



# Tri-County Central Office News

Clarence S. "Home Brewmeister"

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## THE STEPS OF A.A. - AN INTERPRETATION

Alcoholics Anonymous is not a "booze cure" or a psychological means of controlling one's excessive or obsessive drinking. A.A. is a program, a life-changing program, and, in a great part, we owe our inception as a fellowship to our origin in the Oxford Group movement during the mid 1930's. The Oxford Group was designed as a Life Changing program- and we in A.A. have for our own uses and affiliation, modified their program, chiefly by designing our twelve step program in a manner that the alcoholic who feels he needs and wants a change from what they are experiencing, can comfortably accept and apply the program and thereby change their life. To do so, requires certain attitudes, willingness, and acts on our parts. We have simplified the program, in the feeling that any alcoholic with an alcohol problem can live a life free of the obsession to drink. Our program of the twelve steps is really accepted in four distinct phases, as follows:

- 1) Need (admission)
- 2) Surrender (submission)
- 3) Restitution
- 4) Construction and Maintenance

Phase #1 - Is covered in Step 1- "We admitted we were powerless over alcohol, that our lives had become unmanageable" - this step points out phase 1- or our own need - there is a need for a change !  
Phase #2 - Includes the 2nd through the 7th steps which constitutes the phase of submission.

Step#2 - "We came to believe that a power greater than ourselves could restore us to sanity." Since we could not manage our own lives, of ourselves, we found ourselves to be powerless over alcohol; we were encouraged by the power of example of someone or some others to believe that a power greater than ourselves could restore us to sanity. In this step, we have the "proof of the pudding" before we are asked to eat it!! Others tell us of their experiences and share their deepest feelings with us and those members are alcoholics such as we are, and there they stand, sober, clean-eyed, useful, confident and with a certain radiance we envy and really

want for ourselves. So, we **WANT** to believe it! Of course, some persons could conceivably be a bit more startled at first by the reference to "being restored to sanity," but most of us finally conclude that in hearing of some of the experiences our new friends had during their drinking careers were anything but the actions of a rational person, and when we reflect upon our own actions and deeds prior to our own introduction to A.A., it is not difficult to →

recognize that we too, were pretty well out in left field also! In fact, most of us are happy in the feeling that we were not really responsible for many of our past unpleasant and embarrassing situations and frankly, this step does much to relieve our feelings of guilt and self-condemnation.

Step #3 - "We made a decision to turn our **will and** our **lives** over to the care of God..." Now here is the step which separates the men from the boys (or the women from the girls) - this is the step which tells the story as to whether we are going to be **in** A.A., or **around** A.A. Yes, we can attend meetings, visit the clubs, attend the social functions, but, unless we really take step #3, we are continuing to make up our own program. Since our entire program is based upon dependence upon God and our lives are to be directed by Him! So, here we are, making a **decision** which in itself is quite an accomplishment for the alcoholic, since they are one of the most indecisive creatures in society, due to their incapacity to manage their own life due to their obsession- But- to make a decision to turn our life and our will over to the care of God- this creature in the far blue yonder, whom we have little acquaintance with and probably much fear of, this is really asking very, very much of an alcoholic! Rest assured, that if they are not ready, if they have not reached their "bottom" or extremity, and if they are not really "hurting more than they ever have," they are not about to take step #3. So - they go pretty much on their own as usual, except that they do have the advantage of better company than they had been associating with and this in time, could really foul up any type of drinking life they may have in the future! Another important feature enters here, in that they **know** now that there is a way out of their dilemma and this is bound to "work" on them as time goes on, if they have any pride at all in themselves! At this point their biggest problem is to overcome **FEAR** and "Let go and let God."

Step #4 - "Made a searching and fearless **Moral** inventory of ourselves." This is a step which should be taken with the assistance of a sponsor, or counselor who is well experienced in this changed life - due to the capacity of the alcoholic to find justification for about anything - a sponsor can bring up through sharing - many various moral weaknesses which need attention in their life and can smooth the way for the alcoholic to examine them in a frank fashion. The next step suggests that someone is helping with step #4 - since it reads as follows:

Step #5 - "Admitted to God, to ourselves, and to **another human being**, the exact **NATURE** of our wrongs." We put ourselves on record and leave no options or reservations! Note that it states,

**From the Central Office SERVICE DESK**  
A total of **562** phone calls were made to the Central Office in **FEBRUARY**  
**256** for info on AA,  
**4** for info on Al-Anon,  
**12** messages for other inquiries,  
**7** requesting a Twelfth Step call, **283** after Office Hours calls. There were **237** walk-ins visits as well.

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

Hello everybody! I am an alcoholic and my name is Annie L. First, I would like to report that today is April 25, 2009. Earlier today, the TBAIC had our monthly meeting. So, everything you are about to read, will pertain to any events leading up to today's date, and will not reflect anything that has happened after that. In an attempt to bring the readers up to date in a more timely fashion, this month's newsletter will be a combination of March and April. Moving forward, I will report one month at a time.

I would also like to mention that *there was an error in last month's treasurer's report published in the Tri-County Newsletter*. The literature expense was added, rather than subtracted, but that has been adjusted and corrected. The updated report is listed below, which reflects the YTD as of **APRIL 25, 2009**.

Now that I've cleared that up, let's talk about the committee! **MARCH**, was a busy month for the committee! Thank you to our newest volunteers that came to the orientation this morning. We would also like to thank all of the volunteers that made **Soberstock** so successful. The attendance exceeded 400 this year. The speakers and bands were phenomenal, and the weekend was a blast for everybody!

Joe L., reported that Pre-release was booming in March! There were 3 of the pre-release pamphlets received, which consisted of 2 men, and 1 woman. All 3 inmates are being contacted, and there should be enough time, before their release date, to build some sort of relationship with an AA member. Richard G. reported that all is going well in our juvenile facilities. We are still trying to coordinate a time to bring the meetings in to Gulf & Lake Academy. Buddy H. reported that Falkenburg men's meetings are going great! They are still holding a slot for a Spanish meeting. So, if you speak Spanish, and have a PV, please contact Buddy to get set up for this meeting. All mens and women's meetings at Orient are covered. Rob T. reported that all detox meetings are covered, but anyone is welcome to help with these meetings. The VA hospital has recently requested that meetings be brought to their patients. If you would like to get in to service, contact Rob T. Jill J. reported that women's prison meetings are doing well and starting to a rise in attendance. Cathleen C. was informed by Pasco County women's jail that MRSA is being spread throughout the facility, and that the women should not have any physical contact with each other during meetings, to prevent further infection. They need volunteers for women's meetings in Pasco! Contact Cathleen to get approved. It is a very simple process! Hillsborough County women's jail meetings are doing fine. Marc A. has stepped down from his position as Treatment Coordinator. Dick has volunteered to fill this position temporarily, until someone else volunteers to take over. Please contact Dick to find out what this position entails. We need your help! We will also need a new treasurer to fill in around June. If you are interested, please contact Mark L. to hear more about that.

Love & Service,  
 Annie L.

<b>Pink Can Donations YTD 2009</b>	<b>\$ 5,900.80</b>
<b>Less Prudent Reserve</b>	<b>- \$300.00</b>
<b>Less YTD Literature</b>	<b>- \$ 3,588.15</b>
<b>Less YTD Expenses</b>	<b>-\$ 249.83</b>
<b>Pink Can Current Balance</b>	<b>\$ 1,762.82</b>

**Next Committee Meetings**

May 30 and June 27th at 9:30 AM 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: 301 House, Noon Big Book @ 3333, Came to Believe Group, Expect a Miracle, Keystone Discussion Group, Midday Matinee, Old School Group, Riverside, Ruskin Fellowship (Sunday), Sober on Saturday, Soberstock, Sunshine Group, Thursday Night There is a Solution Group 3333, Wellspring Recovery Group.

**Current Service Opportunities**

Men's Pasco (LOL) Jail Coordinator... *Call Jack M.*  
 Treatment Coordinator... *Call Dick D.*  
 Alternate Treasurer... *come to next month's meeting!*

<b>TBAIC 2009 Committee Members</b>	
<b>Eric V. - Chair</b>	<b>813-277-4833</b>
<b>Tom F. - Alt Chair</b>	<b>813-818-4439</b>
<b>Mark L. - Treasurer &amp; Tom F. - Alternate</b>	<b>813-477-6855</b>
<b>Annie L. - Secretary</b>	<b>305-766-3297</b>
<b>Dick D. - Hills Jails - Emeritus</b>	<b>813-254-4423</b>
<b>Paul D. - Men's Orient Rd</b>	<b>727-385-5529</b>
<b>Buddy H. - Men's Falkenburg</b>	<b>813-871-2514</b>
<b>Annie L. - Hills Women's Jails</b>	<b>305-766-3297</b>
<b>Rob T. - Detox</b>	<b>813-453-6059</b>
<b>Jill J. - HCI Women's Prison</b>	<b>813-349-7048</b>
<b>Open - E Pasco Jail - Mens</b>	
<b>Cathleen C. - E Pasco Jail - Women's</b>	<b>813-727-1415</b>
<b>Tom D. - E Pasco Prison</b>	<b>813-782-7209</b>
<b>Open - Treatment</b>	
<b>Lindsay T. - Bridge The Gap</b>	<b>813-326-5408</b>
<b>Joe L. - Pre-Release</b>	<b>813-918-3489</b>
<b>Richard G. - Juvenile</b>	<b>813-784-1464</b>

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**NATURE** of our wrongs- not the wrongs themselves! We are not required to narrate details of our many indiscretions. Many of them we don't even remember, nor are conscious of. This is not a laundry for dirty linen; this is recognition of character defects, which need elimination or adjustments!

Step #6 - "Were **entirely** ready to have God remove **ALL** these defects of character." This step allows for no reservations. The alcoholic, being an extremist must go the whole route. We are not a bit ready, or about to be ready, but **entirely** ready to have God, not us, remove **ALL** these defects of character, (the interesting ones as well as the more damnable ones!).

Step #7 - "Humbly asked Him to remove our shortcomings." We tried to make no deal, as we did in the past when situations would overwhelm us. It was common to say- "Dear God, get me out of this mess and I will be a good boy (or girl), I will not do thus and such, etc., etc., etc., " **NONE OF THAT!** We humbly asked Him to remove our shortcomings. The Good Book assures us that anything we ask believing, we shall receive!

Step #8 - Begins our phase #3- that of restitution. So now we have admission in Step #1, Submission, Steps #2 through #7. Now for the Restitution in Steps #8 and #9.

Step #8 - "Made a list of **all persons** we had harmed and **became willing** to make **amends to them all**. Steps 8 and 9 should also be taken with the assistance of a knowledgeable sponsor or a counselor, since in our present state of impatience with almost complete lack of judgment; we could conceivably cause much harm in executing this phase of the program. Most of us probably have persons on that list whom we just do not want to have any contact with. The step states plainly - **ALL** persons we had harmed! Obviously some of these persons are not available, having passed on, or disappeared etc., so we must ask God to handle those details.

But step #9 states - "Made direct amends **Whenever Possible** except when to do so would injure them or others." We cannot and should not try to clear our slate or conscience at the expense of any others. This phase is very important and it eliminates the possibility of carrying over some details into our new life that could consciously come back to haunt or harm us in our new life. We are going into a new life, and we should "Let the dead bury the dead." Now that we have taken 9 steps!!! We have concluded 3 phases of our program. These 9 steps we have accomplished - so - **FORGET THEM!!!** They have required action and you have taken the action, so there is no need of repeating it! There are only two occasions when one must refer back to the first nine steps, #1- is in the event that the person "resigns and resumes," obviously they must start all over again! The other occasion when we may refer to the first nine steps is when we are trying to explain them to a new member and helping them with them.

So, now we have our last phase, that of **Construction** - Steps 10-11- and 12. →

With these steps, we construct our life. These are our living steps. We no longer must be concerned with 12 steps- **ONLY 3 STEPS!!** How simple, how wonderful!!

Step #10 - "Continued to take **personal** inventory, and when we were wrong, promptly admitted it." This step has absolutely no connection with step #4. Note, in step #4, it calls for a searching and fearless **Moral** inventory. This step calls for a **personal** inventory. This step is our daily check on ourselves.

This is our check on the small and large and otherwise details of my life **TODAY**. My simple way of handling step 10 may help someone, since I find that it is most adequate for me, and I prefer to keep things simple and uncomplicated. At night, after I am in bed, my day is over; I find this is one of my most important prayer times. I think about my day, what have I done, whom I have been with, what has transpired. Sometimes I find that I am not proud of something I have done today, and I owe someone an apology, I do not permit these things to go unattended. I have found that it is not the so-called "big" things which seriously affect the alcoholic in their new life, but the "little" things. They can go on and on and add up and become a real burden and eventually have drastic effects upon our new life. This is the reason for step 10, keep things "cleaned up," keep the walk swept! Maintain a good healthy attitude.

Step #11 - "Sought through Prayer and Meditation, to improve our conscious contact with God, praying **only** for knowledge of His will for us and the power to carry that out." This is a great step, first, because it brings us into a prayer life. Back in step #3, we made a decision to turn our life and will over to the care of God. In step #11, we receive our orders!! Let us break this step down and discover how it is both simple and profound. We are seeking something, seeking to improve our conscious contact with God. What does that mean? To me it means He is not in the far blue yonder, beyond reach, but right here, close where I can talk to Him and listen to Him (the Bible states that He is closer than hands and feet, and that is most close!). So, I am seeking to make this contact through Prayer and Meditation. What does this mean? To me, Prayer is talking to God, and Meditation is listening to Him! The good Lord endowed us with one mouth and two ears, which should suggest something to us!! We are enjoined- "Be Still" - and that is how we should be while listening! The answers surely will come if we but listen. Now, the step tells us what to pray for. "Only for knowledge of His will for us and the power to carry that out." Since we submitted ourselves and turned our will and life over to the care of God in phase #2- now we ask for His orders and strength to carry them out. We are promised that He will never expect anything from us that He won't give us the power to execute.

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**NOTES FROM INSIDE THE CENTRAL OFFICE**

March 10, 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
JOYCE Q.	TREASURER	KEYSTONE GROUP
JIM VK	BOARD MEMBER	CARROLLWOOD NS GROUP
Absent	BOARD MEMBER	NORTH TAMPA YOUNG & RESTLESS GROUP
RICK D.	BOARD MEMBER	EARLY RISERS GROUP
Absent	BOARD MEMBER	RIVERSIDE GROUP
JANIE M.	BOARD MEMBER	CAME TO BELIEVE GROUP
OPEN		
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The Board meeting opened in the usual matter with Al reminding everyone to turn off their cell phones and followed with the Serenity Prayer. Janie read the March Secretary report, followed by Joyce reading the Treasurer's report. Jim commented on the amount of sales for literature and Joyce announced that the Grapevine would be increasing their prices July 1, 2009. Tim also mentioned that World Services was also increasing their prices for literature at the same time. Everything is going up by a dollar or two dollars for each item. In "New Business", Tim brought up a request from the accountant to do another physical inventory in July. Much discussion followed. Joyce gave a brief report on her trip to the Quarterly this past April. Al commented that he would like to see the Archives Display changed around some with new material being put in. here was some discussion concerning the insurance for the Office Manager followed by discussion on other fund-raisers for Central Office, maybe even a dance. The Softball Tournament was the big topic at the Council meeting. The cut-off to sign up is April 29th. Buddy announced everything was ready to go, just need people to get their teams together and sign up. In "New Business" a request was made about the possibility of Central Office putting together a toll-free 24 hour answering service. Tim mentioned that we sort of already have that but it's not a toll free number. Tim mentioned that he would look into it. Several announcements were made for group activities and the meeting ended.

- Here are your Teams for the 2nd Annual Tri-County Central Office Softball Tournament –May 2, 2009**  
Gadsden Park—6901 South MacDill Avenue-Tampa  
Defending Champions 1. The Old School Group  
2. The Morning Miracles Group  
3. Tampa Bay Young People's Group  
4. Camel Tails from TBYPG  
5. The Solutions Group  
6. The Meeting Place Group  
7. The Red Door Group  
8. The Riverside Group  
9. The Good Start Group  
10. The Dry Dock Group (West Pasco)



March 10, 2009 the Central Office Representatives met:  
**COUNCIL MEMBERS REPRESENTING GROUP**

TIGGER F.	SOLUTIONS GROUP
KRISTIN R.	MONDAY NIGHT MADNESS GROUP
KITTY W.	LIFE ENRICHMENT GROUP
AL F.	SOBER @ 7 GROUP
JIM O'B.	TAMPA YOUNG PEOPLES GROUP
GARY N.	SAFE HAVEN GROUP
TONY J.	MORNING MIRACLES GROUP
DEBBIE M.	DISTRICT 2 LIAISON
BUDDY H.	TBAIC
CARLOS M.	5:45 NEW BEGINNINGS GROUP
JOHN D'P.	AS BILL SEES IT MEN'S GROUP
JOHN A.	OLD SCHOOL GROUP
JACK M.	WELLSPRING GROUP
JOHN W.	KEEP IT SIMPLE MEN'S GROUP
STEVE J.	ODESSA GROUP
STUART S.	EXPECT A MIRACLE GROUP
MARK H.	RIVERSIDE GROUP
LISA H.	DESIGN FOR LIVING GROUP
DYANN D.	NIGHTLY NEWCOMERS GROUP
FRANK B.	MIDDAY MATINEE GROUP
JUNE T.	SOBRENITY GROUP
LAFONDA B.	SOBRENITY GROUP

**Next General Service District 2 Meeting:**  
**May 3th, 2009**  
Bayshore Baptist Church  
3111 W. Morrison Ave.  
(Morrison & MacDill)  
GSR Sharing 3:30 pm  
Business Meeting 4:30 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.

**New meeting for the HEARING**  
**IMPAIRED**  
Open AA meeting  
Tuesday, 7:30 p.m.  
Old School Group  
133 Flagship Drive, Lutz, Florida

<b>ANNIVERSARY TIME</b>				<b>THE STEPS OF A.A</b> <small>continued from page 5</small>
GROUP	Honors To	Date	Years	
SAFE HAVEN GROUP	JAE D.	03/20/08	1 YR	<p>Now then, do you see any place in the step thus far to suggest we pray for sobriety? Of course not, and it is absolutely unnecessary - you <i>HAVE</i> sobriety. Thank Him for it - but it is pointless to pray for what you already have. The 11th step states very plainly <i>how to pray</i> and <i>what to pray for!!</i></p> <p>Step #12 - We have experienced 11 steps and something has happened to us. In fact, something happened at the end of step 9! Step 12 states very plainly - "Having had a Spiritual Experience as <i>the</i> result of these steps, we tried to carry this message to other Alcoholics and to practice these principles in <i>ALL</i> of our affairs."</p>
SAFE HAVEN GROUP	JAMES	03/19/08	1 YR	
SAFE HAVEN GROUP	ANNE D.	03/28/07	2 YRS	
SAFE HAVEN GROUP	LYNN B.	03/03/04	5 YRS	
SAFE HAVEN GROUP	JOANNE R.	04/01/08	1 YR	
SAFE HAVEN GROUP	KELLY P.	04/09/07	2 YRS	
SAFE HAVEN GROUP	AL P.	04/09/07	2 YRS	
SAFE HAVEN GROUP	SHANNON C.	04/27/01	8 YRS	
ATTITUDE OF GRATITUDE	MELINDA R.	03/03/05	4 YRS	
IN THE WIND GROUP	SHERRI T.	04/10/07	2 YRS	
IN THE WIND GROUP	APACHE	04/10/06	3 YRS	<p>What is a Spiritual Experience? That is the changed life we have been referring to. That is the change that comes to a person who has turned their will over to the care of God and continues to try and improve themselves, mentally, morally and spiritually. It states that we try to carry this message (not the alcoholic) to alcoholics. We practice these principles of love and service in all our affairs. Not just in A.A. meetings and associations, at home, at business, everywhere! What a blessing this fellowship is. What a great opportunity to love and be loved. Why cheat yourself? We have the prescription, the means of getting well, staying well, growing and best of all, <i>SERVING</i>. Come on in, the water's fine!! Friends are wonderful, the fellowship is distinct and GOD IS GREAT!!</p> <p>[This was transcribed from Clarence S. handwritten copy.]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Clarence's story is in the First Edition Big Book titled <b>"Home Brewmeister"</b></p>
EXPECT A MIRACLE	RHONDA J.	05/17/07	2 YRS	
EXPECT A MIRACLE	SARAH O.	05/20/74	35 YRS	
CAME TO BELIEVE GROUP	SHARON R.	05/22/08	1 YR	
CAME TO BELIEVE GROUP	PAUL H.	05/04/08	1 YR	
RUSH HOUR SERENITY	GEORGE T.	05/23/98	11 YRS	
RUSH HOUR SERENITY	BILL D.	05/18/86	23 YRS	
KEYSTONE GROUP	CONI B.	05/11/79	30 YRS	
KEYSTONE GROUP	GENE S.	05/12/74	35 YRS	
KEYSTONE GROUP	BARBARA C.	05/23/69	40 YRS	
SOBER @ 7 GROUP	MARC P.	05/01/07	2 YRS	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>SOBRENITY GROUP @1412 W. Waters</b> <b>Activities &amp; Events May, 2009</b> <b>Fri. 05/15 9:15p - 1:00a</b> <b>"MAY" I C UR TALENT OPEN MIC Night!</b> Bring your talent; Poetry, Play an instrument or sing, Share a poem or reading, Do some comedy! \$5.00 Suggested Donation. \$3.00 Food plate. No one turned away, all are welcome! 10pm &amp; Midnight Meetings will be held outside. Food, Fun, Fellowship. Please join us</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Sat. 05/30 8:15p - 9:15p</b> <b>ANNIVERSARY MEETING</b> Medallions for those celebrating in May, and cake and ice cream for all!! Share experience of many years of sobriety <b>ONE YEAR ANNIVERSARY!</b> Thanks Central office, and all the anonymous servants who made our first year at 1412 W. Waters so wonderful! Proceeds from door donations, 50/50's &amp; raffles fund future Sobrenity Group Activities. Thanks for your support. Please see us online at: <a href="http://sobrenity.org">sobrenity.org</a></p>
SOBER @ 7 GROUP	JIM G.	05/15/05	4 YRS	
SOBER @ 7 GROUP	CHRISTA G.	05/24/87	22 YRS	
SOBER @ 7 GROUP	PHILOMENA D.	05/28/79	30 YRS	
INTO ACTION GROUP	GEORGINE G.	05/20/05	4 YRS	
BARRACK'S BRIGADE	JEFF B.	05/01/06	3 YRS	
BARRACK'S BRIGADE	VONDA	05/02/99	10 YRS	
BARRACK'S BRIGADE	TOM L.	05/20/89	20 YRS	
BARRACK'S BRIGADE	BEE H.	05/27/86	23 YRS	
<p><b>Alpha Club Summer Cookout Sunday, May 31st, 2009</b> 4418-B Hubert Avenue —354-9337 Gratitude Meeting @ 10:00 am Cookout @ 12:00 (Noon) Speaker @ 1:00 pm—Shane S. from St. Pete Please bring a covered dish \$4.00 Donation</p>				

## 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

More Details to Follow - Soon  
Flyers available at Central Office

### **GOLF** "THE J. MENARD HAYS MEMORIAL 10TH STEP GOLF TOURNAMENT"

: \$70.00 Entry fee includes 18 holes  
of golf, cart and hamburgers.

: 1 p.m. Shotgun Start.

: Putting, nearest to the hole and  
long ball contests.

: Raffle for great prizes

**on Saturday, June 27th, 2009**

**at Rogers Park Golf Course in Tampa**

For Player/Team Application

Call or Stop by Club Yana @ 209 S. Tampania

Leave Message w/ Loueita 813-760-9052

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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>

### 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/>

### LIVE and LET LIVE SPRING FLING 2009

Fort Desoto Park

3500 Pinellas Bayway South

Tierra Verde, Florida 33715-2528

Shelter #2

Sunday

May 3, 2009

We'll begin at 11:00 AM

With Lunch at 12:30 PM

An Open Discussion Meeting at 2:00 PM

We will close down at 4:00 PM

(but stay as long as you want).

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.

Group	MARCH	Y T D	Group	MARCH	Y T D	Group	MARCH	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			Safe Haven Group		
12 Steps to Growth Group			I.D.A.A.	154.00	154.00	Saturday Night Fever Group		
2250 Group			In the Middle Group			Saturday Night Live Group		
A.A. 101 Group	65.00	130.00	Intergrupo Hispano de Tampa			SCC Steps to Sobriety		
A.A. 102 Group	79.00	79.00	Into Action Group	60.00	60.00	Serenity Sisters Group		
All Groups--			It's in the Book Men's Group			Sincerity Group		
Alpha Group	40.00	120.00	Just What I Wanted Big Book			Sisters In Sobriety Group (W)		
Anniversary Dinner 2009	55.00	2109.00	Keep It Simple/Pass It On R.		385.45	Sober At 7 Group	85.00	85.00
Annual Housecleaning Retreat		100.00	Keep It Simple - YANA			Sober on Saturday Group		157.50
Anonymous Donations	58.39	81.48	Keeping It Simple Group			SOBERSTOCK		
As Bill Sees It Mens -Odessa		200.00	Keystone Group	148.85	361.73	Sober on Sunday Group		
Attitude of Gratitude Group	100.00	300.00	Kingsway Group			Sobrenity Group		11.62
Back to Basics Group - Tampa			Lake Magdalene Group			Sobriety at Sunrise	60.00	150.00
Back to Basics Grp. PlantCity			Life Enrichment Group			Softball Tournament / CO		
Barracks Brigade Group		25.00	Little Red Book Group			Solutions Group	1,116.45	1241.45
Bayshore Back to Basics	638.00	638.00	Live and Let Live Group		6.63	Southshore Men's Meeting		
Bel-Mar Group			Living in the Solution Group		500.00	Southside Men's Group		
Beginners Step Group			MacDill Group			Southside Men's Group # 2		
Bill D's Group			Mainly Sober Group - Zhills		3.73	Speaker Meeting (Our Club)		40.00
BIRTHDAY PLAN	7.00	88.00	Maple Dale Group	130.00	130.00	Speaker Sisters in Sobriety		
Brandon Men's Blackbelt Mt.			Mid Day Matinee Group	1300.00	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	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
By The Book Group			Mustard Seed Group	39.82	39.82	Sulphur Springs - Disbanded		
Came To Believe Group	325.00	325.00	New Beginnings - Brandon			Sun City Center Group	150.00	150.00
Cardinal Group - Odessa			New Beginnings-(Joes Club)	77.97	111.85	Sunday Speakers - 3333	60.00	180.00
Carrollwood Group			Newcomers Group (Joe's Club)			Sunshine Group	585.00	585.00
Carrollwood NS Group			New Day Group		254.00	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	623.08
Design for Living Grp - Joe's		50.00	Noon Big Book Group-The Club			Tampa Palms Big Book Study	59.00	59.00
Dover AA Group	53.05	53.05	Nooners Group		14.85	Temple Terrace Men's Group		
Druid Hills Group			Noontime Celebration Group		845.00	TGIS Women's Group		
Early Risers Group - Joe's		119.53	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	269.43	There is a Solution Conference		
Fireside Meeting	100.00	100.00	Old School Group		500.00	Thurs. AM Discussion Group	9.39	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		159.00	One Day at a Time Group		150.00	Tuesday Night Big Book		
Good Start Group - YANA			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			Uptown/Downtown Group		
Grupo Mano Amiga			Pass It On Group - Plant City			Valrico Fri. Morning Group	71.00	71.00
Grupo Poco a Poco		15.00	Pilgrim Group - St Leo's Univ.			Valrico/Brandon Wed. Night	52.93	52.93
Grupo Una Dia Ala Vez. (PC)			Plank Owners Group	180.00	180.00	Village 12 Step Group		
Grupo Una Luz Enmicamino		5.00	Red Chip Day Donation			Wed. Night Step Workshop		50.00
Happy Hour Group - YANA			Red Door Group			Wednesday Night Women's Gp.		
Happy Hour Mtg.- Apollo Beach			Reflections Group - 3333			Weedpatch Group	30.00	30.00
Harbor Lights Group			Reflections Group-Lake Mag		130.00	Wellspring Group		
Helping Hands Gp.-Plant City	20.00	20.00	Riverside Group			Wesley Chapel Group		
Hide-A-Way Group			Riverview Sisterhood in Sobriety	58.00	58.00	West Side Winners Group	50.00	50.00
			Rush Hour Serenity Group		246.95	With Room to Grow Group		
						Women's Friendship Group		
						Women's Perspective Conf		801.45
						Zephyrhills Big Book		75.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,540.44</b>		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2418.07</b>		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3,211.85</b>	
	<b>YTD</b>			<b>YTD</b>			<b>YTD</b>	
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>5,371.59</b>		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>7521.96</b>		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>4982.42</b>
						<b>Grand Total for Month</b>	<b>7,170.36</b>	
						<b>Grand Total for Year</b>		<b>17875.97</b>