. I stopped drinking. Found courage to face life once again. Today I've got a job - and I'm going to climb back to success. Recently we wrote a book called "*Alcoholics Anonymous*". It tells precisely how we all came back from a living death. Working on that book made me realize how much other people had suffered - how they'd gone through the same thing I did. That's why I wanted to come on this program. I wanted to tell people who are going through that torment - if they sincerely want to they can come back. Take their place in society once again! **April 25th, 1939**

DISTRICT 2 GENERAL SERVICE

invites all AA Members

to the

Delegates Luncheon

Sunday, June 7th, 2009

2:30 pm

Bayshore Baptist Church

3111 W. Morrison Ave.

(Morrison & MacDill)

**(This special meeting will be in lieu of the regularly
scheduled District Meeting)**

**Ken C. South Florida Area 15 Delegate
will be here to present his report from
the recent Delegate's Meeting held in New York
Pot-Luck Luncheon
Please bring a dish to share if you can**

NOTES FROM INSIDE THE CENTRAL OFFICE

May 12th, 2009 the Board of Directors for Central Office met:
BOARD MEMBERS REPRESENTING GROUP

AL B.	CHAIRPERSON	DRUID HILLS GROUP
PAUL G.	VICE-CHAIR	SOBER @ 7 GROUP
Excused	TREASURER	KEYSTONE GROUP
JIM VK	BOARD MEMBER	CARROLLWOOD NS GROUP
KEVIN G.	BOARD MEMBER	NORTH TAMPA YOUNG & RESTLESS GROUP
RICK D.	BOARD MEMBER	EARLY RISERS GROUP
DIANA H.	BOARD MEMBER	RIVERSIDE GROUP
JANIE M.	BOARD MEMBER	CAME TO BELIEVE GROUP
OPEN		
OPEN		

Al opened the Board meeting in the usual matter with the Serenity Prayer and then asked everyone to turn off or down their cell phones. Jim read the April Minutes. A motion to accept was made and all were in favor. Tim announced that one of the Budget Reports they had received was incorrect and he handed out the corrected report. Paul read the Treasurer's report in the absence of our Treasurer Joyce. Diana asked why it was felt we needed to do another inventory. Our accountant had felt it would make good sense to do so. Jim bought up the difference between the income of this year compared to last year. It appeared to down substantially compared to last year. Much discussion followed. The recession, people out of work, not enough All Groups meetings, start charging for pamphlets, maybe need to put something in the newsletter asking for more contributions-etc. It was also noted again that GSO and Grapevine would be increasing the prices on all their literature. Motion was made to approve the Treasurer's Report, all were in favor. In Old Business Tim announced that the Softball Tournament had raised \$497.00 after all expenses and the Tampa Bay Young Peoples Group were the Champs beating out the defending Champs, the Old School Group. This was followed by much discussion concerning the recent pay raise given to Tim and the recent increase in his Health Coverage. Some of the Board members wanted to and decided to have a special meeting apart from the Board meeting to discuss what they wanted to do and to look at the Employee's Policy Handbook. There was no new Business. Paul announced that he was looking for speakers for the newly formed Group, Friday Night Lights, a double speakers meeting in Gibsonton. At the Council Meeting, Al welcomed three new Central Office Reps, Greg from the Sincerity Group, Cathy from the Came to Believe Group and LuAnne from the Nightly Newcomer's Group. Again the subject of being substantially down in our income this year compared to last year was one of the main topics. Lots of ideas on how to increase revenue were tossed around. Buddy was asked about the Softball Tournament. He replied that it was great, had a blast and everyone was out by 5:15 with the TBYP Group being the winners. When asked how many people were there, he replied, "A lot!" Cindy thanked Paul and the umpires for a great job in keeping everything under control and moving right along.

May 12th, 2009 the Central Office Representatives met:
COUNCIL MEMBERS REPRESENTING GROUP

GREG L.	SINCERITY GROUP
KRISTIN R.	MONDAY NIGHT MADNESS GROUP
KITTY W.	LIFE ENRICHMENT GROUP
LUANNE M.	NOONTIME CELEBRATION GROUP
AL F.	SOBER @ 7 GROUP
JIM O'B.	TAMPA YOUNG PEOPLES GROUP
CINDY H.	HELPING HANDS GROUP
TONY J.	MORNING MIRACLES GROUP
CATHY B.	CAME TO BELIEVE GROUP
DEBBIE M.	DISTRICT 2 LIAISON
TOM F.	WELLSPRING GROUP
BUDDY H.	MORNING MEDITATION & TBAIC
VIVIAN J.	FREEDOM IN SOBRIETY GROUP
JOHN D'P.	AS BILL SEES IT MEN'S GROUP
JOHN G.	TAMPA PALMS BIG BOOK GROUP
EARLE W.	NOON BIG BOOK GROUP
JOHN W.	KEEP IT SIMPLE MEN'S GROUP
STEVE J.	ODESSA GROUP
DYANN D.	NIGHTLY NEWCOMERS GROUP
FRANK B.	MIDDAY MATINEE GROUP

Buddy announced that attendance at the Jail Orientation was down but they were in the process of utilizing the people they already had. Debbie the District 2 Liaison announced that she had been unable to attend the District Meeting but on June 7th at 2:30 pm, District 2 would be putting on the Delegate's Luncheon with our South Florida Area Delegate being there to share his experiences from the Delegates meeting held this past April. Cindy asked about groups needing help, learning about Service work and GSR's and Debbie noted that the District has a GSR Sharing/Orientation at 3:30 pm before every District Meeting. Kristen announced the upcoming Steps to Freedom event and had tickets available for anyone who needed them. Al announced the need for All Group meetings and if anyone was interested to first contact Tim to see what dates are available. The GSO and Grapevine Literature price increases were again announced. The meeting was quick and to the point and over by 7:30 pm.



Sunday, June 7th, 2009 **Grupo Una Luz Enmicamino** will be celebrating their Groups 1 Year Anniversary. The event will start at 4:00. There will be a speaker and food. You are invited to attend and celebrate with them. They meet at St. Clements Church, 1104 North Alexander Street, Plant City.

ANNIVERSARY TIME

GROUP	Honors To	Date	Years
RIVERSIDE GROUP	JIM B.	06/05/06	3 YRS
RIVERSIDE GROUP	DICK D.	06/06/69	40 YRS
EXPECT A MIRACLE GROUP	WILLIE M.	06/12/07	2 YRS
EXPECT A MIRACLE GROUP	DAVID P.	06/15/02	7 YRS
EXPECT A MIRACLE GROUP	BERNIE S.	06/19/93	16 YRS
CAME TO BELIEVE GROUP	SANDY G.	06/15/93	16 YRS
CAME TO BELIEVE GROUP	KAREN D.	06/19/89	20 YRS
RUSH HOUR SERENITY	VINCE H.	06/16/06	3 YRS
KEYSTONE GROUP	TRAVIS G.	06/10/03	6 YRS
KEYSTONE GROUP	GREG W.	06/14/02	7 YRS
KEYSTONE GROUP	JOHN C.	06/06/69	40 YRS
SOBER @ 7 GROUP	IRIS W.	06/08/07	2 YRS
SOBER @ 7 GROUP	BILL M.	06/29/99	10 YRS
SOBER @ 7 GROUP	JUDY K.	06/24/93	16 YRS
SOBER @ 7 GROUP	BILL R.	06/14/85	24 YRS
SOBER @ 7 GROUP	WRAY	06/10/84	25 YRS
SOBER @ 7 GROUP	AL W.	06/06/83	26 YRS
SOBER @ 7 GROUP	DICK W.	06/10/58	51 YRS
INTO ACTION GROUP	CHUCK R.	06/21/80	29 YRS

A BIRTHDAY PLAN SUPPORTER TO CENTRAL OFFICE ONE DOLLAR FOR EACH YEAR OF SOBRIETY

Honors To	Date	Years
DAVE F.	07/19/85	24 YEARS

- FYI:**
1. The Brandon Young @ Heart Group has changed their name to the **Brandon Speakers Group**.
 2. There is a new meeting at Our Place called "**The Latenighters**". They meet every Saturday night at Midnight.
 3. A new **Women's Big Book Study** meeting every Wednesday @ 7:30 pm at St. Clement Episcopal Church—706 West 113th Avenue.
 4. A new meeting "**Friday Nite @ 8**" meets at St. Mary's Episcopal Church @ 4311 West San Miquel.
 5. A new speaker meeting at Club YANA on Sunday's at 7:00 pm called the "**Tampa Bay Speaker Group**".
 6. "**The Grapevine Gals Group**" meets at the Bayshore Presbyterian Church— 2515 Bayshore Blvd—Thursday night @ 7:00 pm—Women's.
 7. "**The Rule 62 Group**" meets Saturday morning—9:00 am @ St. Johns Church—906 South Orleans.
 8. "**Friday Night Lights**" double speaker meeting @ 7:30 pm meets at the Gibsonton United Methodist Church—6104 Marilla Avenue —Gibsonton. Also "**Southbay 12 & 12 Meeting**" meets there on Thursdays @ 7:00 pm.
 9. Wednesday's @ 7:00 pm, the "**Lemon Tree Group**" at Palma Ceia Presbyterian Church—3500 San Jose & Himes Avenue.

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The Committees: Committee Chairs generally have three years of sobriety and service experience as a part or current DCM, ACM or GSR. Each Committee needs AA members to volunteer their services.

Grapevine: Gets the word out about our "meeting in print" magazine. Helps groups build displays and offers displays for community and group functions. The Grapevine Representatives encourage new subscriptions and are usually alternate GSR's.

Archives: Gathers, displays, records and preserves historical information about AA and our beginnings in Hillsborough and East Pasco County. You will typically see the Archives displayed at local functions.

Public Information/Cooperation with the Professional Community (PI/CPC): Provides information about AA and alcoholism to the media, professional groups, schools, physicians, lawyers, judges, police departments and the clergy.

Institutions: Takes meetings into rehab centers, the jails and prisons and other facilities for alcoholism recovery.

Finance: Provides annual budget for approval by District 2, also overseeing the budget for the year.

Special Needs: Provides assistance or access to AA meetings for those unable to manage. Takes meetings to homebound or hospital bound members of AA and provides hearing impaired assistance. This committee needs volunteers in all areas of Hillsborough and East Pasco Counties.

Literature: Informs groups of what literature is available from GSO and any changes in literature being made.

Central Office Liaison: Attends monthly Central Office meeting and exchanges pertinent information between the District and the Central Office.

Special Events: The Gratitude/Social chair and Carry the Message Day chair service events put on by District 2. This includes the Gratitude Dinner, the Delegate Luncheon and the Carry the Message Day. Responsibilities include coordinating committees for selling tickets, decorating the hall, meeting and greeting attendees and coordinating food and coffee.

Current Practices: Chaired by the past District Chairperson. They maintain the motions that pass during the business meetings and inform the body of how we operate under past motions and guidelines.

Web Site: Maintains the District 2 Web Site.

MORE NEWS AROUND TOWN

STEPS TO FREEDOM 5

Fundraising event for Tampa Bay Area Institutions
Committee

Saturday, June 27th, 2009

Christ the King Church

821 South Dale Mabry

Tampa, Florida

This is an All Day Event starting @ 9:00am--Until
50/50 and Literature Raffles throughout the Day.
The price of your ticket is \$8.00 in advance and \$10.00 at the
Door.

(pays for a full Luch in the afternoon)

Speaking on the 12 Steps are: Chris & Myers R.
from the Primary Purpose Group in Ervin, Texas

For more info call: 813-850-9888
813-447-9894

SPECIAL NEEDS COMMITTEE:

Carry the message to an A.A. member with
Special Needs.

Our committee needs your participation we meet on
the first Sat. of the month at 3333 Club on
3333 W. Columbus Drive, 12:30 p.m.
Any questions call Jackie at 813-671-0997.

Fall Mountain Housecleaning
Spiritual Retreat for A.A. & Al-Anon

October 1st-4th , 2009

Hinton Rural Life Center

2330 Hinton Center Road

Hayesville, NC 28904

For Details: <http://fallmountainretreat.com>

TAMPA BAY FALL ROUNDUP

"The Language of the Heart"

September 4-7, 2009

Embassy Suites Hotel

3705 Spectrum Blvd

Tampa, Florida 33612

For Details: www.tampabayfallroundup.com

Flyers available at Central Office

South Florida Area 15 General Service

Quarterly Assembly

"Willingness Is the Key"

Hosted by District 6 **

Hutchinson Island Marriott **

July 10- 12, 2009

Hutchinson Island Marriott

555 NE Ocean Blvd.

Stuart, FI 34996

Phone (772) 225-3700

Registration Friday 4 PM-8:30 PM,

Saturday 8 AM-8:30 PM, Sunday 7 AM-9 AM

For More Info & Flyer

<http://www.area15aa.org/>

53rd FLORIDA STATE CONVENTION

JACKSONVILLE 2009

July 29th - Aug 2nd, 2009

An Experience You Must Not Miss

Hyatt Regency Jacksonville

225 East Coastline Dr

Jacksonville, Florida 32202

For Complete Details: <http://53.flstateconvention.com/>

SUPPORT YOUR CENTRAL OFFICE



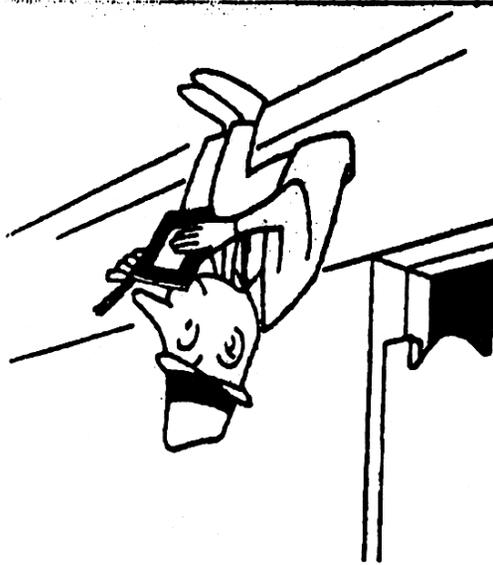
Central Office provides a number of services acting as a clearing house for the convenience of members and groups, provides phone service for twelfth step calls and other inquires, helps with the coordination of group activities and keeps track of meeting times and changes and the printing of the schedules. We also edit and print our monthly newsletter. In addition we sell all Alcoholics Anonymous General Service Conference Approved Literature and some other materials requested by our AA members.

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GROUPS	APRIL	Y T D	GROUPS	APRIL	Y T D	GROUPS	APRIL	Y T D
11th Step Meeting- Christ King		150.00	High Nooners Group		200.00	Ruskin Fellowship Group		
11th Step Meeting-Sun City			Hour Glass Group	10.00	10.00	Safe Haven Group		
12 Steps to Growth Group			I.D.A.A.		154.00	Saturday Night Fever Group		
2250 Group			In the Middle Group			Saturday Night Live Group		
A.A. 101 Group		130.00	Intergrupo Hispano de Tampa			SCC Steps to Sobriety		
A.A. 102 Group		79.00	Into Action Group		60.00	Serenity Sisters Group		
All Groups--			It's in the Book Men's Group	102.00	102.00	Sincerity Group		
Alpha Group	40.00	160.00	Just What I Wanted Big Book			Sisters In Sobriety Group (W)		
Anniversary Dinner 2009		2109.00	Keep It Simple/Pass It On R.		385.45	Sober At 7 Group		85.00
Annual Housecleaning Retreat		100.00	Keep It Simple - YANA			Sober on Saturday Group		157.50
Anonymous Donations	86.57	168.05	Keeping It Simple Group			SOBERSTOCK		
As Bill Sees It Mens -Odessa	200.00	400.00	Keystone Group		361.73	Sober on Sunday Group		
Attitude of Gratitude Group	100.00	400.00	Kingsway Group			Sobrenity Group		11.62
Back to Basics Group - Tampa			Lake Magdalene Group			Sobriety at Sunrise	60.00	210.00
Back to Basics Grp. PlantCity			Life Enrichment Group			Softball Tournament / CO	900.00	900.00
Barracks Brigade Group		25.00	Little Red Book Group	75.00	75.00	Solutions Group	523.64	1765.09
Bayshore Back to Basics		638.00	Live and Let Live Group	32.59	39.22	Southshore Men's Meeting		
Bel-Mar Group			Living in the Solution Group		500.00	Southside Men's Group		
Beginners Step Group	50.00	50.00	MacDill Group			Southside Men's Group # 2		
Bill D's Group	260.00	260.00	Mainely Sober Group - Zhills		3.73	Speaker Meeting (Our Club)		40.00
BIRTHDAY PLAN		88.00	Mapledale Group		130.00	Speaker Sisters in Sobriety		
Brandon Men's Blackbelt Mt.			Mid Day Matinee Group		1300.00	Spiritual Growth Group		
Brandon Sat. Night Group			Monday Nite Madness 3333		248.00	Spiritual Progress Goup		195.00
Brandon Tues. Big Book Grp			Morning Express Group		200.89	Step at a Time Group		260.00
Brandon Young @ Heart			Morning Group - Zephyrhills		100.00	Step Sisters in Sobriety		50.00
Bring Your Own Big Book Gp.			Morning Miracles Group		329.73	Stepping Stones Group (w)	30.00	60.00
By The Book Group			Mustard Seed Group		39.82	Sulphur Springs - Disbanded		
Came To Believe Group		325.00	New Beginnings - Brandon	195.00	195.00	Sun City Center Group		150.00
Cardinal Group - Odessa			New Beginnings-(Joes Club)	73.15	185.00	Sunday Speakers - 3333	60.00	240.00
Carrollwood Group			Newcomers Group (Joe's Club)			Sunshine Group		585.00
Carrollwood NS Group			New Day Group	60.00	314.00	Sunrise Meeting Our Club		
Challenge of Living Sober		50.00	New Way Women's Group			SWAMP Group (w)		
Clair-Mel Positive Thinkers Gp.			Nightly Newcomers Group		10.00	Tampa Bay Fall Roundup		
Clean Air Group (301)			Noon AA Meeting Brandon			Tampa Bay Young Peoples		623.08
Design for Living Grp - Joe's		50.00	Noon Big Book Group-The Club			Tampa Palms Big Book	65.00	124.00
Dover AA Group		53.05	Nooners Group	35.00	49.85	Temple Terrace Men's Group		
Druid Hills Group			Noontime Celebration Group		845.00	TGIS Women's Group		
Early Risers Group - Joe's	74.80	194.33	North Tampa Young & Restless			Thank God It's Friday		
Expect a Miracle Group		150.00	Northdale Group		130.00	The Meeting Place Group		25.00
FCYPAA Convention		304.53	Odessa Group		269.43	There is a Solution Conference		
Fireside Meeting	100.00	200.00	Old School Group	500.00	1000.00	Thurs. AM Discusion Group		9.39
Freedom in Sobriety Group			Oldtimer's Group - Joe's Club			Town & Country Step Group		
Friday Women's Friendship			On the Way Home -Tampa 5:30		601.90	Town & Country Wed. Group		
Gifts of Sobriety Group	177.00	336.00	One Day at a Time Group		150.00	Tuesday Night Big Book		
Good Start Group - YANA	286.28	286.28	Open Air Group - Gazebo			Tuesday Serenity Group		
Grupo Alegria de Vivir			Palma Ceia Group			Turning Point Group -Z-Hills		
Grupo Latino Sobriedad			Palma Ceia 12 Step Group			Uptowners Group		
Grupo Hispano Salvacion			Palma Ceia Big Book Study	200.00	200.00	Uptown/Downtown Group		
Grupo Mano Amiga			Pass It On Group - Plant City			Valrico Fri. Morning Group		71.00
Grupo Poco a Poco		15.00	Pilgrim Group - St Leo's Univ.			Valrico/Brandon Wed. Night Group		52.93
Grupo Una Dia Ala Vez. (PC)			Plank Owners Group		180.00	Village 12 Step Group		
Grupo Una Luz Enmicamino		5.00	Red Chip Day Donation			Wed.NightStep Wksp Joe's		50.00
Happy Hour Group - YANA			Red Door Group			Wednesday Night Women's Gp.		
Happy Hour Mtg.- Apollo Beach			Reflections Group - 3333			Weedpatch Group	55.00	85.00
Harbor Lights Group			Reflections Group-Lake Mag		130.00	Wellspring Group		
Helping Hands Gp.-Plant City	30.00	50.00	Riverside Group			Wesley Chapel Group		
Hide-A-Way Group			Riverview Sisterhood in Sobriety		58.00	West Side Winners Group		50.00
			Rush Hour Serenity Group	288.98	535.93	With Room to Grow Group		
						Women's Friendship Group	284.45	284.45
						Women's Perspective Conf		801.45
TOTAL	1,404.65		TOTAL	1571.72		Zephyrhills Big Book	75.00	150.00
	YTD TOTAL	6,776.24		YTD TOTAL	9093.68	TOTAL	2,053.09	
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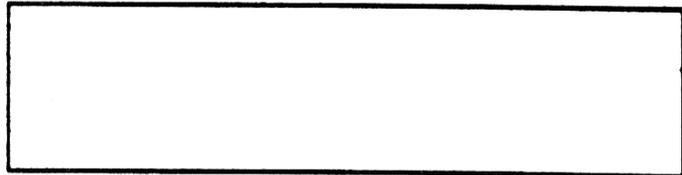
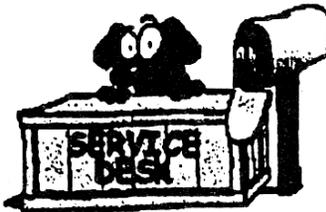
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